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Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time • September 29, 2013

dear Padre

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What does the Church teach about organ transplants?

I just got my new driver's license, and my wife is pressuring me to sign up to be an organ donor. Are organ transplants permitted by the Catholic Church?

Yes, under certain conditions. The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* affirms that "Organ transplants are in conformity with the moral law if the physical and psychological dangers and risks to the donor are proportionate to the good that is sought for the recipient" (2296).

Organ transplants from a dead person to a living person must fulfill two additional criteria: 1) The donor must give free and informed consent prior to death, or those who legitimately speak on the donor's behalf must do so at the time of death; and 2) the donor must be dead before the tissue can be harvested—in other words, the donor must not be declared dead prematurely, nor may the donor's death be hastened just to use the organs. The *Catechism* adds, "Organ donation after death is a noble and meritorious act and is to be encouraged as an expression of generous solidarity."

The transplantation of organs from a living donor must fulfill two criteria: 1) the removal of the organ must not seriously impair the donor's health or bodily function; and 2) the donor must make an informed and free decision recognizing the potential risks involved.

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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.

THIS WEEK**26th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME****SEPT. 28 – SEPT. 29, 2013****COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN COLLECTION****USHERS GROUP IV****SATURDAY, SEPT. 28 –****5:00 P.M.** Mass offered for All Parishioners of St. Maurice Church**Coffee Social after 5 P.M. Mass in the Church Basement****SUNDAY, SEPT. 29 –****7:30 A.M.** Mass offered for +Eric Dean request of the Dean Family**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 +Samuel Guglielmino**CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY after Mass****5:30 P.M.— LITURGY OF THE HOURS****MONDAY, SEPT. 30 –****9:00 A.M.** Mass offered for +Samuel Guglielmino**5:00 P.M.— Parish BINGO—Food available from 5 P.M. Games begin at 6:30 P.M.— Progressive Jackpot \$400****7:00 P.M.—Bolton Ecumenical Council at Saint Maurice Church, Parish Center, lower level, Classroom One.****TUESDAY, OCT. 1 –****9:00 A.M.** Mass offered for +Neda Skehan request of Gloria Holbrook**7:15 P.M. Adult Choir Rehearsal****WEDNESDAY, OCT. 2 –****9:00 A.M.** Mass offered for +James P. Bloznalis request of the Dean & Bloznalis Families**9:00 A.M.—FAIR WORKSHOP****3:00 to 7:00 P.M. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament****THURSDAY, OCT. 3 – No Mass****FRIDAY, OCT. 4 – No Mass****SATURDAY, OCT. 5 –****4:30 P.M. – ROSARY BEFORE 5 P.M. MASS****Last week's Offertory—September 22 — \$2,391****Last year's Offertory—September 23 — \$3,602**

"My child, remember that you received what was good during your lifetime while Lazarus likewise received what was bad; but now he is comforted here, whereas you are tormented. Moreover, between us and you a great chasm is established..." Luke 16:25-26

When God created the world He declared that it was good and He gave it to all mankind for us to enjoy. However, over the years we have created a chasm between those who have great gifts and those who do not. In today's Gospel we see that with our own generosity we must bridge that gap between those who have much and those who have little or we may find ourselves on the wrong side of the chasm in the next life.

NEXT WEEK**27th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME****OCT. 5 – OCT. 6, 2013****2nd Collection—Cradle Fund****USHERS GROUP I****SATURDAY, OCT. 5 –****5:00 P.M.** Mass offered for + Barbara Sposito request of the Armstrong Family*Altar Servers: Maria Cinea**Lector: Patti Cinea**Eucharistic Minister: Annedda Stiller***Coffee Social after 5 P.M. Mass in the Church Basement****SUNDAY, OCT. 6 –****7:30 A.M.** Mass offered for +Henry Leonard*Altar Servers: Shirley Warbeck**Lector: Joel Cohan**Eucharistic Minister: Linda Richardson***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 All Parishioners of St. Maurice Church**BAPTISM OF AMELIA ROSE CAYA***Altar Servers: Lee Ann & Ben Snuffer**Lector: Alex Boutin**Eucharistic Minister: Sharon Scorso***CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY after Mass****5:30 P.M.— LITURGY OF THE HOURS****MONDAY, OCT. 7 –****9:00 A.M.** Mass offered for +Samuel Guglielmino**5:00 P.M.— Parish BINGO—Food available from 5 P.M. Games begin at 6:30 P.M.****TUESDAY, OCT. 8 –****9:00 A.M.** Mass offered for +Amelia & +Nicola Maratta request of Josephine Maratta**7:15 P.M. Adult Choir Rehearsal****WEDNESDAY, OCT. 9 –****9:00 A.M.** Mass offered for +James P. Bloznalis request of the Dean & Bloznalis Families**9:00 A.M.—FAIR WORKSHOP****3:00 to 7:00 P.M. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament****THURSDAY, OCT. 10 – No Mass****7:00 P.M.—Knights of Columbus Business Meeting****FRIDAY, OCT. 11 – No Mass****SATURDAY, OCT. 12 –****4:30 P.M. – ROSARY BEFORE 5 P.M. MASS**

Readings for the Week of September 29, 2013

Sunday: Am 6:1a, 4-7/1 Tm 6:11-16/Lk 16:19-31

Monday: Zec 8:1-8/Lk 9:46-50

Tuesday: Zec 8:20-23/Lk 9:51-56

Wednesday: Neh 2:1-8/Mt 18:1-5, 10

Thursday: Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12/Lk 10:1-12

Friday: Bar 1:15-22/Lk 10:13-16

Saturday: Bar 4:5-12, 27-29/Lk 10:17-24

Next Sunday: Hb 1:2-3; 2:2-4/2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14/Lk 17:5-10

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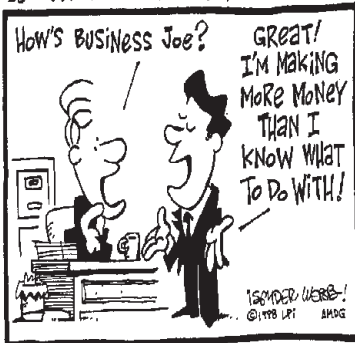
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Miscellaneous Items: Baby Food Jars—Christmas Mugs—Tea Cups & Saucers—Glassware—Fancy Bottles (Small to Tall) — Candle Jars with Lids—Mason Jars, Bands & Lids—Suregel—Paraffin—Baskets (any size) - Old Candles to Melt

In honor of the right to life—40 days, please join in saying the rosary on Tuesday, October 13, 2013, from 7 A.M. to 7 P.M. at Saint Maurice Church.

**The Catholic Cemeteries Association**

Choosing a family lot is inevitable. To make an important decision more calmly, prudently and economically, the Catholic Cemeteries Association suggests pre-need cemetery arrangements. For a limited time, all Catholic families have the opportunity to purchase pre-need graves with up-right monument rights or shrine graves with interest free installment payments up to 48 months at Holy Cross Cemetery in East Hartford. (Mausoleum entombment space for casket and cremation is also available at Holy Cross and St. Mary Cemeteries). This offer will conclude November 15, 2013. Please call the office at St. James Cemetery, 860-646-3772, for more information or to schedule an appointment.

26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**Defending Our Religious Liberty**

As the federal healthcare mandate takes effect in many places in October, it will become blatantly clear that the government is forcing religious insurers to write policies that violate their beliefs; coercing religious employers and schools to subsidize and facilitate coverage that violates their beliefs; and obligating conscientiously objecting employees and students to purchase coverage that violates their beliefs. We cannot allow this to happen.

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.

FROM THE DIOCESE OF NORWICH

Diocesan Pro-Life Mass at the Cathedral of St. Patrick in Norwich on Saturday, October 5th ~ 8:30 a.m. Please join us 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. There will not be a brunch following the Rosary.

FOURTH ANNUAL SETON SCHOLARSHIP DINNER

Please join Bishop Cote at the Fourth Annual Seton Scholarship Dinner honoring the recipients of the *Most Reverend Michael R. Cote, D.D. Award for Contributions to Catholic Education* to be held at 4 pm on Sunday, November 3, 2013 at The Riverhouse at Goodspeed Station, Haddam, CT. This year's honorees are Reverend Roger Lamoureux, O.M.I., Sister Patricia Anne Barry, R.S.M. posthumously and John F. Shine, PH.D. Tickets are \$150/person. All proceeds benefit Catholic Schools within the Diocese. Opportunities for sponsorship, program advertising and raffle donations are available. For tickets and more information, please contact Mary Ellen Mahoney at 860-886-1928 ext. 14 or development-dso@norwichdiocese.net.

FIREFIIGHTERS/EMS MASS:

Twenty-first Annual Mass for Firefighters/EMS Personnel
Saturday, October 12, 2013, at 5:00 p.m.

On Saturday, October 12, 2013, at 5:00 p.m., Bishop Cote will celebrate Mass for all Firefighters/EMS personnel, in the Cathedral of Saint Patrick. Assembly at Chelsea Parade for the line-up and the procession of all personnel and apparatus will begin at 3:00 p.m. Firefighter Heather Mislivets is the Mass Committee Chair. The Homilist will be Reverend J. Leckie, Chaplain, New England Association of Fire Chiefs and Pastor, Saint Joseph Church, Hope Valley, Rhode Island. All companies, departments, and personnel and their families are cordially invited to participate. For more information call, Monsignor Brown 860-887-9294, x232, or Mrs. Terri Zampini 860-887-9294 x 240.

6th Annual Connecticut Catholic Men's Conference, Saturday October 26th 8:30 AM- 5 PM, Goodwin College, East Hartford.

Come join hundreds of Catholic men from our three dioceses. The day includes talks by four inspiring speakers, holy Mass with our priests and bishops, confessions heard throughout the day by many priests, good music, opportunity to meet great men and priests from our dioceses. We have a new pope and our theme this year is **Rebuild Our Church, Our Faith and Our Life... Following Pope Francis**. Come and learn more about how Pope Francis is leading us. The \$35 ticket includes lunch and may be purchased at our website www.CTCatholicMen.org or by calling 860-739-4607. Speaker information, directions to Goodwin College are also on the site. See you there on the last Saturday of October.

SAINT EDWARD LADIES GUILD WILL BE HOLDING ITS FALL TAG AND BAKE SALE ON SATURDAY, October 5, 2013 from 9:00 a.m. to 12 noon at the Church Hall located at 25 Church Street, Stafford Springs. Home-made pierogies will be available for dining in or to take home along with *delicious* baked goods and gently used clothing items.

Donations are gratefully accepted and can be dropped off the day before at the Church Hall after 3:30 p.m. on Friday October 4th. Unfortunately, we cannot accept any large furniture or appliances/electronics. Please call Pat Saunders at 860-306-9419 if you have any items for pickup. And please, no early birds.



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