

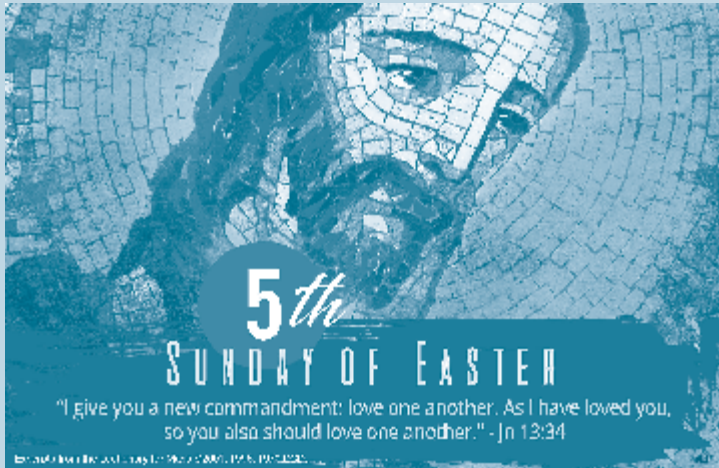
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FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER  
MAY 19, 2019



"I give you a new commandment: love one another." With these words, Jesus sums up the law and the prophets in one concise phrase. Love one another. After 2,000 years, you'd think we'd have it figured out by now! But all too often we fail in this commandment. Perhaps we mistake "love" for mere "common decency." Perhaps we've been betrayed, or our own visions of love have been tarnished or misrepresented in our lives. Blessedly, Jesus doesn't leave us without a guide.

"As I have loved you, so you also should love one another." Jesus himself modeled what this love should look like. So what are some of the characteristics of the love of Christ? Humility, for one. St. Paul writes that Jesus "emptied Himself." In becoming man, Jesus puts aside the full splendor of the Godhead. Not only does he become human, but he takes on many of the mundane privations of human life. He spent most of his life in relative poverty - especially by our standards - as a common laborer. When he began gaining popularity as a preacher, he still traveled on foot and spent nights in other people's homes or outdoors.

Jesus' love is generous. He was always available to the crowds and to being interrupted by people in need. He invested time in his disciples and patiently taught them about the kingdom of God. The love of Jesus is also courageous. He encountered many people deemed less worthy of human respect, due to being public sinners or having a physical or mental disability. Jesus was brave in breaking these social boundaries to show care and concern to the outcast. These traits are possible for us to imitate! Indeed, we are hardly identifiable as Christians without them. "This is how all will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

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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.

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 18 — 19, 2019

USHERS GROUP II

2<sup>ND</sup> COLLECTION — MAINTENANCE COLLECTION

SATURDAY, MAY 18

5:00 P.M. Mass offered for the repose of the souls of Helen and Joseph D'Auteuil request of Irene Kehl

CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY after Mass

SUNDAY, MAY 19

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

10:00 A.M. Mass offered for the repose of the soul of Marion Miller request of The Family

CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY after Mass

NO EVENING PRAYER

MONDAY, MAY 20 — NO MASS

TUESDAY, MAY 21 — NO MASS

7:15 P.M. CHOIR REHEARSAL — New members are most welcome

WEDNESDAY, MAY 22 — NO MASS

9:00 A.M. CHRISTMAS FAIR WORKSHOP

7:00 P.M. ST. MAURICE BIBLE STUDY in the Parish Center FILM SHOWING "MARY OF NAZARETH" PART TWO

THURSDAY, MAY 23 — NO MASS

FRIDAY, MAY 24 — NO MASS

SATURDAY, MAY 25

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

5:00 P.M. Mass offered for the repose of the soul of Mary Ann Flynn request of Bert Flynn

The Fellowship Circle is organizing a fund raiser.



Pens are being offered for a minimum donation of \$1.50 each. Donations will go to the church account to lower our debt. These attractive pens with an inscription of our church are available in the back of church after Masses from members of the Fellowship Circle.

FROM SAINT MAURICE PARISH

May 5 Baptism of Beckett Connor Santopietro.



Parents – John and Kathleen Santopietro Godparents – Daniel and Joan Moran

STEWARDSHIP

Projected Amount needed \$2,980

"I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another."

(JOHN 13:34)

It is easy to love someone when they love you back. But it takes strength and courage to love someone when we feel unappreciated, used or feel our opinion doesn't matter. It takes courage to "love my neighbor" when he may be someone I don't like, someone I don't know or someone that doesn't look like me.

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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.

Prayer Line intentions: Carol, Donna, Viola, Patty, Olga, Francis, David, Peter, Eric, Bob, Grace, Kyle, Laurie, Irene, Linda, Daniel.

Candle Intentions: Joshua, Tim.

Special prayers for Beckett Connor Santopietro, who was recently Baptized and prayers for his parents.

For all who are traveling: that God will watch over them and protect them from harm.

For all who assist us through difficult times, especially mothers, that God will continue to bless them and inspire their words and deeds.

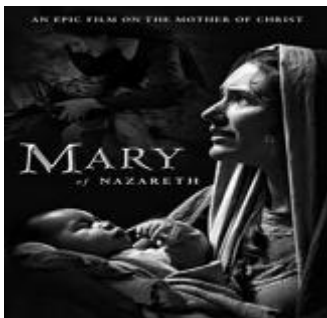
That we continue to share the joy of our Catholic faith and be an example for others.

**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**

**NEXT SESSION — WEDNESDAY, MAY 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00 pm**



During the month of May, Catholics have special devotions to pay homage to our Blessed Mother. Conceived without Original Sin, her Immaculate Conception, giving birth to our Savior, bringing the infant Jesus in haste into Egypt, the wedding at Cana, and standing at the foot of the Cross,

Mary has a unique role in Salvation History.

The Bible Study Group is presenting the film, *Mary of Nazareth*. Part one of the film was shown on May 15<sup>th</sup>. Please join the group for part two on Wednesday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>, at 7:00 pm in the Parish Hall. Refreshments will be served. ALL are welcome, please join us!



It has come to our attention that there is someone trolling the parish bulletins on-line and using telephone numbers to text or email parishioners requesting financial assistance or gift cards. Please be aware of this scam and verify directly with Fr. Leon before acting on any request for assistance. If you are contacted, please report the scam to local police department with as much of the information as possible. Thank you.

**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**

**The Office of Faith Events** is now accepting donations of **Large New or Gently Used Baskets** to hold raffle items made by the members of our **One Heart Ministry**. Please contact us at 860-848-2237, ext. 304 to donate and arrange for pick-up, Thank you!

**Divorced and Separated:** The Catholic Family Services Office is offering a day for Catholics experiencing the pain and hurt of losing a marriage relationship. Entitled *Hope and Healing: Surviving Divorce and Separation*, it will take place **Saturday, June 15, 2019** from 9 A.M. to 2 P.M. at St. Mary Church Hall, 45 Freestone Ave., Portland, CT. This workshop will give you time for personal reflection, group sharing, prayer, ritual, journaling, and support with other Catholics seeking hope and healing as you gently move forward in your life. The cost for the day is \$15, which includes materials and lunch. Registration is required.

To register, contact Mary-Jo McLaughlin at 860-848-2237, Ext. 312, or email at [mmclaughlin@norwichdiocese.net](mailto:mmclaughlin@norwichdiocese.net).

**THE CONNECTICUT CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE IS LOOKING FOR LEADERS!**

We're seeking men to take on the awesome challenge of being a Parish Captain, to reach out to your brothers and invite them to this year's Connecticut Catholic Men's Conference. If you've experienced the incredible benefits of attending the conference, why not share it with the men of your parish?

A Parish Captain prays for the success of the 10/19/19 conference and the men God will call to attend. He puts up the poster at church, recruits men through phone calls, emails, one-to-one contact, registration for the conference, and possibly arranges a group of men to get there! All efforts are helpful.

Come join our brotherhood of leaders and experience the joy of leading other men closer to Christ. Please help out by registering at [www.ctcatholicmen.org](http://www.ctcatholicmen.org) Go to the Parish Captain section and click "sign up". We will have our 2nd Annual parish captain training on June 1st and we would like to send you an invite. More questions? Email [ctcatholicmensconference@gmail.com](mailto:ctcatholicmensconference@gmail.com)

**2019 Connecticut Catholic Men's Conference**

**Saturday, October 19, 2019**

Website: [www.ctcatholicmen.org](http://www.ctcatholicmen.org)

Location: St Paul Catholic High School, Bristol, CT

**Worldwide Marriage Encounter**

Jesus says "I give you a new commandment: love one another." Learn how to love your spouse more by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next Weekends are Jul 12-14, 2019 in MANCHESTER, CT and Nov 1-3, 2019 in MANCHESTER, CT. For more information, call Pat & Mary Jo McLaughlin at 860-315-2127 or visit them at <https://wwmectw.org/>.

**Banns of Ordination**

The following seminarian will be ordained to the Order of Deacon on Thursday, May 23, 2019:

Mr. Michael Bovino

Should you know of any reason why this man should not be ordained a deacon, please write to:

**The Most Reverend Michael R. Cote, Bishop of Norwich**  
 201 Broadway  
 Norwich, CT 06360



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