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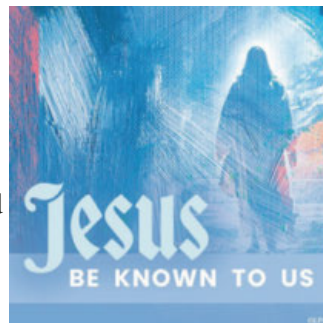
THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER
APRIL 14, 2024



When I was a kid, a friend at my home parish told me, "If you get to Mass by the Gospel reading, it counts!" As a lifelong late-arriver, it's something I have told myself many times, especially in my earlier years as a Catholic. If the "it counts" is justifiable on a pathetically minimal scale of liturgical legalism, then the Gospel reading today shows how insanely wrong-headed it is, and how helpful it is to re-think the Mass in its light.

The famous "Road to Emmaus" story recounts, on that first Sunday of the Resurrection, the basic two-fold structure of the Mass: *Word*, followed by *Eucharist*. Jesus spends a significant period of time with two dismayed disciples, as he connects a wide swath of the Hebrew scriptures with his own suffering, death, and resurrection. They would later report that this Liturgy of the Word touched their hearts with an inexplicable fire. This Word-induced flame alone is what leads the two disciples to discover Jesus' presence in the "breaking of the bread."

With this in mind, how can we possibly think that the Liturgy of the Word is unnecessary or incidental? The two disciples needed the Scriptures explained to them in order to experience Jesus alive in the eucharistic breaking of bread. Sure, we say, but they had the Risen Jesus. But that's precisely the point: Jesus is risen and accompanies us in both parts of the Mass. Imagine how much our experience of Jesus in the Eucharist would deepen if we (preachers and listeners) took even more seriously that Jesus himself sets our hearts ablaze with his Word so that we know him in the Eucharist. That Word-induced fire counts, too! -Father John Muir



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WEEKEND MASSES:

Saturdays at 4:00 p.m. / 5:00 p.m. starting on May 4th
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 3:00 p.m. to 3:45 p.m. / 4:00 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. starting on May 4th

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.

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 13 — 14, 2024

Ushers Group II

SATURDAY, APRIL 13

3:30 P.M. Knights of Columbus Rosary (in the Cry Room)

4:00 P.M. Mass offered for the Souls of †Antonio, †Elizabeth, †Rocco and †Helen Fiano requested by Larry Fiano and Family

SUNDAY, APRIL 14

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

Chaplet of Divine Mercy (in the Cry Room)

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

Chaplet of Divine Mercy (in the Cry Room)

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

MONDAY, APRIL 15 — No MASS

6:30 P.M. Parish Council Meeting (in the Parish Center)

TUESDAY, APRIL 16 — No MASS

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

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17

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

9:00 A.M. CHRISTMAS FAIR WORKSHOP (in the Parish Center)

7:00 P.M. Knights of Columbus Business Meeting (in the Parish Center)



THURSDAY, APRIL 18

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

FRIDAY, APRIL 19

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

SATURDAY, APRIL 20

3:30 P.M. Rosary (in the Cry Room)

4:00 P.M. Mass offered for the Soul of †Andrew Carpenter requested by Richard Carpenter

SUNDAY, APRIL 21

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

Chaplet of Divine Mercy (in the Cry Room)

9:00 A.M. FAITH FORMATION CLASSES

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

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: Robert, Anne, Man, Trudy, Christopher.

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

ON MAY 4TH THE SATURDAY VIGIL MASS TIME WILL GO BACK TO 5PM
SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION WILL BE FROM 4:00PM TO 4:45PM



HOLY HOUR FOR VOCATIONS

Come join in praying a Eucharistic Holy Hour for Vocations led by Bishop Cote.

THURSDAY, APRIL 18TH
6:00PM — 7:00PM
ST. BERNARD CHURCH

THURSDAY, MAY 16TH
6:00PM — 7:00PM
ST. MAURICE CHURCH

These hours of adoration are a wonderful opportunity to pray for vocations to the priesthood and religious life, to pray for our seminarians, and for our priests and religious already serving our diocese.

STEWARDSHIP

Offertory: April 7 — \$2,875

Projected Amount needed — \$3,670

“Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, ‘Peace be with you.’ But they were startled and frightened...”

- LUKE 24:36-37

Throughout the day we have many opportunities to “see the face of Jesus” in others and to “be the face of Jesus” to others. Do we take that opportunity to provide “peace” to those we encounter or are we afraid of what others will think of us and do nothing? Pray for the strength and courage to live a “God-centered” life and not a “self-centered” life.

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Parish Membership Form

Drop in collection ^

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FROM ST. MAURICE PARISH

BLESSED SACRAMENT PARISH
2024 PARISH MISSION

Three Nights with Jesus

Sunday, April 21st
Monday, April 22nd
Tuesday, April 23rd
7:00pm-8:00pm
St. Bernard Church

JOIN US AS WE CELEBRATE AND COME CLOSER TO JESUS THROUGH THE MASS, HIS LOVE, AND HIS HEALING.

SUNDAY, APRIL 21ST - SHARING A MEAL WITH JESUS
Presented by: Fr. Larry, Fr. Steve, Dcn. Mike, & Dcn. Ron

MONDAY, APRIL 22ND - CELEBRATING THE LOVE OF JESUS
Presented by Allison Gingras

TUESDAY, APRIL 23RD - HEALED BY JESUS
Presented by: Fr. Rick
IF YOUR SCHEDULE ALLOWS, WE INVITE YOU TO ALSO JOIN US EACH NIGHT FOR:

Adoration & Benediction starting at 6:00pm
Fellowship & Follow up starting at 8:00pm



For more information, scan the QR code or go to blessedsacramentct.org



Worldwide Marriage Encounter:

1 John 2:1-3 "My children, I am writing this to you so you may not commit sin. But, if anyone does sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ, the righteous one. He is expiation for our sins, and not for our sins only but for those of the whole world. That we may be sure that we know him is to keep his commandments." As we get to know Jesus more and obey his commandments, he will open our minds to understand the scriptures. Jesus will also open your heart to love and forgive one another. Take a leap of faith, and trust God to nourish your relationship. Sign up for a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience and you will learn the tools to transform your marriage. You can find one by looking up WWME.org. Some of the dates to sign up are:

June 7-June 9, 2024 in Upton,, MA
June 21-June 23, 2024 in Huntington, NY
August 2-4, 2024 in Portland, CT

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://wwmectw.org/>.

SCOUTING AWARDING CEREMONY

The Office of Faith Events invites you to join Bishop Michael Cote on Sunday, April 28th at St. Patrick's Cathedral beginning at 2pm to celebrate the Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts from around the Diocese of Norwich who have been awarded a religious emblem. Come and celebrate with their pack, troop, church, family, and friends.

FROM THE DIOCESE OF NORWICH



Diocese of Norwich

Outreach to Haiti Annual Fundraiser

Please join Bishop Cote at the Diocese of Norwich Outreach to Haiti Annual Charity Gala, Saturday, April 20, 6:30 pm at A Villa Louisa, Bolton CT. RSVP on-line www.outreachtohaiti.org or call Outreach to Haiti 860 800 3601. Proceeds benefit the Diocese's long-standing mission in the Archdiocese of Port-au-Prince, Haiti. Outreach provides nutrition & feeding programs, medical and healthcare aid, education sponsorship, parish twinning and more. The evening features a silent auction, cocktails, and dinner. The price is \$100. Thank you for your support!



PROJECT RACHEL ROSARY AT THE CATHEDRAL

During May, the third Tuesday of the month at the Cathedral of St. Patrick following the noon mass, join the Office of Faith Events as we pray the Project Rachel Rosary. The Project Rachel Rosary focuses on hope, healing, and forgiveness for those affected by an abortion and for an end to abortion. Please join us for this in-person Project Rachel Rosary on Tuesday, April 16th following the noon mass at the Cathedral of St. Patrick in Norwich.

The St. Vincent de Paul Place May Raffle is back and this year the prizes are even BIGGER prizes! The funds we raise with this event allow us to continue to do what we love and provide our patrons and surrounding communities the kindness, hope, and support they need. Tickets are on sale now through the end of April.

A winner will be chosen daily during the Month of May.

St Vincent de Paul Place May Raffle

31 Chances for 31 Prizes

Each daily prize has a \$100 minimum value

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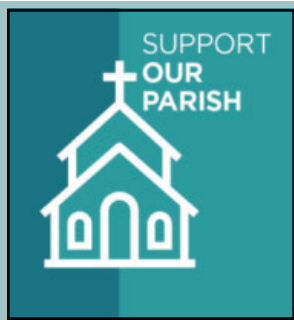
Go to svdpp.org/Raffle for more information or scan the QR code below



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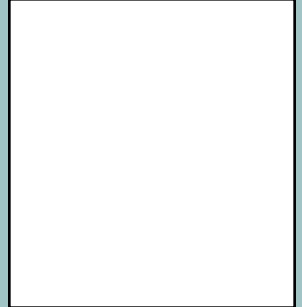
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