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TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
OCTOBER 6, 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.



27th Sunday

IN ORDINARY TIME

"When you have done all you have been commanded, say 'We are unprofitable servants; we have done what we were obliged to do.'" - Lk 17:10b

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"When you have done all you have been commanded, say 'We are unprofitable servants; we have done what we were obliged to do.'" The metaphor in the story could seem harsh to us today. A servant has worked hard all day, and rather than receiving a much-needed respite, the master commands an additional task. Jesus, however, is appearing to their sensibilities. This was a hierarchical society in which everyone had a place. His listeners would know this. No servant would presume a reward for good deeds.

It's important to remember that we do have a place at God's table. But we don't "earn" it. Dining with the Lord at the heavenly wedding feast requires surrender. It requires deep faith in God and His promises. It also requires commitment. The kingdom takes work! There are fields to plow and initiatives to prepare. There are sheep to tend to and family to care for. There are people waiting for our yes to generous service. When we serve dinner at a homeless shelter, we are waiting on the table of Christ. When we visit an ill relative, we're imitating the Good Samaritan. We're visiting Jesus! We're growing his kingdom of life and love.

The Gospel today reminds us to check our motives. Are we serving because we're seeking a reward? Or because we have faith that this is who we're meant to serve? That is, is this where we're meant to be? The Gospel reminds us that this faith can do powerful things! "If you have faith the size of a mustard seed, you would say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you." But, ultimately, we're not the ones doing the deeds. We're not the ones "earning" the grace. Faith, and the good we do for others, is a gift.



**TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME
OCTOBER 5 — 6, 2019
USHERS GROUP II
2ND COLLECTION — CRADLE FUND**

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5

4:30 P.M. NOVENA FOR OUR NATION
JOYFUL MYSTERIES OF THE ROSARY
5:00 P.M. Mass offered for All Parishioners
of St. Maurice Church
CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY after Mass

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6

7:30 A.M. Mass offered for All Parishioners
of St. Maurice Church
CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY after Mass
9:00 A.M. FAITH FORMATION CLASSES
9:40 A.M. GLORIOUS MYSTERIES OF THE ROSARY
10:00 A.M. Mass offered for the soul of Bill Miller
request of The Family
CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY after Mass
5:30 P.M. Evening Prayer from the Liturgy of the Hours

MONDAY, OCTOBER 7 — NO MASS

9:00 A.M. JOYFUL MYSTERIES OF THE ROSARY

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 8 — NO MASS

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

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 9

9:00 A.M. Mass offered for the soul of Esther Hasey
request of Patricia Hurst
9:00 A.M. SLEIGH BELLS RING
CHRISTMAS FAIR WORKSHOP
7:00 P.M. ST. MAURICE BIBLE STUDY in the Parish Center
Book of Sirach

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 10

9:00 A.M. Mass offered for the soul of Luigi Gaetani
request of Mr. & Mrs. Antonio Cusano

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 11

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

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12

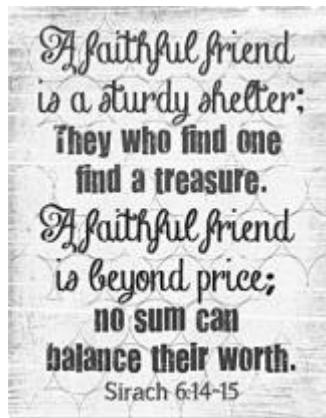
4:30 P.M. ROSARY BEFORE 5PM MASS
5:00 P.M. Mass offered for All Parishioners
of St. Maurice Church

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FROM SAINT MAURICE PARISH

SAINT MAURICE BIBLE STUDY



Thank you to Fr. Leon and his mission in beginning and giving us the tools to sustain our Bible Study Group. We are committed to continue his legacy. We begin with prayer to the Holy Spirit to enlighten us, open our Bibles to the focus of study, read aloud a chapter, stop and improve our understanding through appropriate theological resources, and share our personal journey. We will continue with the *Book of Sirach* this **Wednesday at 7:00 pm.** Please join us.

Our 49th annual **Sleigh Bells Ring Christmas Fair** is approaching rapidly. As fall is here we, in the fair group are looking to make up all our mixes, jams, jellies and other items to fill the country store for your gift shopping in November. **We are asking for donations of sugar and flour and instant oat meal some cinnamon would also help.**

We hope all of you have marked the date on your calendar and are thinking of what you might make for the bake booth or other booth at the Fair which is November 23rd. We are anxious for all to see some of our new items and this years quilt is just beautiful. We plan on a preview in early November.

Thank you for your continued support.



**SAVE THE DATE: OCTOBER 19, 2019
FELLOWSHIP POT-LUCK DINNER**

There will be a Harvest Celebration Potluck Dinner on Saturday, October 19, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. in the Parish Center. If you can join us, please use the sign-up sheet in the back of the church.

STEWARDSHIP

**Last week's Offertory: September 29 — \$3,220
Projected Amount needed \$2,980**

"For God did not give us a spirit of cowardice but rather of power and love and self-control." 2 TIMOTHY 1:7

Many of us compartmentalize our Faith, we bring it out only when we attend Mass or when we attend a parish event. Being a good steward requires discipline and striving to put God first in everything, all the time. The next time you are at a neighborhood party, at work or out shopping, would your actions signal to others that you are a good and faithful servant of our Lord?

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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 _____

Home phone _____ Cell phone _____

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: Monique, Kyle, David, Beth, Janina, Bozena, Gina, Nancy, Roman, Grace, Bob, Mary-Jane, Kim, Grace.

Faith Formation Students Prayer Requests: Dutil Family, baby Mia and Family, Carla and Chita.

Candle Intentions: Adam, Kim, Keith, Catherine, Father Leon, Tadeusz, Andrzej.

For the Church: that we may be transformed by the fire of the Spirit into a dynamic community of faith who faithfully witness to God's abiding presence.

For teachers, preachers, and spirit directors: that God will plant the divine Word deep within them and inspire them to share it in dynamic and life-giving ways.

That our eyes may be open to the needs around us and our hands and hearts may open to sharing our gifts to make this world a better place for all of us.

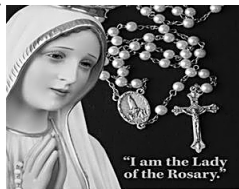
Prayer Shawls are also available by the prayer request box located near the candle stand on the rectory side of the church. Please read the information on the sheet above the prayer shawls.

Thank you. Carol & Mary Ann



Saint Maurice will participate in the 4th Rosary Coast to Coast Rally on Sunday, October 13th at 3:00 pm in the Church. This date is the 102nd Anniversary of the Fatima Miracle of the Sun. Over 1,100 Rosary locations

throughout all 50 States have registered. Located along the borders, shores, inside and outside of churches. This is just not a national prayer campaign. 40 Countries from around the world, including India, will be praying together. We will call upon God, through the powerful intercession of our Blessed Mother, to heal our countries and return them to Holiness. We will recite all 4 Mysteries, beginning at 3:00 pm, the Holy Hour of Mercy. One Hour. Please plan to participate. Thank you.



We said "Goodbye" to Father Leon



FROM THE DIOCESE OF NORWICH



We need your helping hand to complete our ACA Parish Goal!

Thank you St. Maurice Parish for reaching your goal!

Our ACA supported ministries do the work of Christ every day. From a catechist, "The confirmation retreat the diocese sponsored was an eye-opening experience for our 9th and 10th graders. It made the sacrament come alive for those in attendance. Thank you so much for sponsoring that retreat experience."

If you have not made your contribution to the 2019 Annual Catholic Appeal, Hand in Hand with All God's Children, or would like to make an additional gift, please contact the Development Office at (860) 886-1928 or go online to www.norwichdiocesedevelopment.org.

The Mission Combined Collection will be held next weekend.



Mission Combined Collection

Your contribution will provide assistance to the World Mission Appeal, U.S. Bishop's Appeal for Latin America, Black and Indian Missions, and the Catholic Home Mission Appeal. Registered parishioners should have received information in the mail about this collection. Additional brochures and gift envelopes are available in church. Please read this material and bring your gift envelope to Mass next weekend, October 12/13, 2019.

Twenty-Seventh Annual Mass for Firefighters/EMS Personnel Saturday, October 19, 2019, at 5:00 p.m.

On Saturday, October 19, 2019, at 5:00 p.m., Bishop Cote will celebrate Mass for all Firefighters/EMS personnel, in the Cathedral of Saint Patrick. Each year, brothers and sisters of all faiths gather to thank God for their calling, to pray for their safety, and to remember their fallen colleagues. Assembly at Chelsea Parade for the line-up and the procession (to the Cathedral) of all personnel and apparatus will begin at 3:30 p.m. The Homilist will be Deacon Richard Lapierre, Deacon Assistant, Our Lady of Good Help and St. Theresa's parishes in Burrilville, RI. Reception immediately following. All companies, departments, and personnel and their families are cordially invited to participate. For more information call, Mrs. Terri Zampini at 860-887-9294, x265.



Connecticut Catholic Men's Conference

Saturday, October 19, 2019

St Paul Catholic High School,

1001 Stafford Ave, Bristol

Doors open at 7:30 a.m. – 4 p.m. Vigil Mass

Our Theme is "FORGE Your Path To Holiness"

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ADULT TICKETS \$45 TEENS \$30 PRIEST/DEACON \$0

Planning for the 2020 Norwich Diocesan Women's Conference is underway. The conference is scheduled for **March 28, 2020 at St. Bernard's School in Uncasville**. Any women interested in joining the planning committee or volunteering some of their time, please contact The Office of Faith Events at 860-848-2237, or faithevents@norwichdiocese.net



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