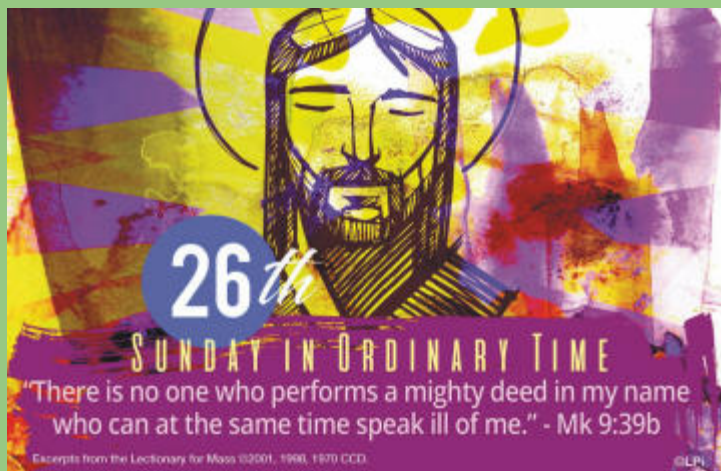


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TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
 SEPTEMBER 26, 2021

What are the little ones? They are the poor, the marginalized, the women and men at the well, the Zacchaeus' looking for Jesus from a tree, those mired in sin, the blind who want to see, and the lame who want to walk. They are the lepers and the different ones who have been told that they are unclean, and the ones who suffer from abuse and grave injustices and oppression. They are children who want nothing more than to be loved and enjoy celebrating their innocence. These are all the little ones and they are all vulnerable. Life already brings them burdens, we don't need to add to them.

St. Oscar Romero said, "When the church hears the cry of the oppressed it cannot but denounce the social structures that give rise to and perpetuate the misery from which the cry arises." Why are so many people still so gravely hurting? We have the resources and the means to make things better. We choose not to. There are still those things called greed, pride, lust, apathy, jealousy, gluttony, and anger that prevent us from seeing each other and people to be loved and not objects to be used. Is this how God intended things to be?

God loves what is good and upright. It doesn't matter who did it or where it came from. In God's eyes, the end result is always faith, hope, and love. Those will always unite a person with God. We fill our lives with many things that are not good either for ourselves or for others. All of us have to work to discover what it is, exactly, that leads to the world's brokenness. There are people, systems, and ideologies in place that foster oppression and injustice rather than equity and fairness. Sadly, our complacency can be the greatest evil. Turning a blind eye, ignoring the truth, and believing that we are helpless to fix so great a problem, does little to move us closer to the kingdom of God. As members of the Body of Christ, we cannot condone anything that keeps people in misery.

As it is said, charity begins at home. Perhaps a good place to start is with our own households and making sure their foundations are properly laid.

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

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 4:25 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-SIXTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME
SEPTEMBER 25 — 26, 2021**

Ushers Group I

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

5:00 P.M. Mass offered for All Souls in Purgatory

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

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

8:00 A.M. **TRIPLE PLAY CAFÉ BREAKFAST**
Parish Center from 8:00AM to 10:00AM

9:00 A.M. — 9:45 A.M. FAITH FORMATION CLASSES
for grades K-10 begin in the Parish Center.
(parents and students)

10:00 A.M. Mass offered for the Soul of †Vincenty Szwed
requested by Lucy Szwed and Family
Blessing of Catechists during the 10:00 a.m. Mass

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

6:00 P.M. Rosary

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 27 — No MASS

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28 — No MASS

7:15 P.M. Choir rehearsal in church.
New voices are always welcome!

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

9:00 A.M. Mass offered for the Soul of †James Lawless
requested by Cheryl Kelley

Rosary after Mass

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

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

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 1

7:00 P.M. First Friday Mass and Adoration
offered for All Souls in Purgatory
Rosary after Mass



SATURDAY, OCTOBER 2

5:00 P.M. Mass offered for All Parishioners
of St. Maurice Church

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**

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: Rachel, Dick, Bob,
Grace, Lex, Larry, Zachary, Viola, Donna, Dick
Candle Intentions: Nicholas, George, Karen, Zachary,
Keith

Thank you, Mary Ann

WELCOME BACK TO MASS

Sunday Mass Obligation Resumed

All pews are available for seating.

The celebration of Mass will continue with relaxed re-
strictions.

The following steps are taken to safeguard the health of
our pastor and parishioners:

- The Precious Blood will not be distributed. There
will be no Sign of Peace. Attendees will be required
to wear masks if they have not been vaccinated.
- Those in vulnerable populations, e.g. the elderly,
those with underlying health conditions, or those
with any symptoms of illness are asked to remain at
home. They are encouraged to watch Mass on televi-
sion or via the internet.

Live-streaming of Sunday Masses will continue.

Visit [NorwichDiocese.org/Masses](https://www.norwichdiocese.org/Masses) for details.

STEWARDSHIP



Projected Amount needed — \$3,130

Offertory: September 19 — \$

*"Anyone who gives you a cup of water to
drink because you belong to Christ, amen, I
say to you, will surely not lose his reward."*

MARK 9:41

We are made in God's image and likeness. We tend to for-
get this. When you look at others, do you see the face of
Jesus in them? When others look at you, do they see the
face of Jesus in you? When we realize that all lives matter
to God, then gratitude and generously become easier.
Why? Because that's the way we are made! We are one
Body of Christ; when one of us is hurting, all of us feel the
pain.

^ Tear off

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 _____

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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



FAITH FORMATION NEWS

Religious Education Classes for grades K-10 begin on **Sunday, September 26th.**

There will be a welcome meeting for parents and students at 9:00 a.m. in the Parish Center.

Knights of Columbus pancake breakfast available from 8:00-10:00 a.m.

Registration forms are available in the back of the church and on the parish website.

Classes will be held Sunday mornings from 9:00-9:45 a.m. in the Parish Center classrooms. If you would like your children to attend, please complete and return your registration form. Forms can be found in the back of the church or on-line. Completed forms can be returned to the Parish Office or dropped in the collection basket during any mass.

We are always in need of teachers. If you are interested in sharing your faith with the young people of our parish by volunteering to teach, please contact Amie Tillmann at saintmauriceccd@gmail.com.



**Saint Maurice Church
First Friday**

**Eucharistic Adoration
October 1st**

7:00 pm – 8:00 pm

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
"O Most Holy Trinity, I adore You; my God, my God, I love You in the Most Blessed Sacrament."

Our Lady of Fatima



Fair Workshops Begin

The Fair group is looking forward to presenting our 50th Fair in 2021. We are working on some new ideas. We plan to have some homework for anyone that would like to work at home, just call us and tell us what you enjoy doing. You are invited to join the "Sleigh Bells Ring" Christmas Fair Workshop on Wednesdays from 9:00 a.m. to noon at the Parish Center. Do you like to work with your hands? (No special talent needed.) Do you enjoy good fellowship? Then join us and bring your suggestions with you. Coffee is always brewing!

Dorli Cloutier (860) 649-6255

Sharon Scorso (860) 646-1423

Beth Harney (850) 639-1331



JOIN US FOR BREAKFAST AT THE TRIPLE PLAY CAFE

Time: 8:00 A.M. — 10:00 A.M.

Date: Sunday, September 26th

Location: St. Maurice Parish Center

\$6.00 / Person \$18.00 / Family

Sponsored by St. Maurice Knights of Columbus

FROM SAINT MAURICE PARISH

On Sunday, September 12th, an Ice Cream Social was held in the Parish Center following the Blessing of the Backpacks at 10 am mass.



FROM THE DIOCESE OF NORWICH



107th World Day for Migrants and Refugees 2021. Join us on Sunday, September 26, 3:00 – 4:00-pm for a virtual bilingual

Prayer Service as we mark this day with prayer and action for our brothers and sisters, often invisible. In this year's theme, *Towards an Ever Wider "We"*, Pope Francis challenges us to think no longer in terms of "them" and "those" but only "us," to work towards renewing the human family and building a future of justice and peace, ensuring that no one is left behind. To connect, register at:

<https://www.hispanicministrynorwich.com/>. For more information: sister Mary Jude, scmc, Tele: 860-456-3349



The Office of Faith Events will be donating two Christmas trees this year to the Festival of Trees at the

Wadsworth Atheneum in Hartford. We are still seeking ornaments to help complete our tree entitled "The Nativity". If you have a nativity themed ornament/s you would like to donate to adorn this tree, please drop them off at or send to The Office of Faith Events, 199 Broadway, Norwich, CT, 06360 by November 19, 2021. Questions? Please email us at faithevents@norwichdiocese.net or give us a call at 860-848-2237 ext. 304

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