

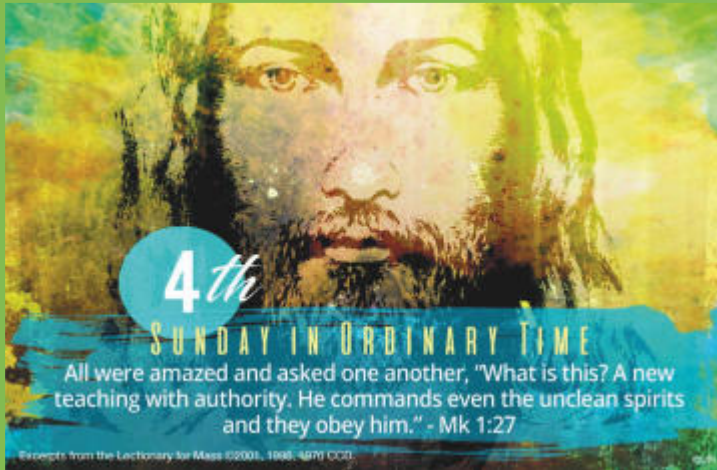
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FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
JANUARY 31, 2021



Most of us are quiet people who desire to live a good and holy life, promote the values and mission of the Gospel as best we can and desire to one day inherit the surprise of life eternal God promises to us. We are not trail blazers. We are simple people who want to do the simple things of life well. But there are others who left a more profound impact along the way of the paths they walked. Folks like Dorothy Day, Martin Luther King, Thomas Merton, Gandhi, St. Teresa of Calcutta, and many others left lasting impacts and legacies. Like Moses, they show us by word and deed who God is and what integrity and a purpose driven life look like. They show us how to be holy. We need Moses people like these to give us inspiration, hope and an example of holy living. We do not need to do what they did or even mirror their relationship with God. Each one of us is God's special creation, with a purpose and soul known only to us. We need to learn how to open up and bring, without compromise, our soul-ness to life. We know when someone is authentic and centered because they always point to truth, even though they struggle and sin themselves, and they embody an unspoken timeless wisdom that just sounds and feels right. Jesus taught with this same type of authority and it astonished many who listened. We do not need to move mountains, advance a cause, write books or become notable. All we have to do is become credible witnesses of the faith we profess. Moses people can teach us how to do this.

St. Oscar Romero was an amazing man and a Moses figure for sure. He saw God in the burning bush and brought the flame of Gospel faith to the poorest of the poor, challenging the evils of the society in which he lived. He was tireless and persistent. He must have gotten very close to the problem because it cost him his life. He suspected it would. St. Romero said, "When we leave Mass, we ought to go out the way Moses descended Mt Sinai: with his face shining, with his heart brave and strong to face the world's difficulties." We can learn from this wisdom. If we allow the power of the Mass to truly transform us, we will leave that holy encounter changed. Our face will shine, and we will have courage. We can then bring what we have received to life's challenges. That sounds doable, doesn't it? Because of the example of our simple holiness, people will be amazed.

#### Prayer Line

Mary Ann 860-649-5449

#### Pastor

Fr. Bill Olesik

#### Director of Faith Formation

Arnie Tillmann

860-646-6314 or [saintmauriceccd@gmail.com](mailto:saintmauriceccd@gmail.com)

#### Organist and Choir Director

Don Benevides 860-871-0752

#### Secretary

Mrs. Theresa Cisson

Office Hours - Mon., Tues., & Fri. - 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Telephone: 860-643-4466

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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.

#### Eucharistic Minister to Homebound

Patricia Cinea 860-646-0564

#### Fair and Workshops

Dorli Cloutier 860-649-6255

Beth Harney 860-649-1331

Sharon Scorso 860-646-1423

#### Website

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

#### WEEKEND MASSES:

Saturdays at 4:00 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 3:25 p.m. to 3:45 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.



**FOURTH SUNDAY  
IN ORDINARY TIME**

**January 30 — 31, 2021**

Usher Group III

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 30**

4:00 P.M. Mass offered for All Parishioners  
of St. Maurice Church

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 31**

7:30 A.M. Mass offered for the Soul of Martha Turner  
request of Lynn Mancino

9:15 A.M. Mass offered for the Souls of Richard and  
Carolyn FitzHenry  
request of Jonathan and Sharon VanDine

11:00 A.M. Mass offered the Soul of Margaret Brown  
request of Pamela Brown

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

**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 1 — No MASS**

**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 2 — No MASS**

**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 3**

9:00 A.M. Mass offered for the Soul of Vincente Szwed  
request of Lucy Szwed

**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 4**

9:00 A.M. Mass offered for All Souls in Purgatory

**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 5 — No MASS**

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 6**

4:00 P.M. Mass offered for All Souls in Purgatory

**SNOW DAY NOTICE**

Reminder: on weekdays when schools are closed due to snow etc. there will be no morning Mass at St. Maurice.

**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



**EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS  
NEEDED**

If you are interested to serve in the  
Ministry of the Eucharist please call  
Linda Richardson at 860-965-6288  
for information.

**FROM SAINT MAURICE PARISH**



**ST. MAURICE PRAYER LINE**

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

New requests this week: Graham, Margaret.

Thank you, Mary Ann

**ST MAURICE PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY**



Members of the Prayer Shawl Min-  
istry are making full size prayer  
shawls for our long term care parish-  
ioners. Also, mini pocket prayer  
shawls are available for everyone.

If you can help in any way in this Ministry, please call:

Linda Wiley at 860-643-8684 or

MaryAnn Murphy at 860-649-5449

Thank you.



**Great News - Worldwide Marriage Encounter  
has gone "Virtual"!**

To support married couples during this time of social  
distancing, Worldwide Marriage Encounter is spon-  
soring virtual marriage experiences. Some are on  
weekends and some span multiple weeks on a given week-  
day. Couples will explore their individual personality styles, im-  
prove listening and communication skills, understand God's plan  
for their marriage, and learn how to keep their relationship a pri-  
ority. Registration is limited and a \$100 application fee is re-  
quired. For more information or to apply, call Frank & Margie  
Pearson at 860-337-2447 or visit them at <https://wwmectw.org/>.

"Brothers and sisters: I should like you to be free of anxieties."  
There are many things to be anxious about in these days. Let us  
learn to calm our anxieties in our life by learning how to com-  
municate better on a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience.  
The next virtual Experiences are Feb 12-14, 2021 in East Hart-  
ford, CT and Feb 22-Mar 15, 2021 in VIRTUAL 3RE, NY



**STEWARDSHIP**

**Projected Amount needed — \$3,130**

**Offertory: January 24 — \$1,900**

"Brothers and sisters: I should like you to be  
free of anxieties." - 1 CORINTHIANS 7:32

How much anxiety do we bring upon ourselves by con-  
stantly worrying about not having enough or attaining  
more things? God won't necessarily give you everything  
you want, but He will provide everything you need. Try this  
— use the word "pray" instead of the word "worry" in the  
future. Then pray for things instead of worrying about  
them.

^ Tear off

**Memorial Mass Form**

Drop in collection ^

Father Bill, 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**



**VIRTUAL YOUTH EXPLOSION**

The Diocese of Norwich invites Grades 6 – 12 to VIRTUAL YOUTH EXPLOSION.

National singer, song writer, composer, and speaker - John Angotti presents through lyric and witness how God is Forever Faithful.

**Youth Explosion is ONLINE Sunday, January 31<sup>st</sup> from 1pm – 3pm.** There is no cost.

Please contact your Catechetical Leader to register.

Questions? Feel free to email

Amie Tillmann at [saintmauriceccd@gmail.com](mailto:saintmauriceccd@gmail.com)

or call (860) 212-3901.

**WE HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!**



**For those who like to know where your money goes – we had oil delivery of \$1,973 for the Parish Center, \$2,053 for the church and \$71 for the rectory.**



**East Catholic High School** continues accepting applications for the 2021-2022 school year! We are pleased to offer a unique and in-depth experience during our **Open House on Thursday, February 4, 2021 at 6:00p.m.**

Please go to our website [www.echs.com](http://www.echs.com) to retrieve the link to the ZOOM meeting. Tuition Assistance will go fast, so be sure to complete your FACTS application today or risk being placed on the waiting list for aid if you are filing it past the deadline of February 1<sup>st</sup>.



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Catholic Schools Week February 1<sup>st</sup> -5<sup>th</sup>

4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

CALL FOR APPOINTMENT

860-649-7731 Ext. 217

Or Email Lisa at:

[development@saintbridget-school.com](mailto:development@saintbridget-school.com)



I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You.

Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

**SUNDAY OBLIGATION**

The obligation to attend Sunday Mass continues to be dispensed for all the faithful in the Diocese of Norwich until further notice. Those who are considered “high risk” due to age or underlying health condition, are encouraged to stay home. Stay home also if you are experiencing symptoms of illness or not feeling well. Since Sunday is still the Lord’s Day, the faithful are encouraged to do one of the following while unable to attend Mass: Read and reflect on the Sunday scriptures; Pray the rosary reflecting on the Glorious Mysteries; Watch the Sunday Mass on TV, or via the internet.

**FROM THE DIOCESE OF NORWICH**

**Marriage Preparation Classes to Meet Virtually**



With the uncertainty surrounding Covid-19, the Catholic Family Services Office will be offering virtual or one-on-one marriage preparation classes for engaged

couples. All formal live classes have been suspended through July 1, 2021.

Couples getting married in 2021 or beyond, should contact Mary-Jo McLaughlin at the Catholic Family Services Office to establish class dates. She can be reached Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays at 860-848-2237, Ext 312 or by email at [mmclaughlin@norwichdiocese.net](mailto:mmclaughlin@norwichdiocese.net).



**VIRTUAL BINGO  
FOR ALL AGES**

The Office of Faith Events invites people of all ages to participate in Virtual Bingo! Bingo will take place on Sunday, February 21<sup>st</sup> from 3:30 – 5pm. You will receive your cards online, mark them and even remark them for the next game or you can print them and play. Through video conferencing, we will call the numbers and play different BINGO games from regular bingo, double bingo, picture frame, and finally black out! It will be great fun with lots of gift certificates for prizes! The cost is \$6 per card for the whole Bingo event! To register for your Bingo card, go to: <https://bit.ly/2Laol7Y> or call Marianne at 860-848-2237 ex. 304

**THE DOUG AND DAVE SHOW - FAMILY, FAITH, AND FUN**

National Catholic musicians and talents, The Doug and Dave Show, will join the Office of Faith Events on February 11<sup>th</sup> at 7pm for Family, Fun and Faith- everyone is encouraged to join us. Filled with characters that delight young and old, songs that will make you sing out loud, stories which will inspire, and Catholic truths learned in a new and lighthearted ways. Join the live streamed event on the Diocese of Norwich page:

<https://www.norwichdiocese.org/Live-Events>

If you would like to have the links sent to you of where you can see the event, please contact Marianne Nicholas at [manicholas@norwichdiocese.net](mailto:manicholas@norwichdiocese.net) or call (860)848-2237 ex.304.

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