Church of the Redeemer

Sarasota, Florida



Annual Parish Celebration

31 January 2021 10:10 AM

A Message from the Rector

Dear Redeemer Family,

In the words of Kool & the Gang, "It's a celebration!" Yes, we have much for which we must give thanks as a parish family. At a time when many parishes, and even entire dioceses, are facing incredible decline, due in part to COVID, Redeemer is growing, making new Christians and making all Christians new. Pray that Almighty God would give us the courage and vision to double-down on all fronts in 2021 – that each of us, and all of us collectively, would commit to reaching others with the message of the gospel.

My own personal prayer is that 2021 truly becomes the "Year of the Church." Join me in prayer (and action) this year so that more and more in our community are drawn to God's love, mercy, and grace through the Church. There are two types of people in Sarasota: Redeemerites and potential Redeemerites!

Redeemer stands at the intersection of hope and hell – as a literal and mystical body that can bring healing and grace to those who need it most. We should never forget that God is on our side, and that He has already given us the tools we need so that all "may know the power of His forgiveness and the hope of his resurrection."

Let us be about our Father's work, and let us prefer nothing else above it!

Your servant,

The Rev. Charleston D. Wilson

Opening Prayers

For the Church Officiant: Gracious Father, we pray for thy holy Catholic Church. Fill it with all truth, in all truth with all peace. Where it is corrupt, purify it; where it is in error, direct it; where in any thing it is amiss, reform it. Where it is right, strengthen it; where it is in want, provide for it; where it is divided, reunite it; for the sake of Jesus Christ thy Son our Savior. Amen.

For the Mission of the Church Officiant: Everliving God, whose will it is that all should come to you through your Son Jesus Christ: Inspire our witness to him, that all may know the power of his forgiveness and the hope of his resurrection; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

For the Parish Officiant: Almighty and everliving God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth, hear our prayers for this parish family. Strengthen the faithful, arouse the careless, and restore the penitent. Grant us all things necessary for our common life, and bring us all to be of one heart and mind within your holy Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Introduction of Wardens, Vestry, Clergy, and Staff

Attestation of By-Laws Chancellor Michael Hartenstine

Sr. Warden's Remarks Mrs. Janet Trefry

Jr. Warden's Remarks Mr. Douglas Spangler

Treasurer's Report Mrs. Dora Thomas

Volunteers of the Year Father Wilson

The Rector's Address to the Parish Father Wilson

The Necrology 2020

Craig R. Anderson

Frank R. Anderson

James P. Benko

Frank Braden

Imogene Brower

Susan Carpenter

James L. Goebel

George Greene

Richard Hamlin

Jerry P. Hill

Carol W. Hunter

Charles L. Latimer

John Mike Lineweaver

Jack Lee Morgan

Mrs. Adele Pardee

Mrs. Katherine R. Porter

Milton R. Rauch

Kenneth G. Rimmer

M. Elaine Robbins

The Rev. Franklin Robinson

Gayle S. Salmon

William A. Segraves

Donald Skinner

Marilyn Terreault

M. Kay Westendorf

Nancy White

Jean B. Wisniewski

Margaret P.Wood

For the Saints and Faithful Departed

Officiant: We give thanks to you, O Lord our God, for all your servants and witnesses of time past: for Abraham, the father of believers, and Sarah his wife; for Moses, the lawgiver, and Aaron, the priest; for Miriam and Joshua, Deborah and Gideon, and Samuel with Hannah his mother; for Isaiah and all the prophets; for Mary, the mother of our Lord; for Peter and Paul and all the apostles; for Mary and Martha, and Mary Magdalene; for Stephen, the first martyr, and all the martyrs and saints in every age and in every land. In your mercy, O Lord our God, give us, as you gave to them, the hope of salvation and the promise of eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the first-born of many from the dead. *Amen.*

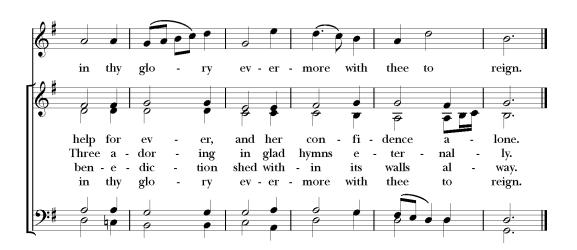
The General Thanksgiving

Officiant and people: Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we thine unworthy servants do give thee most humble and hearty thanks for all thy goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all men. We bless thee for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for thine inestimable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ, for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we beseech thee, give us that due sense of all thy mercies, that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful; and that we show forth thy praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to thy service, and by walking before thee in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.



Closing Hymn: Hymnal 518.....Westminster Abbey





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2020 Parish Highlights

New members 108
Baptisms 26
Weddings 6
Total baptized members 2,492

The Mission of Church of the Redeemer:

To build up the Body of Christ by Word and Sacrament, equipping the people of God for the work of ministry, that Jesus Christ may be known, loved, worshipped, and obeyed in our homes and parish, community and diocese, and throughout the world.

The Rt. Rev. Dr. Dabney T. Smith, Bishop of the Diocese of Southwest Florida
The Rev. Charleston D. Wilson, Rector
The Rev. Christian M. Wood, Assistant Rector
The Rev. Mario Castro, Priest Associate for Hispanic Ministry
The Rev. Richard B. Lampert, Priest Associate for Pastoral Care
The Rev. Ralph W. Strohm, Priest Associate

Jacki Boedecker, Director of Children's Christian Formation
Daniel Cartlidge, Associate Choirmaster and Contemporary Music Director
Caroline Devitt, Communications Assistant
Sam Nelson, Organist-Choirmaster
Jackie Overton, Youth Minister
Dr. Ann Stephenson-Moe, Organist-Choirmaster Emeritus
Suzi Terres, Director of Event Services
John Walsworth, Business Manager

THE LORD'S DAY MASSES The Eve ~ Saturday

5:30 PM - Contemporary Eucharist (Rite Two)

The Day ~ Sunday

7:30 AM - Holy Eucharist (Rite One) 9:00 AM - Choral Eucharist (Rite Two) 11:00 AM - Choral Eucharist (Rite One) 1:00 PM - *Misa en español*

VESTRY

Janet Trefry, Senior Warden; Douglas Spangler, Junior Warden;

Kenneth Bailey, Brigham Clegg, Patricia Donnelly, MaryPage Hill, Kathryn Hollingsworth, Antonio Leal, Marsha Nippert, Richard Scantlebury, Susie Shugg, Marsha Thompson Chancellor: Michael Hartenstine, Clerk: MaryPage Hill, Treasurer: Dora Thomas

We are grateful for the contributions of the following retired clergy in residence:

The Rev. Dr. Fredrick A. Robinson, *Rector Emeritus*The Rev. A. Milton Cheney, The Rev. Canon Michael P. Durning,

The Rev. C. Read Heydt, The Rev. Clayton Knapp,

The Rev. Robert E. Sullivan, The Rev. Canon Everett P. Walk

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