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## 22<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Rather, when you hold a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind; blessed indeed will you be because of their inability to repay you. For you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous." - Lk 14:13-14

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People who are concerned with their own advancement and agenda have little room for anyone else. With an almost addictive pursuit of esteem and acknowledgment from others, they become little more than entitled embodiments of the vice of pride. Public humiliation or embarrassment can hit them hard. While avoiding humiliation and embarrassment may be advantageous to obtaining worldly success, they are much less desirable motivations for entering the Kingdom of God. Avoiding embarrassment is a self-serving motivation. Pride and all of its manifestations have no place on God's agenda, neither do worldly success and fulfillment. In fact, we have been clearly told that if we love our lives, we will lose them. Therefore, if you really want to find your true station in life, learn to give yourself away.

While this may sound foolish to secular ears, it actually makes perfect sense. God, who is love, makes each of us in His image. Love, and therefore God, is in our DNA. That being the case, love is never love if it is kept to oneself or hoarded. Love needs to be shared and given away. Therefore, it is the only proper motivation for entering the Kingdom of God. The door to happiness is only opened when we realize that all we are and all we have is due only to God's grace. Without God we are nothing.

Love is the remedy for pride and protects us from ourselves. God asks us to be humble. Only when we are free from the traps of pride and arrogance that we can begin to follow the path to true humility. Only one who is humble can rightly love and be of service to God. "God makes use only of the humble as his instruments (Jean-Pierre de Caussade)." The humble one does not need others to give them worth and value. Their self-esteem comes from the much more secure foundation of God. Only those who are entirely free can give themselves freely to others. Love must always be our motivation for doing all things. Be content that God has invited you to the banquet of life. Concern yourself with accepting the invitation, and don't worry about where you will sit.



**TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**AUGUST 28, 2022**

### **Prayer Line**

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### **Pastor**

**Fr. Bill Olesik**

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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 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-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**AUGUST 27 — 28, 2022**

Ushers Group I

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 27**

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

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 28**

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

**10:00 A.M.** Mass offered for the Soul of †Paul Brown requested by Pam Brown

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

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

**MONDAY, AUGUST 29 — No Mass**

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 30 — No Mass**

Choir practice will resume on Tuesday 9/6/2022 at 7:15 P.M.

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 31**

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

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 1**

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

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 2**

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



**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 3**

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



**Saint Maurice Church**  
**First Friday**

**Eucharistic Adoration**  
**September 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**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*



**PARISH RAFFLE 2022**

A very special thank you to everyone who participated in the Parish Raffle 2022.

It was successful, we were able to raise

\$5,000. for St. Maurice parish. Again, thank you.

God bless you all.

**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: Charlie, Gilbert,

Fallan, Rose and Family, Dominic, Linda.

Candle Intentions: Special prayers for the Intentions in the Candle Note Book.

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

Mary Ann Murphy at 860-649-5449

Thank you.



**Faith Formation 2022-23**

Registration forms and the calendar for the 2022-23 school year are available in PDF on the parish website and in paper on the ushers' tables at the back of the church. Completed paper registration forms can be mailed or dropped in the Sunday collection. Completed PDF forms can be returned by e-mail.

**STEWARDSHIP**

**Offertory: August 21 — \$3,753**

**Projected Amount needed — \$3,470**

*"Rather, when you hold a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind; blessed indeed will you be because of their inability to repay you."* LUKE 14:13-14

One of the main principles of living a stewardship lifestyle is to give without expecting anything in return. This is difficult for some to comprehend in our "consumerist" culture that we live in. This is even difficult for many parish communities that have become heavily dependent on parish fundraising events to support the mission and ministry of their local parish. Generally speaking, at a parish fundraiser, you pay money and receive something in return, it's just a financial transaction. This is opposed to our parish offertory at Holy Mass, where you unite your sacrifice with Jesus', renewing our covenant relationship with Him.

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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**



**DRIVE FOR CHARITIES**

The Drive for Charities planned for September 10, 2022 and sponsored by St. Maurice Council 6199 Knights of Columbus has been cancelled due to the lack of an appropriate venue. If you have already sent in sponsorship or registration fees, these will be returned. Past recipients from the proceeds have included the Manchester Area Conference of Churches and Windham Area Interfaith Ministries.

If you wish to donate in lieu of participation, put a check in the collection made out to "St. Maurice Council 6199 K of C" with memo "donation to charity". A report will appear in the bulletin.



**Diocese of Norwich Outreach to Haiti  
Charity Golf Tournament**

Come join us for the Diocese of Norwich Outreach to Haiti Annual Charity Golf Tournament on Saturday, September 10 at Wintonbury Hills Golf Course - Ranked #6 Municipal Golf course in the USA by Sports Illustrated Golf.com.

Register on-line at [www.outreachtohaiti.org](http://www.outreachtohaiti.org) or call the office (860)800-3601. Your gifts support our Diocesan Mission in Haiti including our Medical Clinic, Healthcare Services, Food and Nutritional Supplement Programs, Education Sponsorships, 16 Parish Twins in the Archdiocese of Port-au-Prince, and completion of our newly built clinic and center of operations in Christ the King neighborhood. Check in 11AM. Golf, lunch and dinner are included in the great price of \$175. Come as a foursome or make new friends and join one. All activities held outdoors in a beautiful setting. Thank you for your support!

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**FROM THE DIOCESE OF NORWICH**



**National  
Combined  
Collection**

Next weekend our parish will conduct the **National Combined Collection** encompassing: The Catholic Communication Campaign, The Annual Appeal for the Holy Father (Peter's Pence), The Retirement Fund for Religious, and Catholic University of America which will provide the Holy Father with the funds to reach out to people suffering in our world; help religious communities care for aging members; and offer students an excellent university education grounded in Catholic intellectual tradition as well as spread the gospel here and throughout the world. Please bring your gift envelope to Mass next weekend, or if you are unable to attend Mass please mail or deliver the envelope to your parish office by the end of September. **Your support of these needs of the Universal Church will truly make a difference.**



**You Can Help Your Marriage**

Do you feel alone in your marriage? Are you frustrated or angry with your spouse? Do you and your spouse argue, or have you just stopped talking to each other? Does talking about your relationship make it worse? If you answered 'yes' to any of these questions, consider attending a **Retrouvaille** weekend experience. Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi with a long i) helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. This program has helped thousands of couples with difficulties in their marriage. It seeks to help couples heal and renew their hurting marriages. For confidential information about the program or to register for the upcoming **September 16-18** weekend, call 1-800-470-2230, email [3001r@retrouvaille.org](mailto:3001r@retrouvaille.org), or visit the national website at <http://helpourmarriage.org>



***Faithfully Loved, Faithfully Remembered***

Because of their great concern for the welfare of others, each year, many of our dearly departed family and friends generously supported our **Annual Catholic Appeal**. In honor of their devotion to the Church and all its good works, we invite you to make a donation to the 2022 ACA, *Faithfully Loved, Faithfully Remembered*, and have their name(s) listed in our Book of Remembrance. These intentions will be included in the Mass of All Souls' Day, celebrated by Bishop Michael R. Cote, D. D. at the Cathedral of St. Patrick, Norwich on November 2, 2022, at noon. Paper forms can be picked up from the ushers' tables at the back of the church. The form in PDF can be downloaded from the home page of our website.

To have your departed included in the Book of Remembrance, please complete the form and donate a minimum of \$25, either online or via a check payable to the Annual Catholic Appeal and mail to ACA, 197 Broadway, Norwich, CT 06360.

To donate online please go to [norwichdiocesedevelopment.org](http://norwichdiocesedevelopment.org), click the DONATE button and select All Souls Donation option. All submissions with full payment must be received by October 10th and will be applied to the 2022 Annual Catholic Appeal. Previous gifts do not qualify.



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