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## Good News!

April 17, 2016

**FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (C)**

Acts 13:14, 43-52 / Rv 7:9, 14b-17 / Jn 10:27-30

I love the sound water makes when it is moving in a fast-flowing stream or curling up to the shore in waves. I am mesmerized particularly by waterfalls, small or large. My husband, who enjoys photography as a hobby, has taken pictures of many of the falls we have visited, and they decorate my office as a constant reminder of the power and beauty of God seen through all creation. I even have a crucifix that was designed to show the living water flowing from Christ—a waterfall tumbling down and over the foot of the cross. It is, for me anyway, one of the most powerful images of God that I can imagine.

Throughout the Easter season, the Scriptures present us with stories of resurrection and life. The preaching of the apostles, the abundance of fish caught in a net, the stirring of hearts in those who see and hear Jesus—they all show what it is like to live in “risen time,” in full knowledge and endless presence of the Lord. Today Jesus talks about God’s closeness, power, and promise. The Father has given the sheep to Jesus and no one can take them away. But in the reading from Revelation we have a clearer picture of our life with God: “The Lamb [will] lead them to springs of life-giving water.” In Jesus’ desert environment, this was a powerful image. In our world today it remains compelling. Jesus is the Living Water that brings life to our souls. Whether it flows as a gentle stream, restless wave, or waterfall from the throne of God, it is his gift to us.

Mary Katharine Deeley  
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**FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER — APRIL 17, 2016**

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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****4<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER****APRIL 16 — 17, 2016****USHERS GROUP I****2<sup>ND</sup> COLLECTION FOR SALVATORIAN FATHERS****SATURDAY, APR 16**

**5:00 P.M.** Mass offered for †Margaret Chetelat  
request of Merge and Bert Flynn

Altar Servers: Maria Cinea

Lectors: Bert Flynn

Eucharistic Minister: Georgette Pelletier

*COFFEE SOCIAL after Mass in the Church Basement***SUNDAY, APR 17**

**7:30 A.M.** Mass offered for †Mother Mary Angelica, P.C.P.A.  
request if Irene Kwiatkowski and Patti Cinea

Altar Servers: Shirley Holbrook

Lector: Judy Trzcinski

Eucharistic Minister: Arlene Giglio

**8:30 A.M. — 8:50 A.M.** YOUTH CHOIR in the Church

**8:30 A.M.** BREAKFAST FOR FAITH FORMATION

**9:00 A.M.** FAITH FORMATION CLASSES

**10:00 A.M.** Mass offered for †Maryan Oakley  
request of Hope Grunske

Altar Servers: Alex Czercowy

Lector: Jessica Merry

Eucharistic Minister: Sharon Scorso

*CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY after Mass**COFFEE SOCIAL after Mass in the Church Basement***MONDAY, APR 18**

**9:00 A.M.** Mass offered for †Malcolm LaFrancis  
request of Janet and Norman Rodrigue

**TUESDAY, APR 19**

**9:00 A.M.** Mass offered for †Marion Miller  
request of The Family

**7:15 P.M.** CHOIR REHEARSAL

**WEDNESDAY, APR 20**

**9:00 A.M.** Mass offered for All Parishioners  
of St. Maurice Church

**9:00 A.M.** CHRISTMAS FAIR WORKSHOP in the Parish Center

**7:00 P.M.** KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BUSINESS MEETING

**THURSDAY, APR 21 — NO MASS****FRIDAY, APR 22 — NO MASS****SATURDAY, APR 23**

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

**STEWARDSHIP**

Last week's Offertory: April 10 — \$2,880

Projected Amount needed \$3,370

*"The disciples were filled with joy and the Holy Spirit."**ACTS 13:52*

Because the disciples heard Our Lord's call, they were able to spread the Gospel message with strength and vitality. We, too, can experience that same joy if we take time to open our hearts, listen to God, ask for His direction and allow the Holy Spirit to guide our lives and our decisions.

**NEXT WEEK****5<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER****APRIL 23 — 24, 2016****USHERS GROUP II****SATURDAY, APR 23**

**5:00 P.M.** Mass offered for †Elizabeth Heffernan  
request of her daughter and granddaughter

Altar Servers: Maria Cinea

Lectors: Georgette Pelletier

Eucharistic Minister: Bert Flynn

*COFFEE SOCIAL after Mass in the Church Basement***SUNDAY, APR 24**

**7:30 A.M.** Mass offered for †Robert Rouleau and †Michele  
Rouleau Andrusio — request of The Family

Altar Servers: Shirley Holbrook

Lector: Joel Cohan

Eucharistic Minister: Arlene Giglio

**8:30 A.M. — 8:50 A.M.** YOUTH CHOIR in the Church

**8:00 A.M.** TRIPLE PLAY CAFÉ BREAKFAST

Parish Center from 8:00AM to 10:00AM

**9:00 A.M.** FAITH FORMATION CLASSES

Last session — parents and students

**10:00 A.M.** YOUTH MASS

Mass offered for †Maryan Oakley  
request of Hope Grunske

Altar Servers: Emilia &amp; Marta Herasimowicz

Lector: Katherine Monroe

Eucharistic Minister: Kathleen Smythe

*CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY after Mass**COFFEE SOCIAL after Mass in the Church Basement***MONDAY, APR 25**

**9:00 A.M.** Mass offered for All Parishioners  
of St. Maurice Church

**TUESDAY, APR 26**

**9:00 A.M.** Mass offered for All Parishioners  
of St. Maurice Church

**7:15 P.M.** CHOIR REHEARSAL

**WEDNESDAY, APR 27**

**9:00 A.M.** Mass offered for †Lena C. Bloznalis  
request of The Dean & Bloznalis Families

**9:00 A.M.** CHRISTMAS FAIR WORKSHOP in the Parish Center

**THURSDAY, APR 28 — NO MASS****FRIDAY, APR 29 — NO MASS****SATURDAY, APR 30**

**10:00 A.M.—11:30 A.M.** Parents make a banner with children  
receiving First Communion

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

**Readings for the Week of April 17, 2016**

Sunday: Acts 13:14, 43-52/Ps 100:1-3, 5/Rv 7:9, 14b-17/  
Jn 10:27-30

Monday: Acts 11:1-18/Ps 42:2-3; 43:3-4/Jn 10:1-10

Tuesday: Acts 11:19-26/Ps 87:1-7/Jn 10:22-30

Wednesday: Acts 12:24--13:5a/Ps 67:2-3, 5-6, 8/Jn 12:44-50

Thursday: Acts 13:13-25/Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25, 27/  
Jn 13:16-20

Friday: Acts 13:26-33/Ps 2:6-11/Jn 14:1-6

Saturday: Acts 13:44-52/Ps 98:1-4/Jn 14:7-14

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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.

## *Delicious* **Pancake Breakfast**

**JOIN US FOR BREAKFAST AT THE TRIPLE PLAY CAFE**

Pancakes, Scrambled Eggs, Sausage, Cinnamon Rolls, Fruit Cup, Orange Juice, Coffee or Tea.

**Time:** 8:00 A.M. — 10:00 A.M.

**Date:** Sunday, April 24<sup>th</sup>

**Location:** St. Maurice Parish Center

\$6.00 / Person \$18.00 / Family

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**THE HOLY ROSARY**

Rosary means a “crown of roses”, a spiritual bouquet given to the Virgin Mary. It is the greatest prayer in the Church following the Mass and Liturgy of the Hours. The Rosary has been called the preparation for contemplation, a spiritual gift given by God. While the fingers and lips are occupied with moving along the beads and prayers, the mind is engaged in meditating on the life of Christ and his Blessed Mother, focusing on the Joyful, Sorrowful, Glorious and Luminous Mysteries. Beginning the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of every month following morning Mass, all 4 Mysteries of the Rosary will be recited, starting on a Marian month- May 10<sup>th</sup>. All are welcomed to join. For more information, please contact Mary Mumford @ 860-537-5196. Why pray the Rosary?

***“If you want peace in your heart, in your home, in your country, assemble together and say the ROSARY.” Pope St. Pius X***

**A special meeting for****FAITH COMMUNION PARENTS AND STUDENTS**

Saturday, April 30<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 A.M - 11:30 A. M. in the basement of the church. Parents and children will be making a banner which will mark their pew at First Holy Communion Mass. Supplies will be provided.

**FAITH FORMATION CLASSES**

April 24<sup>th</sup> — last session of Faith Formation — parents and students.

We will have a **Youth Mass** on the last day of Faith Formation Classes, Sunday, April 24<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 A.M.

FROM THE DIOCESE OF NORWICH**Motherhood**

Mothers are a gift from God. God knew what He was doing when He created women with the ability to nurture life.

Mother's Day honors all our mothers and their enormous sacrifices. Mother's Day encompasses more than just the honoring of those who have borne children. It is the celebration of motherhood---the divine nature of women. May we all feel a deeper appreciation for the great blessing of motherhood, not just when we celebrate Mother's Day, but everyday!

Our culture of death undermines both motherhood and the God-given gift and blessing of children. May we also help the next generation reclaim and respect this incredible gift of MOTHERHOOD!

April 24-30 is **National Infertility Awareness Week**. The Creighton Model FertilityCare System, which is based on our Catholic faith, provides new hope for couples who are going through the experience of infertility or low fertility. Not only does this system inform couples of when they are most fertile, it also aids in identifying factors that may be contributing to infertility. For more information, please contact Jennifer Tress at 860-466-9612 or [jen.tress@gmail.com](mailto:jen.tress@gmail.com).

**ASSUMPTION EARLY LEARNING CENTER  
SCHEDULES OPEN HOUSE**

Assumption Early Learning Center has openings for students in PreK (Ages 3 – 4) and Kindergarten, offering full year or school year options with family friendly hours from 6:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. The Assumption Early Learning Center will be having three Open Houses starting on Sunday, April 24<sup>th</sup> from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., Tuesday, April 26<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 a.m. to noon, and Thursday, April 28<sup>th</sup> from

3:00 p.m. to 6:00 pm. Assumption Early Learning Center is located at 27 South Adams Street in Manchester. For more information, please call: 860-649-0889, or email: [mouellette@assumptionelc.org](mailto:mouellette@assumptionelc.org). Be sure to check out the website @ [www.assumptionelc.org](http://www.assumptionelc.org), or visit the Facebook page for Assumption ELC

**Defending Our Religious Liberty**

The Catholic Church is not asking for special treatment when it comes to the federal healthcare mandate, she is simply asking that every American's right to religious freedom be protected. This right is not only about our ability to go to Mass on Sunday, or to pray the Rosary at home. It is about adhering to the tenets of our faith, so that we can contribute to the common good of all Americans.

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 state representatives. Let them know that the mandate is in violation of our First Amendment right to religious freedom.

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