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EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME — JULY 31, 2016

Good News!

July 31, 2016

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C)

Ecdl 1:2; 2:21–23 / Col 3:1–5, 9–11 / Lk 12:13–21

I love to buy storage materials. My heart longs for the matching bins and boxes that claim to organize all the stuff in my house. If I just get the right-sized box, I think, I will be able to keep everything I have and make room for more. If Jesus were telling this parable today, perhaps the rich man wouldn't (just) be building bigger barns; he may be installing a better organization system.

The problem with a consumer society is that it tempts us to buy and collect far more than we need. We sometimes think we must have the latest phone, appliances, or fashions even as our existing toys and clothes vie for space in our closets and drawers. We rush to "recycle" in order to take advantage of sales and hardly pause to wonder, "Do I really need this?" We rarely, if ever, reflect on the truism, "You can't have everything—what would you do with it?"

If we give in to the temptation to acquire more things, to build bigger barns, we may find ourselves held captive by material goods—counting them, managing and maintaining them, or protecting and paying them off. Perhaps our time and energy would be better spent making sure that others have enough to eat and a place to sleep—in other words, being the image of the generous and loving God who "bestow[s] on the world all that is good" (Eucharistic Prayer III and IV). Today let us let go, clear away the clutter, and embrace the simplicity and freedom of loving in truth and fullness.

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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 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 — NO MASSTUESDAY, AUG 2

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

WEDNESDAY, 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****STEWARDSHIP****Last week's Offertory: July 24 — \$2,446****Projected Amount needed \$3,370**

"Take care to guard against all greed, for though one may be rich, one's life does not consist of possessions." LUKE 12:15

The Gospel message today is so contrary to our modern culture where advertising continually tries to convince us that our value lies in the things we possess. Jesus showed us that our true value lies in the way we live our lives. He challenges us to not store up or hoard material possessions, but rather to live a grateful and generous lifestyle.

NEXT WEEKNINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIMEAUGUST 6 — 7, 2016USHERS GROUP ISATURDAY, AUG 6

5:00 P.M. Mass offered for All Parishioners
of St. Maurice Church

Altar Servers: Maria Cinea
Lectors: Georgette Pelletier
Eucharistic Minister: Linda Wiley

*COFFEE SOCIAL after Mass in the Church Basement*SUNDAY, AUG 7

7:30 A.M. Mass offered for †Lena C. Bloznalis
request of The Dean & Bloznalis Families

Altar Servers: Shirley Holbrook
Lector: Judy Knox
Eucharistic Minister: Linda Richardson

10:00 A.M. Mass offered for †Michael Willette
request of Sharon and Clifford Scorso

Altar Servers: Alex Czercowy
Lector: Evelyn O'Connor
Eucharistic Minister: Betty Aitkin

*CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY after Mass**COFFEE SOCIAL after Mass in the Church Basement*MONDAY, AUG 8

9:00 A.M. Mass offered for †Donato Geatani
request of Mr. & Mrs. Antonio Cusano

ROSARY RECITED AFTER MASSTUESDAY, AUG 9 — NO MASSWEDNESDAY, AUG 10 — NO MASSTHURSDAY, AUG 11 — NO MASSFRIDAY, AUG 12 — NO MASSSATURDAY, AUG 13**4:30 P.M. ROSARY BEFORE 5:00 P.M. MASS****Readings for the Week of July 31, 2016**

Sunday: Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23/Ps 90:3-6, 12-14, 17/Col 3:1-5, 9-11/Lk 12:13-21

Monday: Jer 28:1-17/Ps 119:29, 43, 79-80, 95, 102/
Mt 14:13-21

Tuesday: Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22/Ps 102:16-21, 29, 22-23/
Mt 14:22-36 or 15:1-2, 10-14

Wednesday: Jer 31:1-7/Jer 31:10-13/Mt 15:21-28

Thursday: Jer 31:31-34/Ps 51:12-15, 18-19/Mt 16:13-23

Friday: Na 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7/Dt 32:35-36, 39, 41/
Mt 16:24-28

Saturday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9/2 Pt 1:16-19/
Lk 9:28b-36

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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.

**WORLD YOUTH DAY- CT**

The Diocese of Norwich hosted a World Youth Day event on Saturday, July 23rd at St. Mary's Church in Portland, CT. Parishioners Ben Snuffer and Heath Olivieri participated in reading the opening prayer and LeeAnn Snuffer and Paige Olivieri were among nearly 150 youth sharing this faith filled day.



The theme was "Bridges of Mercy". There was great emphasis on the Corporal Works of Mercy and the importance of bridging our beliefs into action by incorporating the works into practice in our lives. Cooper Ray, a nationally recognized Catholic speaker and musician from Dallas, Texas, captivated the audience with personal stories and interactive dancing and singing games to deliver this message in a lively fashion. Contemporary Praise and Worship music was provided by Jerusalem Road and many activities were lead by Cross Catholic Outreach to help youth understand the great need for works of mercy.

The day culminated with Bishop Cote celebrating mass. He reminded the youth in attendance that all God gives is good and they can share HIS grace through their works of mercy!

**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!

FROM THE DIOCESE OF NORWICH**The monthly Diocesan Pro-Life Mass**

will take place at the Cathedral of St. Patrick in Norwich on Saturday, August 6 at 8:30 A.M.

Please join us and our celebrant **Rev. Walter Nagle** 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.

UPCOMING WORKSHOP

For New Lectors and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Saturday, October 1, 2016 from 9:30 AM to 12:30 PM
at

St. Columba Parish Hall

Junctions of Rtes 66 and 87 in Columbia, CT 06237

Register by September 23 at worship@norwichdiocese.net
or call 860-848-2237x203

Fee: \$10

For more information, see flyer at www.norwichdiocese.org

UPCOMING WORKSHOP

For those who Bring Holy Communion to the Sick and Homebound

Saturday, October 29, 2016 from 9:30 AM to 12:30 PM
at

St. Columba Parish Hall

Junctions of Rtes 66 and 87 in Columbia, CT 06237

Register by October 14

at worship@norwichdiocese.net

or call 860-848-2237x203

Fee: \$20 (includes Ritual Book)

For more information, see flyer at

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Defending Our Religious Liberty

Under the new health care reform law, the federal government demands that almost all health plans fully cover female sterilization and drugs and devices that prevent pregnancy, including those that can cause an early abortion. Why should religious institutions be forced to pay for procedures that go against their moral principles?

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.

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