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THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD  
AUGUST 6, 2023



What is Christianity finally about? These days if you ask almost anyone who doesn't know the Bible you'll probably hear an answer like this: "Being a good person" or "following the golden rule." No offense to the golden rule, but our faith is simply much stranger than that. This week's feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord is a luminous example of this. Jesus becomes radiantly and overwhelmingly beautiful. The glory of God literally shines forth from his body and even his clothes. Here we see that Christianity is not mainly a moral system, but a relationship with God in Christ, one that finally makes human beings gloriously beautiful.

Now we can see our good and bad deeds in a new and de-centered way. Our morality isn't about a heaven or hell scorecard. It's about lives open (or closed) to transfiguration, lives capable of revealing the glory of God in Christ to the world. Spouses, children, friends, co-workers, priests, consecrated women and men, and so on — we are all called to let the beauty of Jesus make our lives beautiful, little by little. His beauty in us is the center of our faith.

— *Father John Muir*



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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.



**THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD**

**AUGUST 5 — 6, 2023**

Ushers Group II

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 5**

- 4:30 P.M.** Rosary (in the Cry Room)
- 5:00 P.M.** Mass offered for All Souls in Purgatory  
Chaplet of Divine Mercy (in the Cry Room)

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 6**

- 7:30 A.M.** Mass offered for All the Parishioners of St. Maurice Church  
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, AUGUST 7 — No MASS**

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 8 — No MASS**

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 9**

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

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 10**

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

**FRIDAY, AUGUST 11**

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

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 12**

- 4:30 P.M.** **Knights of Columbus Rosary** on the second Saturday (in the Cry Room)
- 5:00 P.M.** Mass offered for the Soul of †Bill Miller requested by The Family  
Chaplet of Divine Mercy (in the Cry Room)



**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.**



**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: Lorraine, Vivian, Bennett, Margaret, Vicki, Jenny, Cathy, Angie, Tiffany, Matt. Noah.  
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

**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: July 30 — \$2,568**  
**Projected Amount needed — \$3,670**

*"...then from the cloud came a voice that said, 'This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him.'"*  
- MATTHEW 17:5

When Peter, James and John heard this they immediately fell prostrate to the ground and they "were very much afraid." We, too, may respond the same way when we hear God's voice. How many times do you become fearful when invited to participate more fully in the life of the Church? Or, when someone says something negative about the Church, are you afraid to respond? Remember, we too, are beloved sons and daughters of God; Jesus is there to help us, but we need to listen.

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**Memorial Mass Form**

Drop in collection ^

Father Bill, please offer a weekend \_\_\_ (or) weekday \_\_\_ Mass for the soul \_\_\_ (or) intentions \_\_\_ (as applicable) of:

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Person requesting \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

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Home phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell phone \_\_\_\_\_

Check enclosed \_\_\_ Envelope No. \_\_\_\_\_ We will Donate Online \_\_\_ (Customary donation \$10 weekday, \$20 weekend)

I will bring up the gifts at the Mass celebrated. Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

**FROM ST. MAURICE PARISH**



**St. Maurice Council 6199  
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This coming Saturday, August 12, 2023, at 4:30 p.m. in the Cry Room we will pray the first Second Saturday Knights Rosary. All are welcome to join. If there are too many to fit in the Cry Room, we will shout Hallelujah! and work out another location on the spot.

**FROM THE DIOCESE OF NORWICH**



**BECOME A CERTIFIED SPIRITUAL DIRECTOR:**  
*The Immaculate Conception Center in Putnam CT, in partnership with Franciscan University of Steubenville, is offering a three-year training program for those who feel called to serve as Spiritual Directors. Classes are taught during a two-week winter training session each year. We invite you to prayerfully consider joining our program to begin accompanying brothers and sisters in Christ on their journey with our Lord. Application materials can be found at:*  
**[immaculateconceptioncenter.org](http://immaculateconceptioncenter.org)**.

For questions, please email:

**[admin@immaculateconceptioncenter.org](mailto:admin@immaculateconceptioncenter.org)**

or call: 860-928-7955.

Winter Intensive 1 (of 3): January 28-February 10, 2024.

Application Due Date: September 1, 2023



**Windham Area Interfaith Ministry**

Windham Area Interfaith Ministry's long-time executive director Victoria Nimirowski is retiring in November 2023. WAIM is in the process of searching for a new director. For a full profile of the position, and contact information for the search, please see the WAIM website [www.waimct.org](http://www.waimct.org)

From September to June the Office of Faith Events Hope and Faith video series will ask the question, "What is your favorite part of mass and why?" If you would like to share your answer to this question in a short 2 minute video that would be shared with the whole diocese, please contact Marianne at 860-848-2237 ext. 304 or email at [manicholas@norwichdiocese.net](mailto:manicholas@norwichdiocese.net)



**Christmas Fair Needs**

The Christmas Fair Group requests donations of crockery to make into flowerpots for herbs. We will be growing plants suitable for window-sill gardens. The pots may be

chipped, but not broken. We will drill holes in the bottom for drainage. Teacups are too small, but teapots are great. Boxes for donations can be found in the two rear vestibules of the church.



Help the Office of Faith Events decorate two trees for the Wadsworth Athenaeum Festival of Trees 2023! Our two trees' themes will be "Warm and Toasty Christmas" and "Mental Health Awareness". **Handmade** hats and scarves of all sizes, shapes and colors needed - the brighter the better as well as ornaments that show Hope, Understanding, and Support and Donations of BRIGHT GREEN ribbon.



Any contributions can be mailed or delivered to the Office of Faith Events, 199 Broadway, Norwich. Questions? Call 860-848-2237 ext. 203 or ext. 304

**Worldwide Marriage Encounter**



Matt 17:1-9: *"Jesus transfigured before them, his face shone like the sun and his clothes became dazzling white. From a cloud came a voice saying, This is my beloved son, listen to him."*

Let us all listen to Jesus. He can transform your life. Let him transform your marriage. Come experience a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience where you and your spouse will be transformed. The dates are:

**August 11-13, 2023 in Storrs, CT**

**August 25-27, 2023 in Derby Line, 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/>

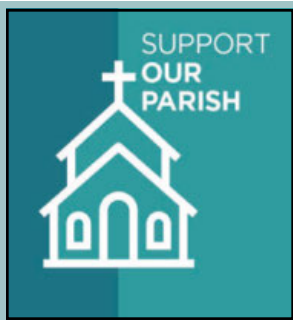
**ANNIVERSARY MASS  
REGISTRATION DEADLINE**



The deadline for registering for the 2023 Silver and Golden Jubilee Anniversary Mass is fast approaching. If

you haven't yet registered and are planning to do attend this year's Mass, please do so by **Monday, August 14. This is a firm date.** All couples married 25 & 50 years or celebrating any significant anniversary year are invited to attend the Mass celebrated by Bishop Michael R. Cote at the Cathedral of St. Patrick in Norwich on Sunday, **September 10, 2023, at 2 P.M.** Register by sending 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](mailto:mmclaughlin@norwichdiocese.net). Couples may also email a **recent digital photo** of themselves in a **jpeg format** to this address to be included in a gallery of pictures on the Diocesan Website.





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