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Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time • March 6, 2011

# Good News!

March 6, 2011

## NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Dt 11:18, 26–28, 32 / Rom 3:21–25, 28 Mt 7:21–27

As a new homeowner, I cringed with familiar fear at Jesus' words today. Within the past six months our water heater began leaking, our electrical box burned up, our furnace died, and our microwave went kaput. Jesus' talk of torrential rain and winds buffeting a house reminded me that we're anticipating roof leaks and that some trees are leaning precariously toward our home. Owning a home can leave you feeling quite anxious. But planning ahead—ensuring a solid foundation, buying insurance, continuing maintenance—helps homeowners live with greater peace of mind.

Jesus uses this home-construction metaphor today to conclude his Sermon on the Mount. He calls on his audience not just to listen to his words, but to act on them and make them the firm foundation of their lives. This isn't about occasionally doing nice things for others. It's about establishing a regular pattern of following Jesus, making daily choices to develop a habit of discipleship. It's hard and ongoing work.

Yet as we know, even Jesus' most focused disciples can't avoid the torrential rains and buffeting winds of life. Just as insurance or a solid foundation can't prevent a tornado from tearing off a roof, struggles, suffering, and tragedies happen to all people no matter how closely they follow Jesus.

Jesus didn't promise that the house of an active disciple wouldn't endure suffering; he simply promised it would be sustained through life's frightening storms. Regular patterns of prayer, trust in God, outreach to others, and spiritual practices keep disciples rooted in God and strong in times of distress. Given that perspective, how might you strengthen your foundation today?

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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.

### 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!

### 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.

### 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 860-643-4466.

*"Everyone who listens to these words of mine and acts on them will be like a wise man who built his house on rock. The rain fell, the floods came, and the winds blew and buffeted the house. But it did not collapse; it had been set solidly on rock." - Mt 7:24-25*



#### Readings for the Week of March 6, 2011

Sunday: Dt 11:18, 26-28, 32/Rom 3:21-25, 28/Mt 7:21-27  
 Monday: Tb 1:3; 2:1b-8/Mk 12:1-12  
 Tuesday: Tb 2:9-14/Mk 12:13-17  
 Wednesday: J1 2:12-18/2 Cor 5:20--6:2/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18  
 Thursday: Dt 30:15-20/Lk 9:22-25  
 Friday: Is 58:1-9a/Mt 9:14-15  
 Saturday: Is 58:9b-14/Lk 5:27-32  
 Next Sunday: Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7/Rom 5:12-19 or 5:12, 17-19/Mt 4:1-11

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## NEXT WEEK

### FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

#### SATURDAY, March 12:

4:00 p.m. Mass offered for +---

*Altar Servers:* Amanda Baum and Stephanie Leiner

*Minister of the Word:* Michael Leiner

*Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:* Linda Wiley

#### SUNDAY, March 13:

7:30 a.m. Mass offered for +---

*Altar Server:*

*Minister of the Word:* Judy Knox

*Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:* Arlene Giglio

10:00 a.m. Mass offered for +---

*Altar Servers:* Ben VanDine, Elizabeth Foran and Nick Nemphos

*Minister of the Word:* Paul Brown

*Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:* Betty Aitkin

#### WEDNESDAY, March 16: CHILDREN'S MASS

6:00 p.m. Mass offered for All Parishioners

*Altar Servers:* Angelica Czercowy and Amanda Baum

*Minister of the Word:* Paige Oliveri

*Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:* Patti Cinea

#### FRIDAY, March 18: MASS AND STATIONS OF THE CROSS

7:00 p.m. Mass offered for +---

*Altar Servers:* LeeAnn Snuffer, Ben Snuffer and Kaila Toce

*Minister of the Word:* Kyle Toce

*Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:* Patti Cinea

## GOD'S PLAN FOR TITHING

February 27, 2011

Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Last Week's Collection was: \$

Last Year's Collection was: \$2,225

*"Do not worry about tomorrow; tomorrow will take care of itself." - Matthew 6:34*

Jesus tells us that we cannot serve two masters. In many ways, worry is the other master in our lives. We worry about our job, our house, our family and our health. We worry about our future plans, our dreams and our goals. We worry about measuring up, meeting expectations and keeping up with the neighbors. Today, God gives us a very soothing message. Do not let worry rule your life. Put God first and He will take care of everything else.

## THIS WEEK

March 5th and March 6th

### NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

#### USHERS GROUP II

SECOND COLLECTION: 2011 WORLD COMBINED COLLECTION

#### SATURDAY, March 5:

3:30 p.m. Recite the Rosary

4:00 p.m. Mass offered for +--- requested by ---

After Mass Youth Choir Rehearsal

#### SUNDAY, March 6:

7:30 a.m. Mass offered +--- requested by ---

After Mass Recite the Chaplet of Divine Mercy

10:00 a.m. Mass offered for +--- requested by ---

After Mass Youth Choir Rehearsal

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, March 7:

No Mass

#### TUESDAY, March 8:

9:00 a.m. Mass offered for +--- requested by ---

After Mass Recite the Rosary

7:15 p.m. Senior Choir Rehearsal

#### WEDNESDAY, March 9: ASH WEDNESDAY

9:00 a.m. Mass offered for +--- requested by ---

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

3:00 - 7:00 p.m. **NO** Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

4:30 - 5:45 p.m. **NO** Faith Formation Classes (1-5) at St. Maurice

6:30 - 7:45 p.m. **NO** Faith Formation Classes (6-8) at St. Maurice

7:00 p.m. Mass offered for +--- requested by ---

#### THURSDAY, March 10:

9:00 a.m. Mass offered for +--- requested by ---

7:00 p.m. St. Maurice Knights of Columbus Business Meeting at Parish Center

#### FRIDAY, March 11:

4:00 - 6:30 p.m. Fish Dinner Sponsored by St. Maurice Knights of Columbus

7:00 p.m. Mass Celebrated and Stations of the Cross

#### SATURDAY, March 12:

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

**WEEKDAY MASSES ARE NOW CELEBRATED IN THE SACRISTY.**

**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. ☺**

**When was the last time you scheduled a Mass request? Call Theresa Ciscon at 860-643-4466 to schedule your special mass intention ... many dates and times available!**

**2011 WORLD COMBINED COLLECTION PROGRAM**

The Combined Collection for World Charities is this weekend. The causes supported by this collection are:

The Catholic Relief Services Collection – the official international relief and development agency of the Catholic community in the United States helps to fund programs that give hope to refugees, the impoverished, and immigrants, including victims of war, natural disaster, and drought.

The Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) – works to uphold the dignity of human life by breaking the cycle of poverty across the United States through grants to local community-based groups who create jobs, improve education, and strengthen neighborhoods.

The Church in Central and Eastern Europe – raises funds to address the spiritual reconstruction of this traumatized region – training seminarians and lay leaders, reaching out to young people, reviving Catholic Charities, and renewing programs of catechesis and communication.

Holy Land Collection – the Collection for the Holy Land, in the words of Pope Paul VI is “not only for the Holy Places but above all for those pastoral, charitable, educational, and social works which the Church supports in the Holy Land for the welfare of their Christian brethren and of the local communities.”

This combined collection offers an excellent opportunity to support hands-on efforts towards helping people in need. Your gift does make a difference. Please be generous.

**FAIR WORKSHOP  
LOOKING FOR ELVES!**

**WEDNESDAYS - 9:00 A.M. TO NOON**  
St Maurice Parish Center

Join the “Sleigh Bells Ring”  
Christmas Fair Workshop team  
Wednesdays from 9:00 a.m. to noon  
at the Parish Center.



Do you like to work with your hands? (No special talent needed.)

Do you enjoy good fellowship? Then join us and bring your suggestions with you. Coffee is always brewing!

**FISH DINNER AT TRIPLE PLAY CAFÉ  
FRIDAYS OF LENT**

**March 11th, 18th, 25<sup>th</sup>,  
April 1st, 8th and 15th**

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**ROSARY ON SATURDAYS AT 3:30 P.M.  
BEFORE THE 4:00 P.M. MASS  
CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY  
ON SUNDAYS AFTER 7:30 A.M. MASS**



**ADORATION OF THE  
BLESSED SACRAMENT  
WEDNESDAYS  
3:00 TO 7:00 P.M.**

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

Evening Prayer from The Liturgy of the Hours will be celebrated at 5:30 p.m. each Sunday. For more details, go online to: [www.saintmauricebolton.org/other.html](http://www.saintmauricebolton.org/other.html).



**JOIN US  
FOR FELLOWSHIP  
AND SONG**

~ Senior Choir Rehearsals: Tuesdays, 7:15 p.m. ~  
~ Youth Choir Rehearsal After Each Mass ~

**THE STORY OF FAITH**

**A Drama Mission by TV Actor Frank Runyeon**

Sunday, March 13<sup>th</sup> – 7:00 p.m. – SIGNS: The Gospel of John  
Monday, March 14<sup>th</sup> – 7:00 p.m. – SERMON ON THE MOUNT  
Tuesday, March 15<sup>th</sup> – 7:00 p.m. – HOLLYWOOD vs. FAITH

St. Bernard Church, 25 St. Bernard Terrace, Rockville, CT

Join acclaimed television and film actor Frank Runyeon as he performs his one-man presentation of *The Story of Faith* at St. Bernard Church in Rockville for three nights. Runyeon’s one-man plays of Scripture is widely acclaimed: *People Magazine* called his performances “Remarkable!”, *The Catholic Transcript* reviewed it as “Spellbinding.” For more information, call 860-875-0753 Ext. 106 or [bkenny@saintbernardchurch.org](mailto:bkenny@saintbernardchurch.org) or visit [www.saintbernardchurch.org](http://www.saintbernardchurch.org) for more information.







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