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SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME — JULY 24, 2016

Good News!

July 24, 2016

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C)

Gn 18:20–32 / Col 2:12–14 / Lk 11:1–13

I tell my students there are five prayers: please; thank you; I'm sorry; wow; and yes, I will. The words change but, in essence, every prayer implies one or more of these attitudes: petition, thanksgiving, contrition, praise, and obedience. In his book *Man's Quest for God*, Abraham Joshua Heschel says prayer is "the invitation to God to intervene in our lives." God does—sometimes to our surprise, sometimes in ways we can't imagine, but always in a way that changes us.

Jesus knew this when he taught his disciples the Our Father. In it, we hear words of praise and petition. We hear contrition: "Forgive us...as we forgive..." (11:4). We hear obedience: "thy kingdom come..." and "thy will be done..." (Luke 11:2; Matthew 6:10). Jesus goes on to say that when we pray, God will send his Spirit to guide us and give us what we need: "our daily bread..." (11:3). No wonder the Lord's Prayer is a model prayer for everyone.

In our prayer, we have to remember that there is often a difference between what we need and what we desire. In the movie *Shadowlands*, C.S. Lewis is depicted reflecting on the nature of prayer as his wife is dying. Asked why he prayed, he responds, "I pray because I can't help myself. I pray because I'm helpless. I pray because the need flows out of me all the time, waking and sleeping. It doesn't change God; it changes me." That's the power of the Spirit—to change our hearts until all our prayers become wow (praise) and yes (obedience).

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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 WEEKSEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIMEJULY 23 — 24, 2016USHERS GROUP IIISATURDAY, JULY 23

5:00 P.M. Mass offered for †Roselind Muldoon
request of Marge and Bert Flynn

Altar Servers: Maria Cinea

Lectors: Bert Flynn

Eucharistic Minister: Annedda Stiller

COFFEE SOCIAL after Mass in the Church Basement

SUNDAY, JULY 24

7:30 A.M. Mass offered for †Kazimiera Wladyslaw
request of Wes and Roma Demusz

Altar Servers: Shirley Holbrook

Lector: Judy Knox

Eucharistic Minister: Linda Richardson

10:00 A.M. Mass offered for †Marion and †Bill Miller
request of The Family

Altar Servers: Emilia & Marta Herasimowicz

Lector: Katherine Monroe

Eucharistic Minister: Janusz Herasimowicz

CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY after Mass

COFFEE SOCIAL after Mass in the Church Basement

MONDAY, JULY 25

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

TUESDAY, JULY 26 — NO MASSWEDNESDAY, JULY 27 — NO MASSTHURSDAY, JULY 28 — NO MASSFRIDAY, JULY 29 — NO MASSSATURDAY, JULY 30

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



"I tell you, if he does not get up to give the visitor the loaves because of their friendship, he will get up to give him whatever he needs because of his persistence." - Lk 11:8

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

STEWARDSHIP

Last week's Offertory: July 17 — \$2,362

Projected Amount needed \$3,370

"Ask and you will receive; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you." **LUKE 11:9**

Jesus assures us that if we ask Him, God will take care of what we need. The problem is that in our culture we often confuse what we really **need** with what we simply **want**. Many people **need** very little. However, we usually **want** so much more. A good steward only asks God for what he needs.

NEXT WEEKEIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIMEJULY 30 — 31, 2016USHERS GROUP IVSATURDAY, JULY 30

5:00 P.M. Mass offered for †Christine Carlone
request of Keith and Kathy DePathy

Altar Servers: Maria Cinea

Lectors: Patti Cinea

Eucharistic Minister: Patti Cinea

COFFEE SOCIAL after Mass in the Church Basement

SUNDAY, JULY 31

7:30 A.M. Mass offered for All Parishioners
of St. Maurice Church

Altar Servers: Shirley Holbrook

Lector: Judy Trzcinski

Eucharistic Minister: Arlene Giglio

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

Altar Servers: LeeAnn & Ben Snuffer

Lector: Lee Snuffer

Eucharistic Minister: Kathleen Smythe

CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY after Mass

COFFEE SOCIAL after Mass in the Church Basement

MONDAY, AUG 1

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

TUESDAY, AUG 2 — NO MASSWEDNESDAY, AUG 3 — NO MASSTHURSDAY, AUG 4 — NO MASSFRIDAY, AUG 5 — NO MASSSATURDAY, AUG 6

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

Readings for the Week of July 24, 2016

Sunday: Gn 18:20-32/Ps 138:1-3, 6-8/Col 2:12-14/
Lk 11:1-13

Monday: 2 Cor 4:7-15/Ps 126:1-6/Mt 20:20-28

Tuesday: Jer 14:17-22/Ps 79:8-11, 13/Mt 13:36-43

Wednesday: Jer 15:10, 16-21/Ps 59:2-4, 10-11, 17-18/
Mt 13:44-46

Thursday: Jer 18:1-6/Ps 146:1-6/Mt 13:47-53

Friday: Jer 26:1-9/Ps 69:5, 8-10, 14/Jn 11:19-27 or
Lk 10:38-42

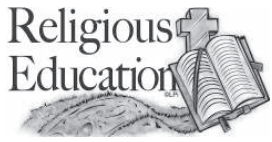
Saturday: Jer 26:11-16, 24/Ps 69:15-16, 30-31, 33-34/
Mt 14:1-12

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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**

If you are planning to have your child attend our faith formation program in September please complete your registration forms as soon as possible. You can simply drop them in the collection basket at any mass. If you were a teacher and want to continue in this role or would like to teach for the first time please notify Sharon Snuffer. We invite our newly confirmed to participate as assistant teachers and are open to other ideas you may have too!

**2016 Annual Catholic Appeal**

Current pledges total \$11,332 or 103% of our goal. This total is in 69 gifts and pledges, about 23% participation. Thank you for your generosity. If you have not pledged yet, please consider giving \$5. You can donate online via the parish website or pick up an envelope from the usher's table.

ST. MARY'S 30th ANNUAL RUMMAGE SALE

Dates and Times

Thurs, July 28 Early Bird Shopping, 5 pm – 8 pm
\$10.00 Admission

Friday, July 29 9 am – 6 pm, Free Admission

Saturday, July 30 9 am - 2 pm, Free Admission

Friday, August 5 10 am – 5 pm, Free Admission

Saturday, August 6 9 am – 2 pm, Free Admission

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 representatives. Let them know that the mandate is in violation of our First Amendment right to religious freedom. If you have called, call again, our representatives need to pay attention.

FROM THE DIOCESE OF NORWICH**The 22nd Annual Tabor House GIANT Tag Sale/Auction,**

7/28 — 5-8PM opening reception/shopping \$10.00

7/29 — noon-6PM \$1.00

7/30 — 8-3pm free.

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The 22nd Annual Tabor House GIANT Tag Sale/Auction, formerly at the Convent Sisters of St Joseph in West Hartford, has become a Connecticut tradition to benefit formerly homeless men living with HIV/AIDS who now live at both homes. This event has utilized over 300 volunteers annually who work all week to set it up. The event also benefits the immigrant and poor population of the inner city who need to outfit their residences with affordable items. 100% of the proceeds go to Tabor House. Benefits Tabor House AIDS residences in Hartford. Donations of gently used household items (no books, clothes or TV's) may be dropped off on site 7/25, 7/26, 7/27 8:30am-3:30pm contact dtdyson@comcast.net if questions?



Pray for Peace



SPIRIT OF LIFE,
MAY WE SEE THE VALUE OF LIFE.
SPIRIT OF HOPE,
MAY WE RENEW OUR HOPE IN YOU.
SPIRIT OF PEACE,
MAY WE FIND PEACE IN YOUR LOVE,
AND LOVE EACH OTHER ENOUGH
TO BRING YOUR PEACE TO OUR WORLD.
AMEN.

REMEMBERING THOSE AFFECTED BY RECENT VIOLENCE AROUND THE WORLD

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