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Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time • August 22, 2010

Good News!

August 22, 2010

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Is 66:18–21 / Heb 12:5–7, 11–13 / Lk 13:22–30

The disciples ask Jesus if many will be saved. He responds that many will not come into the kingdom. He later describes how people will come from north and south, from east and west, from everywhere, to eat at the great banquet of God. Jesus doesn't say how many will make it. He describes the path they will take.

Christ calls us to see the connection of discipline and love. Are we able to walk this path?

We know already what it is to strive for a goal. An athlete may love her sport but be exhausted from practice. Training eyes and hands to react consistently and to place the ball in a small target will mean sweat and fatigue, even blisters and failures along the way. But love of the game will keep her on the path.


Musicians know that hours of rehearsal can grow tedious. Fingers ache after repeating the same patterns. They cramp and quit. But love of music draws the musician to return again and again to practice.

The beauty of a dancer's seemingly effortless steps—the graceful image that brings music and light and movement into harmony—come after years of discipline.

We know that what is worth achieving takes effort, practice, and discipline. What our heart wants most deeply will eventually require what is deepest in us. It may be painful to bring our deepest love out into the air and light.

Could we be happy, could we be fulfilled, settling for less? The kingdom of God is calling what is deepest in us. My son, do not disdain the discipline of the Lord or lose heart when reproved by him; for whom the Lord loves, he disciplines.

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WEEKEND MASSES:
Saturdays at 4:00 PM
Sundays at 8:45 AM
Holy Days - 9:00 AM & 7:00 PM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION)
Saturday from 3:00 P.M. to 3:45 P.M.
Also by appointment.

BAPTISMAL INITIATIONS:
Please call the rectory (643-4466).
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.

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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.

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 our Coffee Social after the Sunday Masses on 2nd Sunday of the month and Pancake Breakfast every 4th Sunday. We hope you will favor your parish with your prayers, your presence, your talents and your financial assistance according to your means!

VISITATION TO THE SICK
We are most anxious to help anyone who cannot celebrate Mass with us in church because of illness, handicapped or age. If you wish the Sacraments, please call.

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Jesus passed through towns and villages, teaching as he went and making his way to Jerusalem. Someone asked him, "Lord, will only a few people be saved?" He answered them, "Strive to enter through the narrow gate." - Lk 13:22-24a

Readings for the Week of August 22, 2010

Sunday: Is 66:18-21/Heb 12:5-7, 11-13/Lk 13:22-30
 Monday: 2 Th 1:1-5, 11-12/Mt 23:13-22
 Tuesday: Rv 21:9b-14/Jn 1:45-51
 Wednesday: 2 Th 3:6-10, 16-18/Mt 23:27-32
 Thursday: 1 Cor 1:1-9/Mt 24:42-51
 Friday: 1 Cor 1:17-25/Mt 25:1-13
 Saturday: 1 Cor 1:26-31/Mt 25:14-30
 Next Sunday: Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29/Heb 12:18-19, 22-24a/
 Lk 14:1, 7-14

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NEXT WEEK**TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME****SATURDAY, August 28**

4:00 p.m. Mass offered for Ivan and Clifford Fournier; and for Carl Leiner and Thomas Kurys

Altar Servers: Maria Cinea and Stephanie Leiner**Lector:** Dolores Betti**Eucharistic Ministers:** Linda Wiley, Patti Cinea, and Georgette Pelletier**SUNDAY, August 29**

8:45 a.m. Mass offered for Benny Pagani, Jr.; and for Mary Sheridan

Altar Server: Angelica Czercowy and Kimberly Newton**Lector:** Paul Brown**Eucharistic Ministers:** John and Rita Sheetz, and Kathleen Smythe**THIS WEEK****TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME***August 21st and August 22nd***USHERS GROUP II****SATURDAY, August 21:**4:00 p.m. Mass offered for Robert Rouleau requested by St. Maurice Finance Committee; and for Leigh Ferguson, 2nd Anniversary, requested by Mary Ann Ferguson**SUNDAY, August 22:**

8:45 a.m. Mass offered for Vincenty Szwed requested by Lucy Szwed and Family

MONDAY, August 23:

No Mass

TUESDAY, August 24:

9:00 a.m. Mass offered for John Lupacchino requested by Dorli and Lou Cloutier

WEDNESDAY, August 25:

9:00 a.m. Mass at Sacred Heart Church

9:00 a.m. – Noon Christmas Fair Workshop in the Church Basement

*No Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until further notice.***THURSDAY, August 26:**

7:00 p.m. Mass at Sacred Heart Church

FRIDAY, August 27:

9:00 a.m. Michele Rouleau Rios requested by the Armstrong Family

SATURDAY, August 28:

3:30 - 3:45 p.m. Confessions

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**TWENTIETH ANNUAL BLUE MASS
FOR ALL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2010 ~ 10:15 a.m.**

All law enforcement officers (federal, state, and municipal, active and retired) and their families are invited to the Nineteenth Annual Blue Mass and Reception, Sunday, September 26, 2010, in the Cathedral of Saint Patrick, 10:15 a.m. All parishioners are cordially invited to attend this Mass. Bishop Cote, the Bishop of Norwich, will celebrate the Mass and Monsignor Robert L. Brown, Diocesan Chancellor, will be the Homilist.

Connecticut State Police Trooper First Class Victor E. Lenda, Jr., (Ret.), and Norwich Police Chief Louis J. Fusaro, Sr., are the Blue Mass Co-Chairs. For more information, please call TFC Lenda, Chief Fusaro, or Monsignor Brown at 860-887-9294, ext. 232.



TRAINING SESSION FOR LECTORS AND EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS to be held on Saturday, October 2, 2010 from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. at St. Columba Parish, Columbia. To register, e-mail worship@norwichdiocese.net, or call 860-848-2237 x 203.

**SILVER AND GOLD JUBILEE ANNIVERSARY MASS
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2010 ~ 2:00 P.M.**

Inviting all couples married 25 and 50 years, also those celebrating any anniversary year, to participate in and renew your wedding vows in a Pontifical Mass which will be celebrated by Bishop Michael R. Cote at the Cathedral of St. Patrick, Norwich. Family and friends are invited to share in this special testimony and witness to love and marriage. Light refreshments will be provided in the Cathedral Hall following the Mass. Please call your Rectory/Parish office to register for this beautiful Jubilee Anniversary Celebration. For information call Susan Williams at 860-889-8346 ext. 283. Office of Family Life/Catholic Charities.

ENGAGED COUPLES - MARRIAGE PREPARATION CLASS

“**God’s Plan for a Joy-filled Marriage**” is offered by the Office of Family Life, Friday evenings, October 15, 22, 29 and November 5, 2010, from 7:00 to 9:15 p.m., at St. John’s, 22 Maple Ave., Uncasville, Connecticut 06382. The cost is \$45.00 per couple for class materials. The next set of classes will be held in January 2011. To register for the nine hour class, please call 860-889-8346 ext.283.

2010 CONNECTICUT CATHOLIC MEN’S CONFERENCE

An enlightening and inspiring day with featured speakers Michael Cumbie, Fr. Donald Calloway, Doug Barry at the Oakdale Theatre in Wallingford, Connecticut on Saturday, October 23, 2010 from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Buy tickets now! For more information, visit the website: www.ctcatholicmen.org

FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION

All families having children/teens in the Faith Formation Program should have received registration forms in the mail or by e-mail.

Faith Formation sessions will be held as follows:

Levels K-5

- ❖ Sunday – 9:15-10:30am at Sacred Heart Church
- ❖ Wednesday – 4:30-5:45pm at St. Maurice Church

Levels 6-8

- ❖ Sunday – 6:15-7:30pm at Sacred Heart Church
- ❖ Wednesday – 6:30-7:45pm at St. Maurice Church

Confirmation Preparation (High School Level)

All Confirmation Preparation sessions for Sacred Heart Church and St. Maurice Church will be combined at Sacred Heart Church on Sunday from 6:15 to 7:30 p.m., **followed by** Youth Group from 7:30 to 8:45 p.m.

Parish families are free to choose to attend sessions at either Sacred Heart Church or St. Maurice Church, with the exception of Confirmation Prep and Youth Group. You do not have to be a parishioner at a specific parish in order to attend Faith Formation sessions there, however, you must be a parishioner of either one of the parishes.

Registration fees are as follows:

- ❖ \$50 for the first child/teen in your family
- ❖ \$45 for the second child/teen in your family
- ❖ \$115 Maximum fee per family
- ❖ \$60 for Confirmation Preparation

If you are new to the parish or will have a child/teen enrolling for the first time in the Faith Formation program or need more information, please contact Rella at 860-875-4563) or by e-mail: rella@sacredheartchurch.net. ☺



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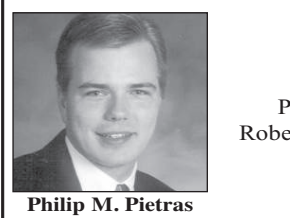
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