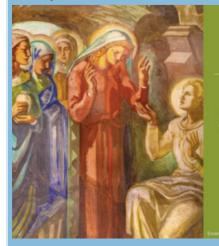
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EASTER SUNDAY

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The women who had come from Galilee with Jesus took the spices they had prepared and went to the tomb. They found the stone rolled away from the tomb; but when they entered, they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. - Lk 24:1b-3

There are many stones in our paths that keep us from truly living and being free. Some of these boulders have been there for a very long time. They have been there so long that they have even settled into the soil of our lives with other weeds, vines, and compacted soil keeping them firmly in place. We find them hard to move and trying to do so can be exhausting. What are these suffocating albatrosses that keep us so tethered and immobile? They are many things.

They are past childhood wounds and hurts that stem from disappointment, rejection, or abuse. People may have told us we were unwanted, that the world is frightening, that there are only some acceptable feelings you can have and others you cannot. We may have tried to love someone or struggled to figure out how and were met with rejection. Maybe we trusted someone completely and were betrayed. We come to life collecting barnacles that begin to attach to other barnacles and before you know it, we have a mass of solid matter blocking our vision and keeping us from moving. We live in fear. We are afraid of losing what we have, afraid that the future will be empty, afraid that we won't succeed and even more afraid that we will not be loved. There is so much fear. Didn't Jesus tell us not to worry and to not be afraid? Either we believe in the message of Easter, or we don't!

Go confidently into the night. Walking with God you will find the light and strength you need. Often without even knowing, God will move those boulders and stumbling blocks that bind us and, with putting one foot in front of the other and looking forward, we will move. The resurrection of Christ is really all about receiving the gifts of trust and faith and doing new things. The rocks that bind us keep us spinning the same wheels and doing the same things. When was the last time you threw caution to the wind and actually did something totally out of character and different? This is where we find God, in the spontaneous, the adventurous, the fun, and the creative choices we make! God is not boring and stuck. God is exciting and engaging. Jesus Christ is risen from the dead! Find a way to trust that this is true and live.



EASTER SUNDAY APRIL 17, 2022

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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 4:25 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.

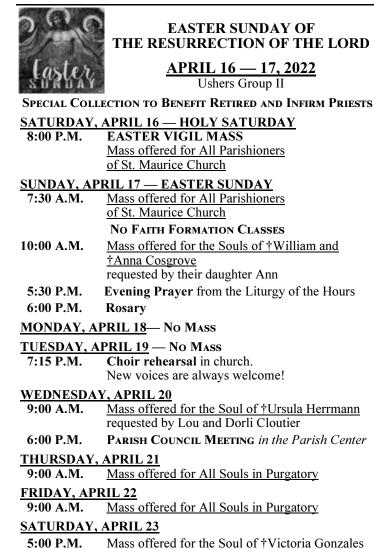
CHURCH MEMBERSHIP:

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.

ST. MAURICE CHURCH



requested by Gonzalez and Cyranowicz Families



ON APRIL 23 THE SATURDAY VIGIL MASS TIME WILL CHANGE BACK TO 5PM

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: Peg, Joanie, Shaun, Tiffany, Rose, Alyson, Kate, Danielle, Autumn, Bob, David, Grace, Eva, Janet, Natalie, Joyce, Sandi, Charlene, Tom.

Candle Intentions: Veronica, Kate, Veronica, Joshua, Nick, Noah, Faydra, Tim, Caroline, Teagan, Sam, Caroline, Teagan, Sam, Joan, Bill, Beth, Chris, Lori, Carolyn, Elaine, Sebastiana, Damaseno.

Thank you, MaryAnn

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

Christmas Fair Needs

Mary Ann Murphy at 860-649-5449

Thank you.



The Fair Group needs individual jam jars from hotels, pint canning jars, glass Christmas mugs, candle jars and left over candles

of all colors and sizes, children's buttons and decorated buttons, metal buttons and artificial Christmas wreaths. We need hundreds of baby food jars! Call Dorli Cloutier at (860) 649-6255 or Sharon Scorso at (860) 646-1423.

STEWARDSHIP Offertory: April 10 —\$3,987 Projected Amount needed — \$3,470

"... He went about doing good and healing all those oppressed by the devil, for God was with him."

(ACTS 10:38)

We can't give what we don't have. Open your heart to receive God's love, mercy and forgiveness. Then, show the same to others. As God's adopted sons and daughters, we are made in His image and likeness. As Pope Benedict XVI says, "we are made for greatness." Let our lives reflect His light to others. Pray to live a grateful and generous life. Strive for greatness! We are made for more! We are made for God!

^ 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	
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 SEASONAL SHARING THANK YOU!!!



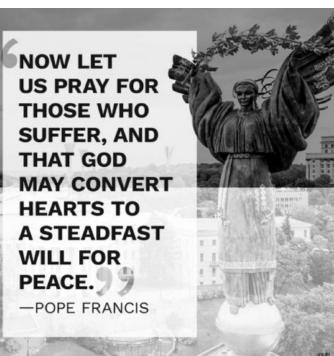
St. Maurice in collaboration with Bolton Senior & Social Services distributed food and other groceries on Palm Sunday.

Thank you to all who helped with the Easter food delivery for our Bolton families in need. The families sent their thanks to all who denoted food and

their thanks to all who donated food and money. We would like to thank **Shop Rite** for donating the meat. Cash donations were used to purchase Shop Rite gift cards. St. Maurice parishioners made deliveries to 25 families in need this year. **Thank you for your continued support.**



Sunday, April 24th 3:00 pm Recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet for peace in Ukraine and the world.





East Catholic High School

Our Admissions Team is welcoming a new group of candidates taking our placement exam on April 19th at 9:30 am. We wish them the best of luck and we hope to see all of them joining our Eagle Nation. Exams can

also be scheduled at your convenience on an individual basis by contacting Chad Malone at malonec@echs.com. We continue with our Shadow Day program, family tours and enrollment process. Our Incoming Freshmen Social and Parent Orientation is scheduled for May 13th at East Catholic. More details to follow!

FROM THE DIOCESE OF NORWICH

OUTREACH Diocese of Norwich Outreach to Haiti TO HAITI will host its 14th annual For the Love of a Child Charity Gala, Saturday,

April 23, 2022 at A Villa Louisa, 60 Villa Louisa Rd., Bolton, CT. The Most Reverend Michael R. Cote, D.D., Bishop of the Diocese of Norwich, invites you to join him. A silent auction will feature tickets to Bushnell and Goodspeed Shows, and to Red Sox & amp; Yankee Games, a Kentucky Bourbon Trail Trip, Haitian Artwork, and Baskets of Cheer.

Cocktails are at 6:30, followed by dinner. The price is \$100 per person. PleaseRSVP on-line or call Outreach office at 860 800 3601.



Catholic Charities is celebrating our **100th Anniversary** on May 14th at 6:00 PM at Mystic Aquarium! The Centennial Celebration will be fun for the whole family with face painting, a scavenger hunt, raffle, silent auction, and various food stations, while enjoying

all the amenities of Mystic Aquarium. Come celebrate this amazing milestone with us! Tickets: \$100.00 per adult, children 12 and under are free (Limit 2 children per adult). Visit <u>ccfsn.org</u> or call Sally at 203-556-0115 for more information. Sponsorships available!



Ladies! ACTS Connecticut A Beautiful Weekend is planned for you! ACTS Retreat for Women — May 12-15, 2022 Sponsored by Our Lady Queen of Peace Parish, Coventry/Storrs

Retreat Location: Enders Island Retreat Center, Mystic, CT Come join a group of Catholic women who will present an ACTS weekend retreat under the guidance of a Catholic Guide. The retreat theme is "Behold, I make all things new." (Rev. 21:5)

The retreat is held at Enders Island, Mystic. Transportation is provided. Ladies, treat yourself to a weekend away with Our Lord in a beautiful setting by the sea, with delicious meals, and fellowship with an amazing group of women from the parish and surrounding area. What a beautiful Mother's Day Gift! Gentlemen, treat that special lady in your life with this wonderful gift. We have a special reduced rate for all first time retreatants. Scholarships are also available for those who qualify.

Want to know more? Contact Elizabeth Percy at tiggpercy@hotmail.com.

Registration information is available at <u>ACTSCT.org</u>. under Retreats, Women, May 12-15 at Enders.



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