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FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME — FEBRUARY 5, 2017

## Good News!

February 5, 2017

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)  
Is 58:7-10, 1 Cor 2:1-5, Mt 5:13-16

Saint Paul says he came to the Corinthians in weakness and that he didn't use eloquent or persuasive words; rather he evangelized them in humility and with signs of the power of God. He doesn't claim to be a powerful or influential preacher. He was a humble and convinced apostle; thus, it was the power of God at work in him.

This doesn't mean he didn't make the best case possible for the faith. On the contrary, we are all called to profess and witness to the truth and to develop and use all our gifts and talents. Paul is simply stating that what is most important is that we remain open to the stirrings of the Holy Spirit within us and maintain our confidence in God and not in our own qualities or abilities.

If we are humble servants of the truth, then God's power will be shown. Isaiah prophesies that if we live charity in a real way—offering food to hungry, sheltering the homeless, clothing the naked—then our light will shine strongest. Not only that, but our own personal wounds, whatever they are, will be healed. Truly, loving others is the best way to heal our own soul.

Isaiah proclaims further that if we live this way, God will have our backs. In biblical terms, "the glory of the Lord shall be [our] rear guard." The Lord will be a soldier who walks behind us, covers our blind spots, curtails our weaknesses, and protects and defends us. If God is for us, who can be against us? Let your light shine!

### For Reflection

How do I live out God's love at home? In my workplace?  
In public? How can my light shine even brighter this week?

*Fr. Mark Haydu, LC*

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### WEEKEND MASSES:

Saturdays at 4:00 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):

Saturday 3:15 PM — 3:45 PM

### 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 WEEKFIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIMEFEBRUARY 4 — 5, 2017USHERS GROUP IIISATURDAY, FEB 4

**4:00 P.M.** Mass offered for All Parishioners of St. Maurice Church

*Altar Servers:* TBD

*Lectors:* Georgette Pelletie

*Eucharistic Minister:* Linda Wiley and Annedda Stille

SUNDAY, FEB 5

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

*Altar Servers:* Shirley Holbrook

*Lector:* Judy Trzcinsk

*Eucharistic Minister:* Arlene Giglio

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

**NO FAITH FORMATION CLASSES**

**10:00 A.M. BOY SCOUTING SUNDAY**  
Mass offered for scouts and leaders from Boy Scout Troop 73, and Cub Scout Pack 157

*Altar Servers:* Alex Czercow

*Lector:* Jeffrey Monroe

*Eucharistic Minister:* Lou Cloutier, Kathleen Smythe

**CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY** *after Mass*

**5:30 P.M. EVENING PRAYER**  
**From the Liturgy of the Hours**

MONDAY, FEB 6

**9:00 A.M.** Mass offered for Martha Turner request of Lynn Mancino

TUESDAY, FEB 7

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

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

WEDNESDAY, FEB 8

**9:00 A.M.** Mass offered for †Dave Caruso, Jr. (9<sup>th</sup> Anniversary) request of Sharon and David Caruso

THURSDAY, FEB 9 — NO MASSFRIDAY, FEB 10 — NO MASSSATURDAY, FEB 11

**3:30 P.M. ROSARY BEFORE 4:00 P.M. MASS**

**STEWARDSHIP**

**Last week's Offertory: January 29 — \$2,574**

**Projected Amount needed \$2,980**

*"Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven."*

*MATTHEW 5:16*

The generosity of being a good steward of your gifts has a positive effect on people and it is contagious! Good works encourages more good works. Let your light shine! Be careful to recognize that God is working through you and don't put yourself above the people you have been called to help.

NEXT WEEKSIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIMEFEBRUARY 11 — 12, 2017USHERS GROUP IV2<sup>ND</sup> COLLECTION — ST. MAURICE FUEL FUNDSATURDAY, FEB 11

**4:00 P.M.** Mass offered for All Parishioners of St. Maurice Church

*Altar Servers:* Patti Cinea

*Lectors:* Bert Flynn

*Eucharistic Minister:* Patti Cinea

SUNDAY, FEB 12

**7:30 A.M.** Mass offered for †Donald Holbrook request of The Family

*Altar Servers:* Lynn Mancino

*Lector:* Lynn Mancino

*Eucharistic Minister:* Arlene Giglio

**8:00 A.M. TRIPLE PLAY CAFÉ BREAKFAST**  
*Parish Center from 8:00AM to 10:00AM*

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

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

**10:00 A.M.** Mass offered for †Barbara and †Donald Sullivan request of Patrick and Daniel Sullivan

*Altar Servers:* LeeAnn & Ben Snuffer

*Lector:* Rita Sheetz

*Eucharistic Minister:* Rita Sheetz

**MEETING FOR PARENTS OF 1<sup>ST</sup> COMMUNION CHILDREN**  
*after Mass in the Church basement***CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY** *after Mass*

**5:30 P.M. EVENING PRAYER**  
**From the Liturgy of the Hours**

MONDAY, FEB 13

**9:00 A.M.** Mass offered for Iva Lindberg request of Lynn Mancino

TUESDAY, FEB 14

**9:00 A.M.** Mass offered for a Special Intention for Ben and LeeAnn Snuffer

**7:00 P.M. PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**

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

WEDNESDAY, FEB 15

**9:00 A.M.** Mass offered for †Keith Depathy request of Lou and Dorli Cloutier

THURSDAY, FEB 16 — NO MASSFRIDAY, FEB 17 — NO MASSSATURDAY, FEB 18

**3:30 P.M. ROSARY BEFORE 4:00 P.M. MASS**

**Readings for the Week of February 5, 2017**

**Sunday:** Is 58:7-10/Ps 112:4-9/1 Cor 2:1-5/Mt 5:13-16  
**Monday:** Gn 1:1-19/Ps 104:1-2a, 5-6, 10, 12, 24, 35c/Mk 6:53-56  
**Tuesday:** Gn 1:20--2:4a/Ps 8:4-9/Mk 7:1-13  
**Wednesday:** Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17/Ps 104:1-2a, 27-28, 29bc-30/Mk 7:14-23  
**Thursday:** Gn 2:18-25/Ps 128:1-5/Mk 7:24-30  
**Friday:** Gn 3:1-8/Ps 32:1-2, 5-7/Mk 7:31-37  
**Saturday:** Gn 3:9-24/Ps 90:2-4abc, 5-6, 12-13/Mk 8:1-10

**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. Prayers for: Joel, Elenor, Mel, Gloria and Patrick.

Also, the Candle Intention. Prayers for: Beth and for blessings for our Country. Special Prayers for: Keith Depathy who has died recently and for his Family and for his wife Cathy.

Thank you. Carol & Mary Ann



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



**Time:** 8:00 A.M. — 10:00 A.M.

**Date:** Sunday, February 12

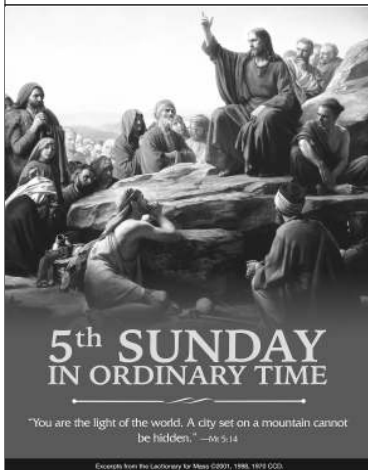
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**Father Leon is available at all time for any Spiritual needs, to call or meet with him personally, you're always welcomed.**

**Defending Our Religious Liberty**

Let us pray that as the new administration repeals the health care mandate that it not only restore the Church's First Amendment right to religious freedom, but also makes coverage accessible to all Americans.

**FROM THE DIOCESE OF NORWICH**



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**The Diocese of Norwich Outreach to Haiti**



is planning an immersion trip experience to Haiti from March 1 to March 8th. There are still openings. If you are interested please contact Sue Petruzzi

[sue.petruzzi@outreachtohaiti.org](mailto:sue.petruzzi@outreachtohaiti.org)

as soon as possible. The cost of the trip is approximately \$1200 depending on the price of your plane fare at the time of booking.

Please join us for an experience like no other!

*Save the Date!*

*7th Annual Catholic Women's Conference  
of the Diocese of Norwich  
Sponsored by the Office of Faith Events and  
Norwich Diocesan Council of Catholic Women  
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A New Catholic-based Bereavement Support group will meet the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month at three alternating diocesan parishes. The first meeting is **Thursday, Feb. 16** from 7-8:30 P.M. at **St. Mary's Parish Hall, 34 No. Main St., Jewett City**. For more information, contact Catholic Family Services at 860-848-2237, ext. 306.

**Natural Family Planning** is scientific, safe, and is 99-percent effective for conceiving or responsibly postponing a baby. Two three-session classes for married and engaged couples will begin in March. For information about classes in the Montville area beginning **Saturday, March 4**, call **Chad and Sara Estabrooks at 860-917-3938**. For classes in the Old Saybrook area beginning **Monday, March 13**, call **Steve and Lisa Collison at 860-399-8265**.

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