

THE PARISH COMMUNITY OF saint maurice

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THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME — NOVEMBER 19, 2017

"But the man who received one went off and dug a hole in the ground and buried his master's money." This servant was scared. He didn't want to take any risks and just wanted to play everything safe. As he confesses to his master, "Out of fear I went off and buried your talent in the ground." And the master was not pleased. The other servants who invested the money he gave them were richly rewarded for their efforts to produce more. But this servant was punished for letting his fear rule the day. What factors are keeping us from making a return on God's investment in us? He has given us all life, and each of us also has a special collection of "talents" to make use of. We have certain gifts, skills, experiences, resources, and abilities that (though we may not often think about it) come from God. He calls us to make the most of these things, not just to take them for granted or bury them in the ground, so to speak. Our gifts are meant not just for our own enjoyment, but to help others, to spread truth and goodness and beauty to the world around us.

Sometimes, however, we fail to really capitalize on our potential. Laziness, distraction, or self-pity can get in the way if we are unwilling to put in the hard work to improve our natural gifts, if we allow ourselves to zone out with entertainment or frivolous pastimes instead of making good use of the time entrusted to us, or if we wallow in negativity by focusing on what we don't have instead of embracing what we do.

Each moment is a gift from God. May we seize every opportunity to multiply the investment God has made in us so that we may be worthy to hear God tell us, "Well done, my good and faithful servant."

Prayer Line

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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.



**THIRTY THIRD SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME
NOVEMBER 18 — 19, 2017
USHERS GROUP IV**

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18

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

CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY *after Mass*

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19

7:30 A.M. Mass offered for all departed souls of Kurys and
Hajdasz Families especially †Casimir, †Thomas,
†Michael request of Helen Kurys

CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY *after Mass*
COFFEE SOCIAL AND SALE OF FAIR ITEMS
after Mass in the Parish Center

8:30 A.M. BREAKFAST FOR FAITH FORMATION

9:00 A.M. FAITH FORMATION CLASSES
*Students will be sorting and packing
Thanksgiving food for Bolton families*

10:00 A.M. MASS FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH
Mass offered for †Barbara and †Donald Sullivan
request of Patrick and Daniel Sullivan

CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY *after Mass*
COFFEE SOCIAL AND SALE OF FAIR ITEMS
after Mass in the Parish Center

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

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 20

10:00 A.M. Mass offered in Thanksgiving for Father Leon's
safe trip to India

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 21

9:00 A.M. Mass offered for †Richard Cooke
request of Lou and Dorli Cloutier

7:00 P.M. BOLTON ECUMENICAL COUNCIL COMMUNITY
THANKSGIVING SERVICE AT ST. MAURICE

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 22

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

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 23 — NO MASS
HAPPY THANKSGIVING DAY

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 24 — NO MASS

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 25

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



FROM SLEIGH BELLS RING CHRISTMAS FAIR GROUP

*Thank
You*

**THANK YOU
FROM THE CHRISTMAS FAIR
GROUP**

Our sincere thanks to all who helped
make our Christmas Fair a great suc-
cess. So many people helped it is impos-
sible to name all of you - the bakers of so many goodies,
donations of items, shoppers and well
wishes - our thanks.

Dorli, Kathy, Beth and Patti.



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. Assis-
tance 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.

STEWARDSHIP

Last week's Offertory: November 12 — \$3,071
Projected Amount needed \$2,980

*"Well done, my good and faithful servant. Since you have
been faithful in small matters, I will give you great responsi-
bilities."*
- MATTHEW 25:21

God expects us to nurture and develop the gifts He has given
us and then generously return a portion with increase. He
doesn't want us to waste or hoard the gifts He has given us;
He expects us to grow our gifts, use them wisely and be gener-
ous with them. Unfortunately, many of us are not generous in
proportion to all that God has given us.

^ Tear off

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: Nick, Alie, Vic, Dorothy, James, Jen, Alex, Bobby, Corin, Laurie, Nathan, Bob

Special prayers for Nicolo on his 8th Birthday.

Candle Intentions: Cody, military and their families

Special prayers for Msgr. Brown who has died and for his family.

Special prayers for Norman Preuss who has died and for his family

For all who hunger for life, particularly those who are ill, depressed, or who live in fear of abuse or violence; that God's gracious love will sustain and protect them.

Our parish Community, enlightened by the light of Christ, may bring that light to others, especially those who stand most in need.

Prayer shawls are available upon request

Thank you. Carol & Mary Ann

Seasonal Sharing

Thanksgiving Food Donation

Time: Sunday, November 19th 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

Happy Thanksgiving

COMMUNION IN BOTH SPICES

AT ST. MAURICE



Holy communion is distributed in both the spices, the Body and Blood of Jesus on all Solemnities and first Sunday of every month.

The Priest will distribute the Holy Body in the middle and two Eucharistic ministers will share the Holy Blood on both the sides.

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 or call our Admissions office at 860-649-5336 x6456 for more information!

Be in the Know!

Receive information weekly for seminars, faith enrichment, and youth events, as well as Catholic Family Services programs. e-mail the Office of Faith Events today to be put on our events e-mailing list, faithevents@norwichdiocese.net

SAINT BRIDGET HOLIDAY CRAFT FAIR

Saturday, December 2nd, 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

74 Main Street, Manchester

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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.



*AFTER SUNDAY MASSESS
"SLEIGHT BELLS RING" GROUP
COFFEE SOCIAL INCLUDES SALE OF
ITEMS STILL AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE*



Defending Our Religious Liberty

This Thanksgiving, let us pray that our most cherished right of religious freedom is restored in the revision of the federal healthcare mandate.

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