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### 2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT

While he was still speaking, a cloud came and cast a shadow over them, and they became frightened when they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my chosen Son; listen to him." - Lk 9:34-35

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**SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT  
MARCH 13, 2022**

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#### **WEEKEND MASSES:**

Saturdays at 4:00 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 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.

There is so much wisdom in the first commandment. The daily demands of life, current political ideologies and dynamics, social expectations, corporate philosophies, and even technology can easily become lesser gods. We can find ourselves beholden to and held captive by these secular constructs and systems. Even for those who profess a faith in the one true God, these lesser, attractive but false gods are a temptation. Being overly preoccupied and even obsessed with the state of our present lives, we lose sight of our real destiny and purpose.

Jesus showed his disciples a glimpse of this destiny when he was transfigured before their eyes. In fact, Peter was so caught up in the brilliance, awe, and sacredness of these fleeting moments that he wanted to extend them as long as possible. Wonderful things happen when we leave our illusions and discover something that is true. This is why creating some sacred space in our lives for reflection, prayer, renewal, refreshment, centering ourselves, and disconnecting from the noise is so important. It shows us how false and shallow our lives can be and what is really of importance. Do you create some kind of sacred space in your life? Lent is a perfect time to do so.

St. Irenaeus, one of the early fathers and martyrs of the Catholic Church, said that, "he who was the Son of God became the Son of Man that man ... might become the son of God." We mistakenly believe that life is all about us. It's not. Ours is a journey of transformation in which we become more and more one with the mind of Christ and Christ himself. St. Augustine saw this same transformation occurring when the Eucharist is received. In receiving the Eucharist, we become what we eat, the Body of Christ. Honestly acknowledging false gods that we cling to can open the door for God to show us the wholeness and holiness to which we are called. Take time to discover the sacred. When we do, we will want to stay there for a while. Then, when we return to our personal affairs, we will see more clearly.

## SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

**MARCH 12 — 13, 2022**

Usher Group I

**SATURDAY, MARCH 12**

**4:00 P.M.** Mass offered for the Soul of †Janet Minicucci  
requested by Jeffrey and Joanne Coralli

**SUNDAY, MARCH 13**

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

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

**9:00 A.M.** **FAITH FORMATION CLASSES**

**10:00 A.M.** Mass offered for the Souls of †Barbara and  
†Donald Sullivan  
requested by Patrick and Daniel Sullivan

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

**6:00 P.M.** Rosary

**MONDAY, MARCH 14** — No Mass

**TUESDAY, MARCH 15** — No Mass

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

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 16**

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

**THURSDAY, MARCH 17**

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

**FRIDAY, MARCH 18**

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

**4:00 P.M. to 6:30 P.M.**

**Lenten Fish Dinner – Dine in or Take out**  
Sponsored by St. Maurice Council 6199,  
Knights of Columbus

**SATURDAY, MARCH 19**

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

**ST. MAURICE PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY**

Members of the Prayer Shawl Ministry are making full size prayer shawls for our long term care patients. 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

Mary Ann Murphy at 860-649-5449

Thank you.

**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: David, Gloria, Dominic, Armar, Matt, Lauren.

Candle Intentions: Nick, Dominic, Christine, David, Dan, Faydra, Tim, Caroline, Tegen, Josh, Bill, Beth, Carolyn, Laurie, Lauren, Beth, Nick, Noah, Joshua, Dominic, Keith.

Thank you, Mary Ann

**SEASONAL SHARING****HELPING FAMILIES IN BOLTON**

As the Lent begins, we are thinking of those in need. We ask you to donate food for our Easter food distribution. You may leave non-perishable food donations at the church or at the Parish Center till April 9<sup>th</sup> for our April 10<sup>th</sup> delivery day.

**Christmas Fair Needs**

The Fair Group needs to gather baby food jars, individual jam jars from hotels, glass Christmas mugs, 18 inch zippers, children's buttons and decorated buttons, metal buttons. We need hundreds of baby food jars! If you have a source or stockpile, send them our way. Call Dorli at (860) 649-6255 or Sharon Scorsio at (860) 646-1423.

**Thank you for your fuel donations.**

Our last oil bills were:

Church \$3,474,

Parish Center \$3,477,

Rector's \$1,016.

**STEWARDSHIP**

**Offertory: March 6 — \$3,471**

**Projected Amount needed — \$3,470**

*"I am the Lord who brought you from Ur of the Chaldeans to give you this land as a possession."* (GENESIS 15:7)

Just as the Lord gave Abraham, Moses and the Israelites a land to possess, He has also given each of us a home. Whether your home is grand or humble, it is a gift from God. Abraham prepared a great sacrifice to the Lord in gratitude for the home God gave him. How do you show your gratitude to God for the home He has given you? Do you make a sacrifice of any kind? Do you return any of your finances to God, investing equally in your eternal home just as you invest in your earthly home?

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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 ST. MAURICE PARISH**

**The Saturday Vigil Mass time will change to 5:00 P.M. on the March 19<sup>th</sup> weekend**

**Lenten Fish Dinner – Dine in or Take out**

Friday March 11, 18, and 25<sup>th</sup>; April 1 and 8<sup>th</sup>

Time: 4:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Place: Ryba Hall, Parish Center

Menu: Baked fish and chips, coleslaw, roll with butter, coffee, tea, or lemonade

Cost: \$10.00 (\$5.00 for cheese pizza alternative)

Profits support a variety of charitable activities.

Sponsored by St. Maurice Council 6199, Knights of Columbus

**East Catholic High School**

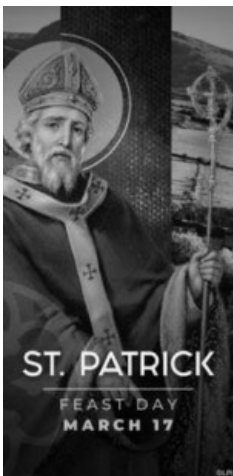
We just held a very well attended entrance exam and scheduled another one for Friday, March 25<sup>th</sup> at 12 noon for students who are just discovering their interest in East Catholic.

We are still running our “Eagle for a Day” shadow program and happily offer family tours. For more detailed information, please visit our website:

[www.echs.com/Admissions](http://www.echs.com/Admissions)

**Catholic Charities, Diocese of Norwich**

Thank you to all who have answered our prayers and have supported Catholic Charities in the past. As many still struggle through these tough economic times, Catholic Charities continues to help those most in need. We are currently in need of, and are collecting toiletries for adults and children — toothpaste, toothbrushes, soap, shampoo, conditioner, and deodorant. Donations can be brought to any one of our four locations in Norwich, New London, Middletown, and Willimantic. Visit [ccfsn.org](http://ccfsn.org) or call 860-889-8346 for more information. Thank you once again for your help in creating hope for our neighbors in need.

**Saint of the Week**

**St. Patrick | March 17**

Whether you know him as the man who brought Christianity to Ireland or simply as a reason you eat corned beef and cabbage in March, St. Patrick (415 – 493) is a well-known saint around the world.

St. Patrick was born in Britain of a Romanized family. At the age of 16, he was kidnapped by Irish raiders from the villa of his father, a deacon and local official, and brought into slavery in Ireland. He spent six long years there as a herdsman, during which he turned to his faith for strength. He later escaped back to Britain on a ship, where he was eventually reunited with his family.

His years of captivity changed him and brought out a zeal for God and a yearning to spread the message of Jesus Christ. Despite the constant danger of martyrdom, he continued to travel throughout Ireland where he baptized and confirmed in the name of Christ.

**FROM THE DIOCESE OF NORWICH****2022 Annual Catholic Appeal**

Thank you for your past support of the Annual Catholic Appeal which provides funds for many of the pastoral, educational, and charitable ministries of the Diocese of Norwich.

As we embark on our 2022 ACA, *One Faith, One Family*, we thank God for the strength and love we have received from him during this past year, when we, relying on our ONE FAITH, have uplifted our brothers and sisters in our ONE FAMILY. **The ACA in-pew collection will take place in our parish on March 26/27, 2022.** Please give prayerful consideration when contemplating your sacrificial gift to the appeal. The future of our ministries depends on it.

**The Way of the Cross:**

The Diocesan Office of Faith Events invites you to join us virtually each Friday during Lent as we pray together the Stations of the Cross with a different focus each week.

- ♦ March 18: Through the eyes of the bereaved
- ♦ March 25: Through the eyes of peace and justice

- ♦ April 1: Through the eyes of the divorced and separated
- ♦ April 8: Through the eyes of Pope Francis' in **Laudato Si: On Care for Our Common Home.**

The stations will begin at 7 P.M. and requires participants to have an internet connection. Registration is also required. To register Call Marianne Nicholas, at 860-848-2237, Ext 304 or email her at [mnicholas@norwichdiocese.net](mailto:mnicholas@norwichdiocese.net) You may register for one evening or all six.

**RACHEL'S VINEYARD RETREAT WEEKEND**

If you are silently grieving or suffering from an abortion, experience the healing love of Jesus Christ on a **Rachel's Vineyard Retreat**. The weekend healing process includes discussions, Living Scripture with meditations, the Sacrament of Reconciliation, a Memorial Service and Mass of Entrustment. Participation is confidential and offers an opportunity to experience God's love, forgiveness and compassion. Both women and men have participated in past retreats. The next upcoming weekend in Connecticut is **March 25-27**. For more information, call Marie at 203-631-9030 or e-mail her at [mlaffin@prolifeministry.org](mailto:mlaffin@prolifeministry.org); or visit the national website at [www.rachelsvineyard.org](http://www.rachelsvineyard.org).

**Worldwide Marriage Encounter**

Worldwide Marriage Encounter announces an in-person experience in New England. This non-residential weekend takes place at St. Gabriel The Archangel Church 151 Mendon St., Upton, MA from Friday, March 18- Sunday, March 20, 2022. Couples can drive to the experience from their homes or stay at one of several hotels in the area. Worldwide Marriage Encounter is designed to deepen and enrich the joys a couple shares together whether they've been married only a short time or many years. This in-person experience will be conducted in accordance with CDC safety protocols including social distancing. To apply contact Joe & Ginny Vatalle at 800-710-9963 or visit [wwmema.org](http://wwmema.org).



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