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Good News!

November 18, 2012

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B)

Dn 12:1-3 / Heb 10:11-14, 18 / Mk 13:24-32

I've never been creative, but I do enjoy baking. It allows me to create something while following a strict set of instructions, which appeals to my love of organization. Most recipes I use come with a picture of the completed dessert in all its delicious glory. However, even if I adhere religiously to the recipe, my baked creations rarely look like the pictures. Maybe I didn't whisk the eggs briskly enough or twist the frosting tube just so.

It's frustrating not to know exactly how my dessert will look. However, as long as I put the right ingredients in, it usually tastes great. Dessert is dessert—sugar always triumphs in the end!

The readings we're given at the end of the liturgical year are focused on another kind of end—the end of the world. The varying descriptions of this "end time" usually include cosmic battles between good and evil that can leave us feeling confused, uncertain, and even frightened. As with baking, we can't know exactly how the events of this end time will play out.


But what we hear consistently from Jesus is that no matter how the events occur, good will triumph over evil. The world is ultimately in God's hands, and God (and good) will emerge victorious.

Our challenge, then, is to trust God and be prepared to follow the recipe, so to speak. The key ingredients: recognition of our mortality and a desire to fervently follow the Lord. Our lives are brief, and we can't delay discipleship. We need to be centered in God now.

By sticking to the recipe today, we can remain confident that God will welcome us into his kingdom in the end.

Janel Esker

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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
THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
NOV. 17 – 18, 2012
MAINTENANCE COLLECTION
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USHERS GROUP III

SATURDAY, NOV. 17 –

5:00 P.M. Mass offered for +Blanche Davis request of Kurt O'Brien

SUNDAY, NOV. 18 –

7:30 A.M. Mass offered for God's Blessing for Wanda Aubey on her 93rd Birthday

CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY after Mass

8:30 A.M. – Breakfast for Faith Formation

9:00 A.M. - Faith Formation

10:00 A.M. – Mass offered for +Jason Bates request of Donna Bradford

MONDAY, NOV. 19 –

9:00 A.M. Mass offered for +Henry Leonard

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

TUESDAY, NOV. 20 –

9:00 A.M. Mass offered for All Parishioners

7:00 P.M. Thanksgiving Ecumenical Service here at Saint Maurice

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 21 –

9:00 A.M. Mass offered for +Matteo Quagliano request Mr. & Mrs. Silvio Maratta

3 to 7 P.M. – Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

THURSDAY, NOV. 22 – No Mass

FRIDAY, Nov. 23 – No Mass

SATURDAY, NOV. 24 –

ROSARY BEFORE **4:00 P.M.** MASS

Last week's Offertory – November 11 – \$2,943
Last year's Offertory – November 13 – \$4,049

"And then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in the clouds' with great power and glory..." (Mark 13:26)

Some people think that we should give until it hurts. However, true stewards give until it feels right. Our giving feels right when we know that we can stand before God when he comes in His glory and say to Him, "Lord, I gave all that You asked me to give."

NEXT WEEK
SOLEMNITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST
NOV. 24 – 25, 2012

SECOND COLLECTION FOR THE SALVATORIAN FATHERS

USHERS GROUP IV

SATURDAY, NOV. 24 –

4:00 P.M. Mass offered for +Memorial Mass for Deceased Members of Knights of Columbus Council # 6199

Altar Servers: Maria Cinea

Lector: Georgette Pelletier

Eucharistic Minister: Jean Gately

SUNDAY, NOV. 25 –

7:30 A.M. Mass offered for +Barbara & +Donald Sullivan request of the Earle Armstrong Family

Altar Servers: Shirley Warbeck

Lector: Joel Cohan

Eucharistic Minister: Arlene Giglio

CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY after Mass

NO FAITH FORMATION TODAY

10:00 A.M. – Mass offered for +Memorial Mass for Deceased Members of Knights of Columbus Council # 6199

Altar Servers: Elena & Catherine Fiano

Lector: Barbara Fiano

Eucharistic Minister: Clifford Scorso

MONDAY, NOV. 26 –

9:00 A.M. Mass offered for +Henry Romanofsky request of the St. Maurice Christmas Fair Group

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

TUESDAY, NOV. 27 –

9:00 A.M. Mass offered for +Alfred Wenzel request of the St. Maurice Christmas Fair Group

7:15 P.M. – Adult Choir Rehearsal

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 28 –

9:00 A.M. Mass offered for +Thomas Downes request Tony & Kathleen Conneely

3 to 7 P.M. – Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

THURSDAY, NOV. 29 – No Mass

FRIDAY, NOV. 30 – No Mass

SATURDAY, DEC. 1 –

10:00 A.M. - Funeral Mass for +Arthur Chamberlain

ROSARY BEFORE 4:00 P.M. MASS

Readings for the Week of November 18, 2012

Sunday: Dn 12:1-3/Heb 10:11-14, 18/Mk 13:24-32
Monday: Rv 1:1-4; 2:1-5/Lk 18:35-43
Tuesday: Rv 3:1-6, 14-22/Lk 19:1-10
Wednesday: Rv 4:1-11/Lk 19:11-28
Thursday: Rv 5:1-10/Lk 19:41-44
Friday: Rv 10:8-11/Lk 19:45-48
Saturday: Rv 11:4-12/Lk 20:27-40
Next Sunday: Dn 7:13-14/Rv 1:5-8/Jn 18:33b-37

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NOTE: EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 24TH THE SATURDAY VIGIL MASS WILL CHANGE TO 4 P.M.

ECUMENICAL SERVICE

All parishioners are cordially invited to attend the Thanksgiving Ecumenical Service being held at St. Maurice on Tuesday November 20th at 7:00 P.M. Come and join a prayerful service and enjoy the singing of a combined Choir made up of all four Churches in Bolton.

Great Deals To Be Found at St. Edward School Auction!

The 15th Annual St. Edward School Auction will be held on Saturday, November 17, in the St. Edward Church Hall, 25 Church St., Stafford Springs, CT. Admission is free, but a paddle must be purchased to bid. The auction will begin at 6:30 p.m. with a free preview at 5 p.m. The kitchen will be open with many delicious homemade foods available. Enjoy a wonderful evening with truly something for everyone - gift baskets, vacations, furniture and more!

St. Philip Craft Fair

Route 44 in Ashford
 Saturday, Dec. 1, 2012
 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

THANK YOU – From the Christmas Fair Group

Thank you to all who helped make this years' Fair a success by donating creating and shopping!! The proceeds will allow us to support many projects in our parish and town.

MINI FAIR

On Dec. 9th there will be a mini Fair along with the breakfast and C C D. Please come for some last minute shopping.

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.

Simply follow these steps:

1. Visit our website at www.saintmauricebolton.org,
2. Select **Donate Online** from the menu at left,
3. Click on the **Create Profile** button at lower right, then
4. Follow the onscreen instructions to create an online profile and to schedule your recurring contributions.

THE SAINT JOHN'S BIBLE

You are invited to the College of Saint Mary Magdalen to view *The Saint John's Bible*, a project that took 15 years to complete. The Benedictine monks of St. John's Abbey commissioned an artist to produce an illustrated and handwritten edition of the Bible. On Thursday, November 15, come view prints from this Bible and attend a presentation on its production at the College of Saint Mary Magdalen, 511 Kearsarge Mountain Road, Warner, NH. Please RSVP to Katie Moffett at kmoffett@magdalen.edu or call 603-456-2656 or toll free 877-498-1723. A viewing of the prints will be held from 4:00-5:30 PM and a presentation by David Allaway of the Saint John's Bible Project will take place at 7:00 PM.

Defending Our Religious Liberty

In this Thanksgiving season, let us give thanks for our God-given rights and stand strong in our opposition of the encroachments being made on our religious freedom.

If you haven't expressed your opposition to the federal healthcare mandate, please contact the White House at: www.whitehouse.gov/contact or call: 202-456-1111 or 202-456-1414.

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