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Pentecost • May 19, 2013

Good News!

May 19, 2013

PENTECOST

Acts 2:1–11 / 1 Cor 12:3b–7, 12–13
or Rom 8:8–17

Jn 20:19–23 or Jn 14:15–16, 23b–26

I'm in the minority when it comes to coffee. To me, it's foul tasting dark-colored water, but to most Americans it's the best-tasting stuff on earth. Most Americans depend on their morning cup of joe to start their day: "I'm just not myself until I have my morning coffee." They can't imagine going a day without it.

Honestly, the same could be said of the Holy Spirit. Today on Pentecost we remember and celebrate the first gift of the Spirit to the disciples, but it's also a day to say thank you for that incredible ongoing gift in our daily lives.

Saint Paul writes, "No one can say 'Jesus is Lord' except by the Holy Spirit." True—we can't proclaim Jesus as Lord without the Spirit, but we also can't do much of anything without the grace of the Holy Spirit. We can't love, can't forgive, can't survive hardship, can't heal—without the ongoing movement of the Spirit. So we can say about the Spirit what we say about our morning java—"I'm just not myself without it."

Saint Paul writes that we are all given to drink of the same Spirit. It's an intriguing image—how do you "drink" the Spirit?—but a most appropriate one as we understand how energizing, motivating, and life-giving the Holy Spirit is.

Today, let's ask the Spirit to rush into those places in our lives that need to be revived, those areas of our hearts that are weary and worn.

And when sipping your coffee, imagine drinking in the Holy Spirit—and thank God for this most amazing gift.

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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!

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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.

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THIS WEEK
PENTECOST SUNDAY
MAY 18 – 19, 2013

2nd Collection – Catholic Elementary School Campaign
USHERS GROUP I

SATURDAY, MAY 18 –

5:00 P.M. – Mass offered for +Wayne P. Fruke (5th Anniv.) request of Katherine Fruke

Coffee Social after 5 P.M. Mass in the Church Basement

SUNDAY, MAY 19 –

7:30 A.M. – Mass offered for +Donald Holbrook request of the Family

CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY after Mass

10:00 A.M. – Mass offered for +John Sheetz request of Lou & Dorli Cloutier

CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY after Mass

5:30 P.M. LITURGY OF THE HOURS

MONDAY, MAY 20 –

9:00 A.M. – Mass offered for +John Sheetz and His Family request of the Edward Murphy Family

5:00 P.M. – Parish **BINGO** – Food available from 5 P.M. **GAMES** begin at 6:30 P.M. – 5/20 Jackpot is \$350

TUESDAY, MAY 21 –

9:00 A.M. – Mass offered for All Parishioners of St. Maurice

7:15 P.M. – Adult Choir Rehearsal

WEDNESDAY, MAY 22 –

9:00 A.M. – Mass offered for +Levi Fournier and +Isabelle Voisine request of Solange Fournier

9:00 A.M. – FAIR WORKSHOP

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

THURSDAY, MAY 23 – No Mass

FRIDAY, MAY 24 – No Mass

SATURDAY, MAY 25 –

4:30 P.M. – ROSARY BEFORE 5 P.M. MASS

Last week's Offertory – May 12 – \$2,995

Last year's Offertory – May 13 – \$3,566

"The Counselor, the Holy Spirit whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all that I told you." (John 14:26)

The materialism of our society lures us to concentrate more on what we want than on what God wants for us and from us. It is good to know that when we are confused by our stewardship responsibilities, we can call on the Holy Spirit to show us the way.

NEXT WEEK
THE MOST HOLY TRINITY
MAY 25 – 26, 2013
USHERS GROUP II

SATURDAY, MAY 25 – CONFIRMATION

5:00 P.M. – Mass offered for THE CONFIRMANDS WHO ARE BEING CONFIRMED TODAY

Altar Servers: Maria Cinea, Josh Meyers

Lector: Gerolette Pelletier

Eucharistic Minister: Bert Flynn

Coffee Social after 5 P.M. Mass in the Church Basement

SUNDAY, MAY 26 –

7:30 A.M. – Mass offered for +Casimir & +Thomas Kurys request of Helen Kurys and Family

Altar Servers: Shirley Warbeck

Lector: Judy Knox

Eucharistic Minister: Linda Richardson

CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY after Mass

10:00 A.M. – Mass offered for +Stanislaw Jablonowski request of the Czercowy Family

Altar Servers: Amilia Herasimowicz

Lector: Jeffrey Monroe

Eucharistic Minister: Betty Aitkin

CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY after Mass

5:30 P.M. LITURGY OF THE HOURS

MONDAY, MAY 27 –

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, MAY 28 –

9:00 A.M. – Mass offered for All Parishioners of St. Maurice

7:15 P.M. – Adult Choir Rehearsal

WEDNESDAY, MAY 29 –

9:00 A.M. – Mass offered for +Ann Vieweger request of her sisters Fran & Irene

NO FAIR WORKSHOP

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

THURSDAY, MAY 30 – No Mass

FRIDAY, MAY 31 – No Mass

SATURDAY, JUNE 1 –

4:30 P.M. – ROSARY BEFORE 5 P.M. MASS

Readings for the Week of May 19, 2013

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 Rom 8:8-17/Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 14:15-16, 23b-26

Monday: Sir 1:1-10/Mk 9:14-29

Tuesday: Sir 2:1-11/Mk 9:30-37

Wednesday: Sir 4:11-19/Mk 9:38-40

Thursday: Sir 5:1-8/Mk 9:41-50

Friday: Sir 6:5-17/Mk 10:1-12

Saturday: Sir 17:1-15/Mk 10:13-16

Next Sunday: Prv 8:22-31/Rom 5:1-5/Jn 16:12-15

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Summer Program at the College of Saint Mary Magdalen

The College of Saint Mary Magdalen in Warner, NH is pleased to announce the dates for its Summer Program for high school students. The Collegiate Summer Program offers participants the opportunity to study theology, philosophy, literature and political science. During the summer program, students also attend daily Mass and enjoy sports, socials and day trips including hiking and canoeing. The program is for students who will be entering their sophomore, junior or senior year of high school in the fall of 2013. It is also open to students who have just graduated high school. The Collegiate Summer Program is a two-week session that runs from Sunday, July 28 – Saturday, August 10, 2013. Register today at www.magdalen.edu! For more information, contact the admissions office at admissions@magdalen.edu or 603.456.2656 x 119.

Banns of Ordination

The Following Deacon will be called to the Order of the Priesthood on Saturday, May 25, 2013:

Rev. Mr. Brian Christopher Maxwell

Should you know of any reason why this man should not be ordained a priest, please write to:

The Most Reverend Michael R. Cote, Bishop of Norwich
201 Broadway
Norwich, CT 06360

SAINT MAURICE PARISH

Bingo Publicity Needed:

We need someone to keep BINGO!@St. Maurice in the public eye with news stories, social media postings, signs, posters, etc. Two or three people working together would be great. Just a little time each week will help a lot. If interested, please call the office at (860) 643-4466 or Member-in-Charge Susan Brock at (860) 742-9133. E-mail addresses are available on our website.

ON THE ROAD TO EDEN HILL ...

On Sunday, June 2nd, all parishioners and their guests are invited to travel as a parish community on retreat to the **National Shrine of the Divine Mercy** in Stockbridge, MA. Highlights include the recitation of the Chaplet of the Divine Mercy at 3 pm, the Lourdes Grotto, as well as shrines to the Immaculate Conception, the Holy Innocents, Holy Family, and many more beautiful sites on the grounds of Eden Hill. All areas are handicap accessible. Our goal is to obtain a sign-up of 55 persons, which would enable us to fill a coach bus for a cost of about \$13 a person. There are no entrance fees at the Shrine. A sign up sheet is on the back table. The bus will leave St. Maurice at 11:30 am and the Shrine at 4:00 pm. For more information please contact Fr. Wojciech or Patti Cinea @ 860-646-0564.

FROM THE DIOCESE OF NORWICH

Eucharistic Adoration—In this Year of Faith, a Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration will be celebrated by Bishop Michael R. Cote, Bishop of Norwich, on Friday, May 24, 2013, at 7:00 p.m., in the Cathedral of Saint Patrick, 213 Broadway in Norwich. This Holy Hour will be celebrated on the eve of the Ordination to the Priesthood of Deacon Brian Maxwell. Also, we will join with our Holy Father, Pope Francis (and with dioceses around the world) in an hour of Eucharistic Adoration in a profound communion with Christ to intensify our faith in the Eucharist during the Year of Faith. All are encouraged to participate in the Holy Hour and in Deacon Maxwell’s Ordination on Saturday, May 25, at 10:30 a.m. at our newly restored Cathedral.

Please join us for the monthly Pro-Life Mass on Saturday, June 1st ~ 8:30a.m. Fr. Joseph Whittel will celebrate the Mass to be held at SS. Peter & Paul Church in Norwich due to Cathedral renovations. Following the Mass the Rosary will be prayed both at SS. Peter & Paul Church and at the Planned Parenthood. There will *not* be a brunch after the Rosary on June 1st. Your presence is welcomed as we work together to bring about a culture of life.

RACHEL’S VINEYARD RETREAT WEEKENDS

“I did not think the sorrow and wounds from my abortion, my closely guarded secret for years, could be healed”. Healing and forgiveness can begin with a **Rachel’s Vineyard Retreat**. Retreat June 7-9 in Westerly, RI call 401-421-7833 ext.118. **or www.rachelsvineyard.org.** “Project Rachel” is a Diocesan outreach for anyone in need of healing. Priests in “Project Rachel” can help you through healing and forgiveness. Call 860-889-8346 ext.283. All inquiries are confidential.

Marriage Preparation for Engaged Couples

“God’s Plan for a Joy-filled Marriage”
 July 12, 19, 26, 2013 6:30pm-9:00pm
 Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, Gales Ferry
 To register for the 3 session class call:
 Family Life Office at: 860-889-8346 ext.283

“Donation Angel”

Donate any type of vehicle: cars, boats, etc. running or not. **Donation Angel** is a car donation program that raises funds to support our Catholic Charities of Norwich and its mission to respond to Christ’s call to care for those in need by providing services for individuals and families. For free quick removal of your unwanted vehicle and receive a tax deduction call Ray at **866-434-1131** or www.donationangel.org/ccfsn.

Defending Our Religious Liberty

Religious freedom is a God-given right. It is protected in the First Amendment of the Bill of Rights of our U.S. Constitution, which dates back to Dec. 15, 1791. The government should not be allowed to force people or groups to violate their most deeply held religious convictions. To quote Cardinal Timothy Dolan, president of the USCCB, “Religious freedom is our heritage, our legacy, and our firm belief, both as loyal Catholics and Americans.” This is not a Catholic issue, it will impact all religions.

To voice your opposition to the federal health care mandate, contact the White House at: www.whitehouse.gov/contact or call: 202-456-1111 or 202-456-1414; or write to: The White House, 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20500. Let the White House know that the mandate violates the First Amendment, which guarantees religious freedom.



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