
RESURRECTION PARISH NEWSLETTER

APRIL 2010

MASTER PLANNING UPDATE

In the February newsletter, I shared with you the challenge to develop a Master Plan for our parish, Resurrection. Due to an increase in parish membership and the emergence of a number of different ministries, a comprehensive vision and plan of action is critical.

Toward that end, I also informed you of the selection of RDG-Planning and Design of Omaha to facilitate a master planning process. Schooled and experienced in church architecture, especially Catholic architecture, RDG will be of great importance as we consider facility renovation and facility expansion in the future.

During the weekend of April 17th-18th, Bob Krupa and Randy Milbrath of RDG will be with us to present the initial phase of this master planning process, namely, information gathering. What will Resurrection look like in three years, or six years, or even twelve years? What are the short-term and the long-term needs which must be addressed? Personal reflections will be welcomed. Written comments will be sought. On-line participation will be invited. Both individual and small committee (administration, activities, education, and liturgy) input will be acquired in order to begin to formulate some focus and some direction regarding our future together. Please know your participation and your feedback during this initial phase is pivotal.

We pray the Holy Spirit will be the living source of not only who we are, but also how we will live as disciples of Jesus, the Risen Christ. This is ultimately God's call to be responsible stewards of all of God's gifts. May we share these gifts for the betterment of our parish, Resurrection, and the betterment of our surrounding community.

Master Planning Committee Members

Jane Brown	Tom Noble
Randy Iversen	Mike Panowicz
Jason Langford	Kathy Ripp
Chris May	Mike Spilinek

Father Mike McDermott

HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

Help Needed! I'm in need of help for both the senior breakfast and Confirmation breakfast. This is a great opportunity for high school youth and their parents to get involved. Please let me know if you are available to help. Thanks!!!

Senior Recognition: Please mark your calendars for Sunday, April 11th. The High School Seniors will be recognized at the 8:30 AM Mass with a breakfast to follow Mass.

Confirmation Celebration: The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated on Sunday, May 2nd, at the 8:30 AM Mass with a breakfast to follow. Confirmation Retreat will be held on Sunday, April 25th from 5:00-8:00 PM with a meal at 5:00 PM and a closing Mass at 8:00 PM. Parents and sponsors are invited to attend the retreat.

Higher Ground: Registration is now taking place for Higher Ground 2010. High School students who have completed their sophomore year of high school through their freshman year of college are eligible to participate. More info and registration can be found on-line at www.gidiocese.org/youth. Financial aid is available. Please contact Michalene for more info. Higher Ground is a great opportunity for our youth to find a greater meaning to their faith life. If your child is a senior and has not made a Higher Ground week, they still have an opportunity to participate. Please consider this event as you are making your summer plans.

Annual Rummage Sale: The annual church rummage sale will be held Friday and Saturday, May 21st and 22nd. As you are working on your spring-cleaning, you may begin bringing your donations and placing them in the church basement. This is a great youth fundraiser and once again we thank you for your support!!

Many Blessings,
Michalene Iverson
Youth Director 382-5639

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: Registration for VBS will be the weekends of April 17th & 18th and April 24th & 25th after all the Masses. Cost is \$20.00 per student with a \$50.00 family maximum. Children of adults helping with VBS will not be charged.

Vacation Bible School is June 7th – 11th from 9:00 – 11:30 AM.

God Bless,
Therese Stump

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EASTER FLOWER ENVELOPES: Attached to this newsletter you will find an envelope for your donation to help defray the cost of decorating our Church for the Easter Celebrations. Your generosity is very much appreciated!!!! Just drop your envelope into the collection basket.

BRING EASTER EGGS ON EASTER SUNDAY: We have a tradition here at Resurrection to exchange Easter Eggs during the Sign of Peace on Easter Sunday. Please remember your eggs on this special day!

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

This month we will be having Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Tuesday, April 27th. Adoration is from 7:00 AM until 7:00 PM. Sign-up sheets will be in the foyer of the Church.

WELCOME TO OUR PARISH COMMUNITY - - - - -

William & Maureen Vanis 4030 West Capital Avenue 384-6573 St. Joseph's Mini-Parish	Scott & Heather Callihan and Traelynn 910 Centre Street 308 380-9215 St. Theresa Mini-Parish
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Mark & Melissa Stegman, Jacob & Jordan 4090 Craig Drive 308 379-2169 St. Theresa Mini-Parish	Justin & Anna Oseka 1709 Meadow Road 308 227-9562 St. Anthony Mini-Parish
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BAPTIZED INTO OUR CATHOLIC FAITH

Calvin Ahxel, son of Shane Lucas and Nicole Wichman
Shaylee Anne, daughter of Paul Lomasney and Angie Meister
Jacob Ronald William, son of Steven and Maria (Ragan) Beck
Carter Blasé, son of Cody and Kristen (Lewis) Hannon

RECYCLE FOR ADVENT EVENING: Your Altar Society is looking ahead and is asking everyone to collect the following items:

Clear 12 oz & smaller beverage bottle w/ lids; plastic containers & lids from sugar-free powdered drinks (ex. Crystal Lite); clear lids from chip canisters (ex. Pringles); liquid laundry soap lids without writing, any size or color; buttons & fabric ribbon; glass bottles from flavored coffees, salad vinegar, and cooking wine – bud vase size; Nativity Christmas card fronts. Recycled items can be dropped off in the kitchen at any time. Please place in the box marked “Advent Evening” under the serving counter.

Anyone interested in helping with Advent Evening, please contact Geri Zaruba 308 583-6776. Each year 35 adults and high school students are needed for the evening.

TAX STATEMENTS: If you are in need of a copy of your total contributions for 2009, please call the church office at 382-8644. A copy will be mailed to you.

FINANCE REPORT FOR FEBRUARY 2010

<u>INCOME:</u>		<u>EXPENSES:</u>	
Contributions	\$19,752.58	Salaries	\$ 5,641.83
Annual Appeal	\$ 9,986.50	Haiti	\$ 4,700.00
Haiti	\$ 937.00	Purchases/Services	\$ 2,943.65
Mission Hope	\$ 1,100.00	Materials/Supplies	\$ 2,499.07
Other	\$ 2,513.45	Central Catholic	\$ 6,816.17
Soup Supper	\$ 2,801.00	Other	\$ 5,792.93*
		To Investments	\$ 2,519.00
Total	\$37,090.53	Total	\$30,912.65

* This amount includes the purchase of a new snow blower for our church.

COFFEE & ROLLS

April	Pat & Geri Powers
May	Tom & Tracy Noble