



*47th Annual – “Sleigh Bells Ring”*

# **St. Maurice Church Christmas Fair**

*32 Hebron Road, Bolton*

**Saturday, November 18, 2017**

**9:00 A.M. – 3:00 P.M.**

***A visit from Santa and Mrs. Claus w/photos 10:30 – 12:00!***

*Handmade Raggedy Ann & Andy Dolls - Tree Skirts*

*Jelly Baskets, American Girl Doll Clothes, Stocking stuffers*

*Fresh Holiday Evergreen Baskets – Stuffed animals*

*Hand-knit scarves, mittens & sweaters*

*Homemade Apple Pies & Baked Goods*

*“Take-A-Chance” Booth*

*Over 40 Talented Crafters with unique gifts*

*Come and have lunch!*

**THIRTY SECOND SUNDAY  
IN ORDINARY TIME**

**NOVEMBER 11 — 12, 2017**

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**2<sup>ND</sup> COLLECTION — ST. MAURICE FUEL FUND**

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11**

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

**CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY** *after Mass*

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12**

**7:30 A.M.** Mass offered for †Ron Sabino  
request of Gloria Holbrook

**CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY** *after Mass*

**8:00 A.M.** **TRIPLE PLAY CAFÉ BREAKFAST**  
*Parish Center from 8:00AM to 10:00AM*

**9:00 A.M.** **FAITH FORMATION CLASSES**

**10:00 A.M.** Mass offered for †Nancy Shaffer  
request of David and Maureen Shaffer

**CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY** *after Mass*

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

**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 13**

**10:00 A.M.** Funeral Mass for Norman Preuss

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14**

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

**7:00 P.M.** **PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**

**7:15 P.M.** **CHOIR REHEARSAL**  
*New members are most welcome*

**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 15**

**9:00 A.M.** Mass offered for †Katherine Viel  
request of The Hurst Family

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

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 16 — NO MASS**

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 17 — NO MASS**

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18**



**9:00 A.M. — 3:00 P.M.**  
**SLEIGH BELLS RING**  
**CHRISTMAS FAIR**



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

**FROM SLEIGH BELLS RING CHRISTMAS FAIR GROUP**



One of our more ambitious fair projects is the making of **100 apple pies**. Most times they are sold out by noon on fair day. **The pies require seven baskets of apples which we will peel on Wednesday, November 15<sup>th</sup>. starting at 6:30 p.m. and the pies assembled on Thursday, November 16<sup>th</sup>. starting at 8 a.m.** We are hoping to get a good turn out for both days. The apples can be peeled in two hours or less with about 15-20 people. Please consider a few hours either one or both days. Bring the peeler and paring knife that your most comfortable with.

Thanks so much ----- Betty Aitkin

**“HEAVENLY SCENT”**

**CHRISTMASMAS FAIR BAKE SHOP**

**WE ARE “CALLING ALL BAKERS” AGAIN FOR DONATIONS TO OUR BAKE SALE FOR THIS YEAR’S CHRISTMAS FAIR!**

In addition to the delicious apple pies made with love by a special group of ladies every year, we are looking to fill up our bake sale booth with your family favorites! Brownies, nut breads, coffee cakes, fudge, Grandma’s favorite lemon bars, cookies, pumpkin pies, shortbread, cinnamon buns, home-made bread, etc. are all in high demand for the holidays! **Donations can be dropped off at the Parish Center on Friday evening, November 17th or Saturday morning, the day of the fair on November 18th. Thank you in advance!**

If you are planning to donate **flour, sugar, Crisco** or other product please leave it at the Parish Center any day or in church on the weekend. Every Wednesday from 9 to 12 we are at the center putting the final touches on things so come join us. The coffee is always hot. Thank you, Dorli

**STEWARDSHIP**

**Last week’s Offertory: November 5 — \$2,117**  
**Projected Amount needed \$2,980**

*“Therefore, stay awake, for you know neither the day nor the hour.”*

*- Matthew 25:13*

Many of us have put off doing something because we think we are too busy. We’ve all said, “I’ll do it later when I have time.” Unfortunately, too many of us apply this attitude to our Faith. Jesus’ call is urgent, in the here and now, in your current circumstances. Don’t delay, how is God calling you to use your gifts today?

^ 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 weekday, \$20 weekend)

I will bring up the gifts at the Mass celebrated. Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

**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: Stephanie, Johan, Bob, Grace, Chris, John, Rachel, Marge.

Candle Intention: Zielinski Family, Karas Family, Stepniowski Family, Papyka Family, Plichia Family.

For all who exercise authority whether in religion, business, education or government: that they may recognize God as the source of all authority and use their power for promoting justice and the good of all.

For young girls and children: That the young girls and children, forced or tricked by traffickers may be aware of the imminent danger to their life and those who are already suffered in any kind of trafficking and the trauma thereafter may find hope, courage and consolation.

**Prayer shawls are available upon request**

Thank you. Carol & Mary Ann

*Seasonal Sharing*

*Thanksgiving Food Donation*

- Time:** Sunday, November 19<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 A.M. (Confirmation Candidates & Drivers)
- Place:** Parish Center
- What:** Sorting, packing, and delivery of food and other groceries to Bolton families in need.
- Cost:** To donate, make your check payable to "Church of St. Maurice" with the memo "**Thanksgiving food**" and put in the regular collection or mail. Nonperishable items may be left in either vestibule any time that the Church is open. Bring perishable items on the morning of 11/19.



If you can deliver, contact Tom Manning.  
**Contact:** Tom Manning - tmanning818@sbcglobal.net  
 (860) 990-4698



**The Bolton Ecumenical Council will host its annual Community Thanksgiving Service on Tuesday, November 21st at 7:00 p.m. at St. Maurice Church.**

As part of the tradition, there will be participation from the clergy and the unified choir from all four churches. Assistance will be provided by our local Cub and Boy Scouts. In lieu of a food collection, the town director of social services has requested a donation of paper items (toilet paper, paper towels, tissues, feminine products) as these items are not covered by food stamps. A freewill offering will be used in sponsorship towards the **Bolton Scholarship Fund**. Refreshments will follow the service. Come and join in the spirit of Thanksgiving, offering worship and gratitude to God as a community of believers, and enjoy the singing of the combined church choir.

**FROM THE DIOCESE OF NORWICH**

**YOUNG ADULT MASS WITH BISHOP COTE**

On Sunday, December 3rd, St. Joseph's in Willimantic is delighted to host Bishop Michael Cote for the 1st Annual Diocesan Mass & Reception for Young Adults. All Young Adults (ages 18 - 39, single and married) are invited and encouraged to attend! We encourage Young Adults to invite friends to join us! Mass with the Bishop will begin at 11:15am and following liturgy there will be a coffee social in the hall.

**East Catholic High School**

The Entrance Exam for eighth graders will be given on Saturday, December 2nd, 2017 at 8 a.m. at East. Pre-registration for the exam is advised but not required. Visit [www.echs.com](http://www.echs.com) or call our Admissions office at 860-649-5336 x6456 for more information!

**2017 YOUTH EXPLOSION — FREE 2 B CATHOLIC**



Pictured from left to right: Tom Manning, Jakub Jandzinski, Pawel Dabek, Joslyn Hoang, Matthew Weir, Melissa LeGeyt, and Marta Herasimowicz

Youths from St. Maurice's Confirmation program attended a day long retreat known as the Youth Explosion last Sunday, November 5 at St. Bernard School, Uncasville. Youth Explosion is the biggest Catholic youth conference in eastern CT. Hundreds of Catholic youth from our Diocese experienced live Christian Music, participated in Adoration and the Sacrament of Reconciliation, and came together for Mass celebrated with Bishop Cote and several priests! This year's theme was: Free 2 B Catholic. Teens left the retreat with a THIRST FOR CHRIST and a desire to put faith into action. We hope they will return to our parish with a new spiritual drive!



**Defending Our Religious Liberty**

Pope Francis has said that: "It is the duty of everyone to defend religious freedom and promote it for all people." As the healthcare mandate is retooled, let us pray that the religious freedom of the Church is safeguarded.

**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.**

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