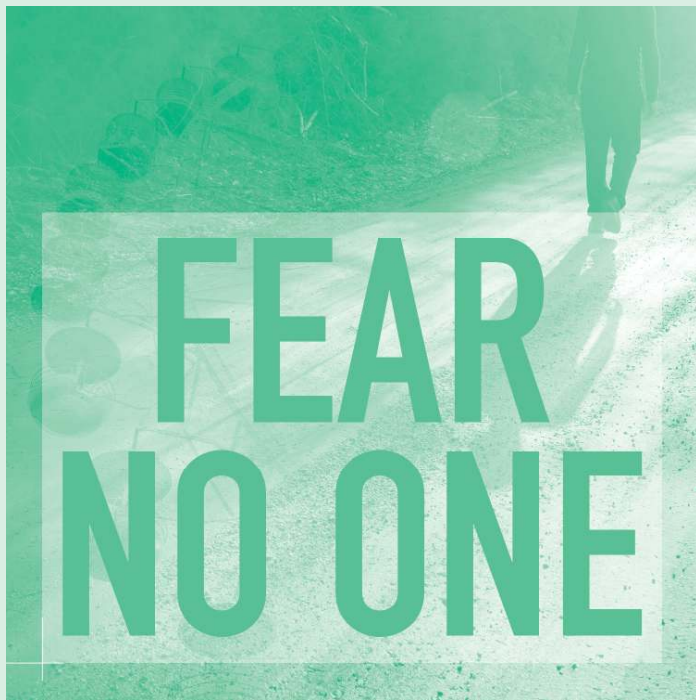


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TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME — JUNE 25, 2017



"Even all the hairs of your head are counted. So do not be afraid." Can it really be true? Is our heavenly Father actually so aware of us? Does the Creator of the universe pay that much attention to me? Jesus says yes. God knows us far more intimately than we even know ourselves. And so, we have nothing to fear.

Being Christian isn't guaranteed to be easy. More and more even in our own culture, following the faith is being criticized and discouraged in the public square. Privately, we may struggle with the demands of the commandments or the ability to believe when we face the inevitable trials that come our way. But passages like this one in today's Gospel are a source of tremendous hope and consolation. We are loved beyond measure. We enjoy the care and concern of God in every situation, big and small. Truly we have no need to worry or be anxious because God is in control.

For our part, of course, Jesus asks us to trust him and stay faithful. He asks us not to apologize for our faith, especially publicly. "Everyone who acknowledges me before others I will acknowledge before my heavenly Father." When we live our faith with confidence, it's a way of accepting the power and providence of God. But when we try to hide our faith away because we're afraid of causing problems, we only damage our relationship with the One who can actually solve them.

At the end of the day, the only really serious problem we need to worry about is losing our soul—and that, to be sure, is up to us. As the great French novelist Léon Bloy wrote, "There is only one tragedy in the end: not to have been a saint."

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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.

TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JUNE 24 — 25, 2017

USHERS GROUP III

2ND COLLECTION — FOR WORLD CHARITIES

SATURDAY, JUNE 24

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

Altar Servers: Volunteers needed!
Lectors: Bert Flynn
Eucharistic Minister: Linda Wiley

SUNDAY, JUNE 25

7:30 A.M. Mass offered for Michael Kurys request of Maryanne Murphy

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

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

Altar Servers: LeeAnn & Ben Snuffer
Lector: Jeffrey Monroe
Eucharistic Minister: Betty Aitkin

CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY after Mass

5:30 P.M. EVENING PRAYER

MONDAY, JUNE 26

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

TUESDAY, JUNE 27

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

10:00 A.M. MOBILE FOODSHARE Church of St. George

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 28

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

9:00 A.M. CHRISTMAS FAIR WORKSHOP

THURSDAY, JUNE 22 — NO MASS

FRIDAY, JUNE 23 — NO MASS

SATURDAY, JUNE 24

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



Saint Maurice Church First Friday, Eucharistic Adoration

Beginning July 7th 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament the first Friday of every month.

O Most Holy Trinity, I adore You; my God, my God, I love You in the Most Blessed Sacrament.

Our Lady of Fatima



Knights of Columbus officers installed on Tuesday, June 20th. From left Jack Smythe, Bill Hebert, Tony Girasoli (Grand Knight), Lee Snuffer, Milt Ives, Tom Manning.

STEWARDSHIP

Last week's Offertory: June 18 — \$ 2,970 Projected Amount needed \$2,980

Sell your belongings and give alms. Provide money bags for yourselves that do not wear out, an inexhaustible treasure in heaven that no thief can reach nor moth destroy. For where your treasure is, there also will your heart be. LUKE 12:33-34 We must also offer our time and talent. When the questionnaire comes from Fr. Leon, prayerfully consider what time and talent you can give to build up St. Maurice.

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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.

Prayer Line - Charlie, Delores, Kathy, Mike, Robert, Pete, Arlene

Special prayers for Cody, Nick, Noah, Joshua, Beth, Jim, Cheryl

Special prayers for Lillian who was Baptized on Sunday, June 4th and prayers for her family.

Special prayers for those who are attending Mass at our church for the first time. May they and their families be blessed and their prayer requests be granted.

Special prayers that all people of the Diocese of Norwich will move forward together into the future, helping one another through difficulties, rejoicing together over our abundant blessings, and being confident always of God's love and mercy.

Prayer shawls are available upon request

Thank you. Carol & Mary Ann



ALTAR SERVERS NEEDED

We are in need of new servers for our parish. Youth who have made their First Holy Communion and have expressed interest in and commitment to the duties of this ministry are encouraged to serve. We will offer training classes and mentoring by an experienced server. If interested there will be sign-up sheets in the vestibule.

Please contact Fr. Leon or Amie Tillmann (saintmauriceccd@gmail.com) if you have any questions.



TEACHERS NEEDED

Faith Formation

We are in need of teachers and substitute teachers for the 2017/2018 CCD year. This is a great opportunity to learn more about your faith and grow closer to our

Lord while being a positive influence in our young parishioners' lives. We realize this is a big commitment and sometimes difficult with busy schedules. Ideally, we would like enough volunteers to allow two teachers per class so the responsibilities can be shared.

Classes are held on Sunday mornings from 9:00 - 9:45 a.m. Currently, there are 23 classes scheduled to run from September 24, 2017 through April 29, 2018. All teaching materials will be supplied and training will be available.

Please contact Amie Tillmann (saintmauriceccd@gmail.com) for more information if you think that the Lord may be calling you to this valuable service in the faith of our children

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

2017 WORLD COMBINED COLLECTION

The Combined Collection for World Charities is being held this weekend. Your contribution will provide assistance to the Catholic Relief Services Collection, the Campaign for Human Development, Aid to the Church in Central and Eastern Europe, and The Holy Land. Most of you should have received information in the mail about this collection. Envelopes are available at the ushers' tables in the back of the church. Your support and generosity are essential to these programs of the Universal Church.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

"I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever." Let the Lord feed and support your marriage 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 Dennis & Jane Lamondy at 860-481-3720 or visit us at <https://wwmectw.org/>.

MISSION CO-OP

Rev. Leonardo Grisales, MXY of the Yarumal Missionaries will be visiting us next weekend July 1-2. He currently serves the people of God in Kenya, Africa by working among the Sambuno tribe. The goal is witnessing the Gospel to people and cultures where Christ is not yet fully preached. The **Yarumal Missionaries** are present in Bolivia, Ecuador, Peru, Colombia, Panama, Kenya, Ivory Coast, Ethiopia, Angola, Cambodia, and Thailand. In order to carry out their pastoral programs and social projects, these missionaries depend very much on the generosity of the Christians in the parishes that they visit. Our support for Rev. Grisales is a sign that reminds us of our baptismal vocation:

We are also missionaries of Christ!

Please be generous.

Defending Our Religious Liberty

At the annual Conference of the Academy of Catholic Theologians, Archbishop William E. Lori, asserted that *religious* institutions such as parishes, schools, and charities can no longer pretend that these are ordinary times. They must be robust in their Catholic identity and missionary zeal. He says when parishes lose their evangelizing edge or schools and charities become too much like their secular counterparts, we run the risk of surrendering, bit by bit, our religious freedom. He advises us all to build bridges, reach out in friendship to those we disagree with, but in the process let us not forget or surrender who we are. That is why our parishes and all our institutions need to undergo what Pope Francis calls "a missionary conversion." Let us pray that the revised health care mandate reinstates religious freedom.

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