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SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME — FEBRUARY 12, 2017

## Good News!

February 12, 2017

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)  
Sir 15:15-20, 1 Cor 2:6-10, Mt 5:17-37

Saint Maximilian Kolbe died in 1945 taking the place of another prisoner in Auschwitz, but his martyrdom started many years before. As a young boy, he was quite a handful—so much so that at one point his mother cried out, “What will become of you?” Shaken by his mother’s grief, Maximilian went to the town church to ask our Lady what would become of him. He wrote that the Virgin Mother appeared to him holding two crowns: one white and one red. The white crown meant he would remain pure, and the red meant he would be a martyr. Our Lady asked Maximilian which one he would like. He chose them both.

We are offered choices as well. Sirach says that whatever we choose will be given to us, but what Jesus offers is challenging. Jesus offers each of us a new heart, a new spirit, a new love, and a new trust. Jesus defines what it means to be his follower, and it is a challenging task. This standard is not lowered for Christians, nor is it defined by what is legal in a country or popular in a social group. In fact, we are not only asked to live this life but we are called to teach it to others.

The rewards, however, are equal to the challenge. What Christ promises to those who love and teach his gospel is a glory and reward greater than any we have ever seen, heard, or imagined. Maximilian Kolbe knew this, and he fought earnestly for the truth in Nazi Germany, even though it led to his arrest and death.

### For Reflection

What choices did Jesus place before me this week?  
How have I been an example of Christ to others 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 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 CineaSUNDAY, 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 8:00 AM to 10:00 AM***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 MancinoTUESDAY, 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 CloutierTHURSDAY, FEB 16 — NO MASSFRIDAY, FEB 17 — NO MASSSATURDAY, FEB 18**3:30 P.M. ROSARY BEFORE 4:00 P.M. MASS****STEWARDSHIP****Last week's Offertory: February 5 — \$3,021****Projected Amount needed \$2,980***"For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven."* MATTHEW 5:20

The scribes and Pharisees lived according to the letter of the law and they used this to elevate themselves above the other people. Jesus is clear — it's the love that you have in your heart that will get you to heaven. Simply following church rules out of obligation, not love, does not put you on the path to heaven. Attending Mass on Sunday and then gossiping about a fellow parishioner on the parking lot is an example of a modern day Pharisee.

NEXT WEEKSEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIMEFEBRUARY 18 — 19, 2017USHERS GROUP ISATURDAY, FEB 18**4:00 P.M.** Mass offered for †Anna Cosgrove request of her daughter Ann*Altar Servers:* TBD*Lectors:* Patti Cinea*Eucharistic Minister:* Linda WileySUNDAY, FEB 19**7:30 A.M.** Mass offered for All Parishioners of St. Maurice Church*Altar Servers:* Shirley Holbrook*Lector:* Judy Knox*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.** Mass offered for †Charles Minicucci request of Janet Minicucci and Family*Altar Servers:* Emilia & Marta Herasimowicz*Lector:* Katherine Monroe*Eucharistic Minister:* Janusz Herasimowicz**CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY** *after Mass***5:30 P.M. EVENING PRAYER**  
**From the Liturgy of the Hours**MONDAY, FEB 20**9:00 A.M.** Mass offered for †Mae Mancino request of Lynn MancinoTUESDAY, FEB 21**9:00 A.M.** Mass offered for †Ken Basset request of Hope Grunske**7:00 P.M. KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BUSINESS MEETING****7:15 P.M. ADULT CHOIR REHEARSAL**WEDNESDAY, FEB 22**9:00 A.M.** Mass offered for †Dermot Sullivan request of Kathleen and Tony Conneely and FamilyTHURSDAY, FEB 23 — NO MASSFRIDAY, FEB 24 — NO MASSSATURDAY, FEB 25**3:30 P.M. ROSARY BEFORE 4:00 P.M. MASS****Readings for the Week of February 12, 2017****Sunday:** Sir 15:15-20/Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34/1  
Cor 2:6-10/Mt 5:17-37 or 5:20-22a, 27-28, 33-34a, 37**Monday:** Gn 4:1-15, 25/Ps 50:1, 8, 16bc-17, 20-21/  
Mk 8:11-13**Tuesday:** Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10/Ps 29:1a, 2, 3ac-4, 3b, 9c-10/  
Mk 8:14-21**Wednesday:** Gn 8:6-13, 20-22/Ps 116:12-15, 18-19/  
Mk 8:22-26**Thursday:** Gn 9:1-13/Ps 102:16-21, 29, 22-23/Mk 8:27-33**Friday:** Gn 11:1-9/Ps 33:10-15/Mk 8:34--9:1**Saturday:** Heb 11:1-7/Ps 145:2-5, 10-11/Mk 9:2-13**Next Sunday:** Lv 19:1-2, 17-18/Ps 103:1-4, 8, 10, 12-13/1  
Cor 3:16-23/Mt 5:38-48

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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.

Prayers for: Edward, Terry, Catherine, and an elderly lady .

Also, the Candle Intention. Prayers for Howard  
Thank you. Carol & Mary Ann

**FROM THE DIOCESE OF NORWICH**

**March for Mercy- Youth Service Event**

**A great way to get service hours!**

On Saturday March 25<sup>th</sup> from 10am – 3pm, Youth are invited to a special service event: The March for Mercy. The March will begin at St. Joseph in Norwich with a witness talk about the realities of drug addiction. Followed by a physician speaking on the effects of drugs. We will then tour St. Vincent de Paul Place, and March to the Cathedral. At the Cathedral, Cooper Ray, a national speaker and musician, will lead our Service Rally Event in the hall. Youth are asked to collect pledges for the mile walk to benefit the Catholic Charities Substance Abuse and Treatment Program. The minimum to participate is \$15. Contact your Catechetical Leader or Liza Roach at [lroach@norwichdiocese.net](mailto:lroach@norwichdiocese.net) or (860)848-2237 to attend.

*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*

**Sat. April 8, 2017, 8:30am – 3:30pm  
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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.

**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**.

**Defending Our Religious Liberty**

Pope Francis has said: "Religion [cannot] be relegated to the inner sanctum of personal life, without influence on societal and national life (Evangelii Gaudium, 183). As our leaders work to alter the health care mandate, may they keep the common good of all Americans in the forefront of their minds.

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