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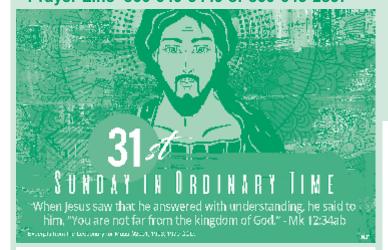
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"You are not far from the kingdom of God." What does it mean to be close to God's kingdom? In today's Gospel, Jesus is in a dialogue with teachers of the law. They know well the Law of Moses, with its complex codes, expectations, and punishments. What will Jesus say?

"You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength ... You shall love your neighbor as yourself." Jesus effortlessly distills all the books of law into two commands. The simplicity of the Gospel message doesn't mean it's easy to follow. Far from it! The simplicity of the Gospel indicates its totality. Anything that requires the passions of our heart, the choice of our soul, the reason in our mind, or the strength of our body - all of this ought to be animated by love. As you can imagine, that means pretty much everything! The love of God and love of neighbor is meant to flow into our entire lives.

The Gospel can appear complicated because life is complicated. Not every outcast is easy to love. We lack the knowledge or compassion to heal everyone who suffers. Personal sacrifice is not always noticed or valued. In the face of the unknown, fear can be easier than faith. Life's circumstances can seem like obstacles to God's love, not opportunities. And yet Jesus' command still stands. As you reflect this week, examine those areas where it's easy to love. Thank God for them! But take some time to consider the people and circumstances that challenge you. Ask God to show you what it means to love there. How is He inviting you to enlarge your heart, strengthen your soul, open your mind, and persevere in your strength? How is He inviting you to love?



THIRTY FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME NOVEMBER 4, 2018

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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:

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.

ST. MAURICE CHURCH BOLTON, CT

THERTY FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

NOVEMBER 3 — 4, 2018

USHERS GROUP II

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 3

5:00 P.M. Mass offered for the repose of the soul of Lois Dunham — request of Linda Wiley

CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY after Mass

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 4

7:30 A.M. <u>Mass intention is for All Parishioners</u> of St. Maurice Church

CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY after Mass

9:00 A.M. FAITH FORMATION CLASSES

10:00 A.M. <u>Mass offered for the repose of the soul of William J. Maneggia</u> — request of His Family

CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY after Mass

5:30 P.M. EVENING PRAYER

FROM THE LITURGY OF THE HOURS

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 5

9:00 A.M. Mass offered for the repose of the soul of
Patsy Burton — request of Lou and Dorli Cloutier
Mass in the Sacristy

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 6

9:00 A.M. <u>Mass intention is for All Parishioners</u> of St. Maurice Church — Mass in the Sacristy

7:00 P.M. PARISH ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

in the Parish Center

7:15 P.M. CHOIR REHEARSAL

New members are most welcome

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 7

9:00 A.M. <u>Mass intention is for All Parishioners</u> of St. Maurice Church — Mass in the Sacristy

9:00 A.M. SLEIGH BELLS RING

CHRISTMAS FAIR WORKSHOP

7:00 P.M. St. MAURICE BIBLE STUDY in Parish Center

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 8 — NO MASS

7:00 P.M. FELLOWSHIP CIRCLE MEETING in the Parish Center

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 9 — NO MASS

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 10

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

FROM SAINT MAURICE PARISH



JOIN US FOR BREAKFAST AT THE TRIPLE PLAY CAFÉ



Time: 8:00 A.M. — 10:00 A.M. **Date:** Sunday, November 11

Location: St. Maurice Parish Center \$6.00 / Person \$18.00 / Family

Sponsored by St. Maurice Knights of Columbus

FELLOWSHIP CIRCLE POTLUCK DINNER



"They devoted themselves to the Apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer." Acts 2:42 What a wonderful turnout for our first Pot-

luck Dinner. Thank you all for bringing

such an amazing selection of food to share with one another. A special thank you to all the volunteers that made this possible.

Tuesday, November 6 Election Day 2018 in United States of America





STEWARDSHIP

Last week's Offertory: October 28 — \$1,924 Projected Amount needed \$2,980

"And 'to love him with all your heart, with all your understanding, with all your strength, and to love your neighbor as yourself' is worth more than all the burnt offerings and sacrifices."

(MARK 12:33)

Of all the gifts that God gives us the one He wants the most is our heart. He wants us to share out of love, not out of obligation. Using our talent in parish ministry and contributing money to support our parish mission is important, but it's more important to spend time in prayer with God daily and discern how He is calling us to be generous with <u>all</u> of our gifts. Not just the visible ones, but the invisible ones like love, mercy and forgiveness.

^ Tear off	Memorial Mass Form	Drop in collection ^
Father Leon, please offer a weekend	(or) weekday Mass for the soul (or) intention	ns (as applicable) of:
Name		
Person requesting		
Street Address	E-mail Address	
City State Zip	E-mail Address	
Home phone	Cell phone	
	We will Donate Online (Customary donation	\$10 weekday, \$20 weekend)
I will bring up the gifts at the Mass celeb	rated. 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: Joshua,

Seth, Christina, all who are suffering from cancer, Bernard, Laurie, Mary, Francis, Marge, Bert, Rob, Kyle, David, Margaret, Viola, Rick, Irene, Linda.

For Candle Intentions: Gary, Joshua.

For healing: that the Spirit will renew us when we are misunderstood and inspire us to show God's love in every circumstance.

For Pope Francis, successor to St. Peter, that he will faithfully proclaim the Good News, be guided by the Spirit in promoting unity in the Church and leading us to greater love and service.

That we recognize all the gifts we are given and see God's active presence in our daily life.

Prayer shawls are available upon request

Thank you. Carol & Mary Ann

FELLOWSHIP CIRCLE MEETING



There will be a meeting of the Fellowship Circle on **Thursday**, **November 8th at 7:00 p.m.** in the Parish Center for a follow-up discussion about the recent Potluck Dinner

ST. MAURICE BIBLE STUDY FALL 2018



Wednesdays at 7:00 pm in Parish Center The next Bible Study Class will be Wednesday, November 7th at 7:00 pm in the Parish Center. All are invited to join.

45 minute sessions led by **Fr. Leon** 15 minutes of questioning/sharing

Focal topic this Fall: The teachings of Jesus found in all 4 Gospels

Parish Advisory Board

PARISH ADVISORY BOARD MEETING NOVEMBER 6TH AT 7:00 P.M.

Fr. Leon invites all Commissions Secretaries and Vice Presidents to join St. Maurice Parish Advisory Board monthly meetings. Our next meeting will take place in the Parish Center on Tuesday, November 6th at 7:00 P.M.

FROM SLEIGH BELLS RING CHRISTMAS FAIR GROUP



MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR
48TH 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.

New members are always encouraged and invited. No particular artistic skills are needed just an ability to 'learn from others'.

We need baby food jars. We are also looking for Xmas tins and tower of boxes decorated for Xmas. Please ask around and leave at the church. We need them ASAP.

Questions, please call
Sharon Scorso
at 860-646-1423. See you there!

Please check our "needs" list on the church bulletin board.



BAKED GOODS NEEDED! There is a special need this year for donations to our bake sale booth! In addition to the delicious apple pies we make every year, we need to fill up our bake shop with your family favorites! The holidays always bring a high demand for brownies, nut breads, coffee cakes, pies, fudge, cookies, homemade bread, etc.! Customers return every year! Donations can be dropped off at the Parish Center on Friday evening, November 16th or Saturday morning, November 17th, the day of the fair. Please put on your aprons and help us fill up this booth with holiday goodies!

Many thanks!.....Barbara Baker

<u>APPLE PIE MAKING</u> – We are looking for donations of flour, sugar, Crisco and cinnamon to use in making apple pies for the Christmas Fair. Please leave your donations in the back of the church or in the vestibules marked for -CHRISTMAS FAIR.

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.

FROM THE DIOCESE OF NORWICH



As we've been praying and fasting for hearts to be moved by God's Tender Mercy, The Norwich Diocesan 40 Days-For-Life Campaign will draw to completion with a *Mass for Life* on Sunday, November 4th at St. Andrew's Church

in Colchester at 5 PM. Please join us as we pray - for the Sanctity of Life - and for the Loving Care and Protection every precious tiny child waiting to be born both - deserves and is entitled – each who has a place in God's Heart from all Eternity. More than ever, now is the Time for God's Love and Divine Mercy!



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