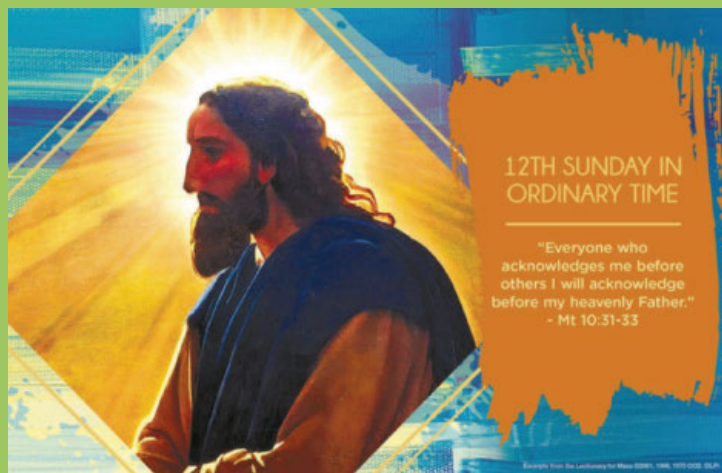


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TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
JUNE 25, 2023

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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.

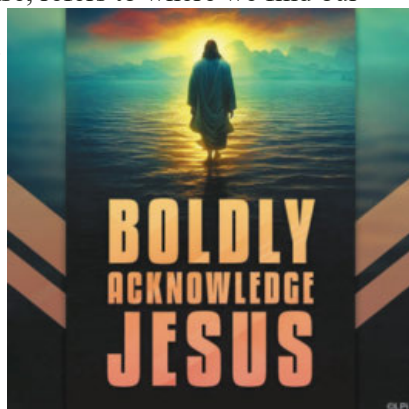
SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:
Arrangements must start more than 6 months before marriage. Necessary interviews, a pre-cana course and plenty of paperwork is required. We strongly urge you to contact us to begin the Diocesan preparation course as soon as you are engaged to get the most out of it without rush.

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.

When I was in middle school, there were times I didn't want my fellow students to see my parents drop me off or pick me up in the school parking lot. I was embarrassed of my parents. Why? I have no idea. Maybe it was our station wagon. Or I didn't want to look like a little kid. But in retrospect that was a silly thing to do. I was a kid. And I had two parents who loved me and had built a wonderful family. I was afraid of the other kids' judgment. How silly! I should have been afraid of forgetting or downplaying my family, which is where my identity had its deep roots.

This is a way to understand Jesus' words to his disciples this Sunday, when he says, **“Don't be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather, be afraid of the one who can destroy both soul and body in Gehenna.”** Fear, in this sense, refers to where we find our deepest identity and our highest love. That's why Jesus says next that when we acknowledge him before others, he will acknowledge us before the Father. It doesn't mean we're brash or boastful. But rather we unhesitatingly and humbly embrace our identity as followers of Jesus and children of God the Father. After all, if we love who we are and where we come from, who cares what the other kids think about us?



— Father John Muir

TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JUNE 24 — 25, 2023

Ushers Group IV

SATURDAY, JUNE 244:30 P.M. **Rosary** (in the Cry Room)5:00 P.M. Mass offered for All the Parishioners of St. Maurice Church**Chaplet of Divine Mercy** (in the Cry Room)**SUNDAY, JUNE 25**7:30 A.M. Mass offered for All Souls in Purgatory**Chaplet of Divine Mercy** (in the Cry Room)10:00 A.M. Mass offered for All Souls in Purgatory**Chaplet of Divine Mercy** (in the Cry Room)5:30 P.M. **Evening Prayer** from the Liturgy of the Hours**MONDAY, JUNE 26 — No Mass****TUESDAY, JUNE 27 — No Mass****Choir practice has ended for the summer***The first practice of the next season is on September 6, 2023***WEDNESDAY, JUNE 28**9:00 A.M. Mass offered for All Souls in Purgatory**THURSDAY, JUNE 29**9:00 A.M. Mass offered for All Souls in Purgatory**FRIDAY, JUNE 30**9:00 A.M. Mass offered for All Souls in Purgatory**SATURDAY, JULY 1**4:30 P.M. **Rosary** (in the Cry Room)5:00 P.M. Mass offered for the soul of † Robert W. Eber
requested by Joe Eber**Chaplet of Divine Mercy** (in the Cry Room)

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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 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: Lillian, June, Matthew, Kathy, Pete, Stephen, Pamela, Family, man, Morgan.

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

Please call Carol Zabielski at 860- 643-2837

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:

Irene Zdrojowy 860-533-1733

I would like to thank everyone who has knitted or crocheted prayer shawls/lap blankets, etc. I am running low on shawls and would like to make some prayer shawls for our veterans. If you are able, please make and bring prayer shawls in prior to July 4th. I am also doing a prayer shawl collection for Alzheimer patients. Any assistance in this matter is greatly appreciated.

Thank you, Irene Zdrojowy

**SUMMER OFFERTORY**

It will really help Father and Theresa to pay the bills during the summer if you would arrange to make your usual weekly donation by some

electronic means, either through your bank or the Donate Online page of the parish website. You can also fill out and return an EFT Authorization Form available on the usher's tables in the back of the church.

STEWARDSHIP**Offertory: June 18 — \$4,775****Projected Amount needed — \$3,670***"Everyone who acknowledges me before others I will acknowledge before my heavenly Father."*

— MATTHEW 10:32

Would others know that you are Catholic by the way you act and speak? Do you share your Catholic faith with others? Do you defend your Catholic faith when the situation arises or do you remain silent? Do you pray in public before meals? Pray for the strength and courage to be a joyful witness of our Catholic faith when the opportunity presents itself. Let us become the radiant light and bold witness that we are called to be!

FROM ST. MAURICE PARISH

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are in need of Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Altar Servers and Ushers for all Masses. If you are interested, please speak with the Lector or Eucharistic Minister or Usher or contact the Parish office. You can also put your name and contact information in the collection basket and we will contact you.

WE ♥ OUR VOLUNTEERS

2023 PARISH RAFFLE

THE JOINT PARISH RAFFLE

Twenty-three (23) prizes to be awarded totaling \$68,000.00

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3rd PRIZE: \$8,000 American Express Gift Card

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The raffle will be drawn on Saturday, August 12, 2023 at 8:00 PM and can be viewed live at parishraffle.com

Our parish will receive 50% of our total ticket sales.

You should've received your tickets.

If anyone would like additional tickets please contact the rectory.

Please consider purchasing these tickets for yourself or selling them to family members, friends, or neighbors.

**Worldwide Marriage Encounter**

Matt 10:26-33: "Do not be afraid. You are worth more than many sparrows. Everyone who acknowledges me before others, I will acknowledge them before my heavenly father."

God can help you in your life as well as in your relationships. Pray together, share your faith and love with your spouse. To enrich your marriage and find out how to grow in your faith more, check out a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience. The dates are:

August 11-13, 2023 in Storrs, CT

August 25-27, 2023 in Vermont

September 22-24, 2023 in Huntington, NY

October 20-22, 2023 in Vermont

Worldwide Marriage Encounter sponsors a variety of in-person and virtual marriage experiences, some on weekends and some on seven weekdays. Couples explore their relationship with each other, God, and the Church. Registration is limited; there is a \$100 application fee.

For more information or to apply, call Frank & Margie Pearson at 860-337-2447 or <https://www.mectw.org/>.

FROM THE DIOCESE OF NORWICH

Combined
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World Charities

2023 WORLD COMBINED COLLECTION

Last weekend the Combined Collection for World Charities which supports Catholic Relief Services, The Campaign for Human Development, aid to the Church in Central and Eastern Europe, and Christianity in the Holy Land was conducted. If you were unable to bring your gift envelope, extra envelopes are available at the ushers' tables. Your support of these needs of the Universal Church is greatly appreciated. Your envelope can be dropped in the collection box or mailed directly to the parish. Thank you

**ANNIVERSARY MASS REGISTRATION**

All couples married 25 & 50 years or celebrating any significant anniversary are invited to attend the 2023 Silver and Golden Jubilee Anniversary Mass celebrated by Bishop Michael R. Cote at the Cathedral of St. Patrick in Norwich on Sunday, **September 10, 2023, at 2 P.M.** Registration is required. To do so, send the following information: **husband and wife's name, address, telephone number, wedding date, anniversary being celebrated and parish** to Mary-Jo McLaughlin, Catholic Family Services Coordinator, 199 Broadway, Norwich, CT 06360, call 860-848-2237, Ext 312, or email at mmclaughlin@norwichdiocese.net. The deadline for registering is **Monday, August 14. This is a firm date, so please register early.** Couples may also email a **recent digital photo** of themselves in a **jpeg format** to the email address to be included in a gallery of pictures on the Diocesan Website.

Banns of Ordination

The following men will be called to the Order of Permanent Deacon on Saturday, July 8, 2023:

Mr. Joseph Delaney

Mr. Mark Desrosiers

Mr. Christopher Hammond

Mr. David Imhof

Mr. Ronald Krystofik

Should you know of any reason why these men should not be ordained Permanent Deacons

please write to:

The Most Reverend Michael R. Cote, Bishop of Norwich
201 Broadway
Norwich, CT 06360

Virtual Project Rachel Rosary

The third Tuesday of each month at 3pm, come and pray the Project Rachel Rosary online with the Office of Faith Events. The Project Rachel Rosary focuses on putting an end to abortion and healing for those who have been involved in an abortion. Our next Rosary will be Tuesday July 18th, please join us:

Meeting link: <https://bit.ly/316zdeG>

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