

THE PARISH COMMUNITY OF *saint maurice*

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THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME — NOVEMBER 18, 2018



As we edge closer to the closing of the liturgical year, the Church selects readings that remind us of the final close: the second coming of Christ. It's easy, perhaps, to forget that this is a dogma of our Catholic faith. We see this dramatic end times language in today's Gospel. "The sun will be darkened ... and the stars will be falling from the sky." As Christians and as human beings, we know all things will come to an end. "But of that day or hour, no one knows."

The "end of the world" and end of time at Jesus' coming is in a future unknown. But God has given us beautiful reminders of this truth. We see the signs and symbols of ending all around us -- nightfall at the end of each day; the life cycle of crops coming alive, bearing fruit, and being harvested; our own death. That, too, will come at an unknown day and hour. But that is the way of things. Even as God created in Genesis, He gave us a sense of time -- the sun rising and setting, a beginning and an end -- to mark our days.

So how do we welcome these built-in forms of measurement? Do we take time to quietly recollect at the end of each day? Do we see every morning as a fresh start for mercies new? Do we observe the seasons and reflect on what they might be speaking to us of God and His glory? "Heaven and earth will pass away, but my works will not pass away." The little beginnings and little ends are opportunities to renew our faith in Jesus, if only we have the eyes to see!

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WEEKEND MASSES:

Saturdays at 4:00 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 17 — 18, 2018

USHERS GROUP IVSATURDAY, NOVEMBER 17

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

CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY *after Mass*SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 18

7:30 A.M. Mass offered for Gloria Holbrook
request of Shirley Holbrook

CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY *after Mass*

8:30 A.M. BREAKFAST FOR FAITH FORMATION

9:00 A.M. FAITH FORMATION CLASSES
Sorting and packing Thanksgiving Food

10:00 A.M. Mass offered for †Frank Hilbie
request of Chris and Kate Armstrong

CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY *after Mass*

11:00 A.M. THANKSGIVING FOOD DELIVERY
Parish Center

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

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 19

9:00 A.M. Mass offered for Juanita Duva
request of Antonio and Matilda Cusano

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 20

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

7:00 P.M. ECUMENICAL THANKSGIVING SERVICE
Bolton United Methodist Church
1041 Boston Turnpike

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 21

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

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 22 — NO MASSFRIDAY, NOVEMBER 23 — NO MASSSATURDAY, NOVEMBER 24

3:30 P.M. ROSARY BEFORE 4:00 P.M. MASS

4:00 P.M. Mass offered for †Keith Depathy
request of Catherine Depathy

FROM SLEIGH BELLS RING CHRISTMAS FAIR GROUP

It may be hard to believe, but on Sunday morning we will still have items left to sell from a very successful Fair. After Mass, come and see the bargains that are available as we clear out our stock in preparation for next year. There will be a coffee social at the Parish Center following each Mass. In the quieter atmosphere, shop at your leisure. Take a close look at the variety and see whether is something that would make a good present for a friend or family member or maybe a treat for yourself.

Bolton Ecumenical Council

Annual Community Thanksgiving Service

Tuesday, November 20th at 7:00 p.m.

Bolton United Methodist Church, 1041 Boston Turnpike
As part of the tradition all choirs and pastors will participate, along with our local Scouts. There will be a collection of paper products and nonperishable foods. A freewill offering will go to the Bolton Scholarship Fund. Come and join in the spirit of Thanksgiving!

Biblical Commission

Due to Fair set up week and Thanksgiving, the next Bible Study Class will be on Wednesday, November 28th at 7:00 p.m. in Ryba Hall, Parish Center. The subject of the current study is "The teachings of Jesus found in all four Gospels" and is being presented by Father Leon.

STEWARDSHIP

Last week's Offertory: November 11 — \$2,175

Projected Amount needed \$2,980

"You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul and with all your mind."

— Matthew 22:37

Do you put other "gods" before God? Is your love of money, power, status or some personal possession greater than your love for God? Do you really recognize that everything you have and everything you are is a gift from God? The good news — it's not too late to put God first in your life in all things.

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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, especially the new requests for this week: Samantha, Mike, David, Decker, Linda.

May peace come to all parts of our troubled world and may all people welcome God into their lives and live together in peace. For the spirit of understanding, compassion and forgiveness in our relationship with others, that we may follow the action of Jesus in our daily association with those whom we meet on the path of life.

Prayer shawls are available upon request

Thank you. Carol & Mary Ann



**Saint Maurice Church
First Friday**

Eucharistic Adoration

December 7th

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

ELECTRONIC GIVING

Part of the financial issue currently facing St. Maurice is the inconsistent offertory. It is usually sufficient on a weekly basis, but it sometimes drops off on long weekends or school vacation weeks. This is not due to a lack of generosity, but possibly to forgetfulness. There are several ways to give electronically and support the Parish when you are elsewhere:

Donate Online via our website

From the left menu on our home page, select Donate Online and then Create Profile at the right of the new screen. Enter and confirm your e-mail address, then select Continue. Fill in the required fields and Create Profile at the end. Write down your password. When you log in, add a transaction and follow the instructions. Select a recurring interval. You have complete control. Need a statement for the IRS? Send a request to tmanning818@sbcglobal.net.

Electronic Funds Transfer

This is the best option if you prefer to work on paper rather than a computer screen. Fill out one of the forms available at the usher's tables in the back and drop it in the collection. Your bank will send a check to St. Maurice in the amount you designate at the interval you request. If you need to change or stop your donation, submit a new form.

Autopay via your online banking

If you pay your bills using online banking, you can also donate to St. Maurice this way. Set up St. Maurice as a payee using your envelope number as the account number. Set up Autopay for an interval & amount of your choosing.

FROM THE DIOCESE OF NORWICH

HELP WANTED

Part-time Senior Writer/Social Media Manager

The Roman Catholic Diocese of Norwich Communications Ministry seeks a Part-time Senior Writer/Social Media Manager to promote the awareness of all diocesan ministries and initiatives.

Summary of Position:

The Senior Writer/Social Media Manager is responsible for serving as the Ministry's lead writer for all diocesan events deemed newsworthy. The exercise of this responsibility involves attending and reporting on assigned diocesan events such as Pontifical Masses, public hearings, inter-diocesan programs, diocesan school activities, etc. The Senior Writer/Social Media Manager also advances the diocesan social media presence. The Senior Writer/Social Media Manager further assists the Director of Communications with copy editing, editorial direction, drafting and preparing of non-crisis press relations materials.

For more information:

<https://www.norwichdiocese.org/Find/Employment/ID/965/Communications-Ministry>

Submissions will be taken through December 4, 2018

From our Fellowship Circle

Save the Date!

Sunday evening December 16th

Parish Christmas Party

More details to follow.

For the special Parish Christmas event on December 16, there will be a Youth Choir. Rehearsals will begin on Sunday, December 2 at 8:40 A.M. (just before Faith Formation classes). All students in Faith Formation are most welcome to join the choir. Rehearsals will be held in the church.

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 SLEIGH BELLS RING CHRISTMAS FAIR GROUP



The St. Maurice Fair Group thanks all those who helped make the event a success by their efforts over the past year and most especially over the past week. New members are always encouraged and invited to join our Wednesday workshops, which will start again in February. No particular artistic skills are needed just an ability to 'learn from others'. Questions, please call Dorli Cloutier at 860-646-1423. Hope to see you there.

Thank you, Dorli