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TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
OCTOBER 11, 2020



God gives us an invitation to have an abundant life. The banquet is ready, and the tables are set. Come! There is so much to attend to in the everydayness of our lives. We have plans, after all. There is never enough time and so much that needs to be done. There is work, children, and grandchildren, paying the bills, planning for retirement, figuring out the details of our next vacation, making sure we are on top of our game with work, planning social engagements, answering emails, texts, and getting our latest pictures on Facebook. There is always something. What is this about some banquet?

I need another party and commitment like a hole in the head. I can't manage what I already have, and someone is asking me to do more! Seriously? I saw the invitation; I think it came in the mail the other day. Did I leave it on the table? Oh wait, it may have gotten thrown away. I can't remember. In any case, I'm managing things pretty well on my own, I think. Thanks for thinking of me, but no thanks. My life is only as good as I make it and I have to be sure that all is in order! Oh, another invitation came today! This guy's being persistent. Now, I'm getting angry. I wish he would just leave me alone and stop with this invitation nonsense.

I woke up feeling a bit unsettled this morning. The kids have left the house, the grandchildren are busy with their lives, my retirement fund is losing ground, I'm worried about my health, folks have moved away, and I find myself alone. I am unhappy. I remember getting an invitation some time ago to a banquet promising new life and life in abundance. Did I miss something? I think I may have. I am finally discovering that life is not about me and my world. I think I've ignored the God who made me and the God who is the reason for my life, my hope, and my joy. It's always been about me. I have not really discovered Eternal Love. Is the invitation still open? Can I come to the banquet? I think I'd like to come.

## Prayer Line

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Note: during the pandemic office hours are not regular as stated above, but you can continue to call the telephone number and leave a message.

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[www.saintmauricebolton.org](http://www.saintmauricebolton.org)

## WEEKEND MASSES:

Saturdays at 5:00 p.m.

Sundays at 7:30, 9:15 and 11:00 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 4:20 p.m. to 4:45 p.m.

## SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

Please call the rectory (860-643- 9553 ) 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 860-643-9553.



## TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME OCTOBER 10 — 11, 2020

Usher Group III  
MISSION COMBINED  
COLLECTION

### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 10

5:00 P.M. Mass offered for All Souls in Purgatory  
7:00 P.M. Church open for group Rosary

### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 11

7:30 A.M. Mass offered for the repose of the Soul of Marian Herasimowicz  
requested by Agata and Janusz Herasimowicz  
9:15 A.M. Mass offered for All Parishioners of St. Maurice Church  
11:00 A.M. Mass offered for the repose of the Soul of Bill Miller (Birthday Remembrance)  
requested by the Family  
3:00 P.M. ROSARY COAST TO COAST AND LITANY  
5:30 P.M. Evening Prayer from the Liturgy of the Hours

### MONDAY, OCTOBER 12 — No Mass

7:00 P.M. Church open for group Rosary and Litany

### TUESDAY, OCTOBER 13 — No Mass

7:00 P.M. Church open for group Rosary and Litany

### WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 14

9:00 A.M. Mass offered for All Souls in Purgatory  
7:00 P.M. Church open for group Rosary and Litany

### THURSDAY, OCTOBER 15

9:00 A.M. Mass offered for All Souls in Purgatory  
7:00 P.M. Church open for group Rosary and Litany

### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 16 — No Mass

7:00 P.M. Church open for group Rosary and Litany

### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17

5:00 P.M. Mass offered for All Souls in Purgatory  
7:00 P.M. Church open for group Rosary and Litany

#### Livestream Masses:

From the Cathedral of Saint Patrick in Norwich

<https://www.norwichdiocese.org/Masses>

Sunday 9AM

Daily Mass from Blessed Sacrament Parish

<https://www.blessedsacramentct.org/>

Monday 8 AM / Tuesday 9 AM / Wednesday 8 AM /  
Thursday 9 AM / Friday 8 AM / Saturday Vigil 5 PM /  
Sunday 10 AM

Anyone interested in being an usher please contact  
Kathy Perlitz

[kcperlitz@comcast.net](mailto:kcperlitz@comcast.net) or by phone at 860-649-1210.



#### STEWARDSHIP

Projected Amount needed — \$2,980

Offertory: October 4 — \$3,934

"My God will supply whatever you need..."

- PHILIPPIANS 4:19

God really does provide for those who are grateful and generous. This is very difficult for people that don't live a stewardship lifestyle to believe. People are skeptical and say it's just coincidence. If you are skeptical, try living a stewardship lifestyle for just one month — be generous with your gifts of time in prayer, talent in charitable works and treasure and see how God provides for your needs.

#### FROM SAINT MAURICE PARISH



#### ST. MAURICE PRAYER LINE

Please remember all the special intentions on the St. Maurice Prayer Line and Faith Formation Students Prayer Requests.

New requests this week: John, Melanie, Andrew, Kevin, Jake, Tony, Josephine, Judy.

Candle Intentions: Tadeusz, Andrzej, Klowyno.

Thank you, Mary Ann



#### 33 DAY CONSECRATION TO SAINT JOSEPH

After each daily reading, recite at least one decade of the Rosary and meditate on The Litany to St. Joseph. Excerpts taken from

Consecration to St. Joseph, The Wonders of Our Spiritual Father, by Fr. Donald H. Calloway, MIC.

**Day 12, Sun, Oct 11<sup>th</sup>: Chaste Guardian of the Virgin, Pray for Us.** St. Joseph exercises both chastity and celibacy. Pure in heart, he is in control of his passions, and in marriage, united to the Blessed Virgin in heart, mind and soul, but never in body. He protects her virginity as he is called by God to celibacy. We are all called to chastity; however, some are called to celibacy for the sake of the Kingdom of Heaven.

**Day 13, Mon, Oct 12<sup>th</sup>: Foster Father of the Son of God, Pray for Us.** St. Joseph is both foster and spiritual father to Jesus. His fatherhood is perpetual, faithful and authoritative. Allow St. Joseph to be your spiritual father also, guiding you on your spiritual journey here on earth and in heaven.

**Day 14, Tues, Oct 13<sup>th</sup>: Zealous Defender of Christ, Pray for Us.** St. Joseph took Jesus and Mary to Egypt to escape the murderous plot of Herod. A dangerous foreign land filled with pagan idolatry, thieves, he had to secure work to feed, clothe, and shelter his family. You too must defend Jesus and His Church against a growing hostility to the Christian faith. Ask St. Joseph to help you become a zealous defender.

**Day 15, Wed, Oct 14<sup>th</sup>: Head of the Holy Family, Pray for Us.** Historically, God established the father as the "head" of the family. St. Joseph was the head of the Holy Family. Mary and Jesus looked to him for security, love, guidance, protection. If husbands and fathers imitate St. Joseph, the family unit grows stronger. Fr. Calloway suggests to make St. Joseph the spiritual head of your family. Obtain a statue or a beautiful image of St. Joseph, and place it in a prominent place in your home.

**Day 16, Thurs, Oct 15<sup>th</sup>: Joseph Most Just, Pray for Us.** "In Hebrew, a just man means a good and faithful servant of God, someone who fulfills the divine will, or who is honorable and charitable toward his neighbor." (St. Josemaria Escriva) St. Joseph is a just man. Do you give God his due and attend Sunday Mass? Do you treat yourself, your family and others with respect, love and dignity? Ask St. Joseph to guide you.

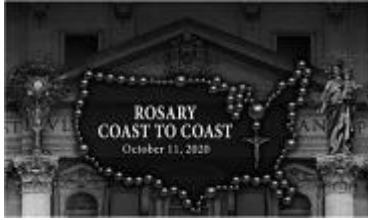
**Day 17, Fri, Oct 16<sup>th</sup>: Joseph Most Chaste, Pray for Us.** Both the Virgin Mary and St. Joseph shared the virtue of chastity. Lust, marital infidelity, sexual promiscuity is prominent in society. Many films, music lyrics, TV shows demonstrate this. If we struggle with temptations of purity, seek out St. Joseph.

**Day 18, Sat, Oct 17<sup>th</sup>: Joseph Most Prudent, Pray for Us.** Human prudence is a virtue that uses practical reason to discern the true good in every situation and the right means of achieving it. In supernatural prudence, one uses his mind and heart to discern how God is best served, often causing personal sacrifice and suffering. St. Joseph put himself at God's Will. He will help you serve God, too.

*The Litany will be recited during the Rosary Rally on Sunday, 3:00 pm; the Church will be open at 7:00 pm Monday through Saturday for group Rosary/Litany to St. Joseph.*

*Please join us!!*

**FROM SAINT MAURICE PARISH**



Saint Maurice again will participate in the **5<sup>th</sup> Rosary Coast to Coast Rally** on **Sunday, October 11<sup>th</sup>** at **3:00 pm**, in the Church.

*It is the Holy Hour of Mercy.*

Last year, there were hundreds of Rosary Rallies across the U. S., as well as over 50 countries participating. We will join this Grace Force and are asked to offer the Rosary for **3 intentions**:

**Peace, Unity in the Church and the World**, and the **End of many Crises**, including the Covid 19 pandemic, natural world disasters including the fires out West; persecutions in the church and freedom in Hong Kong, China and Iran; as well as the rioting in our nation. We are imploring upon God and Our Blessed Mother to intervene.

We will recite all 4 Mysteries. Please plan to participate! Thank you.



**BRING A "WELCOMING" PUMPKIN TO CHURCH**

This pandemic year our planters in front of the Church remained bare.

During the month of October, our spiritual sight is on Our Blessed Mother, the 103<sup>rd</sup> anniversary of the Miracle of the Sun at Fatima, and participation of the 33 days of spiritual preparation to Consecration to St. Joseph. However, our physical sight directs us to the beauty of God's Creation in the summer harvest, the crisp chill of night, and the New England autumnal color changes of our trees and landscape. This October, **bring a pumpkin** of any size or color, and place it in the planters in front of the Church or Parish Center. If the planters overflow, then drop a few off on Fr. Bill's front porch!



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For an appointment, please go to: **[calendly.com/echstours](https://calendly.com/echstours)**

In lieu of Open House we are extending an invitation to ZOOM Information Session which will take place on October 22 at 5:30 pm. Please inquire at:

**<https://www.echs.com/Admissions-Process>**

and you will receive the information about the admissions process, as well as the invitation to the ZOOM session.

**FROM THE DIOCESE OF NORWICH**



**2020 MISSION COMBINED COLLECTION PROGRAM**

The Mission Combined Collection this weekend supports missionary works in Latin America, Asia, Africa and parts of the United States.

Generous gifts made to today's Collection will fund catechesis, seminarian formation and pastoral programs for the Church in Latin America,

assist poor mission dioceses here at home in the United States by funding essential ministries, including seminary education and lay ministry training with the Catholic Home Missions Appeal, help proclaim the Gospel and offer hope in countries devastated by war or natural disasters through the World Mission Appeal, and provide grants to dioceses to operate schools, parishes and other missionary services that build the Body of Christ in Native American, Alaska Native, and African-American Catholic communities.

Please give today with a joyful and generous heart.

Your support will truly make a difference.

**FROM SAINT MAURICE PARISH**



2020 ACA Update: As of September 25th, **Saint Maurice Parish, Bolton** has donated \$9,267.81 or 94.11% of its goal, and 31.61% of our parishioners have donated. We are striving for as close to 100% participation as possible.

With your donation, our ACA supported ministries do the work of Christ every day. From a client of St. Vincent de Paul, "St. Vincent has been my lifeline through all of this. It's been one thing after another getting me down, but St. Vincent's food and support keeps picking me up." If you have not made your contribution to the 2020 Annual Catholic Appeal, "One Faith, One Family", or would like to make an additional gift, please contact the Development Office at (860) 886-1928

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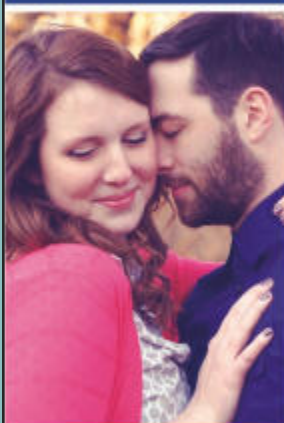
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