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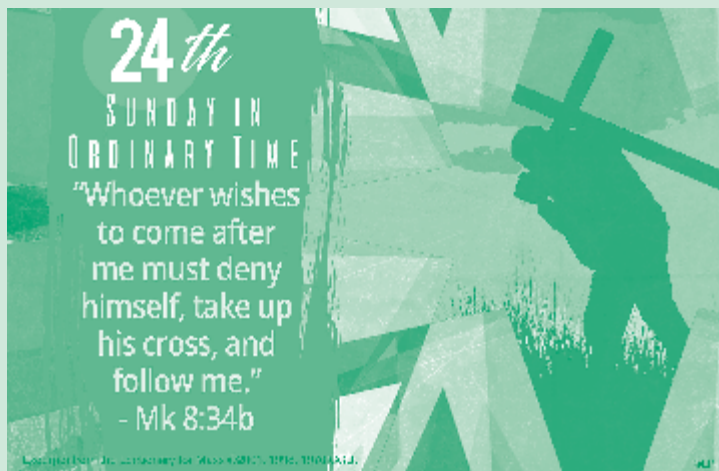
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TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
SEPTEMBER 16, 2018



We know the signs of defeat: slumped shoulders, down-cast eyes, a chastened demeanor. For those of us sincerely trying to follow Jesus, defeat is inevitable. We commit to spending more time with our kids, but that one project still looms. We resolve to be a good person, but our selfishness strikes again. It can be easy to get discouraged over our moral failures. Today's Gospel is a small, intriguing look at this process in the life of St. Peter.

First, Jesus' questions get the Apostles thinking about his true identity. This results in a confession of faith from Peter: "You are the Christ." Eager faith characterizes Peter's relationship with Jesus. First to follow, first to leap out of the boat, and, we know, first to deny. It's the latter tendency that manifests itself later in the Gospel. When Jesus predicts the Passion, "Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him." Jesus' rebuke in turn is stinging. While Peter's caution to Jesus is in private, Jesus intentionally turns back to the others as he declares, "Get behind me, Satan. You are thinking not as God does, but as human beings do."

Like Peter, we rarely get it right all the time. Peter understood that Jesus was the Messiah, but he had a false concept of what that Messiah would accomplish. Jesus wants to make sure the rest of the disciples don't follow down the wrong road. The Christian life is a difficult one, as Jesus later tells the crowds. "'Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself.'" Yet the mercy of God is abundant. If we renew our trust and our efforts after a fall, every defeat is transformed into redemptive grace. "Whoever loses his life for my sake... will save it."

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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 15 — 16, 2018**

**USHERS GROUP III**

**2<sup>ND</sup> COLLECTION— ST. MAURICE  
 MAINTENANCE OFFERING**

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 15**

**5:00 P.M.** Mass offered for the repose of the soul of  
Ken Caya  
 request of The Caya Family

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

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 16**

**7:30 A.M.** Mass Intention is for All Parishioners  
of St. Maurice Church

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

**10:00 A.M.** Mass offered for the repose of the soul of  
Frank Hilbie  
 request of Chris and Kate Armstrong

**CATHECHETICAL SUNDAY**  
**BLESSING OF THE CATHECHISTS**

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

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

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 17 — NO MASS**

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18 — NO MASS**

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

**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19 — NO MASS**

**9:00 A.M.** **SLEIGH BELLS RING**  
**CHRISTMAS FAIR WORKSHOP**

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 20 — NO MASS**

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 21 — NO MASS**

**6:30 P.M.** **CUB SCOUTS** — *Church basement*

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 22**

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

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

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 23<sup>RD</sup>, 9:00 A.M.**

**First Faith Formations session for grades K-10**

Welcome meeting for parents and students *in the Parish Center.*

**FROM SLEIGH BELLS RING CHRISTMAS FAIR GROUP**



Mark your calendar for  
**48<sup>th</sup> Annual "Sleigh Bells Ring"**  
**St. Maurice Church Christmas Fair**

**Saturday, November 17, 2018 9:00 A.M. – 3:00 P.M.**

The St. Maurice Fair Group is meeting every Wednesday at 9 a.m. in the Parish Center. The fair group is busy at work making all sorts of items for you and your family, including dog coats as the one pictured here. Also, pickles, jellies and jams, potholders and dolls, aprons and many other gifts for Christmas. See you there!



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. See you there!

**SLEIGH BELLS RING  
 CHRISTMAS FAIR NEEDS**

As the cooler air is coming from the North to us we are beginning to realize that fall is coming and we need to think about the Fair. We have been busy picking berries and making jam and pickles. We would like to remind people to do the same.

**Please check our "needs" list on the church bulletin board. Most of all, remember the date November 17<sup>th</sup>. Thank you.**

**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.**

**STEWARDSHIP**

**Last week's Offertory: September 9 — \$2,223**

**Projected Amount needed \$2,980**

*"Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me."* (MARK 8:34)

When we truly believe that all we have is a gift from God, then we must be willing to give up some things so that we can share our blessings as God intended. Living a stewardship lifestyle means not only being responsible for our own life, but the lives of others as well.

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**Parish Membership Form**

Drop in collection ^

Please enroll the following as members of the Church of St. Maurice:

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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.**

Let us pray for Prayer Line Intentions, especially the new requests for this week:

Georgette, Bernard, Mary-Jane, Martha, Astrid, Mary, Marge, Bert, Margaret, Rob, Kyle, David, Francis, Viola, Rick, Irene.

Candle Intentions: Bob, Grace, a special intention.

Special prayers for Father Leon who is traveling.

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

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.

**Prayer shawls are available upon request**

Thank you. Carol & Mary Ann

**FAITH FORMATION NEWS**



Faith Formation

**Religious Education Classes**

**for grades K-10**

**begin on Sunday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>.**

There will be a welcome meeting for parents and students at 9:00 A.M. in the Parish Center.

Classes are held Sunday mornings from 9:00 - 9:45 A.M. If you would like your children to attend, please complete and return your registration form as soon as possible. Forms can be found in the back of the church or online, and you can simply drop completed forms in the collection basket at any mass or submit them to the office.

**We are always in need of teachers. If you are interested in sharing your faith with the young people of our parish by volunteering to teach, please contact Amie Tillmann at saintmauriceccd@gmail.com.**

**Catechetical Sunday September 16<sup>th</sup> at the 10:00 A.M. mass. Catechists will be announced during mass and receive a blessing.**



**JOIN US FOR BREAKFAST AT THE TRIPLE PLAY CAFÉ**



**Time: 8:00 A.M. — 10:00 A.M.**

**Date: Sunday, September 30**

**Location: St. Maurice Parish Center**

**\$6.00 / Person \$18.00 / Family**

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**FROM THE DIOCESE OF NORWICH**

**TWENTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL BLUE MASS**

**FOR ALL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS**

**Sunday, September 23, 2018, at 10:15 a.m.**

All law enforcement officers (federal, state, and municipal, active and retired) and their families are invited to the Twenty-seventh Annual Blue Mass and Reception, Sunday, September 23, 2018, in the Cathedral of Saint Patrick, 10:15 a.m. All parishioners are cordially invited to attend this Mass. Bishop Cote, the Bishop of Norwich, will celebrate the Mass and Father Michael J. Drury, Pastor of Saint Luke Parish, Long Valley, New Jersey and Police Chaplain will be the Homilist. Groton Town Police Chief Louis J. Fusaro, Jr. and Norwich Police Chief Patrick Daley are the Blue Mass Co-Chairs. For more information, please call Chief L.J. Fusaro, Chief Daley, or Reverend Peter Langevin at 860-887-9294, ext. 235.

**Are you separated or divorced and in need of support?**

**The Church is here to help.** The Catholic Family Services Office is sponsoring a monthly **Support Group for Divorced and Separated Catholics** the third Wednesday of each month from 7-8:30 P.M. beginning Sept. 19<sup>th</sup> at St. John the Evangelist Parish Hall, 22 Maple Ave., Uncasville, CT. To register, or for more information, call Catholic Family Services, 860-848-2237, ext. 306.

**Twenty-Sixth Annual Mass**

**for Firefighters/EMS Personnel**

**Saturday, October 13, 2018, at 5:00 p.m.**

On Saturday, October 13, 2018, 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 Deacon Scott Brown, Deacon Assistant, Immaculate Conception Parish, Cranston, 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, x265.

**The Most Reverend Michael R. Cote, Bishop of Norwich, will host and celebrate the 28th Annual Red Mass on Sunday, October 7, 2018, at 10:30 a.m. in St. Patrick Cathedral, 213 Broadway, Norwich, for judges, lawyers, paralegal, law students - all involved in administration of justice: legislators, public officials, civic leaders, and all interested persons are invited. The Very Reverend Ted Tumicki, Judicial Vicar, Diocese of Norwich, will concelebrate the Red Mass and deliver the homily this year. Bishop Cote will also host the Breakfast Reception at his Residence, 274 Broadway, Norwich. Reservations are required. Please RSVP to Terri at The Chancery – at 860-887-9294.**



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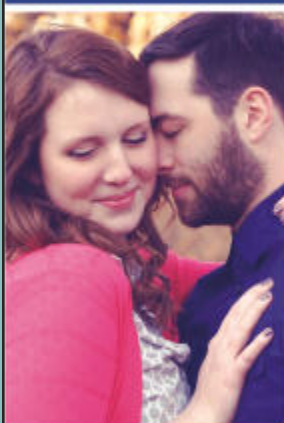
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