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TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME — SEPTEMBER 17, 2017

Jesus asks us
to forgive as
we have been
forgiven

"I forgave you your entire debt because you begged me to. Should you not have had pity on your fellow servant, as I had pity on you?" The parable Jesus tells today is the story of a king, but in truth it is about Jesus himself. He is the "king" who has forgiven our debts. We are the "servants" whose sins have earned us chastisement. But when we repent and ask for Christ's mercy, he grants it to us without hesitation.

The point of the parable, then, is that we too should extend this mercy to others. We should not be like that "wicked servant" who begged for mercy but would not show it to others. Elsewhere, Jesus teaches us to pray, "Forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors" (Mt. 6:12). We use different words, but a similar meaning when we pray the Our Father asking God to "forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us." But are we sure that we mean what we say?

It's important to pause and evaluate how we are doing in this regard. Are we harboring any grudges? Are there people we refuse to forgive? Is there a situation where we are seeking revenge instead of extending mercy? Jesus asks us to do otherwise. He reminds us that we have already been forgiven. We are right now enjoying the benefits of his forgiveness. So we are called to bear in mind our own sins, failings, weaknesses, and "debts" when we deal with others instead of thinking that we are perfectly innocent and acting as if we've never been the beneficiary of mercy. So let us do our best to forgive as we have been forgiven. This doesn't mean approving of wrong behavior; God doesn't ask us to do that. But he does ask us to let go of bitterness and foster mercy instead.

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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.



**TWENTY FOURTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME
SEPTEMBER 16 — 17, 2017**

USHERS GROUP III

2ND COLLECTION — MAINTENANCE COLLECTION

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

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

Altar Servers: TBD

Lectors: Bert Flynn

Eucharistic Minister: Georgette Pelletier

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

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

Altar Servers: Shirley Holbrook

Lector: Judy Knox

Eucharistic Minister: Arlene Giglio

CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY *after Mass*

10:00 A.M. Mass offered for †Michael, †Helena and †Henry
Sobczak request of Lucy Szwed and Family

Altar Servers: Alex Czercowy

Lector: Lee Snuffer

Eucharistic Minister: Sharon Scorso

BLESSING OF THE CATECHISTS

CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY *after Mass*

5:30 P.M. **EVENING PRAYER
FROM THE LITURGY OF THE HOURS**



MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

9:00 A.M. Mass offered for †William and †Anna Cosgrove
request of their daughter Ann

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

9:00 A.M. Mass offered for safe trip for Father Leon
request of David and Sharron Caruso

7:00 P.M. **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BUSINESS MEETING**

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

New members are most welcome

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20 — NO MASS

9:00 A.M. **CHRISTMAS FAIR WORKSHOP** *in the Parish Center*

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 21 — NO MASS

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 22 — NO MASS

6:30 P.M. — 8:00 P.M. **Cub Scouts — Church basement**

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

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

SAFE ENVIRONMENT AWARENESS

The month of September has been delegated as Safe Environments Month here at Saint Maurice. As part of strategies in creating a safe, faith environment for children, a double-sided handout on the Diocesan policies and guidelines will be included on the back table of the church. This meets our Diocesan requirement to make this material available to parishioners on a yearly basis. The policy and reporting procedures can be found also on the Diocesan website:

www.norwichdiocese.org/office-for-safe-environments.html

Parents will receive brochures on the first day of Youth Faith Formation classes. They are asked to review the brochures that focus on what they can do to help assure child safety and welfare, as well as sensitively review age specific brochures with their own children. Any parish adult and minor volunteer who work in an environment with our youth must undergo background checks, as well as complete an *Armatus* on line program or attend a *Call to Protect Workshop*. For more information, contact Fr. Leon or Patti Cinea 860-646-0564.

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.

FAITH FORMATION NEWS



Faith Formation

The first day of faith formation classes is on Sunday, September 24th! There will be a welcome meeting for parents and students at 9:00 am. Knights of Columbus pancake breakfast available from 8 - 10 am.

STEWARDSHIP

Last week's Offertory: September 10 — \$1,911

Projected Amount needed \$2,980

"For if we live, we live for the Lord, and if we die, we die for the Lord; so then, whether we live or die, we are the Lord's"

— Romans 14:8

This is the essence of stewardship – everything we have and everything we are is a gift from God. We aren't "owners" of anything, we are merely "stewards" of the gifts that God has given us, especially our very own lives. Pray to God, daily, and ask Him how He wants you to use the gifts He has given you.

On Saturday, September 9th St. Maurice parishioners volunteered their time to work on cleaning up of all parish beds and grounds.

Thank you all who joined this very successful cleanup.



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:

Marge, a woman recovering from surgery, Jackie, Mary Stephen and Steve.

Candle Intention - the people from Texas, Cody, Edith, Bob and his wife, John, Nick.

For all who are beginning a new academic year: that students and teachers may learn together as they grow in wisdom and love.

May peace come to all parts of our troubled world and may all people welcome God into their lives and live together in peace.

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. Thank you — Carol & Mary Ann

FROM SLEIGH BELLS RING CHRISTMAS FAIR GROUP



The St. Maurice Fair Group will be starting up again on Wednesday, September 20 at 9 a.m. in the Parish Center. New members are always encouraged and invited.

No particular artistic skills are needed just an ability to 'learn from others'. Questions, please call Sharon Scorso at 860-646-1423. Hope to see you there.

SLEIGH BELLS RING CHRISTMAS FAIR NEEDS

As we move toward our Fair we ask for your help with our needs. We are asking for your help by donating flour, sugar and Crisco for the pies. We use sugar, sur-gel and paraffin for the jams. We also use flour and sugar for our mixes. As always, we need jam jars, and baby food jars. Please leave your contributions in the church or Parish Center. Thank you.

Knights of Columbus Council 6199 held Ice Cream Social on Sunday, September 10 after 10 A.M. mass



FROM THE DIOCESE OF NORWICH

1,000 Miles for Haiti!

For the third year in a row, a small team from the Diocese of Norwich Outreach to Haiti (OTH) will start a 337 mile bike ride, touching five of the six New England states, on September 25th, to raise awareness and funds in order to provide solar power for the new Norwich Outreach Center in Haiti. The course will start near Freeport, ME and hit all the New England states except Vermont. As this is the 3rd year, the riders will pass the cumulative 1,000 mile mark shortly before concluding the ride on the 29th! Bishop Cote will greet the riders at St Patrick's Cathedral on Sept 28th. To get more information on OTH, the need for and details of the ride, or to donate, go to www.outreachtohaiti.org/ride-2017. Follow the ride on our website, on twitter @outrachtohaiti, or on facebook OutreachtoHaiti.

Pontifical Mass for the Diocesan Partnership on Disability

Join us for a Celebration of the Liturgy for people living with disabilities; for their family, friends, care-givers, co-workers, support staff and health care professionals.

Principal Celebrant Bishop Michael R. Cote

Saturday September 30, 2017 @5:00 p.m.

The Cathedral of St. Patrick, 213 Broadway, Norwich

sign language provided for Mass and reception presentation

Presentation & Reception to follow in Cathedral Hall

For more information or to RSVP for the reception, please contact the Office of Faith Events, 860-848-2237 x304 or faithevents@norwichdiocese.net

Unlocking the World of Jesus & the Bible

Come for a day long presentation by Speaker Tom Smith, Director of the Denver Catholic Biblical School. Discover the meaning of discipleship, unlock the Gospels with a new understanding of idioms and images in the Bible. Saturday, October 21, 2017, Christ the King Church, Old Lyme, from 9 a.m. to 2p.m. \$35 (includes lunch)

For more information please contact the Office of Faith Events, 860-848-237 x304 or manicholas@norwichdiocese.net

Twenty-Fifth Annual Mass for Firefighters/EMS Personnel

Saturday, October 14, 2017, at 5:00 p.m.

On Saturday, October 14, 2017, at 5:00 p.m., Bishop Cote will celebrate Mass for all Firefighters/EMS personnel, in the Cathedral of Saint Patrick. Each year, brothers and sisters of all faiths gather to thank God for their calling, to pray for their safety, and to remember their fallen colleagues. Assembly at Chelsea Parade for the line-up and the procession (to the Cathedral) of all personnel and apparatus will begin at 3:30 p.m. The Homilist will be Reverend Robert Marciano, Pastor, Saint Kevin Parish, Warwick, RI.

Reception immediately following. All companies, departments, and personnel and their families are cordially invited to participate.

For more information call, Mrs. Terri Zampini at [860-887-9294](tel:860-887-9294), x265, or Monsignor Brown at x232.

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