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## Good News!

August 11, 2013

**NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C)**

Wis 18:6-9 / Heb 11:1-2, 8-19 or 11:1-2, 8-12

Lk 12:32-48 or 12:35-40

The vigilant servants awaiting the master's return in today's gospel don't have anything on my mother. During my adolescence, she was the master of vigilant waiting, even in sleep. When I'd arrive home after a night out, I'd creep quietly into her bedroom to let her know I was home. Though she appeared to be asleep, she slept the sleep of a parent with a teenager—one eye and ear always open, awaiting the turn of the key.

It was amazing how she knew, even while half asleep, whether something was wrong. The night I came home after a boyfriend had broken up with me, I gave her the usual kiss goodnight, and she immediately turned on the light and asked, "What's wrong?" Her maternal senses were on alert even in the middle of the night. That's true vigilance.

Whatever you call it—Spidey sense, maternal hunches, spiritual vigilance—Jesus challenges us in today's gospel to be ready for God at all times. I don't think that means being hyperalert, expecting God to pounce from around the next corner. Instead, I think it's being like the mother of a teenager; able to rest, but with a highly tuned intuition about her child's feelings and needs.

We don't know the exact moment we'll meet God next; we don't know the exact time God will call us home. But we can prepare ourselves for those moments by nurturing our prayer life, refusing to let wounds fester, seeking forgiveness, and living each day out of gratitude. These practices deepen our spiritual vigilance, helping us be more prepared for God's ongoing encounters and for the moment God calls us home.

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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**

**19<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**AUGUST 10 – 11, 2013**  
**USHERS GROUP I**

**SATURDAY, AUG. 10 –**

**5:00 P.M.** Mass offered for +Michael Hickey request of the Hickey & Kippenberger Families

**SUNDAY, AUG. 11 –**

**7:30 A.M.** Mass offered for +Leigh Ferguson request of Mary Ann Ferguson

**CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY** after Mass

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

**CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY** after Mass

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

**MONDAY, AUG. 12 –**

**9:00 A.M.** Mass offered for +James P. Bloznalis request of his Family

**5:00 P.M. – Parish BINGO –** Food available from 5 P.M. GAMES begin at 6:30 P.M.— Progressive Jackpot \$100

**TUESDAY, AUG. 13 –**

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

**7 P.M. Parish Council Meeting in the Parish Center**

**WEDNESDAY, AUG. 14 –**

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

**9:00 A.M. – FAIR WORKSHOP**

**NO Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**

**THURSDAY, AUG. 15 – THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY – Holy day of Obligation**

**9:00 A.M.** Mass offered for +Rev. Robert W. Cronin request of Mary Mumford

**7:00 P.M.** Mass offered for All Parishioners

**FRIDAY, AUG. 16 – No Mass**

**SATURDAY, AUG. 17 –**

**4:30 P.M. – ROSARY BEFORE 5 P.M. MASS**

**Last week's Offertory – August 4 – \$3,313**  
**Last year's Offertory – August 5 – \$3,348**

*"For where your treasure is, there also will your heart be." Luke 12:34*

Jesus encourages us to build up our treasure in heaven. The world encourages us to build up our treasure in real estate, investments, and material goods. How much time are you investing in building up a worldly treasure? How much time are you investing in building up a heaven treasure? To invest more time in the things of heaven, you must let go of some of the things of this world.

**NEXT WEEK**

**20<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**AUGUST 17 – 18, 2013**  
**MAINTENANCE COLLECTION**  
**USHERS GROUP II**

**SATURDAY, AUG. 17 –**

**5:00 P.M.** Mass offered for +John Sheetz request of Cecelia (Tony) Stone

*Altar Servers: Maria Cinea*

*Lector: Georgette Pelletier*

*Eucharistic Minister: Jean Gately*

**SUNDAY, AUG. 18 –**

**7:30 A.M.** Mass offered for +Michael, +John, +Anthony, +Adam, +Joseph, +Andrew Kurys request of Mary Anne Murphy

*Altar Servers: Shirley Warbeck*

*Lector: Joel Cohan*

*Eucharistic Minister: Linda Richardson*

**CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY** after Mass

**10:00 A.M. –** Mass offered for +Cecile Lavoie request of her Daughters

*Altar Servers: Elena & Catherine Fiano*

*Lector: Barbara Fiano*

*Eucharistic Minister: Betty Aitkin*

**CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY** after Mass

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

**MONDAY, AUG. 19 –**

**9:00 A.M.** Mass offered for +James P. Bloznalis request of his Family

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

**TUESDAY, AUG. 20 –**

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

**WEDNESDAY, AUG. 21 –**

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

**9:00 A.M. – FAIR WORKSHOP**

**NO Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**

**THURSDAY, AUG. 22 – No Mass**

**FRIDAY, AUG. 23 – No Mass**

**SATURDAY, AUG. 24 –**

**4:30 P.M. – ROSARY BEFORE 5 P.M. MASS**

Readings for the Week of August 11, 2013

Sunday: Wis 18:6-9/Heb 11:1-2, 8-19 or 11:1-2, 8-12/Lk 12:32-48

Monday: Dt 10:12-22/Mt 17:22-27

Tuesday: Dt 31:1-8/Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14

Wednesday: Dt 34:1-12/Mt 18:15-20

Thursday: Vigil: 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2/1 Cor 15:54b-57/Lk 11:27-28 Day: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/1 Cor 15:20-27/Lk 1:39-56

Friday: Jos 24:1-13/Mt 19:3-12

Saturday: Jos 24:14-29/Mt 19:13-15

Next Sunday: Jer 38:4-6, 8-10/Heb 12:1-4/Lk 12:49-53

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## FROM THE DIOCESE OF NORWICH

**EUCCHARISTIC HOLY HOUR FOR VOCATIONS**

On **Thursday**, August 22, 2013, come join in praying with Bishop Cote a Eucharistic Holy Hour for Vocations. This month the holy hour will be at Sacred Heart Church, Vernon, CT from 7:00-8:00 p.m. Come pray for those who are called to priestly or consecrated religious life. Pray for our seminarians and those in the process of applying to the Diocese. Join our Diocesan Prayer Team for Vocations by emailing the vocation office for more information at [vocations@norwichdiocese.net](mailto:vocations@norwichdiocese.net) and check out our website at [god-calls.org](http://god-calls.org).

**The Silver and Gold Jubilee Anniversary Mass  
Sunday, September 29, 2013 -- 2:00p.m.**

Inviting all couples married 25 & 50 years and any significant anniversary in renewal of your wedding vows at the Pontifical Mass celebrated by Bishop Michael R. Cote at the Cathedral of St. Patrick in Norwich. Refreshments follow the Mass. Register through your parish. For additional information call: 860-889-8346 ext.283.

**SPECIAL DIOCESAN MASS FOR EDUCATORS**— The Eighteenth Annual Diocesan Mass for Those Dedicated to Education will be celebrated on Sunday September 8, 2013, in the Cathedral of Saint Patrick, at 8:45 a.m. Bishop Cote will celebrate this Mass for all teachers and support staff, public, parochial and private, active and retired, of all faiths. Very Reverend Leszek T. Janik, Vicar General of the Diocese of Norwich will be the homilist.

For information or if you wish to help please call Mrs. Enright at 860-889-0702 or Monsignor Brown at 860-887-9294.

**A Support Group for parents** of children who have died from stillbirths and miscarriages will be meeting at Catholic Charities in Norwich in the fall. Please call Susan Sedensky, Director of Adoption, at 860-889-8346 ext. 282 if you would like to join this newly formed group.

**Diocesan Pro-Life Mass at the Cathedral of St. Patrick in Norwich on Saturday, September 7<sup>th</sup> ~ 8:30 a.m.** Please join us and our Celebrant, Msgr. Marek Masnicki, at Mass as we pray to end abortion and for the healing for those who have had an abortion. Following the Mass, the Rosary will be prayed both at the Cathedral and Planned Parenthood. A brunch will follow the Rosary.

**Twenty-third Annual Blue Mass For All Law Enforcement Officers—  
Sunday, September 22, 2013, at 10:15 a.m.**

All law enforcement officers (federal, state, and municipal, active and retired) and their families are invited to the Twenty-third Annual Blue Mass and Reception, Sunday, September 22, 2013, in the Cathedral of Saint Patrick, 10:15 a.m. All parishioners are cordially invited to attend this Mass. Bishop Cote, the Bishop of Norwich, will celebrate the Mass and Monsignor Robert Weiss, Pastor, Saint Rose of Lima Parish Community, Newtown, Connecticut, will be the Homilist.

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## THURSDAY AUGUST 15TH—HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

ASSUMPTION  
of the Blessed Virgin Mary

## CHRISTMAS FAIR NEEDS



We still need many, many baby food jars we never get enough and they are the baseline for all sorts of things. We also need to gather about 75 lbs. of flour and 50 lbs. of sugar. Donations of sure jell and paraffin for the jams and jellies will also be appreciated. You can leave your donations in the vestibule of the Church or at the Parish Center.

"Blessed are those servants whom the master finds vigilant on his arrival. Amen, I say to you, he will gird himself, have them recline at table, and proceed to wait on them. And should he come in the second or third watch and find them prepared in this way, blessed are those servants." - Lk 12:37-38

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**Defending Our Religious Liberty**

The Department of Health and Human Services has called for a five-month extension before implementing the federal health care mandate, which will force religious institutions to pay for surgical sterilization, contraception and abortion-causing drugs – all procedures that go against our religious principles. This extension will give us more time to continue our fight to protect our religious freedom granted to all Americans in the U.S. Constitution.

To voice your opposition to the mandate, please call the Capitol switchboard in Washington, D.C. at 202-224-3121 and urge your Congressmen or Congresswoman and/or U.S. Senators to support legislation that will overturn the mandate. You can also write to the White House at: 1600 Pennsylvania Ave. N.W., Washington, D.C. 20500.





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