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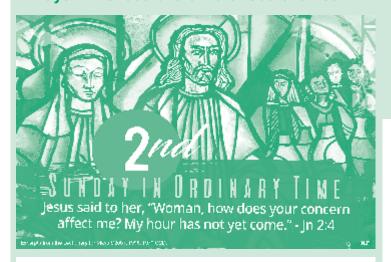
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When you think of being Catholic, what do you think of? Perhaps you grew up with your only associations being fasting, nuns with rulers, and "Catholic guilt." Our faith can sometimes have the connotation of restriction and absence, not abundance. Who is God in your life? Is He the divine law-giver, the judge punishing the rule-breakers? These are certainly attributes of God. But the laws don't exist for themselves alone. They exist to help us love one another as God loves us. And this loving God is the author of abundance and joy.

Did you hear today's Gospel? "There was a wedding at Cana in Galilee." Here at this wedding, Jesus would perform "the beginning of his signs...and so reveal his glory." This first sign isn't a miraculous healing. He didn't raise someone from the dead. He kept a party going! "There were six stone water jars there for Jewish ceremonial washings, each holding twenty to thirty gallons...the water...had become wine." The wine has run out. Jesus creates somewhere between 120 and 180 gallons to help his friend save face. We may not have such momentous miracles in our lives, but God is watching out for us. The string of green lights when you're running late. The sale on the replacement appliance you need. The friend who calls at just the right time. These are the little moments of God's abundance. We just need to look for them!

Not only does Jesus surprise, but the guests point out to their host: "You have kept the good wine until now." The divine wine is better than the earthly variety. God's goodness is better than what we can grasp at for ourselves. Isn't that how it always goes?



SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME JANUARY 20, 2019

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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 3:15 p.m. — 3:45 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.

ST. MAURICE CHURCH BOLTON, CT

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JANUARY 19 — 20, 2019 **USHERS GROUP I**

SATURDAY, JANUARY 19

4:00 P.M. Mass offered for the repose of the souls of Jerry and Sheila Chemerka request of The Chemerka Children and Family

CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY after Mass

SUNDAY, JANUARY 20

7:30 A.M. Mass offered for the repose of the souls of Emma and Candy Chamberlain request of The Cinea Family

CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY after Mass

YOUTH CHOIR REHEARSAL in the church 8:40 A.M. NO FAITH FORMATION CLASSES

10:00 A.M. Mass offered for the repose of the soul of Michael Willette request of Sharon and Cliff Scorso

CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY after Mass

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

MONDAY, JANUARY 21

Mass offered for All Parishioners 9:00 A.M. of St. Maurice Church — Mass in the Sacristy

TUESDAY, JANUARY 22

9:00 A.M. Mass offered for All Parishioners of St. Maurice Church — Mass in the Sacristy

7:15 P.M. CHOIR REHEARSAL

New members are most welcome

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 23

9:00 A.M. Mass offered for All Parishioners of St. Maurice Church — Mass in the Sacristy

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

THURSDAY, JANUARY 24 — NO MASS

7:00 P.M. **BOLTON ECUMENICAL COUNCIL MEETING** at United Methodist Church.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 25 — NO MASS

6:00 P.M. **CUB SCOUTS** in the Church Basement

SATURDAY, JANUARY 26

3:30 P.M. **ROSARY BEFORE 4:00 P.M. MASS** 4:00 P.M. Mass offered for the repose of the souls of Dave, Steve and Mary Caruso

request of The Caruso Family, Shirley and Charles

WINTER FESTIVAL POTLUCK DINNER 5:00 P.M.

FROM SAINT MAURICE PARISH

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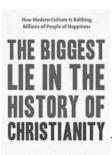
Saturday, January 26, 2019 after the 4:00 P.M. Mass in the Parish Center. (Snow date: February 2, 2019)

Bring a dish to share at this Fellowship Dinner.

Please sign up so that we have a count. Sign up sheets are in the back of the Church.

Parishioners, Family and Friends are invited. Looking forward to seeing you there!

The Fellowship Group



MATTHEW KELLY

The book "The Biggest Lie in the History of Christianity" will be distributed to all parishioners at Christmas Masses. From the publisher: Get practical tools to dispel the false promises the modern culture feeds you, and discover the single truth that is the key to regaining your **Y** fervor, uniting Christians, and leaving your mark on the world—and experiencing more happiness than you thought possible.

A book discussion will be held Sunday, January 27th (Snow date February 3rd) at **9:00 am** in the Parish Center. Everyone is invited to participate. Simply read the book and come prepared to share your thoughts and impressions.

STEWARDSHIP

Last week's Offertory: January 13 — \$2,711 Projected Amount needed \$2,980

"To each individual the manifestation of the Spirit is given for some benefit." (1 CORINTHIANS 12:7)

St. Paul tells us that God has blessed each of us for a reason. How has God blessed you? Are you using your gifts according to God's plan? How are you helping to build God's kingdom here on earth? Remember that if you don't do the work God planned for you, no one else can do it. Live the life God has intended for you, feel His love, peace and joy!

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Father Leon, please offer a weekend	(or) weekday	Mass for the soul	_ (or) intentions _	(as applicable) of:
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Person requesting				
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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:

Matt, Bob, Grace, MaryJane, Grace, Mary,

Viola, David, Francis, Kyle, Ron, George, Laurie, Carol. Candle Intentions – Joshua, Beth, Rose, Lauren, Autumn, Grace, Bob, Tadeusz, Andrzej.

For openness to the Spirit: that we may be attentive to the invitations of God to grow and change.

For all who have or are recovering from the flu: that God will heal them, restore their energy and protect others from illness.

That we may fulfill our own Baptismal call by giving ourselves entirely to God and answer His call to holiness.

Prayer shawls are available upon request

Thank you. Carol & Mary Ann



ST. MAURICE BIBLE STUDY

Next session — Wednesday, January 23rd, 7:00 pm GREAT ADVENTURE with a Bible Study on the BOOK of GENESIS. Love. Creation. Salvation History. It is your story. Too often it is misinterpreted as "bad science". Fr. Leon will help us to better understand it through the lens of theology, mysticism, spirituality. God's relationship with the universe and mankind.

Learn to connect the teachings of Jesus back to God's Creation Story. Read Genesis. The first session will be questions/answers.

Whatever your level of understanding — **COME**. Why? It will help you better understand Genesis and Catholic teaching for yourself, your children, as evangelizers.



The St. Maurice Youth Band reunited on Sunday, January 13th.

Paige Olivieri a sophomore at Franciscan University in Steubenville, Ohio and Ben Snuffer a freshman at the College of the Holy Cross in Worcester, MA were home for Christmas break and joined their siblings Heath Olivieri and LeeAnn Snuffer to play worship music at mass.

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 SAINT MAURICE PARISH



Save the date

Saturday, March 23rd, after the 5:00 P.M. Mass in the Parish Center for a St. Patrick's Day celebration with live Irish music.



SAINT JAMES SCHOOL OPEN HOUSES & ADMISSIONS

Saint James School, conveniently located off Route 384 in Manchester, is now accepting new student applications for its Pre-Kindergarten, Elementary School, and Middle School for the 2019-2020 school year.

An informational Open House for families looking at Kindergarten through 8th Grade will be held the morning of January 29th at the school's Park Street location. An evening Open House, which also includes the school's Pre-Kindergarten program, will be held on March 26, 2019. Come see why this fully-accredited, award-winning school is consistently rated 5-stars for its exceptional academics, traditional-style of learning, and faith-filled environment.

To register for either Open House event or to schedule a personal tour of the school please e-mail aguenther@saintjamesschool.net, visit the school's website at www.SaintJamesSchool.net, or call the school at 860.643.5088.

STEUBENVILLE NYC-HIGH SCHOOL

Join 3,000 teens from throughout the US for three days of fellowship, faith, the sacraments, and awesome music at Steubenville NYC on Friday July 19 – Sunday July 21. Begin your faith journey with a sendoff Mass with Bishop Cote at St. John's in Old Saybrook, put on your new Diocese of Norwich Steubenville NYC T-Shirt, and head out on the bus for an uplifting event of a lifetime! The event is open to $8^{th} - 12^{th}$ grades and the cost is \$365. \$80 deposit is needed by Feb. 15^{th} to attend as this event gets sold out.

If you wish to attend, please email:

Liza Roach at Iroach@norwichdiocese.net)

East Catholic High School

There is still time to explore East Catholic for your High School years! We will be hosting an additional Entrance Exam on Saturday, January 26th at 8:30 a.m. Come see what opportunities await you.

Pre-registration is preferred but not required. You may visit us at www.echs.com to reserve your spot or you may reach out to Ms. Devlin, Director of Admissions, at 860-649-5336 ext. 6238.



Saint Bridget School invites you to our January 27 OPEN HOUSE From 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM

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