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Good News!

September 20, 2015
TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B)

Wis 2:12, 17-20 / Jas 3:16-4:3 / Mk 9:30-37

When I get engrossed in a book, I try to read it through without stopping. Sometimes I can't help myself and I peek at the last few pages to see where the author is taking me. It is satisfying to let a story unfold and allow ourselves to be surprised, but there is also a secret delight in glimpsing the end of our journey and wondering how the storyteller will get us there. Looking ahead to the end of the story is what the Book of Wisdom wants to do when it says, "Let us see whether his words be true....Let us condemn him to a shameful death; for according to his own words, God will take care of him." The author knows that the end of the story will reveal the truth.

Jesus picks up the story when he gives the second prediction of his passion. He offers the disciples a glimpse of what is yet to come. The disciples, as usual, miss the point. Instead they argue about how they wanted the story to go—with one of them as the greatest over all. Like a good storyteller, Jesus takes them in a different direction. The ending he has in mind does not come close to defining greatness as they think about it—a prize for being the best. Rather, Jesus points to a child, and we suddenly realize that greatness has nothing to do with power or ability, but with innocence and openness to the unfolding tale. The story Jesus tells and the life he lives will include death and resurrection for him and his followers. Let's participate in it fully because we do know how it ends.

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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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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-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. <u>Mass offered for All Parishioners</u>

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

STEWARDSHIP

Last week's Offertory: September 13 — \$3,011

Projected Amount needed \$3,370

"If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the

servant of all." (MARK 9:35)

Jesus teaches us that we are called to serve one another. Sacrifice is not a word that many people like to hear. We think it means that we must give up something that we want. However, the literal meaning of sacrifice is "to make holy," from the words "sacer" = sacred and "facere" = to make. In other words, we make our lives holy by sharing our gifts in the service of God.

NEXT WEEK

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

<u>SEPTEMBER 26 — SEPTEMBER 27, 2015</u> *USHERS GROUP IV*

2ND COLLECTION — COUNSIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN

SATURDAY, SEP 26

5:00 P.M. <u>Mass offered for †Matteo Quagliano</u>

request of Josephina and Silvio Maratta

Altar Servers: Maria Cinea Lectors: Bert Flynn

Eucharistic Minister: Linda Wiley

COFFEE SOCIAL after Mass in the Church Basement

SUNDAY, SEP 27

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

of St. Maurice Church

Altar Servers: Shirley Warbeck

Lector: Joel Cohan

Eucharistic Minister: Arlene Giglio

10:00 A.M. Mass offered for †Colonel & †Mrs. Werner Moore

request of Hope Grunske

Altar Servers: Nicholas VanDine

Lector: Paul Brown

Eucharistic Minister: Sharon Scorso

9:00 A.M. FIRST FAITH FORMATION SESSION

(for Parents and Students)

CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY after Mass

COFFEE SOCIAL after Mass in the Church Basement

MONDAY, SEP 28

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

TUESDAY, SEP 29

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

of St. Maurice Church

7:15 P.M. — CHOIR REHEARSAL

WEDNESDAY, SEP 30

9:00 A.M. Mass offered for †Henry Leonard

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

THURSDAY, OCT 1 — 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, OCT 2 — NO MASS

SATURDAY, OCT 3

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

Readings for the Week of September 20, 2015

Sunday: Wis 2:12, 17-20/Jas 3:16--4:3/Mk 9:30-37

Monday: Eph 4:1-7, 11-13/Mt 9:9-13 Tuesday: Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20/Lk 8:19-21

Wednesday: Ezr 9:5-9/Lk 9:1-6 Thursday: Hg 1:1-8/Lk 9:7-9 Friday: Hg 2:1-9/Lk 9:18-22

Saturday: Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a/Lk 9:43b-45

Next Sunday: Nm 11:25-29/Jas 5:1-6/Mk 9:38-43,

45, 47-48

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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

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 27**th **at 9:00** am in the Parish Center. Please plan to come for breakfast at 8:30 am. New students are welcome!

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

In the church's opposition to the Health & Human Services mandate of the Affordable Health care act, the issue is our forced compliance with provisions that are contrary to our religious beliefs. Historically, the Church has delivered quality health care to all people who need it through our Catholic hospitals and social service programs. What we oppose is authorizing or paying for procedures that violate Catholic teaching.

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

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.

Twenty-third Annual Mass for Firefighters/EMS Personnel 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.

Outreach to Haiti - Ride To Rebuild

A small team from the Diocese of Norwich Outreach to Haiti (OTH) will start a 6-day, 339-mile bike ride, touching five of the six New England states, on September 28th, to raise awareness and funds in order to rebuild facilities in Haiti. The course will start in Kittery, ME and go past all 11 parishes/schools in CT twinned with Haitian parishes/orphanages/schools. To get more information on OTH, the need for and details of the ride, and to donate, go to www.outreachtohaiti.org/ride-to-rebuild.

On **Saturday, October 17**, the Diocesan Office of Worship will conduct a **workshop for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion who bring Communion to the sick in their homes, in hospitals or nursing homes**. Registration deadline is October 7th. Fee: \$20. Place: St. Patrick Parish, East Hampton.

For more information call 860-848-2237x203 or go to www.norwichdiocese.org for registration form.

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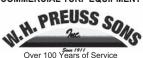


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