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THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER — APRIL 30, 2017

3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER

## VANISHED

With that their eyes  
were opened and they  
recognized him, but he  
vanished from their  
sight. —Lk 24:31



Excerpt from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1990, 1970 CGD.

"Jesus himself drew near and walked with them, but their eyes were prevented from recognizing him." The disciples on the road to Emmaus had already heard reports about Jesus' resurrection. It was at the forefront of their minds, but in spite of this, they did not recognize Jesus when he stood right before them. Why not? Perhaps because they weren't looking for him. Maybe they didn't really believe that he was alive. Or it could be that his appearance was not the same as it had been before. Whatever the case, it's very interesting to learn that it was actually while celebrating the Eucharist that these men finally realized who was right there with them!

"He was made known to them in the breaking of bread." Living as we do some two thousand years later, it is easy to imagine that recognizing Jesus was a snap for those who walked the earth when he did. We can run the risk of feeling sorry for ourselves that we don't get to see Jesus in person the way they did. But look here! It was through the Eucharist that Christ was made known to them, and we too have that gift right in front of us. We celebrate every week the same "breaking of bread" at the altar during Mass. Jesus is present with us, body, blood, soul, and divinity, even if we don't recognize him! He is there, present in our midst. If our eyes of faith are feeble, we can pray that the Lord will help us to know his presence in the Eucharist. Just as he came to comfort and accompany his first disciples, he wants to do the same for us through the Most Blessed Sacrament. We only need to be sure that we are always on the lookout to find him in our midst.

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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 a Pancake Breakfast after the Sunday Mass, 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 4:15 p.m. — 4:45 p.m.

### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

Please call the rectory (860-748-4560) 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 860-748-4560.



**THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER  
APRIL 29 — 30, 2017  
USHERS GROUP III**

**SATURDAY, APR 29**

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

*Altar Servers:* TBD  
*Lectors:* Bert Flynn  
*Eucharistic Minister:* Linda Wiley

**SUNDAY, APR 30**

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

*Altar Servers:* Lynn Mancino  
*Lector:* Judy Knox  
*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**
- 9:00 A.M. LAST SESSION OF FAITH FORMATION CLASSES (Parents and Students)**
- 10:00 A.M. Mass offered for all deceased members of the Bolton Knights of Columbus Council #6199**

*Altar Servers:* LeeAnn & Ben Snuffer  
*Lector:* Rita Sheetz  
*Eucharistic Minister:* Rita Sheetz

**CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY after Mass**

**5:30 P.M. EVENING PRAYER**

**MONDAY, MAY 1**

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

**TUESDAY, MAY 2**

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

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

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 3**

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

**9:00 A.M. CHRISTMAS FAIR WORKSHOP**

**THURSDAY, MAY 4 — NO MASS**

**FRIDAY, MAY 5 — NO MASS**

**SATURDAY, MAY 6**

**10:00 A.M. FIRST COMMUNION RETREAT  
BANNER DECORATING**

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

**STEWARDSHIP**

**Last week's Offertory: APRIL 23 — \$2,971  
Projected Amount needed \$2,980**

“Did not our hearts burn within us while He talked to us on the road, while He opened to us the scriptures?” *LUKE 24:32*

How often do we take the time to discern what Jesus wants from us? Are our prayers always petitions, asking Jesus to do things for us? If so, that's a one-sided relationship. Living our faith means developing a personal relationship with Jesus. Just like any friendship, there is give and take, each side listening to each other and helping each other out. Take time in silence to listen to what Jesus is asking of you.

**FIRST COMMUNION**



On Saturday, May 6th 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.

The Sacrament of Penance, also known as First Reconciliation and Confession, will be on Saturday, May 27th at 10:00 A.M. Immediately following this will be a practice for the Sacrament of First Holy Communion Mass.

**CONFIRMATION**

Practice for this year's Confirmation Candidates will be held here at Saint Maurice Church on Saturday, May 20th at 10:00 A.M.



Confirmation Mass will also take place at Saint Maurice Church on Saturday, May 20th at 5:00 pm.

Please join us for this special celebration!

**FAITH FORMATION**



Registration forms are now available for our faith formation program beginning in September. Forms can be found on-line or in the back of the church.

You can simply drop completed forms in the collection basket at any mass.

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**Parish Membership Form**

Drop in collection ^

Please enroll the following as members of the Church of St. Maurice:

Adults \_\_\_\_\_

Children (under 18) \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

City State Zip \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

Home phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell phone \_\_\_\_\_

Send offertory envelopes \_\_\_\_\_ Send form for EFT (electronic donation) \_\_\_\_\_ We will Donate Online \_\_\_\_\_

We can help out as: Altar server \_\_\_\_\_ Lector \_\_\_\_\_ Usher \_\_\_\_\_ Eucharistic Minister \_\_\_\_\_ Choir \_\_\_\_\_ Crafts workshop \_\_\_\_\_

**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: Doris, Diane, Jackie, Fr. Hank, Bernice.

Candle Intentions: Anthony, Ken, Karen, Joyce, George, Virginia, Michael, Tony, Mary, Beth, Nick, Noah, Joshua, Cody. Special prayers for those who are attending Mass for the first time. May they and their families be blessed and their prayer requests be granted. We pray to the Lord.

Thank you. Carol & Mary Ann

**CATHOLIC SCOUT AWARD RECIPIENT**

On Sunday, April 23, 2017, **Drew Tillmann as a Catholic Scout in Cub Scout Pack 157 received his Light of Christ emblem** presented by Bishop Michael R. Cote at the Catholic Scouting

Award Ceremony held at the Cathedral of St. Patrick in Norwich. Catholic Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts are recognized each Spring upon completion of a religious program designed for the scout's rank or age. The program booklets are begun in the Fall and finished by March 1st. The younger scouts work on a program booklet with their family while the older scouts work with a trained counselor.



For more information contact the Office of Faith Events in Norwich @ 860-848-2237 ext. 311 for Scouting; or Amie Tillmann at [saintmauriceccd@gmail.com](mailto:saintmauriceccd@gmail.com)



**FAITH FORMATION TEACHERS NEEDED**

Teachers are needed for Grades 5-6 (Middle School) and Grades 9-10 (Confirmation Preparation).

We will train you and develop the program. Contact the office at (860) 643-4466 or Amie Tillman at [saintmauriceccd@gmail.com](mailto:saintmauriceccd@gmail.com)

**Father Leon is available at all time for any Spiritual needs, to call or meet with him personally, you're always welcomed. Reach him direct at (860) 748-4560.**

**FROM THE DIOCESE OF NORWICH**

**The monthly Diocesan Pro-Life Mass** will take place at Christ the King Parish, 1 McCurdy Rd., Old Lyme, on Saturday, May 6 at 8:30 A.M. Please join our celebrant Rev. Ray Introvigne 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

**Worldwide Marriage Encounter**

Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." Celebrate God's love and mercy for each other by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next WWME Weekends are Jul 7-9, 2017 in Manchester, CT and Nov 3-5, 2017 in Manchester, CT. For more information, call Paul & Kim Gilbert at [860-376-0440](tel:860-376-0440) or visit us at <https://www.mectw.org/>.

**DIOCESAN YOUTH POP**



All High School youth, grades 9 – 12, are invited to Play and Pray!! This event on Saturday, May 6th will kick off with a

**Youth Mass at St. Joseph in Rockville at 4 p.m. and continue to Spare Time in Vernon at 5 p.m.**

for Endless bowling, one game of Laser tag, pizza, soda, and prayer. Permission form and fee must be in to the Diocese by Thursday, April 27<sup>th</sup>. If you need forms, please email Liza Roach at [lroach@norwichdiocese.net](mailto:lroach@norwichdiocese.net). Rides are not provided by event. Event ends at 7:30 p.m.

You may also download the flyer and permission form in PDF from the home page of the St. Maurice website via the [Youth POP](#) link under **Also This Week** at the end of the Fellowship line. It can be filled out electronically in Adobe Reader and sent to Church Coordinator Tom Manning at [tmanning818@sbcglobal.net](mailto:tmanning818@sbcglobal.net).

**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 exercise 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. Let us pray that as lawmakers make changes to the current mandate that it return the safeguards that protect religious freedom in the Constitution of the United States.

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