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Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time • June 9, 2013

Good News!

June 9, 2013

TENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C)

1 Kgs 17:17–24 / Gal 1:11–19 / Lk 7:11–17

I've been teased over the years about how fast I walk. A work colleague even named me Flash for running by his office "in a flash" every day. He claimed no one wanted to get in my way for fear of being run over. I do walk quickly, and it probably has to do with my predilection for getting a lot done in little time. I'm all about efficiency.

But in my single-minded focus, I can miss opportunities to connect, help, or simply be present to someone—a colleague, my spouse, or even a stranger. When I take the time to stop, I have remarkable moments of holy companionship.

Jesus, while not necessarily a divine speedwalker, was heading into Nain in today's Gospel, probably with a particular destination in mind. He could have easily walked by the passing funeral procession. But Jesus was deeply moved by this grieving widow. Jesus not only interrupts his plans—he touches the woman's dead son, rendering Jesus ritually unclean.

Yet this risky action brings life—not just to the man, but also to his mother, whose legal standing in society was dependent on her son's. Her life is also restored.

Jesus' actions remind us that while our plans and projects are good, God is regularly found in interruptions—if we're willing to stop and risk reaching out. Instead of speeding past the homeless man, might we stop and invite him for a sandwich? Instead of deftly avoiding the coworker who always has family problems to share, might we take time to listen with real empathy?

Let the interruptions come—God may be bringing new life to someone through you.

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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.

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THIS WEEK

10th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JUNE 8 – 9, 2013

Triple Play Café Breakfast

Blood Pressure Screening

2nd Collection for the Poor & Needy in Haiti

USHERS GROUP IV

SATURDAY, JUNE 8 –

5:00 P.M. Mass offered for +Kathleen Flynn request of Bert & Marge Flynn

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

SUNDAY, JUNE 9 –

7:30 A.M. Mass offered for All Parishioners of St. Maurice

CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY after Mass

10:00 A.M. – Mass offered for +Henry Leonard

CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY after Mass

5:30 P.M. LITURGY OF THE HOURS

MONDAY, JUNE 10 –

9:00 A.M. Mass offered for +John Ciskon request of Theresa Ciskon

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

TUESDAY, JUNE 11 –

9:00 A.M. Mass offered for +Kaloe Elise Teyton

7:15 P.M. – Adult Choir Rehearsal

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 12 – No Mass

9:00 A.M. – FAIR WORKSHOP

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

THURSDAY, JUNE 13 – No Mass

7:00 P.M. – Knights of Columbus Business Meeting

FRIDAY, JUNE 14 – No Mass

SATURDAY, JUNE 15 –

Last week's Offertory – June 2 – \$3,236

Last year's Offertory – June 3 – \$3,818

"They all ate and were satisfied. And when the leftover fragments were picked up, they filled twelve wicker baskets." (Luke 9:17)

The story of the Loaves and Fishes shows us that when we share what we have - even if it doesn't seem like that much - miracles can happen! Do not think that your gift is too small or insignificant! God blesses all the gifts we offer and makes them wondrous.

NEXT WEEK

11th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JUNE 15 – 16, 2013

MAINTENANCE COLLECTION

USHERS GROUP I

SATURDAY, JUNE 15 –

5:00 P.M. Mass offered for +Francesca Quagliano request of Josephine Maratta

Altar Servers: Maria Cinea

Lector: Georgette Pelletier

Eucharistic Minister: Jean Gately

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

SUNDAY, JUNE 16 –

7:30 A.M. Mass offered for +James Bloznalis request of the Dean Family

Altar Servers: Shirley Warbeck

Lector: Judy Knox

Eucharistic Minister: Arlene Giglio

CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY after Mass

10:00 A.M. – Mass offered for All Parishioners of St. Maurice

Altar Servers: Alex Czercowy

Lector: Evelyn O'Connor

Eucharistic Minister: Betty Aitkin

CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY after Mass

5:30 P.M. LITURGY OF THE HOURS

MONDAY, JUNE 17 –

9:00 A.M. Mass offered for +Marie Ann Madore request of her Daughters & Son

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

TUESDAY, JUNE 18 –

9:00 A.M. Mass offered for +Tom Grunске request of Hope Grunске

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 19 – No Mass

9:00 A.M. – FAIR WORKSHOP

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

THURSDAY, JUNE 20 – No Mass

FRIDAY, JUNE 21 – No Mass

FAITH FORMATION – LAST DAY FOR ON-TIME REGISTRATION

SATURDAY, JUNE 22 –

4:30 P.M. – ROSARY BEFORE 5 P.M. MASS

Readings for the Week of June 9, 2013

Sunday: 1 Kgs 17:17-24/Gal 1:11-19/Lk 7:11-17

Monday: 2 Cor 1:1-7/Mt 5:1-12

Tuesday: Acts 11:21b-26; 13:1-3/Mt 5:13-16

Wednesday: 2 Cor 3:4-11/Mt 5:17-19

Thursday: 2 Cor 3:15--4:1, 3-6/Mt 5:20-26

Friday: 2 Cor 4:7-15/Mt 5:27-32

Saturday: 2 Cor 5:14-21/Mt 5:33-37

Next Sunday: 2 Sm 12:7-10, 13/Gal 2:16, 19-21/Lk 7:36--8:3 or 7:36-50

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SAINT MAURICE PARISH**Divine Mercy Shrine Trip**

On June 2nd, twenty-one adults and one teenager traveled by minibus from St. Maurice to the National Divine Mercy Shrine in Stockbridge, MA. Nestled in the Berkshires, this 350 acre Shrine attracts tens of thousands of pilgrims a year, most notably on the feast day of Divine Mercy—the Sunday following Easter. Upon arrival the eye cast itself on the outdoor bronze life size Stations of the Cross. Recently completed, the smooth path allowed one to walk the way of the cross, stopping at each station and reflecting upon Christ's passion and death. A beautiful replication of the Lourdes Grotto allowed pilgrims to sit, meditate and light a candle at the nearby Candle Shrine. Some participated at afternoon Mass at the beautifully designed Shrine Chapel. Strangely, the sky darkened and a thunderstorm rolled in at 3pm, the Hour of Christ's death, the Hour of Mercy. The climax of the trip was participating in a chapel full of worshippers, reciting the Chaplet of Divine Mercy in song. Following, we left our personal and parish retreat tired but revitalized in our faith.

Pilgrimage to the Holy Land

Fr. Bob Grattaroti of St. Joseph's Parish is leading a Pilgrimage to the Holy Land next February.

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Defending Our Religious Liberty

The time has come for the U.S. government to provide the exemptions necessary so that churches and religious organizations will not be forced to subsidize healthcare coverage that goes against their moral principles.

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.

FROM THE DIOCESE OF NORWICH**Special Collection for Recovery Efforts from Recent Storms in Archdiocese of Oklahoma City and from other Natural Disasters**

Throughout the Diocese of Norwich, a Special Collection will be taken up at all Masses on the weekend of June 15 and 16, 2013, to assist with the recovery efforts due to recent storms in the Archdiocese of Oklahoma City and to address other natural disasters that the Church in this country may suffer. The appeal is broadened in anticipation of additional disasters that may occur this year. The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops is still responding to the needs of dioceses affected by Hurricane Sandy.

Catholic Charities FT Position Available: Primary Service Manager for DSS grant funded, Empowering People for Success Program (EPS). Applicant will provide outreach, case management, and advocacy for home based families with barriers to employment. BA/BS in a human service field or Associates with home visitor experience. Office based in Willimantic with cases located throughout Windham County. Extensive travel required. Bilingual preferred. Send resume to Search Committee, Catholic Charities, Diocese of Norwich, 331 Main Street, Norwich, CT 06360. Closing date: June 14, 2013.

Parents divorcing and/or resolving child custody issues – participate in the court suggested Parent Education Program. Are you concerned about the effects of divorce, separation or family disruption on your children? **Catholic Charities offers ongoing, monthly one day Parenting Education Classes in Norwich, Rockville and Middletown. A monthly 2- part Spanish/bilingual parenting education class is held in Willimantic.** Attendance at both sessions in the **Willimantic** class is required for the certificate of completion. Fees apply and are determined by the State of CT. Please call toll free 1-866-883-1624 ext. 263 for registration and monthly class locations and dates.

Recruitment for Prison Ministry

The Office of Prison Ministry in the Diocese of Norwich is seeking individuals interested in volunteering for the following Prison Ministries. There are many ways in which you can share your gifts.

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| Scripture Study and Sharing | Retreat Days |
| Sacramental Preparation | Prayer Groups |
| Small Christian Communities | Music for Liturgies |
| Religious Education | Legion of Mary |

A training program, "Gift of Grace" has been developed for those interested in prison ministry. This program will take place at the Bishop Hines Conference Room, 201 Broadway, Norwich, CT 06360. The schedule for training is as follows: Saturday, September 14, 2013; Saturday, October 5, 2013; Saturday, October 26, 2013; Saturday November 9, 2013; Sunday, December 8, 2013.

Pre-registration is required. Parish teams are encouraged. There is a particular need for people who are bi-lingual in English and Spanish.

For more information, Please contact Sheree Antoch at the Prison Ministry Office (860) 848-2237 X211 or prison@norwichdiocese.net.



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