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FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
FEBRUARY 10, 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.



Do you have enough? Many of us come from a nation of material abundance. We have all the things we could possibly need not only to survive, but to thrive - food, shelter, mental ability, income, access to medical care. Most people in human history lived with far less than we. So why are we so dissatisfied? Some Christians can be drawn to the "prosperity Gospel." This is the idea that following God will bring us material abundance in this life.

That surely seems to be the story of today's Gospel! Peter and his friends chose - with some faith - to put out their nets a final time at Jesus' command. "They caught a great number of fish and their nets were tearing. They signaled to their partners in the other boat to come to help them. They came and filled both boats so that they were in danger of sinking." What gift! What abundance! What prosperity! Peter and his friends caught more fish than they'd ever seen. Yet what is their response to this material abundance, this gift from God? They leave it behind. "When they brought their boats to the shore, they left everything and followed him."

Praying for God to meet our physical, material needs is not a bad thing! Jesus himself includes "give us this day our daily bread" in the prayer he teaches his disciples. The question is, how do we respond when our prayers are answered? Do we thank God briefly, or perhaps ignore Him completely and move on with our lives? Or do we respond as Peter did? "God ? You showed up in an area that has no bearing on my eternal salvation. You gave me a gift I didn't even really need. You love me! You really do love me." Is our gratitude only surface level? Or do we allow ourselves, like Peter did, to respond with wonder, awe, and deeper discipleship?

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FEBRUARY 9 — 10, 2019

USHERS GROUP IV

2ND COLLECTION — ST. MAURICE FUEL FUND

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 9

4:00 P.M. Mass offered for the repose of the soul of
Marguerite Flynn — request of Bert Flynn

CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY *after Mass*

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 10

7:30 A.M. Mass offered for the repose of the soul of
Donald Holbrook — request of Gloria Holbrook

CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY *after Mass*

8:00 A.M. TRIPLE PLAY CAFÉ BREAKFAST

Parish Center from 8:00AM to 10:00AM

Blood pressure screening available in the library during breakfast

8:40 A.M. YOUTH CHOIR REHEARSAL *in the church*

9:00 A.M. FAITH FORMATION CLASSES

10:00 A.M. Mass offered for the repose of the soul of
Blanche Gido — request of The Campaseo Family

BAPTISM OF JULIANNA GRACE MEAGHER

CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY *after Mass*

5:30 P.M. EVENING PRAYER

FROM THE LITURGY OF THE HOURS

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 11

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

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 12

9:00 A.M. Mass offered for All Parishioners
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, FEBRUARY 13

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

9:00 A.M. CHRISTMAS FAIR WORKSHOP *in the Parish Center*7:00 P.M. ST. MAURICE BIBLE STUDY *in the Parish Center*

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 14 — NO MASS

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 15 — NO MASS

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 16

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

4:00 P.M. Mass offered for the repose of the soul of
Walter Hetzer — request of Bert Flynn

FROM SAINT MAURICE PARISH



THE 2019 BIBLE SERIES taught by Fr. Leon continues with the **BOOK OF EXODUS, Wednesday, February 13th, at 7:00 pm in the Parish Center.** The latter half of this book will be addressed. GOD seeks to free his people from both the slavery of Pharaoh and the slavery of sin. Authentic freedom. Why does God call himself, "I AM"? The importance of the Sabbath. GOD's Law given on Mount Sinai. Freedom from/Freedom for. Learn how a better understanding of Exodus can help us better understand the ministry of Jesus and our understanding of our Christian Faith. Please come, learn, and share.

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: February 3 — \$2,129

Projected Amount needed \$2,980

"Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, 'Whom shall I send? Who will go for us?' 'Here I am,' I said, 'send me!'"
(ISAIAH 6:8)

Every day, in little ways and in big ways, God asks, "Whom shall I send?" Whether it is someone to take on a new ministry, to give a friendly smile to a stranger or say a word of encouragement to a friend, God constantly provides opportunities to help someone in need. The next time you hear God calling, have the courage to walk through the door and say "Here I am, Lord."

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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:

Virginia, Sharon, Mary, Viola, Olga, David, Kyle, Francis, Laurie, Joe, Bob, Grace, MaryJane, Matt, Rose, Lauren, Autumn, Dominic.

Candle Intentions: Beth, Joshua, Amy, Christine, Keith, Michael, Linda, Amanda, Paige, Ben.

Special prayers for Alphonse Julian who has died this past week and prayers for his family.

For all who are ill: that God will bring healing and relief from pain for them and give strength to those who are caring for them.

For all bishops, successors to the Apostles: that God will strengthen and inspire them as they guide the Church in fulfilling its mission of proclaiming forgiveness, healing and truth.

That we may live more "God-centered" lives and live less "self-centered" lives.

Prayer shawls are available upon request

Thank you. Carol & Mary Ann

**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.

East Catholic High School - Plan a Visit

Join us for our popular Walk-in Wednesday! On Wednesday, February 27th we welcome prospective families anytime between 11am - 1pm to see our campus in action and to discuss any questions or interests.

Pre-registration is not required, but is preferred. You may RSVP on our website or you may call the Admissions Office at 860-649-5336 ext. 6238. We look forward to seeing you soon.

FROM SLEIGH BELLS RING CHRISTMAS FAIR GROUP

After a very successful Fair in 2018 this year's workshops started on Wednesday February 6th. We meet every Wednesday from 9 a.m. to noon. We welcome everyone who would like to join us for coffee, conversation, and (yes) a bit of work. We want to stress that sewing ability is not necessary as there are many jobs that just require a willing heart to help — for example ironing, sorting buttons, jelly beans and M & Ms. We also wash jars, tea cups, and do other everyday jobs so if you would like to come see what we do have a cup of coffee and visit us. You will be welcomed.

Questions? Call Dorli at 649-6255, Beth at 649-1331, or Sharon at 646-1423. Looking forward to seeing you.

FROM THE DIOCESE OF NORWICH

The Diocese of Norwich seeks a full-time Executive Director for the Diocese of Norwich Outreach to Haiti ministry. Responsibilities include supervision of staff in U.S. and Haiti, fundraising, financial management, oversight of operations in U.S., oversight of programs in Haiti, including clinic, education, twinning, and hospitality.

Qualifications: Respect and support for leadership and teachings of the Catholic Church, a bachelor's degree, and work experience in a related field. Administration experience and budget management, community relations, and fundraising skills.

For complete job description and mission statement please email Dennis Petrucci at

dennis.petrucci@outreachtohaiti.org.

All letters of interest and resumes are due by March 15 to Dennis at the above email address.

The Norwich Diocesan Council of Catholic Women (NDCCW) is offering a \$500 Scholarship to four (4) graduating eighth grade girls who will be attending a Catholic High School in the fall of 2019. You can access the application on the website for the Diocese of Norwich (norwichdiocese.org). Completed applications must be received by April 15, 2019. Applications should be sent to NDCCW Scholarship Committee, c/o Judith Pappagallo, 79 Lafayette Street, Norwich, CT 06360, or submitted on line at norwichdiocesancw@gmail.com.

Deadline is April 15, 2019.

Any questions, call Judy at 860-889-1617.

Are you grieving from an Abortion? Trust in the mercy of God's love. Consider these words from St. John Paul II to those suffering because of abortion: "The church is aware of the many factors which may have influenced your decision, and she does not doubt that in many cases it was a painful and even shattering decision. The wound in your heart may not yet have healed. Certainly what happened was and remains terribly wrong. But do not give in to discouragement and do not lose hope....The Father of mercies is ready to give you His forgiveness and His peace in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. You will come to understand that nothing is definitively lost and you will also be able to ask forgiveness from your child, who is now living in the Lord." (Evangelium Vitae, no. 99). Call Project Rachel, the church's post-abortion healing program, for a confidential referral to a priest who can help: 860-861-4439.

Celebrate Marriage – Give your Valentine something special this year – the gift of your time. Come celebrate your marriage at a day-long enrichment that will renew your dreams, increase your passion and refresh and celebrate your marriage. This marriage enrichment aptly entitled, "Celebrate Marriage," will take place on **Saturday, February 16, 2019, from 9 A.M. to 3 P.M. at St. Joseph Parish Hall, 99 Jackson St., Willimantic.** The cost is \$35 per couple, which includes workbooks and lunch. Registration is required. To register, call the Diocesan Catholic Family Services Office at 860-848-2237, Ext. 306



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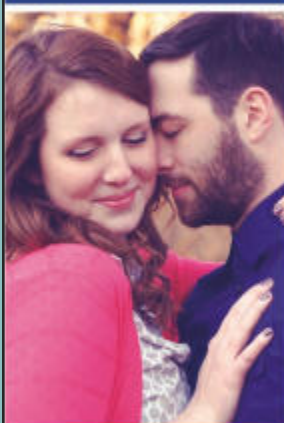
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