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Father Leon at the Wetdown of the new Tanker Truck Bolton Volunteer Fire Department - June 25, 2017

"Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest." Is there anyone to whom this doesn't apply? Don't we all have to labor at something, whether it be work, school, relationships, household affairs, or personal, emotional, or mental battles? Aren't we all burdened in some way at some time?

Jesus offers us powerful words of consolation in today's Gospel. He promises us rest. He calls all of us to himself, along with the baggage and burdens that we carry, and assures us that we will find relief. Thank God! What a gift for our tired, weary souls.

The strange part about the passage, however, is when Jesus suggests that in order to find this wonderful rest, we have to take a "yoke" upon our shoulders. This of course is a reference to the animal harness of old that would join two oxen together to share the weight of the load they carried. He tells us, "Take my yoke upon you and learn from me... For my yoke is easy, and my burden light." Somehow, joining Jesus in his work is supposed to bring us rest! Contrary to the standard belief that not working is the source of relief, Jesus urges us to join him in his mission in order to find peace. But what is this mission? To be "meek and humble of heart." Jesus' work is to do whatever God the Father wants him to do. As he says elsewhere, "My food is to do the will of the one who sent me and to finish his work" (Jn 4:34). So, it seems that if we also humbly submit to doing God's work-with Jesus right alongside us as our partner in the task-we will "find rest" for ourselves. So as we labor through the trials of the day, may we bear this in mind, and pray that we may handle them according to the will of God.



FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME — JULY 9, 2017

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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.

ST. MAURICE CHURCH BOLTON, CT

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JULY 8 — 9, 2017

USHERS GROUP I

2ND COLLECTION — FOR HAITI

SATURDAY, JULY 8

5:00 P.M. <u>Mass offered for All Parishioners</u> of St. Maurice Church

Altar Servers: Volunteers needed! Lectors: Georgette Pelletier Eucharistic Minister: Linda Wiley

SUNDAY, JULY 9

7:30 A.M. Mass offered for †Theresa Monahan

request of Theresa Ciscon

Altar Servers: Shirley Holbrook

Lector: Judy Knox

Eucharistic Minister: Arlene Giglio

CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY after 7:30 Mass

10:00 A.M. Mass offered for †Kelly Reopel

request of Deanna and Anne Pullo

Altar Servers: Emilia & Marta Herasimowicz

Lector: Evelyn O'Connor

Eucharistic Minister: Janusz Herasimowicz

BAPTISM OF JANIE EVELYN BRONEIL after 10:00 Mass

5:30 P.M. EVENING PRAYER

MONDAY, JULY 10

9:00 A.M. <u>Mass offered for All Parishioners</u>

of St. Maurice Church

TUESDAY, JULY 11

9:00 A.M. Mass offered for All Parishioners

of St. Maurice Church

WEDNESDAY, JULY 12

9:00 A.M. <u>Mass offered for All Parishioners</u>

of St. Maurice Church

9:00 A.M. CHRISTMAS FAIR WORKSHOP

THURSDAY, JULY 13 — NO MASS

9-10:30 A.M. DEVOTION TO OUR LADY OF FATIMA

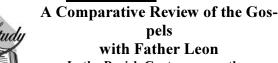
6:30-8 P.M. To obtain the 100th Anniversary Indulgence

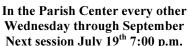
FRIDAY, JULY 14 — NO MASS

SATURDAY, JULY 15

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

BIBLE STUDY





"Ignorance of Scripture is ignorance of Christ."

St. Jerome



At the Baptism of Emily Maria Hand - June 25, 2017 Father Michael, brother Jacob, mother Diana, and the newly baptized. (Her godparents were Andrzej and Kim Szatkowski.)

STEWARDSHIP

Last week's Offertory: July 2 — \$ 2,415 Projected Amount needed \$2,980

"Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart; and you will find rest for yourselves. For my yoke is easy, and my burden light."

MATTHEW 11:28-30

In Jesus we find our rest and assistance with our burdens. If it isn't bad enough that some people fail to lean on their brothers and sisters, some of them fail to ever turn to God. A stewardship way of life seeks to share and integrate with others, especially Jesus.

^ Tear off	Memorial Mass Form	Drop in collection ^
Father Leon, please offer a weekend	(or) weekday Mass for the soul (or) intentions _	(as applicable) of:
Name		
Person requesting		
Street Address	E-mail Address	
City State Zip	E-mail Address	
Home phone	Cell phone	
Check enclosed Envelope No	We will Donate Online (Customary donation \$10	0 weekday, \$20 weekend)
I will bring up the gifts at the Mass celeb	rated. Yes No	

FROM SAINT MAURICE PARISH



ST. MAURICE PRAYER LINE

Please remember all the special intentions on the St. Maurice Prayer Line.

Prayer Line - Mary, Jim, Jill, Brian, Rachel, and Sharon

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 requestThank you. Carol & Mary Ann

RECEIVING COMMUNION UNDER BOTH SPECIES

Unlike the other Sacraments, the Eucharist is the Real Presence of the risen Christ. All our actions as we approach, receive, and consume the sacred meal are very meaningful: the reverential bow, the open hands to receive the body of Christ, and drinking his blood from the cup. Drinking from the cup is optional, but the method of reception is not optional with the recipient. Intinction (dipping the host in the cup) by the recipient is not permitted. We only receive Communion as participants, not as the main celebrant, which is our priest.

TEACHERS NEEDED

We are in need of teachers and substitute teachers for the 2017/2018 CCD year. 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.

ALTAR SERVERS NEEDED

We need new servers for our parish. Youth who have made their First Holy Communion are encouraged to serve. We will offer training classes and mentoring by an experienced server. If interested there are sign-up sheets in the vestibule. Please contact Fr. Leon or Amie Tillmann (saintmauriceccd@gmail.com) if you have any questions.

Father Leon is available at all times 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

OUTREACH TO HAITI

At Masses on July 8-9, parishioners will hear about the Diocese of Norwich Outreach to Haiti's work and commitment to serve the people of Haiti.

The second collection is dedicated to Outreach to Haiti. Funds from this collection will support the thousands of families in the poverty-stricken area of Christ Roi in Port-au-Prince. Your gifts can help provide education scholarships, medical care, nutrition and feeding programs, support for orphanages, and more.

For more than 30 years, Outreach has been helping Haitians through its many programs, many relationships with twins in both the US and Haiti, and also provides immersion trips for travelers who want to see more of Haiti.

Fr. Rouleau lives in Port-au-Prince, is Chaplain, fluent in Creole and English and serves as translator/guide, and Director of Parish Twinning for Outreach to Haiti. (for more information please visit www.outreachtohaiti.org)

THE THIRD APPARITION OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA July 13, 1917



The children returned to the holm oak tree, and again, a burst of light preceded the vision of Our Lady. She asked that the children daily recite the Rosary in honor of Our Lady of the Rosary. Lucia asked that she identify herself, to which Our Lady replied that she would perform both a great miracle as proof of the visions as well as reveal

herself in October. The children were shown three prophetic visions, commonly referred to as the **Three Secrets of Fatima**. The **First Secret** was a vision of Hell. In the **Second Secret**, Our Lady told them that God wished devotion to her Immaculate Heart and to promote peace. The **Third Secret** was a vision of a Pope in a ruined city, blessing the bodies of the dead.

"Sacrifice yourselves for sinners and say many times, especially when you make a sacrifice, 'O Jesus, this is for love of Thee, for the conversion of sinners, and in reparation for the sins committed against the Immaculate Heart of Mary." - July 13, 1917 message from Our Lady of Fatima

Defending Our Religious Liberty

July 9, 2017

Archbishop William E. Lori of Baltimore, Chairman of the U.S. Bishops' Ad Hoc Committee for Religious Liberty, issued a statement encouraging the broadening of the exemption from the HHS mandate:

"If issued, these regulations would appropriately broaden the existing exemption to a wider range of stakeholders with religious or moral objections to the mandated coverage—not just houses of worship. This not only would eliminate an unwarranted governmental division of our religious community 'between our houses of worship and our great ministries of service to our neighbors,' but would also lift the government-imposed burden on our ministries 'to violate their own teachings within their very own institutions...Relief like this is years overdue and would be most welcomed."

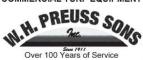


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