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SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME — JULY 29, 2018



Have you ever wanted to be part of something bigger? Even the most independent among us likes to make changes and have an impact on others. In this Sunday's Gospel reading, Jesus demonstrates one of his most iconic miracles - the multiplication of the loaves. It is a sign of the institution of the Eucharist, when we are fed not by bread but by the Body of Christ.

In the stories of ancient pagan gods, mighty deeds were done entirely under the gods' own power. Mortals may have offered sacrifices to start the chain of events, but they played little role in the miraculous works themselves. Jesus is entirely different. The multiplication of the loaves is a prime example not only of Jesus' power over nature, but of the way he equips his disciples.

First, Jesus asks Philip a question "to test him." Jesus has seen the crowds and "he himself knew what he was going to do," but he wants his disciples to start thinking about the problem and its solution. Andrew offers a suggestion, though he isn't confident in it. "There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish; but what good are these for so many?" Jesus honors Andrew's suggestion, takes the offered loaves, and delegates the Apostles to bring order to the crowd. When the crowd has been fed, the Apostles "gather the fragments left over." In the process, they discover with wonder that bread has been produced in super abundance.

In the sacraments, God works through simple matter to make grace real in our lives. He works in and through us as well. Are you facing problems that could have spiritual solutions? Is there a need in your parish or community that you could meet? Whatever our hesitations, Jesus honors our simple loaves and fishes. He invites us to participate in his generous work of redemption, just as we are.

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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.

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JULY 28 — 29, 2018

USHERS GROUP IV**SATURDAY, JULY 28**

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

CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY after Mass

SUNDAY, JULY 29

7:30 A.M. Mass offered for the repose of the soul of Kevin Qualey
request of Pratricks and Eileen McMahon

CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY after Mass

10:00 A.M. Mass offered for the repose of the souls of Stanislaw Jablonowski
request of The Czercowy Family

CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY after Mass

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

MONDAY, JULY 30

9:00 A.M. Mass offered for the repose of the soul of Joseph Gately
request of St. Maurice Christmas Fair Group

TUESDAY, JULY 31

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

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 1

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

THURSDAY, AUGUST 2 — NO MASS**FRIDAY, AUGUST 3 — NO MASS**

7:00 P.M. **FIRST FRIDAY**
EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION
AND BENEDICTION

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 4**

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

5:00 P.M. Mass offered for the repose of the soul of Christine Hetzer
request of Marge and Bert Flynn

FROM SAINT MAURICE PARISH

Saint Maurice Church
First Friday
Eucharistic Adoration
August 3rd

7:00 pm – 8:00 pm

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

Our Lady of Fatima

**Sleigh Bells Ring Workshop**

The Fair group has stopped meeting for the summer months and will resume on the Wednesday after Labor Day

— September 5th, 9 a.m. in the Parish Center.

Please consider joining our group then — all are welcome. Please save your baby, canning and jelly jars this summer—you can leave them in the back of the church.

Thank you.

**STEWARDSHIP**

Last week's Offertory: July 22 — \$2,119

Projected Amount needed \$2,980

"There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish; but what good are these for so many?" — John 6:9

The miracle of the Loaves and Fishes is the only miracle which is recorded six times in the Gospel. It carries two important messages. First, no matter how little we have, we always have enough to share. Second, Christ can take our humble gifts and do great things with them if we are just willing to let Him. No gift is too small or insignificant!

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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.

Let us pray for Prayer Line Intentions, especially the new requests for this week: Marty, Lucia, Diane, Steven, Claire, Josephine, Brianna, MaryJane, Bob, Grace, Mary, David, Irene, Marge, Margaret, Viola, Rick.

Candle Intentions: Joshua, Noah, Lucia, Anne.

For acceptance of others: that God will help us to be open to the stranger and their gifts as they enter our lives so that we may be nurtured and enriched by them.

For all who are traveling: that God will watch over them and protect them from harm.

Prayer shawls are available upon request

Thank you. Carol & Mary Ann

**SAINT MAURICE PARISH COMMISSIONS**

Fr. Leon will meet with all vice presidents and coordinators of each commission on

Wednesday, August 8th at 7:00 pm

in the **Parish Center**. **For those unable to attend**, he will make himself available to meet individually **during the week of August 12th**. Please call the Rectory to establish a time to speak with him. Fr. Leon will identify the roles and responsibilities of the leaders, as well as review the tasks and opportunities of each group.



CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

Catholic School Attendance:

If you have children in Catholic schools, please report how many in Grades 1-8 and how many in high school to

Tom Manning at

tmanning818@sbcglobal.net.

This information has been requested by the Diocese as part of our Parish Profile.

**FAITH FORMATION NEWS REGISTRATION OPEN**

Please complete and return the Faith Formation Registration Forms available on the ushers tables in the back of the church and on-line (www.saintmauricebolton.org). You can simply drop completed forms in the collection basket at any mass. If you have any questions about the program contact Amie Tillmann at 860-212-3901 or saintmauricecd@gmail.com.

FROM THE DIOCESE OF NORWICH**A DAY OF PRAYER & REFLECTION: WALKING WITH JESUS & MARY**

You are invited, along with all women of your parish, to join CT ACTS Women for A Day of Prayer & Reflection: Walking with Jesus & Mary.

This one day reflective retreat will be held on September 8, 2018, from 8AM to 8PM, at My Father's House, 39 N Moodus Road, Moodus, CT.

Fee is \$45 and includes breakfast, lunch & dinner. Registration forms may be found at <http://www.actsct.org>.

For more information, contact Elizabeth Percy at espercy@msn.com 860-648-2615 or Maureen Fleming at mfcoventry@charter.net 860-338-1392.

Note: Overnight accommodations are available based on double occupancy rooms; see registration form for details. Registration closes on 9/1/18.

The monthly Diocesan Pro-Life Mass will take place at The Cathedral of St. Patrick in Norwich on **Saturday, August 4 at 8:30 A.M.** Please join our celebrant Rev. Walter Nagle at Mass as we pray to end abortion and for the healing for those who have had an abortion. Following the Mass, the Rosary will be prayed both at the Cathedral and Planned Parenthood. A brunch in the Cathedral Hall will follow the Rosary this month.



EAST CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

Join us on one of the dates below to explore our campus, hear student and parent testimonies and learn about important dates and deadlines for the Fall.

July 31st 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

August 8th 4 p.m. - 5 p.m.

Pre-registration for these events is preferred but not required. You may reach out to the Admissions Office at 860-649-5336 ext 6238 or visit us at www.echs.com

**Worldwide Marriage Encounter**

Jesus said, "Come away and rest awhile". Give your marriage new life by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next Weekends are Nov 2-4, 2018 in Manchester, CT and Sep 14-16, 2018 in Huntington, NY. For more information, call Pat & Mary-Jo McLaughlin at 860-315-2127 or visit them at <https://www.mectw.org/>.

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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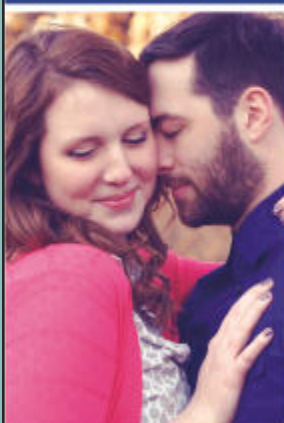
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