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Pentecost • May 27, 2012

Good News!

May 27, 2012

PENTECOST

Acts 2:1–11 / 1 Cor 12:3b–7, 12–13 or
Gal 5:16–25 Jn 20:19–23 or Jn 15:26–27; 16:12–15

I love weddings. Possibly even more than weddings, I love wedding receptions. Possibly even more than the receptions, I love dancing at wedding receptions. In my opinion, when a couple does it “right,” their spirit and the music draws all kinds of people onto the dance floor. Sure, a moderate sprinkling of alcohol helps loosen inhibitions, but it’s mostly the couple’s attitude of joy and welcome that causes guests to come out of their shells and dance the night away alongside people they’ve never met.

The unifying spirit of that kind of wedding reception feels like what the Holy Spirit was doing at Pentecost and continues to do today. The description of Pentecost from Acts of the Apostles makes most lectors cringe—all those different nationalities to pronounce—but the Holy Spirit brought these disparate people together into a marvelous unity. Saint Paul reminds us that the many individual gifts of the Spirit serve together—as one body. This Holy Spirit, not unlike wedding couples who pull aunts and cousins and college friends and pastors onto the dance floor for one fantastic Chicken Dance, draws people into unity.

Are we aware of God’s Holy Spirit urging us out of our shells, nudging us from our places of comfort into a greater unity with other parishioners, other Christians, other nationalities? Have we hesitated to join a committee, an activity, or an association because we might be different than the rest of the people there? Perhaps we’ve resisted a service project in a part of our city that makes us uncomfortable because the residents are poorer than we are.

Where might God’s unifying Spirit be urging you to get out and dance freely with the rest of God’s children?

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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 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):

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.

THIS WEEK
PENTECOST SUNDAY
May 26 – 27, 2012
USHERS GROUP II

SATURDAY, MAY 26

5:00 P.M. Mass offered for +Michael Leiner
request of Theresa Cison

SUNDAY, MAY 27

7:30 A.M. Mass offered for Donald Holbrook
request of Gloria Holbrook & Family

CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY after Mass

10:00 A.M. – Mass offered for +Mary Nicholson
request of Dolores Lynch

5:30 P.M. *LITURGY OF THE HOURS*

MONDAY, MAY 28 – HAPPY MEMORIAL DAY

9:00 A.M. Mass offered for +Steven Gaumond
request Theresa Cison

TUESDAY, MAY 29 –

9:00 A.M. Mass offered for +Bob & +Jimmie
Booth request of Jennifer & Phil Daly

7:15 P.M. – Adult Choir Rehearsal

WEDNESDAY, MAY 30 –

9:00 A.M. Mass offered for +Barbara Sullivan
request of the Edward Murphy Family

9:00 A.M. to Noon – Christmas Fair Workshop

3:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M. - *Adoration of the Blessed*
Sacrament

THURSDAY, MAY 31 – No Mass

FRIDAY, JUNE 1 – No Mass

SATURDAY, JUNE 2

10:00 A.M. Funeral for +Frances Treschuk

ROSARY BEFORE 5:00 P.M. MASS

NEXT WEEK
THE MOST HOLY TRINITY
June 2 – 3, 2012
USHERS GROUP II

SATURDAY, JUNE 2

5:00 P.M. Mass offered for +Michael Leiner
request of St. Maurice Knights of
Columbus

Altar Servers: Ally Cianci, Kaila Toce

Lector: Charles Luchini

Eucharistic Minister: Georgette Pelletier

SUNDAY, JUNE 3

7:30 A.M. Mass offered for David & Sharon
Caruso on their 51st Wedding
Anniversary request of Charlie &
Shirley Brown

Altar Servers: ShirleyWarbeck

Lector: Judy Knox

Eucharistic Minister: Linda Richardson

CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY after Mass

10:00 A.M. – Mass Offered for +Barbara Sullivan
request of The Armstrong & Zabielski
Families

Altar Servers: LeeAnn & Ben Snuffer

Lector: Evelyn O'Connor

Eucharistic Minister: Kathleen Smythe

5:30 P.M. *LITURGY OF THE HOURS*

MONDAY, JUNE 4 –

9:00 A.M. Mass offered for +Olga Guglielmino
request Samuel Guglielmino

5:00 P.M. Parish **BINGO** – Food available from 5
P.M. **GAMES** begin at 6:30 P.M.

TUESDAY, JUNE 5 –

9:00 A.M. Mass offered for +Kathleen Flynn
request of Marge & Bert Flynn

7:15 P.M. – Adult Choir Rehearsal

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 6 –

9:00 A.M. Mass offered for +Christine Driscole
request of the Edward Murphy Family

9:00 A.M. to Noon – Christmas Fair Workshop

3:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M. - *Adoration of the Blessed*
Sacrament

THURSDAY, JUNE 7 – No Mass

FRIDAY, JUNE 8 – No Mass

SATURDAY, JUNE 9

ROSARY BEFORE 5:00 P.M. MASS

Last week's Offertory May 20, \$3,427
Last year's Offertory May 22 \$2,974

"There are different kinds of spiritual gifts but the same Spirit; there are different forms of service but the same Lord; there are different workings but the same God who produces all of them in everyone." – 1 CORINTHIANS 12:4-6

By giving each of us different gifts, God made sure that the Church would have the combination of talent and treasure that was needed to do God's work. However, what happens if one of us does not bring our contribution to God's altar? God's plan is not fulfilled. Some important work is left undone.

Readings for the Week of May 27, 2012

Sunday: Vigil: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39

Extended Vigil: Gn 11:1-9/Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b/Ez 37:1-14/Jl 3:1-5/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39

Day: Acts 2:1-11/1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Gal 5:16-25/Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 15:26-27; 16:12-15

Monday: 1 Pt 1:3-9/Mk 10:17-27

Tuesday: 1 Pt 1:10-16/Mk 10:28-31

Wednesday: 1 Pt 1:18-25/Mk 10:32-45

Thursday: Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16/Lk 1:39-56

Friday: 1 Pt 4:7-13/Mk 11:11-26

Saturday: Jude 17, 20b-25/Mk 11:27-33

Next Sunday: Dt 4:32-34, 39-40/Rom 8:14-17/Mt 28:16-20

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2012 WORLD COMBINED COLLECTION PROGRAM

Last weekend the Combined Collection for World Charities which consists of the following collections: Catholic Relief Services, The Campaign for Human Development, Aid to the Church in Central and Eastern Europe, and assistance for The Holy Land was taken up. If you were unable to bring your gift envelope, extra envelopes are available at (please state the place where these envelopes can be found). Your support of these needs of the Universal Church is greatly appreciated. Your envelope can be dropped in the collection basket next weekend or mailed directly to the parish. Thank you.

Diocese of Norwich Catholic Charities/Office of Family Life

Interested in learning about Adoption? Catholic Charities provides services for all members of the adoption triad: infant adoption placements, domestic and international home studies and adoption searches.

Contact our Adoption Coordinator at: 860-889-8346 ext.282 or susansedensky@ccfsn.org for more information.

PLANNING A WEDDING?

Engaged Encounter Weekend! One of the most important parts of your wedding planning is your marriage preparation program. Engaged Encounter is a weekend-long program and meets all the aspects of marriage preparation required by the Diocese. Engaged Encounter Weekend: June 29-July 1 at Immaculata Retreat House in Willimantic call 860-536-8665. Early registration is advised.

Visit www.engagedencounter.org.

MANAGE YOUR GIVING ONLINE

You can now manage your donations and payments to St. Maurice online! Giving online is easy and allows you to set up automatic recurring contributions and view your complete online giving history from anywhere you have access to the Internet.

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4. Follow the onscreen instructions to create an online profile and to schedule your recurring contributions.

PLEASE NOTE: St. Maurice has a new email address as follows – saintmauricechurch@att.net This change will be updated on the cover of the bulletin as soon as practical.

FROM THE DIOCESE OF NORWICH

June is "Leave a Legacy" month within the Diocese of Norwich. It's a wonderful time to prepare or update your will, or to set aside a gift in your will for your parish or one of the many ministries funded by our Diocese. All interested parishioners are invited to attend an informal coffee hour at 12:30 p.m. on Sunday, June 24th at St. John the Evangelist Church in Uncasville, to learn more about Catholic wills and estate planning. The event is free, but registration is requested. To register or for details, call 860-886-1928 ext. 15, or visit www.norwichdiocesedevelopment.org and click on Planned Giving. You may also e-mail your registration to Marylou.gannotti@norwichdiocese.net.

Defending Our Religious Liberty

For the first time in our nation's history, the federal government will force religious institutions to facilitate drugs and procedures contrary to our moral convictions, and it will purport to define which religious institutions are "religious enough" to merit exemption.

Please contact the offices of your Congressional Representatives and United States Senators to express your opposition to the federal healthcare mandate. For addresses and phone numbers, please visit:

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