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SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT  
MARCH 17, 2019

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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.



As we march through Lent, it can be easy to think it's all about sacrifice. No chocolate, no alcohol, no meat on Fridays. Yet here, only in the second week of Lent, we have the story of the transfiguration. This reading reminds us of the "why" behind what we do. We don't fast from dessert to lose weight. We don't donate money or serve others because it's merely a nice thing to do. Lent is about transformation!

Peter, James, and John trudged up the mountainside behind Jesus. This must have been a difficult hike, because when they reached the top, "Peter and his companions had been overcome by sleep." Despite our best efforts, perhaps we, too, can be asleep to the deeper meaning of the Lenten season. Jesus is transfigured while they slumber, but eventually they become "fully awake, [and] they saw his glory and the two men standing with him."

This is no small thing! The disciples witness Jesus in his divine splendor and see the miraculous apparitions of Moses and Elijah. The entire mountain becomes a spiritual breakthrough. "A cloud came and cast a shadow over them, and they became frightened when they entered the cloud." These symbols are present in the Old Testament. They are present on Mount Sinai when Moses prayed alone and received the 10 Commandments. Elijah had a similar experience when he prayed alone before God. But here are ordinary men, former fishermen, who have been drawn up into an adventure beyond their wildest expectations. Jesus is the Christ, the Messiah, the fulfillment of all that came before. But Christianity is not the religion of the elite, where only the select few are allowed to participate. We are all invited into spiritual transformation. Lent is a privileged time for this!

**SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT  
MARCH 16 — 17, 2019**

**USHERS GROUP I**

**SATURDAY, MARCH 16**

**7:00 P.M.** Mass offered for the repose of the soul of Marguerite Flynn — request of The Cinea Family

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

**SUNDAY, MARCH 17**

**7:30 A.M.** Mass offered for the repose of the soul of Clifford Herbert — request of Cecile, Claire and Rachel Levefque

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

**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 souls of Barbara and Donald Sullivan request of Patrick and Daniel Sullivan

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

**NO EVENING PRAYER**

**MONDAY, MARCH 18**

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

**7:00 P.M.** **LITURGICAL COMMISSION MEETING** *in the Parish Center*

**TUESDAY, MARCH 19**

**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, MARCH 20**

**9:00 A.M.** Mass offered for the repose of the soul of Elizabeth Fiano Chieffo — Mass in the Sacristy

**9:00 A.M.** **CHRISTMAS FAIR WORKSHOP**

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

**THURSDAY, MARCH 21**

**7:00 P.M.** Mass offered for All Parishioners of St. Maurice Church

**2:00 P.M.** **FELLOWSHIP CIRCLE** *in the Parish Center*

**FRIDAY, MARCH 22**

**7:00 P.M.** **STATIONS OF THE CROSS AND MASS**  
Mass offered for All Parishioners of St. Maurice Church

**SATURDAY, MARCH 23**

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

**5:00 P.M.** Mass offered for the repose of the soul of Sharron Caruso — request of The Cinea Family

**ST. PATRICK'S DAY POTLUCK DINNER AFTER 5:00 P.M. MASS**

**FROM SAINT MAURICE PARISH**



**ST. PATRICK'S DAY  
POTLUCK DINNER —  
MARCH 23, 2019**

Regarding the Potluck Dinner on Saturday, March 23, 2019 at 6:00 pm, please bring your food, prepared ahead, meat sliced and ready to serve. There will be committee members to receive your dishes and direct you to the tables for placement. Warming ovens, refrigerator space and outlets for crackpots will be available.

Please find a seat for your family and friends. We will wait for Father Leon to start the meal with a prayer, then tables will be called by number.

As you enter the Parish Center tickets will be given out for door prizes to be presented at the end of the evening. Good luck to all!

Sign-up sheets will be picked up on Wednesday, March 20 at noon.

We are all looking forward to a wonderful evening.

**LITURGICAL COMMISSION MEETING**

On Monday, March 18th, the Liturgical Commission will hold a meeting of officers and coordinators at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Center. This includes the coordinators for the Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, Ushers, Altar Servers, and Choir commissions.

**STEWARDSHIP**

**Last week's Offertory: March 10 — \$2,882**

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

*"I am the Lord who brought you from Ur of the Chaldeans to give you this land as a possession." (GENESIS 15:7)*

Just as the Lord gave Abraham, Moses and the Israelites a land to possess, He has also given each of us a home. Whether your home is grand or humble, it is a gift from God. Abraham prepared a great sacrifice to the Lord in gratitude for the home God gave him. How do you show your gratitude to God for the home He has given you? Do you make a sacrifice of any kind? Do you return any of your finances to God, investing equally in your eternal home just as you invest in your earthly home?

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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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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, especially the new requests for this week.

Prayer Line Intentions: Virginia, Mary, Ronald, Michael, Anna-Rita, Mary, Viola, Olga, David, Kyle, Laurie, Grace, Bob, Arlene, Francis, Joe, Thomas, Mary, Ron, Irene, Linda, Caroline, Mary-Jane.  
Candle Intentions: Joshua, John, Kim, Grandma, Craig, Budd, Ciocin, Lee, Norma, Betelle.

For guidance on our Lenten journey: that as we participate in sacrifices during this Lenten season, we may recognize everything as a gift from God and be free to place our time, knowledge, energy and possessions at the service of God and our neighbor.

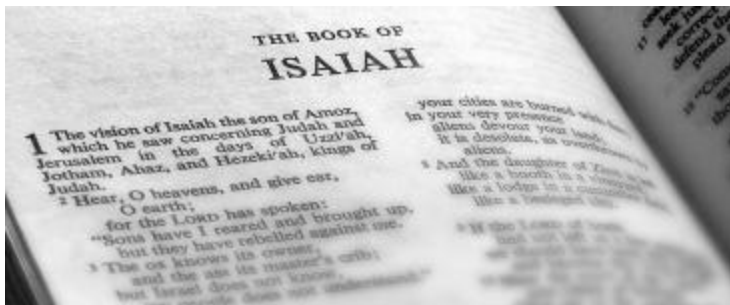
For openness to the Spirit: that we may be attentive to the invitations of God to grow and change during the coming Lenten season.

That we give God the “first fruits” of our gifts – our first and best time in prayer, charitable works in ministry participation and financial support of our parish mission and community outreach.

**Prayer Shawls are also available by the prayer request box located near the candle stand on the rectory side of the church. Please read the information on the sheet above the prayer shawls.**

Thank you. Carol & Mary Ann

**THE 2019 BIBLE SERIES  
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20<sup>th</sup> 7:00 pm**



Spring is a symbol of spiritual renewal. Why not begin the first day of Spring on Wednesday, March 20th, 7 pm, with joining the Bible Study Group? Fr. Leon will continue the reading of the Major Prophets with the Book of Isaiah. For those who haven't participated yet, prayerfully consider making a Lenten goal to attend one class. It will be a spiritual game-changer for your life! Come.



**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**



**Please Join Us: 2019 ACA Ministry Fair – Reservations Required**

The 2019 Ministry Fair showcasing our Diocesan ministries and programs will be held this year in Cromwell on April 7, 2019 from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm.

We will offer a continental breakfast throughout this open house style event. If you would like to attend this event to learn how donations to the 2019 Annual Catholic Appeal, ‘**Hand in Hand with All God’s Children**’, support our ministries and programs please **RSVP by March 29th** to Rosela Precopio at 860-886-1928 ext. 10 or [dodadm@norwichdiocese.net](mailto:dodadm@norwichdiocese.net).

Reservations are required due to space limitations.

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Thank you for your generosity.

**24 Hours for the Lord**

In the Norwich Deanery, 24 Hours for the Lord, will be held at SS. Peter & Paul Church, 181 Elizabeth Street, Norwich, beginning at 1:00 p.m. on Friday, March 29, through 9:00 p.m., and resuming at 8:00 a.m. on Saturday, March 30, through 12:00 Noon.



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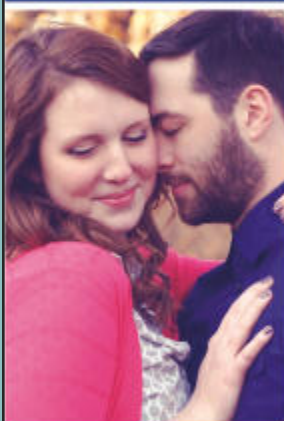
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