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THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST — JUNE 18, 2017

**THE BLESSED
SACRAMENT
IS AT THE
HEART OF
OUR WORSHIP**

"The Jews quarreled among themselves, saying, 'How can this man give us his flesh to eat?'" From the beginning, the Eucharist has been a source of controversy. Some people have always found the teaching difficult to accept. But as Catholics, the Blessed Sacrament is at the heart of our worship and our spirituality; we go to Mass to share in the holy sacrifice of Jesus' body and blood, and we receive spiritual nourishment from partaking of this heavenly food. As Jesus himself tells us in today's Gospel, "Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him."

From this passage it is clear that Jesus intended the Eucharist to be a tremendous gift for us, for "whoever eats this bread will live forever." This of course is because the bread is Christ's "flesh for the life of the world." In other words, just as he gave his body on the cross to save us from our sins, so too this same flesh is given for us at every Mass to strengthen our weakness and unite us more deeply to our Savior.

Receiving Communion isn't like taking a magic pill, however. We must beware of reducing this sacrament to an empty ritual or a foolproof guarantee of heaven. No, it is quite possible to receive Communion unworthily and reject its spiritual efficacy. Just like the benefits of a healthy meal can be undone by a habit of binging on junk food, so too we can prevent holy Communion from having its full benefits when we crowd our souls with vices and sins. If, on the other hand, we wish to let this sacrament of divine grace flourish, we should receive it with a sincere spirit of gratitude and reverence, praying that we may be made worthy to receive such a gift.

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WEEKEND MASSES:

Saturdays at 5:00 p.m.

Sundays at 7:30 and 10:00 a.m.

Holy Days at 9:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.

WELCOME!

If you are new in the Parish, please register and introduce yourself to the Pastor. The Parishioners wish to meet and serve you! Drop by at a Pancake Breakfast after the Sunday Mass, per the Calendar online or as announced inside the bulletin. We hope you will favor our Parish with your prayers, your presence, your talents and your financial assistance according to your means!

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION):

Saturday 4:15 p.m. — 4:45 p.m.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

Please call the rectory (860-748-4560) to arrange for a meeting with the Pastor.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:

Arrangements must start more than 6 months before marriage. Necessary interviews, a pre-cana course and plenty of paperwork is required. We strongly urge you to contact us to begin the Diocesan preparation course as soon as you are engaged to get the most out of it without rush.

CHURCH MEMBERSHIP:

The Sacramental Guidelines define Church Membership in terms of Sunday Mass attendance and Church support. For membership verification and sponsorship certificate, registration and regular use of the envelope system are the only way we have of verifying this for you. Please notify us if there are changes in your address, marital status, etc., so that we may update your records.

VISITATION TO THE SICK:

We are most anxious to help anyone who is not able to celebrate Mass with us in Church due to illness, handicapped or age. If you wish the Sacraments, please call 860-748-4560.



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JUNE 17 — 18, 2017

USHERS GROUP II

2ND COLLECTION — MAINTENANCE COLLECTION

SATURDAY, JUNE 17

5:00 P.M. Mass offered for †Christine Carlone request of Catherine Depathy

Altar Servers: Patti Cinea

Lectors: Patti Cinea

Eucharistic Minister: Patti Cinea, Annedda Stiller

SUNDAY, JUNE 18

7:30 A.M. Mass offered for †Michael Kurys request of Maryanne Murphy

Altar Servers: Shirley Holbrook

Lector: Judy Trzcinski

Eucharistic Minister: Arlene Giglio, Linda Richardson

10:00 A.M. Mass offered for †Barbara and †Donald Sullivan request of Patrick and Daniel Sullivan

Altar Servers: LeeAnn & Ben Snuffer

Lector: Lee Snuffer

Eucharistic Minister: Sharon Scorso, Kathleen Smythe

CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY after Mass

5:30 P.M. EVENING PRAYER

MONDAY, JUNE 19

9:00 A.M. Mass offered for All Parishioners of St. Maurice Church

TUESDAY, JUNE 20

9:00 A.M. Mass offered for All Parishioners of St. Maurice Church

7:00 P.M. KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BUSINESS MEETING

7:15 P.M. ADULT CHOIR REHEARSAL

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21

9:00 A.M. Mass offered for All Parishioners of St. Maurice Church

9:00 A.M. CHRISTMAS FAIR WORKSHOP

7:00 P.M. BIBLE STUDY AT THE PARISH CENTER

THURSDAY, JUNE 22 — NO MASS

FRIDAY, JUNE 23 — NO MASS

SATURDAY, JUNE 24

4:30 P.M. ROSARY BEFORE 5:00 P.M. MASS

Eucharistic



Saint Maurice Church First Friday, Eucharistic Adoration

Beginning July 7th 7:00 pm – 8:00 pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament the first Friday of every month.

“O Most Holy Trinity, I adore You; my God, my God, I love You in the Most Blessed Sacrament.”

Our Lady of Fatima

Newly Baptized



Lillian Winters was baptized on Sunday, June 4th

Please welcome and pray for her, the newest member of our Saint Maurice Parish Community!

STEWARDSHIP

Last week's Offertory: June 11 — \$2,549 Projected Amount needed \$2,980

“Because there is one bread, we who are many are one body, for we all partake of the one bread.” 1 CORINTHIANS 10:17

As disciples of Jesus, we are called to lead holy lives and invite others to join us. Living a stewardship lifestyle, being grateful and generous with our gifts, serves a twofold purpose. One, it helps build God's kingdom here on earth. Two, it is a road map to Heaven. Let's help each other get there!

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Parish Membership Form

Drop in collection ^

Please enroll the following as members of the Church of St. Maurice:

Adults _____

Children (under 18) _____

Street Address _____ E-mail Address _____

City State Zip _____ E-mail Address _____

Home phone _____ Cell phone _____

Send offertory envelopes _____ Send form for EFT (electronic donation) _____ We will Donate Online _____

We can help out as: Altar server _____ Lector _____ Usher _____ Eucharistic Minister _____ Choir _____ Crafts workshop _____

FROM SAINT MAURICE PARISH



ST. MAURICE PRAYER LINE

Please remember all the special intentions on the St. Maurice Prayer Line.

Prayer Line - Charlie, Delores, Kathy, Mike, Robert, Pete, Arlene

Special prayers for Cody, Nick, Noah, Joshua, Beth, Jim, Cheryl

Special prayers for Lillian who was Baptized on Sunday, June 4th and prayers for her family.

Special prayers for those who are attending Mass at our church for the first time. May they and their families be blessed and their prayer requests be granted.

Special prayers that all people of the Diocese of Norwich will move forward together into the future, helping one another through difficulties, rejoicing together over our abundant blessings, and being confident always of God's love and mercy.

Prayer shawls are available upon request

Thank you. Carol & Mary Ann



ALTAR SERVERS NEEDED

We are in need of new servers for our parish. Youth who have made their First Holy Communion and have expressed interest in and commitment to the duties of this ministry are encouraged to serve. We will offer training classes and mentoring by an experienced server. If interested there will be sign-up sheets in the vestibule.

Please contact Fr. Leon or Amie Tillmann (saintmauriceccd@gmail.com) if you have any questions.



TEACHERS NEEDED

Faith Formation

We are in need of teachers and substitute teachers for the 2017/2018 CCD year.

This is a great opportunity to learn more about your faith and grow closer to our Lord while being a positive influence in our young parishioners' lives. We realize this is a big commitment and sometimes difficult with busy schedules. Ideally, we would like enough volunteers to allow two teachers per class so the responsibilities can be shared.

Classes are held on Sunday mornings from 9:00 - 9:45 a.m. Currently, there are 23 classes scheduled to run from September 24, 2017 through April 29, 2018. All teaching materials will be supplied and training will be available.

Please contact Amie Tillmann

(saintmauriceccd@gmail.com) for more information if you think that the Lord may be calling you to this valuable service in the faith of our children

Father Leon is available at all time for any Spiritual needs, to call or meet with him personally, you're always welcomed. Reach him direct at (860) 748-4560.

FROM THE DIOCESE OF NORWICH

2017 WORLD COMBINED COLLECTION

The Combined Collection for World Charities will be held next weekend. Your contribution will provide assistance to the Catholic Relief Services Collection, the Campaign for Human Development, Aid to the Church in Central and Eastern Europe, and The Holy Land. Most of you should have received information in the mail about this collection. Please read this material and bring your contribution envelope to Liturgy next week, June 24th and 25th. Envelopes will also be available at church. Your support and generosity are essential to these programs of the Universal Church.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

"I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever." Let the Lord feed and support your marriage by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next WWME Weekends are Jul 7-9, 2017 in Manchester, CT and Nov 3-5, 2017 in Manchester, CT. For more information, call Dennis & Jane Lamondy at 860-481-3720 or visit us at <https://wwmectw.org/>.

Thank You Concert For Our Active and Retired Religious

Sunday June 25, 2017, 2-4 p.m.

The Garde Arts Center, New London

Featuring Composer and Holy Cross Professor Matthew Jaskot

Religious are FREE, Tickets are \$20- in advance, \$25- at the door. People involved in Music Ministry in the Norwich diocese \$15.

Purchase through the Office of Faith Events

860-848-2237, ext. 312

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

A Catholic-based Bereavement Support group meets the 3rd Thursday of each month at three alternating diocesan parishes. The next meeting is Thursday, June 15 from 7-8:30 P.M. at St. Mary's Parish Center, 23 Marshall St., Putnam, CT. For more information, contact Catholic Family Services at 860-848-2237, ext. 306.

Defending Our Religious Liberty

At the annual Conference of the Academy of Catholic Theologians, Archbishop William E. Lori, asserted that *religious* institutions such as parishes, schools, and charities can no longer pretend that these are ordinary times. They must be robust in their Catholic identity and missionary zeal. He says when parishes lose their evangelizing edge or schools and charities become too much like their secular counterparts, we run the risk of surrendering, bit by bit, our religious freedom. He advises us all to build bridges, reach out in friendship to those we disagree with, but in the process let us not forget or surrender who we are. That is why our parishes and all our institutions need to undergo what Pope Francis calls "a missionary conversion." Let us pray that the revised health care mandate reinstates religious freedom.

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