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NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME — AUGUST 13, 2017

FAITH
TO WEATHER THE
STORM

"Peter got out of the boat and began to walk on the water toward Jesus. But when he saw how strong the wind was, he became frightened." How can we describe Peter? At once faithful and fearful, his jumbled responses remind us that he was no spiritual superman, well intentioned though he may have been. Peter wanted to believe, and in fact showed a great deal of confidence in Christ, but the temptation to doubt was strong enough to knock him off his feet, literally.

"O you of little faith, why did you doubt?" Jesus reprimanded Peter. The words seem harsh. After all, Peter was the only one who had enough faith to even try something as ludicrous as stepping out of the boat onto the water in the first place. But perhaps Jesus wanted to emphasize that our faith needs to be strong enough to weather the storm, so to speak.

If we only believe in Jesus when the wind is calm and the waves are gone, is that truly having faith in him? Is that actually trusting in his supreme power over the forces of the universe? Peter began to sink as soon as a challenge appeared. Jesus called him, and he calls us, to stay on our feet even when the winds begin to blow. So, what are the winds that threaten our faith? What kinds of gusts are blowing today? Whatever it might be--health problems, financial concerns, relational struggles--none of it is too much for Jesus to handle. But we must step out in faith and trust him! And we need to keep our eyes on him as we do so, instead of getting distracted by the force of the challenges we face. Jesus is bigger than any problem. We have nothing to fear as long as we are walking towards him.

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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.

**NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
AUGUST 12 — 13, 2017
USHERS GROUP II**

SATURDAY, AUGUST 12

5:00 P.M. Mass offered for All Parishioners of St. Maurice Church

Altar Servers: Patti Cinea
Lectors: Patti Cinea
Eucharistic Minister: Patti Cinea

SUNDAY, AUGUST 13

7:30 A.M. Mass offered for All Parishioners of St. Maurice Church

Altar Servers: Shirley Holbrook
Lector: Judy Trzcinski
Eucharistic Minister: Arlene Giglio
10:00 A.M. Mass offered for †Barbara and †Donald Sullivan request of Patrick and Daniel Sullivan

Altar Servers: Ben & LeeAnn Snuffer
Lector: Evelyn O'Connor
Eucharistic Minister: Clifford Scorso

CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY *after Mass*

5:30 P.M. **EVENING PRAYER FROM THE LITURGY OF THE HOURS**

MONDAY, AUGUST 14

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

TUESDAY, AUGUST 15

THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
(Holy day of obligation)

9:00 A.M. Mass offered for †Rev. Robert Cronin request of Mary Mumford

Altar Servers: Shirley Holbrook
Lector: Evelyn O'Connor
Eucharistic Minister: Linda Richardson, Arlene Giglio

7:00 P.M. Mass offered for All Parishioners of St. Maurice Church

Altar Servers: Emilia & Marta Herasimowicz
Lector: Jeffrey Monroe
Eucharistic Minister: Georgette Pelletier, Kathleen Smythe

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 16

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

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

THURSDAY, AUGUST 17 — NO MASS

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

FRIDAY, AUGUST 18 — NO MASS

SATURDAY, AUGUST 19

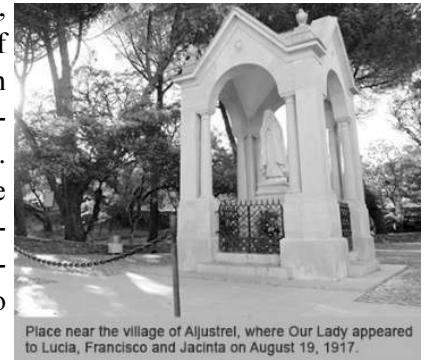
4:30 P.M. ROSARY BEFORE 5:00 P.M. MASS



THE FOURTH APPARITION OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA

August 13 and 19, 1917

On the 13th of August, the children would face their greatest trial. The mayor of the district of Fatima, a former Catholic turned atheist, and high mason, invited to drive the three young visionaries to the apparition site in his car where the crowds awaited. However, he kidnapped the children, and detained them in jail. He individually interrogated them and threatened to kill them if they did not reveal the Secrets Our Lady imparted on them and state they had lied about the visions. Neither did Lucia, Francisco nor Jacinta reveal or recant. They were detained for 2 days, then released. The next Sunday, on the 19th, the Virgin Mary unexpectedly appeared to the children and again, called them to prayer, devotion to Our Lady of the Rosary, and to plan for a chapel to be constructed on that site. She also told them the last month of the apparitions, she would perform a great miracle so that all may believe.



Place near the village of Aljustrel, where Our Lady appeared to Lucia, Francisco and Jacinta on August 19, 1917.

STEWARDSHIP

Last week's Offertory: August 6 — \$2,618
Projected Amount needed \$2,980

"He said, "Come". Peter got out of the boat and began to walk on the water toward Jesus."

- MATTHEW 14:29

When you hear Jesus calling, do you responded immediately and trust that He knows what He's doing? If so, you are walking on water! When we say "yes" to Jesus, we feel the power of his presence in our lives. We can feel the freedom it gives us! Listen how Jesus is calling you to live the extraordinary life He has in mind for you.

^ Tear off

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 _____

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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.

Especially the new requests for this week: Sylvia, Marget, Sandra, Mary, Ellie, Nancy,

Bud and his family, Frank, Beth, Elaine, Joseph, Francis. And for candle intentions: for a recovering soldier, Joseph, Molly, Gary, Michael, Ann.

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

FAITH FORMATION



Faith Formation

Our Faith Formation classes will begin on Sunday, September 24th. To enable us to more accurately determine and prepare for the needs of new and returning students, we ask families to register for classes as soon as possible.

Registration forms are available in the back of the church and online at www.saintmauricebolton.org. Completed forms can be returned to the church office or simply dropped in the collection basket at any mass. For questions regarding Faith Formation, please contact Amie Tillmann at saintmauriceccd@gmail.com



BIBLE STUDY

A Comparative Review of the Gospels with Father Leon

**In the Parish Center every other Wednesday through September
Next session August 16th 7:00 p.m.**

"Ignorance of Scripture is ignorance of Christ."

St. Jerome

ALTAR SERVERS NEEDED

We need new servers for our parish. Youth who have made their First Holy Communion are encouraged to serve. We will offer training classes and mentoring by an experienced server. If interested there are sign-up sheets in the vestibule. Please contact Fr. Leon or Amie Tillmann

(saintmauriceccd@gmail.com)

if you have any questions.

Father Leon is available at all times 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



Worldwide Marriage Encounter

"After the fire there was a tiny whispering sound.

When he heard this, Elijah hid his face in his cloak and went and stood at the entrance of the cave." Help each other hear God's plan for your marriage by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next WWME Weekends are Nov 3-5, 2017 in Manchester, CT and Sep 15-17, 2017 in Huntington, NY. For more information, call Dennis & Jane Lamondy at 860-481-3720 or visit us at <https://wwmectw.org/>.

TRUST IN THE MERCY OF GOD'S LOVE

If you are carrying the grief and sorrow of past abortions and seek healing and forgiveness, call Project Rachel, a post-abortion healing ministry. Priests in the Project Rachel ministry are there for you with God's Grace and Mercy. Call 860-861-4439. All calls are confidential.

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Saturday, October 21, 2017

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Defending Our Religious Liberty

When revising the current federal health care bill, the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops is asking Congress to address the Affordable Care Act's (ACA) moral deficiencies and challenges with long-term sustainability. Problems with the ACA should be fixed with more narrow reforms and in a bipartisan way.

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