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Third Sunday in Ordinary Time • January 23, 2011

# dear Padre

## What is the magisterium?

January 23, 2011

*I read that Church teaching is defined by the magisterium. Who or what is that?*

*Bill*

*Dear Bill,*

The word *magisterium* comes from a Latin word that means "teaching authority." The *magisterium* is the authority of the pope—and the bishops in union with him—to teach and uphold the revelation and tradition (the "deposit of faith") of Christianity.

Christ entrusted the deposit of faith with the Church so that "it might protect the revealed truth reverently, examine it more closely, and proclaim and expound it faithfully" (*Code of Canon Law*, 747).

Catholics believe that the magisterium received its power through a divine commission given by Christ to Peter alone as the first of the apostles (see Matthew 16:18–19, Luke 22:32, John 21:17) and that the pope is heir to Peter's responsibilities in fulfilling Christ's mandate.

Thus, when the pope exercises his teaching authority in consultation with his brother bishops and speaks infallibly on faith and moral issues, faithful Christians must accept this authority. At other times this teaching authority is not explicitly infallible, but it does demand the submission of the will and intellect from the Christian faithful (see *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 83–88).

"All persons are bound to seek the truth in those things which regard God and his Church and...possess the right of embracing and observing the truth which they have come to know" (canon 748). At its best then, the magisterium guides truth seekers to a clearer vision of God.

*Byron Miller, CSsR*

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### WEEKEND MASSES:

Saturdays at 4:00 p.m.

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

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

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION)

Saturday from 3:15 to 3:45 p.m.

Also by appointment.

### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

Please call the rectory (860-643-4466) to arrange for a meeting with the Pastor.

### 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.

### 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.

### 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 or Pancake Breakfast after the Sunday Mass, both 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!

### 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 860-643-4466.



*"The people who sit in darkness have seen a great light, on those dwelling in a land overshadowed by death light has arisen." From that time on, Jesus began to preach and say, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand." -Mt 4:16-17*

#### Readings for the Week of January 23, 2011

Sunday: Is 8:23---9:3/1 Cor 1:10-13, 17/Mt 4:12-23 or 4:12-17  
 Monday: Heb 9:15, 24-28/Mk 3:22-30  
 Tuesday: Acts 22:3-16 or 9:1-22/Mk 16:15-18  
 Wednesday: 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5/Mk 4:1-20  
 Thursday: Heb 10:19-25/Mk 4:21-25  
 Friday: Heb 10:32-39/Mk 4:26-34  
 Saturday: Heb 11:1-2, 8-19/Mk 4:35-41  
 Next Sunday: Zep 2:3; 3:12-13/1 Cor 1:26-31/Mt 5:1-12a

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### NEXT WEEK

#### FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

##### SATURDAY, January 29:

4:00 p.m. Mass offered for +Frances Ricciardone and +Jennie Cusano

*Altar Servers:* Stephanie Leiner and Amanda Baum

*Minister of the Word:* Dolores Betti

*Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:* Ted Lloyd or Georgette Pelletier

##### SUNDAY, January 30:

7:30 a.m. Mass offered for +Raymond and +Lilyn Hunt

*Altar Server:* Stephanie Labanowski

*Minister of the Word:* Stephen Paul

*Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:* Arlene Giglio

10:00 a.m. Mass offered for +Cecilia Kepitan

*Altar Servers:* Angelica Czercowy and Alex Czercowy

*Minister of the Word:* Evelyn O'Connor

*Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:* Sharon Scorso or Kathleen Smythe

### GOD'S PLAN FOR TITHING

**January 16, 2011  
 Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Last Week's Collection was: \$2,541**

**Last Year's Collection was: \$2,790**

*"Now the Lord has spoken who formed me as his servant from the womb..." - Isaiah 49:5*

God has formed each of us as His servants from the womb. He blessed us with unique gifts and He provided us with the talents and skills we would need to do His work. If we do not fulfill the unique vision that God had for us alone, who will do it?

**ST. MAURICE FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING  
 TUESDAY, JANUARY 25, 2011 - 7:00 P.M.  
 PARISH CENTER**

Make thanking God a more constant part of your daily life.

### THIS WEEK

*January 22nd and January 23rd*

#### THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

##### USHERS GROUP IV

##### SATURDAY, January 22:

4:00 p.m. Mass offered for +Jeannette Violette requested by Linda LaChapelle and Daughter

After Mass Youth Choir Rehearsal

##### SUNDAY, January 23:

7:30 a.m. Mass offered for +John Ciscon requested by Theresa Ciscon

After Mass Pray the Rosary

After Mass Triple Play Café Breakfast at Parish Center

10:00 a.m. Mass offered for +Walter F. Johnson requested by Stephanie Labanowski

After Mass Youth Choir Rehearsal

After Mass Triple Play Café Breakfast at Parish Center

9:15 - 10:30 a.m. Faith Formation Classes (K-5) at Sacred Heart

5:30 p.m. Evening Prayer from the Liturgy of the Hours

6:15 - 7:30 p.m. Faith Formation Classes (6-8) and Confirmation Preparation Sessions at Sacred Heart

7:30 - 8:45 p.m. Youth Group at Sacred Heart

##### MONDAY, January 24:

No Mass

##### TUESDAY, January 25:

9:00 a.m. Mass offered for +Edward Bott requested by the Edward Murphy Family

After Mass Pray the Rosary

7:00 p.m. Finance Committee Meeting at Parish Center

7:15 p.m. Senior Choir Rehearsal

##### WEDNESDAY, January 26:

9:00 a.m. Mass offered for +Lillian Cloutier requested by Lou and Dorli Cloutier

9:00 a.m. - Noon Fair Group Resumes at Parish Center

3:00 - 7:00 p.m. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

4:30 - 5:45 p.m. Faith Formation Classes (1-5) at St. Maurice

6:30 - 7:45 p.m. Faith Formation Classes (6-8) at St. Maurice

##### THURSDAY, January 27:

9:00 a.m. Mass offered for All Parishioners

##### FRIDAY, January 28:

No Mass

##### SATURDAY, January 29:

10:00 a.m. Meeting of Parents of those Children making First Holy Communion, with Father Wojceich

3:15 - 3:45 p.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation

IF YOU HAVE REQUESTED A MASS ON A SATURDAY OR A SUNDAY, PLEASE LET THE USHERS KNOW, BEFORE MASS, THAT YOU WOULD LIKE (OR NOT) TO BRING THE GIFTS UP TO THE ALTAR. ☺

**THANK YOU TO ALL THOSE WHO VOLUNTEER THEIR TIME TO THE PARISH COMMUNITY OF ST. MAURICE!**

Please pray that the work and sacrifice of those in the pro-life movement may soon bring forth a harvest of justice.

January 22nd marks the 38<sup>th</sup> anniversary of *Roe v. Wade*, the Supreme Court's infamous abortion-on-demand ruling. Because of that decision, millions of preborn babies have been denied their most basic right - their right to life. The following quote aptly summarizes the feelings of those of us who fight for life: "I am boggled at how in one breath you can call killing a baby 'murder' and in the next breath you can justify this murder because you don't want to tell others what to do. I cannot fathom how someone can say that life is precious and should be protected, then turn around and support 'the choice' to destroy that very life." Brian Kemper of Stand True Ministries in *The Southern Cross*, 2/10

### STATEMENTS FOR CONTRIBUTIONS 2010

Statements for contributions to St. Maurice Church for the year 2010 will be mailed to those who requested them in the past. If you need a statement, please contact the rectory at 860-643-4466.

**THANK YOU TO THE MEMBERS OF THE ST. MAURICE PARISH COUNCIL!**

## EVENING OF PRAYER FROM THE LITURGY OF THE HOURS

EVERY SUNDAY AT 5:30 P.M.

Vespers will be recited at 5:30 p.m. each Sunday in Church. For more details, go online to: [www.saintmauricebolton.org/ministry\\_worship\\_hours.html](http://www.saintmauricebolton.org/ministry_worship_hours.html).

### SUPPORT WAIM! BUY A GRINDER!

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## ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

WEDNESDAYS  
3:00 TO 7:00 P.M.

**THANK YOU TO THE MEMBERS OF THE ST. MAURICE FINANCE COMMITTEE!**

Immaculata Retreat use in Willimantic presents *Soup and Substance*, a Wednesday evening retreat series. This is a video Retreat with talks presented by Fr. Ron Rolheiser OMI, a specialist in the fields of spirituality and systematic theology. Discussions will be led by Fr. Salvador Gonzalez, OMI. The February series is entitled "Living in the Image and Likeness of God". Delicious homemade soup at 6:00 p.m.; video conference at 6:45 p.m. followed by personal prayer and group discussion. Mass at 8:00 p.m. **Wednesdays February 9, 16, and 23.** Suggested Offering of \$20.00 per evening or \$50.00 for all 3 sessions (if paid in advance). To register or for more information, call 860-423-8484 or visit [www.immaculataretreat.org](http://www.immaculataretreat.org).

**WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE AN USHER?**  
If so, please call Lou Cloutier at 860-649-6255.

## PREPARING FOR LENT

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2011

Immaculate Conception  
Spiritual Renewal Center  
600 Liberty Highway, Putnam, CT

### Presenters

Scripture Reflection on the Passion,  
*Bernadette Vance*  
Seven Sorrows of Mary, *Rick Palin*

### Program:

9:00 a.m. - Welcome and Coffee  
10:00 a.m. - Scripture Reflection - Elements of the Passion  
Followed by Reflection in Chapel  
Noon - Lunch  
1:00 p.m. - Seven Sorrows of Mary  
3:00 p.m. - Adoration / Confession  
4:00 p.m. - Mass

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## ANNUAL BISHOP'S APPEAL TO CHANGE NAME TO ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

The Annual Bishop's Appeal (ABA) was initiated in 1978 to provide for the ever-increasing educational, human, pastoral, and spiritual needs of the people of New London, Windham, Middlesex, and Tolland counties and Fishers Island. The Appeal enables our Church to implement and administer these and other critical services in a comprehensive framework in order to carry out the work of Jesus Christ. It would not be possible to carry out His work without your assistance.

Through the Annual Bishop's Appeal, the Catholic Church of Eastern Connecticut assists elderly persons in need, families in crises, people who are homeless, lonely, vulnerable, youth, young adults, and our parishes and Catholic schools. The Appeal also enables the Church to promote social justice, respect for human life and to communicate with all who seek to hear the teachings of Jesus Christ.

Through their assigned campaign goal, every Parish and Mission is required to support our Diocesan operations, services and ministries that in turn meet the physical, educational and spiritual needs of thousands throughout our four county faith community that one Parish could not meet alone. This allows each one of us, as one, united in faith, to fulfill God's call to spread the good news and to love and serve one another.

As we prepare for the conduct of the 2011 Annual Appeal, we are pleased to announce a number of changes and improvements for this year's campaign. In an effort to better describe the comprehensive nature of the Appeal, we have decided to rename the campaign: **The Annual Catholic Appeal (ACA)**. The time frame of the 'active phase' of the campaign will be changed to coincide with the Lenten Season. The Deanery Socials will be modified from seven Parish-based functions to three Diocesan-wide Socials. The traditional Pre-Appeal and In-Pew Commitment weekends will be 'shifted- away' from the first two weekends in May to avoid conflicts with First Eucharist Liturgies at the Parishes. For the 2011 **Annual Catholic Appeal**, Pre-Appeal Weekend will be March 26/27, 2011 and the In Pew Commitment Weekend will be April 2/3, 2011.

This year's Appeal theme is "Do This in Memory of Me," which is part of the Eucharistic Prayer of Mass.





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