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September 13, 2015
TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B)

Is 50:5-9a / Jas 2:14-18 / Mk 8:27-35

The undergraduate students with whom I work are part of a generation whose opportunities to serve others began in grade school. Regardless of religious affiliation, culture, or race, these students raised money, contributed to canned food drives, helped at food pantries, or built houses with their classmates or fellow club members. Now in college, they have hundreds of opportunities to help those less fortunate which are sponsored by this nonreligious institution alone, let alone the many more offered by their respective religious houses and communities. For the most part, they serve willingly, even eagerly. But I find that few of them sit down to reflect on the good work they do. They rarely consider the call to solidarity with the poor or the command of Christ to love one another. They just have a felt sense that they should.

For Catholics, as for all Christians, this felt sense has its roots in the faith we proclaim. If we truly believe that Christ is the Son of God and our Savior, our faith compels us to do what he did and to love as he loved. And it is more than that. Many people do service work because it's the right thing to do or because they want to give back. Those are goodreasons. But we are called to be in a relationship of love with those we serve. We are challenged to see not only how we might serve them but to see the gifts they bring to us and how they shape our lives. We are called to accept them as our brothers and sisters.

Mary Katharine Deeley

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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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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

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SEPTEMBER 12 — SEPTEMBER 13, 2015 **USHERS GROUP II**

2ND COLLECTION — ST. MAURICE MAINTENANCE

SATURDAY, SEP 12

5:00 P.M. Mass offered for All Parishioners

of St. Maurice Church

Altar Servers: Maria Cinea Lectors: Patti Cinea

Eucharistic Minister: Bert Flynn

COFFEE SOCIAL after Mass in the Church Basement

SUNDAY, SEP 13

7:30 A.M. Mass offered for All Parishioners

of St. Maurice Church

Altar Servers: Shirley Warbeck Lector: Judy Knox

Eucharistic Minister: Arlene Giglio

10:00 A.M. Mass offered for †Michał, †Helena, †Henry

Sobczak — request of Lucy Szwed and Family

Altar Servers: Alex Czercowy

Lector: Rita Sheetz

Eucharistic Minister: Rita Sheetz

BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS

Students can bring their backpacks and place them on the altar near the Tabernacle before mass.

CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY after Mass

COFFEE SOCIAL after Mass in the Church Basement

MONDAY, SEP 14

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

of St. Maurice Church

TUESDAY, SEP 15

9:00 A.M. Mass offered for †Roseland Muldoon

request of Marge and Bert Flynn

7:00 P.M. — PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

7:15 P.M. — CHOIR REHEARSAL

WEDNESDAY, SEP 16

9:00 A.M. Mass offered for †Samuel Guglielmino

9:00 A.M. Christmas Fair Workshop in the Parish Center

THURSDAY, SEP 17 — NO MASS

5:30 P.M. **BINGO** in the Parish Center

Doors open and food available at 5:30 P.M.

Games begin at 6:45 P.M.

FRIDAY, SEP 18 — NO MASS

SATURDAY, SEP 19

4:30 P.M. **ROSARY BEFORE 5:00 P.M. MASS**

STEWARDSHIP

Last week's Offertory: September 6 — \$2,600

Projected Amount needed \$3,370

"Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his

cross, and follow me." (MARK 8:34)

When we truly believe that all we have is a gift from God, then we must be willing to give up some things so that we can share our blessings as God intended. Living a stewardship lifestyle means not only being responsible for our own life, but the lives of others as well.

NEXT WEEK

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SEPTEMBER 19 — SEPTEMBER 20, 2015

USHERS GROUP III

2ND COLLECTION — CATHOLIC ELEMENTERY **SCHOOLS CAMPAIGN**

SATURDAY, SEP 19

5:00 P.M. Mass offered for All Parishioners

of St. Maurice Church

Altar Servers: Maria Cinea Lectors: Georgette Pelletier

Eucharistic Minister: Annedda Stiller

COFFEE SOCIAL after Mass in the Church Basement

SUNDAY, SEP 20

7:30 A.M. Mass offered for All Parishioners

of St. Maurice Church

Altar Servers: Shirley Warbeck

Lector: Judy Trzcinski

Eucharistic Minister: Linda Richardson

10:00 A.M. Mass offered for †Thomas Grunske

request of Hope Grunske

Altar Servers: LeeAnn & Ben Snuffer

Lector: Evelyn O'Connor Eucharistic Minister: Betty Aitkin

BLESSING OF THE CATECHISTS

CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY after Mass

COFFEE SOCIAL after Mass in the Church Basement

MONDAY, SEP 21

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

of St. Maurice Church

TUESDAY, SEP 22

9:00 A.M. Mass offered for †Frank Chetelat

request of Marge and Bert Flynn

7:15 P.M. — CHOIR REHEARSAL

WEDNESDAY, SEP 23

9:00 A.M. Mass offered for †Samuel Guglielmino

9:00 A.M. Christmas Fair Workshop in the Parish Center

THURSDAY, SEP 24 — NO MASS

5:30 P.M. **BINGO** in the Parish Center

Doors open and food available at 5:30 P.M.

Games begin at 6:45 P.M.

FRIDAY, SEP 25 — NO MASS

SATURDAY, SEP 26

4:30 P.M. ROSARY BEFORE 5:00 P.M. MASS

Readings for the Week of September 13, 2015

Sunday: Is 50:5-9a/Jas 2:14-18/Mk 8:27-35 Monday: Nm 21:4b-9/Phil 2:6-11/Jn 3:13-17 1 Tm 3:1-13/Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35 Tuesday:

Wednesday: 1 Tm 3:14-16/Lk 7:31-35 Thursday: 1 Tm 4:12-16/Lk 7:36-50 Friday: 1 Tm 6:2c-12/Lk 8:1-3 Saturday: 1 Tm 6:13-16/Lk 8:4-15

Next Sunday: Wis 2:12, 17-20/Jas 3:16--4:3/Mk 9:30-

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FROM SAINT MAURICE PARISH

ST. MAURICE PRAYER LINE



Please remember all the special intentions on the St. Maurice Prayer Line, especially the new requests for this week.

Thank you. Carol and MaryAnn.

FAITH FORMATION

FAITH FORMATION registration forms should be returned as soon as possible. Please register your children now if you have not already done so. Forms are available on the usher's tables in the back of the church or on the parish website.

Please place completed forms in the collection basket. Classes begin on **Sunday**, **September 27th at 9:00** am in the Parish Center. Please plan to come for breakfast at 8:30 am. New students are welcome!



<u>Catechetical Sunday</u> will be celebrated on <u>September 20st</u> at the 10:00 am mass. Catechists will be introduced and receive a special blessing during mass.



Students in the confirmation class will attend the Youth Explosion at St. Bernard's High School in Uncasville, CT on Sunday, October 4th. This years theme is "FULL OF GRACE". This is an important retreat and should be an interesting and

fun day! The keynote, Chris Mueller, is a nationally recognized Catholic speaker who will introduce our teens to our Holy Mother Mary. There will be activities and games, praise and worship music, confession, and Holy Mass with Bishop Michael Cote.

You can also visit their website at www.youthexplosionct.com



SLEIGH BELLS RING CHRISTMAS FAIR CHRISTMAS FAIR NEEDS

As we move toward our Fair we ask for your help with our 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 flour, sugar, and cinnamon. Donations of sure jell and paraffin for the jams and jellies will also be appreciated. Keys (any kind), canning jars, Crisco. You can leave your donations in the vestibule of the Church or at the Parish Center. Thank you.

Defending Our Religious Liberty

It is important that we pay attention to what the Presidential candidates are saying about freedom of religion and safeguarding the First Amendment.

If you haven't done so already, please voice your opposition to the federal health care mandate by calling U.S. Secretary of Health and Human Services Sylvia Mathews Burwell at 202-205-5445, and your elected representatives. Let them know that the mandate is in violation of our First Amendment right to religious freedom.

FROM THE DIOCESE OF NORWICH

Twenty-fifth Annual Blue Mass For All Law Enforcement Officers Sunday, September 20, 2015, at 10:15 a.m.

All law enforcement officers (federal, state, and municipal, active and retired) and their families are invited to the Twenty-fifth Annual Blue Mass and Reception, Sunday, September 20, 2015, 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 Reverend Jonathan Ficara, Parochial Vicar/Campus Minister of Saint Thomas Aquinas Parish in Storrs and Saint Mary Parish in Coventry, will deliver the homily.

Norwich Police Chief Louis J. Fusaro, Sr., and Groton Town Police Chief Louis J. Fusaro, Jr., are the Blue Mass Co-Chairs. For more information, please call Chief Louis Fusaro, Chief L.J. Fusaro, or Monsignor Brown at 860-887-9294, ext. 232.

Diocesan Pro-Life Mass at the Cathedral of St. Patrick in Norwich on Saturday, October 3rd ~ 8:30 a.m. Please join us and our celebrant Rev. Ray Introvigne 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 in the Cathedral Hall will follow the Rosary this month.

The Silver and Gold Jubilee Anniversary Mass Sunday, October 18, 2015 -- 2:00p.m. Cathedral of St. Patrick

Inviting all couples married 25 & 50 years or a significant anniversary in renewal of your wedding vows at the Pontifical Mass celebrated by Bishop Michael R. Cote at the Cathedral of St. Patrick. Family members are invited to share in your celebration. A reception follows the Mass. Register through your parish in September.

<u>Twenty-third Annual Mass for Firefighters/EMS Personnel</u>

Saturday, October 17, 2015, at 5:00 p.m.

On Saturday, October 17, 2015, 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 (to the Cathedral) of all personnel and apparatus will begin at 3:00 p.m. Heather Mislivets-Ahern, Emergency Manager, Mashantucket Pequot Fire Department, and Robert Ziegler, President, Emergency Resource Management, are the Mass Committee Co-Chairs. The Homilist will be Deacon Wayne Sandford, Deacon at St. Therese Church, North Haven and Past Chief of the East Haven Fire Department. All companies, departments, and personnel and their families are cordially invited to participate. For more information call, Mrs. Terri Zampini at

860-887-9294, x265, or Monsignor Brown at x232.

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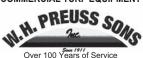


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