

Resurrection Catholic Church

Pastoral Care Ministries

As Christians, we care for one another's spiritual and physical needs. These are also Corporal Works of Mercy. The ministries that combine both works are collectively called the Pastoral Care Ministry. They include the following ministries:

- **Pastoral Calls** – Pastoral Call team consists of ministers who make phone calls to parishioners who are homebound, often in recovery from health situations or with persistent health issues that keep them from church. We check in on them to determine if they have any needs, but most importantly to offer them the love and care of their parish. **Maria Thackston 540.420.1508**
- **Communion to the Sick** – Volunteers bring the Eucharist to parishioners who are temporarily or permanently housebound. They attempt to match volunteers with recipients who live in the same county. Bedford or Franklin. **Acting leader Maria Thackston 540.420.1508**
- **Funerals and Grief** – Families are guided through the process of planning a dignified Catholic funeral--choosing everything from music, to readings, tributes, and those they would like to participate. The family is given direction and support through this difficult time. **Diane Burakow Chair 202.359.8335**
- **Lazarus Committee** – Teams of about 4 volunteers plan a funeral reception for the family and friends of the deceased. Each team has a leader who together with the Funeral Coordinator, plans the food for the number of those attending. The team sets up, gives fellowship to those attending, and cleans up. Parishioners are asked to contribute finger foods and desserts. The church provides sandwiches and beverages, etc. For the families of the deceased, this takes a great burden off them and gives comfort in their difficult times. **Diane McVaney**
- **Healing Prayer** – This group offers prayer with and for any parishioner who is in need. Prayer requests are confidential unless the person gives permission to share the purpose with others.
- **Ministry of Caring (MOC)** – A lay ministry of RCC partnered with Trinity Ecumenical Parish to provide short-term help for families in need of things such as transportation to the doctor or hospital, a meal for someone just home from the hospital, respite time for the caregiver, etc. **JoAnn Ackermann, RCC Chairperson Becky Fuzi, TEP Chairperson**
- **Pastoral Care Team** – This ministry works with parishioners in crisis who feel they need someone in their corner. We provide a sympathetic ear for as long as the situation exists. There is a promise of confidentiality. Our members can also bring communion to the person they are matched with. The Chair is **Carolyn Hartko**.
- **Sunshine Committee** – This group brings a bit of sunshine to parishioners in the form of cards for birthdays, get well messages, and "thinking of you". Cards are donated by parishioners. This is done by **Margaret DeWitt and Jean Hill** (NOTE: Parish Community Life)

If any of these ministries interest you, please sign your name and contact information and the ministry or ministries you would like to take part in. God bless you for your consideration.

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"This I command you, to love one another as I have loved you."