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TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
AUGUST 25, 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 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.

Have you ever seen a celebrity? Have you ever met a political representative? Did the encounter leave you with newfound acting or musical abilities? Did it give you a grasp of the intricacies of the latest city ordinance or controversial law? Talents, expertise, and skill are hard-won traits, not rewards that spread by contact. Our life of faith is also not so easy.

"We ate and drank in your company and you taught in our streets!" In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus notes that it requires moral strength to enter the kingdom of God. It's not mere proximity to righteousness that saves. Rubbing elbows with the righteous is not the same as being truly holy ourselves. Unfortunately, we can have this attitude in many areas. It's easy to see who may seem "first" in the eyes of the world. This occurs in our workplaces and among our public figures. It can also happen in our schools, local parishes, and the larger Church. For some of us, the temptation to have the popularity and prestige rub off on us can be fairly strong. If only we are in the right place with the right people, surely others will associate us with what they possess!

But salvation is worked out in each individual life. It is our task not merely to show up, but to be transformed. And the truly transformed may not be everyone we expect. "People will come from the east and the west and from the north and the south... some are last who will be first, and some are first who will be last." Some who seem first in reputation now may be last in the kingdom of God. Others who appear now on the furthest fringes of society - but better imitate the lowly holiness of Jesus - will be first in his kingdom. What are your concerns? Proximity and reputation? Or prayerful righteousness?

**TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**AUGUST 24 — 25, 2019**

**USHERS GROUP IV**

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 24**

**5:00 P.M.** Mass offered for Keith DePathy + request of Catherine DePathy

**CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY** after Mass

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 25**

**7:30 A.M.** Mass offered for All Parishioners of St. Maurice Church

**CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY** after Mass

**9:40 A.M.** **GLORIOUS MYSTERIES OF THE ROSARY**

**10:00 A.M.** Mass offered for Marian Herasimowicz + request of Agata and Janusz Herasimowicz

**CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY** after Mass

**5:30 P.M.** **Evening Prayer** from the Liturgy of the Hours

**MONDAY, AUGUST 26**

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

**JOYFUL MYSTERIES OF THE ROSARY**

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 27**

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

**SORROWFUL MYSTERIES OF THE ROSARY**

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 28**

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

**GLORIOUS MYSTERIES OF THE ROSARY**

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 29** — No Mass

**6:30 P.M.** **NOVENA FOR OUR NATION**  
Luminous Mysteries of the Rosary

**FRIDAY, AUGUST 30** — No Mass

**6:30 P.M.** **NOVENA FOR OUR NATION**  
Sorrowful Mysteries of the Rosary

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 31**

**4:30 P.M.** **NOVENA FOR OUR NATION**  
Joyful Mysteries of the Rosary

**5:00 P.M.** Mass offered for Marguerite Flynn + request of Patricia Pagani

**FROM SAINT MAURICE PARISH**

**SAFE ENVIRONMENTS AWARENESS**

The month of September has been delegated as Safe Environments Month here at Saint Maurice. As part of strategies in creating a safe, faith environment for children, a double-sided handout on the Diocesan policies and guidelines will be included on the back table of the church during the month for parishioners to take and review. This meets our Diocesan requirement to make this material available to parishioners on a yearly basis. The policy and reporting procedures can be found also on the Diocesan website: <https://www.norwichdiocese.org/Find/Diocesan-Offices/Safe-Environments>. Parents will receive brochures on the first day of Faith Formation classes. They are asked to review the brochures that focus on what they can do to help assure child safety and welfare, as well as sensitively review age specific brochures with their own children. Any parish employees and adult/minor volunteers who work in an environment with our youth must undergo background checks, as well as complete an *Armatius* on line program or attend a *Call to Protect Workshop*. For more information, contact Patti Cinea 860-646-0564.



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

**Drive for Charities  
Golf Tournament  
Tallwood Country Club  
Sunday, September 15**

11:30 Registration • 12:00 Lunch served • 1:00 Shotgun start  
Golfer entry fee of \$130 includes greens fee, cart, lunch, and full dinner. Teams are made up of 4 golfers. Singles are encouraged to participate. The scramble format is very forgiving to novice and casual golfers. Registration form on the St. Maurice website.

If your marriage has become troubled and stressed, unloving or uncaring, or if you are divorced or separated but want to try again, the **Retrouvaille** program can help. Retrouvaille provides tools to communicate better, resolve conflicts fairly and re-discover why you fell in love. The next local Retrouvaille weekend in Connecticut is **September 27-29, 2019**. A series of 6 post sessions follow the weekend. For more information or to register, call (203) 710-6207, or visit the Website at [www.retrouvaille.org](http://www.retrouvaille.org).

**STEWARDSHIP**

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

**Last week's Offertory: August 18 — \$1,836**

*"For behold, some are last who will be first and some are first who will be last." LUKE 13:30*

Our standards in society are different from God's standards. We often rank people by what they have, how powerful they are, or how successful they are. Jesus reminds us that God will not judge us by the same earthly standards. When God asks you, "what have you done with the gifts I have given you?" How will you respond?

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**Parish Membership Form**

Drop in collection ^

Please enroll the following as members of the Church of St. Maurice:

Adults \_\_\_\_\_

Children (under 18) \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

City State Zip \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

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Send offertory envelopes  Send form for EFT (electronic donation)  We will Donate Online

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: Janina, Bozena, Gina, Nanay, Roman, Casper, Monica, Irene, Viola, Olga, Jeff, Francis, Kyle, Mary, Gloria, David,

Laurie, Linda, Rick, Beth, Annedda, John, Bob, Grace, Mary-Jane, Monique, Cindy. For Candle Intentions: Michael.

For a spirit of understanding, that Christ will free us from narrow thinking and help us take on the mind of Christ so that we may see and understand God's vision for life.

For a deepening of prayer in our lives: that, like Jesus, we may grow in our relationship with God through prayer and listening.

That we may have the courage to step out of our comfort zone and stand up for life, marriage, and religious liberty.

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

**FAITH FORMATION NEWS**

**REGISTRATION OPEN**



Faith Formation

Registration is now open for CCD classes beginning in September. If you would like to register your child please complete and return the Faith Formation Registration Forms available on the ushers tables in the back of the church and on-line ([www.saintmauricebolton.org](http://www.saintmauricebolton.org)). You can simply drop completed forms in the collection basket at any mass.

If you have any questions about the program contact Amie Tillmann at (860) 212-3901 or [saintmauriceccd@gmail.com](mailto:saintmauriceccd@gmail.com).

**Report from The Fellowship Circle on St. Maurice Pens**

On March 16, 2019, the Fellowship Circle purchased 500 pens and made them available for a minimum donation of \$1.50 each. As of July 16, 2019, we still had 250 pens. Please continue to support your Church. Donations so far total \$631.52.



fellowship circle

Thank you,

*The Fellowship Circle*

**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**

Our 49<sup>th</sup> annual Sleigh Bells Ring Christmas Fair is approaching rapidly. We are still in need of professional crafters to fill up our 43 rented booth spaces. When spaces are filled, it generates an income of \$1935. Although this contributes to about 10% of the total Fair income, these crafters improve the overall quality of the show and attendance. Our spaces for jewelry are filled. All other inquiries can send an email to [pcinea@sbcglobal.net](mailto:pcinea@sbcglobal.net) or download application forms at [www.saintmauricebolton.org](http://www.saintmauricebolton.org) Thank you.



**FROM THE DIOCESE OF NORWICH**

Congratulations, **Saint Maurice Parish, Bolton** has reached **102.81%** of its goal for the 2019 Annual Catholic Appeal! While we have made our goal, only **40.11%** of our parishioners have donated. *We are striving to get as close to 100% of participation as possible.*

Our ACA supported ministries do the work of Christ every day. From a pastor, "The marriage preparation days offered by the diocese are a blessing for our young couples. As a pastor we do not always have the time to meet with couples to fully teach them about the sacrament of marriage. The Office of Faith Events does a thorough job of preparing them for marriage." We are truly grateful to those who responded when asked to work "Hand in Hand with All God's Children". If you have not made your contribution to the 2019 Annual Catholic Appeal, or would like to make an additional gift, please contact the Development Office at (860) 886-1928 or go online to [www.norwichdiocesedevelopment.org](http://www.norwichdiocesedevelopment.org).

Catholic Elementary School Collection

This September 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> the Annual Catholic Elementary School Collection will be conducted throughout the Diocese. Titled *Faith for the Future*, the collection recognizes that our futures truly do belong to the children we are educating in our schools today. Our 11 Diocesan elementary schools offer families a safe and nurturing environment in which to entrust their children's academic, social and moral growth, preparing them to become the future leaders of our church and communities. Please be generous in your support. Your contribution will help provide a Christ-centered and academically excellent Catholic education.

**Blue Mass Steak Dinner Fundraiser**

Friday, September 6, 2019, 5:30 – 7:30 p.m.

East Great Plain Fire Dept., 488 New London Turnpike, Norwich

Steak – Baked Potato – Salad – Bread & Butter – Soda & Water  
\$20.00 Adults      \$10.00 Children 12 and under

*The Blue Mass is celebrated at the Cathedral for all law enforcement personnel and their families on September 22, 2019, at 10:15 a.m.*

This fundraiser helps to defray expenses associated with the Annual Blue Mass honoring law enforcement personnel. For information or tickets call Becky Cady at (860) 887-9294 x235.

**29th Annual Blue Mass For All Law Enforcement Officers**

**Sunday, September 22, 2019, at 10:15 a.m.**

All law enforcement officers (federal, state, and municipal, active and retired) and their families are invited to the Mass and Reception at the Cathedral of Saint Patrick. Bishop Cote, the Bishop of Norwich, will celebrate the Mass and Monsignor Robert J. Romano, Pastor of Our Lady of Guadalupe Church, Brooklyn, New York will be the Homilist.

Groton Town Police Chief Louis J. Fusaro, Jr. and Norwich Police Chief Patrick Daley are the Blue Mass Co-Chairs. For more information, please call Chief L.J. Fusaro, Chief Daley, or Reverend Peter Langevin at (860) 887-9294 x235.

**24th Annual Mass for those Dedicated to Education**

September 8, 2019 at 8:45 a.m.

Cathedral of St. Patrick, Norwich

Bishop Cote will celebrate this Mass for all teachers and support staff, public, parochial, and private, active and retired, of all faiths. All are welcome. For information, or if you wish to help, please call the Chancery Office at (860) 887-9294.





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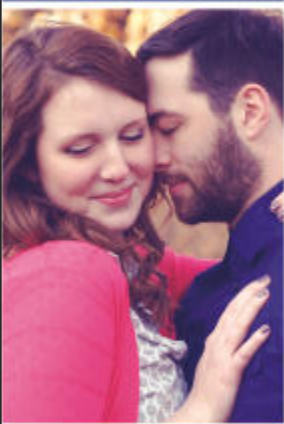
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