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Good News!

July 13, 2014

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)

Is 55:10-11 / Rom 8:18-23 / Mt 13:1-23 or 13:1-9

Like many families, we planted a garden in the backyard as much to enjoy the flowers as to teach our daughters where food comes from. Cucumber seeds, tomatoes, green beans, and carrots went into the soil. We watched for weeds and bugs. There wasn't a lot we could do with squirrels. And we plucked the few pieces of produce our clay-like soil allowed to grow.

In the process, I discovered two things: 1) I don't have the patience or passion for gardening that some of my friends do, and 2) I have the utmost respect for those who tend the fields and flocks that supply our food. Every seed they plant expresses their hope in harvest. The farmer rejoices in what happens when seed, earth, and water come together.

So it is with God, who plants us on this earth and fills us with his Word. We are God's expression of hope for the world. We are the ones through whom God can show forth his love to all. But the parable makes it clear that whatever ground is in our hearts and souls strongly affects the outcome. If we are open, ready, and waiting, we will show forth the rich harvest of God's grace and righteousness. If our hearts are rocky or thorny, the yield will be like the handful of beans in my backyard—or it may be nothing, and the world will not know God through us.

But we are fortunate. God is a far more patient gardener than I was. He will continue to work the soil of our hearts and minds so that when we are planted, we may give a hundred times over the love that God has shown in planting us.

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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 our Coffee Social or Pancake Breakfast after the Sunday Mass, both 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):

By appointment.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

Please call the rectory (860-643-4466) 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 860-643-4466.

THIS WEEKFIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIMEJULY 12 — JULY 13, 2014USHERS GROUP ISATURDAY, JULY 12 —

5:00 P.M.— Mass offered for +Frank Moseley at the request of Gloria Holbrook and Family

Coffee Social after 5:00 P.M. Mass in the Church Basement

SUNDAY, JULY 13 —

7:30 A.M.— Mass offered for +James P. Bloznalis at the request of the Dean and Bloznalis Families

CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY after Mass

10:00 A.M. — Mass offered for +Frank Onorato at the request of Loretta Palliardi and Laurie Kingsbury

CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY after Mass

MONDAY, JULY 14 —

9:00 A.M.— Mass offered for +Adam Mancino at the request of Lynn Mancino

5:00 P.M.— Parish BINGO—Food available from 5 P.M. Games begin at 6:30 P.M.— Jackpot \$450

TUESDAY, JULY 15 —

9:00 A.M.— Mass offered for All Parishioners

7:00 P.M.—Parish Council Meeting

WEDNESDAY, JULY 16 —

9:00 A.M.— Mass offered for All Parishioners

9:00 A.M. to Noon — Christmas Fair Workshop

THURSDAY, JULY 17 —

No Mass

FRIDAY, JULY 18 —

No Mass

SATURDAY, JULY 19 —

4:30 P.M. — ROSARY BEFORE 5:00 P.M. MASS

STEWARDSHIP

Last week's Offertory—July 6—\$2,574

Projected Amount needed \$3,370

"The seed sown among thorns is the one who hears the word but then the cares of the world and the lure of riches choke the word and it bears no fruit." - MATTHEW 13:22

Does the lure of riches and material goods choke God out of your life? Are you so caught up in worldly activities and anxieties that you have no time for God? Good stewardship is a lifestyle to be lived every day. It effects all the decisions we make. It's not just the time we spend at Mass every Sunday.

NEXT WEEKSIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIMEJULY 19 — JULY 20, 2014USHERS GROUP IIMaintenance CollectionSATURDAY, JULY 19 —

5:00 P.M.— Mass offered for +Evannie Yarnott at the request of Irene Kehl

Altar Servers: *Maria Cinea*

Lectors: *Patti Cinea*

Eucharistic Minister: *Bert Flynn*

Coffee Social after 5:00 P.M. Mass in the Church Basement

SUNDAY, JULY 20 —

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

Altar Servers: *Shirley Warbeck*

Lector: *Joel Cohan*

Eucharistic Minister: *Arlene Giglio*

CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY after Mass

10:00 A.M. — Mass offered for +Paul & Margaret Brown on their 60th Wedding Anniversary request of the Knights of Columbus (Congratulations)

Altar Servers: *Alex Czercowy*

Lector: *Alex Boutin*

Eucharistic Minister: *Sharon Scorso*

CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY after Mass

MONDAY, JULY 21 —

9:00 A.M.— Mass offered for +James Bloznalis at the request of the Dean & Bloznalis Families

5:00 P.M.— Parish BINGO—Food available from 5 P.M. Games begin at 6:30 P.M.

TUESDAY, JULY 22 — NO MASSWEDNESDAY, JULY 23 — NO MASS

9:00 A.M. to Noon — Christmas Fair Workshop

THURSDAY, JULY 24 — NO MASSFRIDAY, JULY 25 — NO MASSSATURDAY, JULY 26 —

4:30 P.M. — ROSARY BEFORE 5:00 P.M. MASS

Readings for the Week of July 13, 2014

Sunday: Is 55:10-11/Rom 8:18-23/Mt 13:1-23 or 13:1-9

Monday: Is 1:10-17/Mt 10:34--11:1

Tuesday: Is 7:1-9/Mt 11:20-24

Wednesday: Is 10:5-7, 13b-16/Mt 11:25-27

Thursday: Is 26:7-9, 12, 16-19/Mt 11:28-30

Friday: Is 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8/Mt 12:1-8

Saturday: Mi 2:1-5/Mt 12:14-21

Next Sunday: Wis 12:13, 16-19/Rom 8:26-27/Mt 13:24-43 or 13:24-30

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ST. MAURICE PRAYER LINE

Please remember all the special intentions on the St. Maurice Prayer Line, especially the new requests for this week. Thank you.
 Carol Zabielski (860-643-2837) and Mary Ann Murphy (860-649-5449).

SUMMER MASS ATTIRE - We realize that summer time can be very hot. We ask however, that you be respectful in your attire and refrain from wearing shorts, tank tops and flip flops to Mass. Thank you.

TABOR HOUSE 20th Annual Giant Tag Sale/Silent Auction/Bake Sale

July 17th 5-8 pm (opening reception/shopping-\$10 admission, 18th noon-6pm \$1.00, and 19th 9am-3pm free. Huge silent auction, bake sale. Location: Convent of the Sisters of St Joseph, 27 Park Rd/Corner Prospect Ave West Hartford, ground level of the chapel. Entrance across from Wendy's restaurant. This significant community event benefits Tabor House and the under served population in the surrounding area. Donations of household items (no books, TVs or clothes) can be dropped off on site Monday 7/14, Tuesday 7/15 and Wednesday 7/16 8:30 am--3 pm. Questions?--dtdyson@comcast.net

Catholic Charities ~ FT Position Available ~ Willimantic Office Supervisor/ Basic Needs Worker. Ideal candidate will possess a minimum of a B.A. in Human Services and/or 5 yrs. Experience. Bilingual required (Spanish – speaking). Individual must demonstrate the ability to establish and maintain successful professional and working relationships with clients and colleagues within the community. The applicant must possess sensitivity to diverse backgrounds, knowledge of resources and competency in evaluating client’s eligibility for basic needs programs. EOE. Please send letter of interest and resume to: Search Committee, Catholic Charities, Diocese of Norwich, Inc., 331 Main Street, Norwich, CT 06360 or email: sylvialaudette@ccfsn.org.
 No phone calls please. Closing Date: Wed., July 16, 2014.

Defending our Religious Liberty

The Connecticut Catholic Conference welcomes the decision of the United States Supreme Court which upholds the position of the Hobby-Lobby Stores and the Conestoga Wood Specialties in their prolonged battle with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. The Court’s ruling supports the convictions of the two business owners who refused to abide by the HSS mandate based upon their religious beliefs.

This ruling applies only to closely controlled businesses that object to the mandate based upon religious grounds, as the Court found that this mandate violated the Religious Freedom Restoration Act of 1993.

Numerous court cases filed by religiously affiliated non-profits are yet to be determined. Therefore our efforts to protect our First Amendment right must continue. If you haven’t done so already, please voice your opposition to the mandate by calling President Obama at the White House at 202-456-1111 or U.S. Secretary of Health and Human Services Sylvia Mathews Burwell at 202-205-5445. Let them know that the mandate is in violation of our First Amendment right to religious freedom.

FROM THE DIOCESE OF NORWICH

BANNS OF ORDINATION

The following deacons will be called to the Order of Priesthood on Saturday, July 26, 2014:

Rev. Mr. Jonathan Joseph Ficara
 Rev. Mr. Martin John Noe

Should you know of any reason why these men should not be ordained priests, please write to:

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

Licensed Clinician/Coordinator ~ Catholic Charities FT Position

Available Licensed Behavioral Health Clinician sought to provide a combination of direct services, program coordination and clinical supervision. The position is located primarily in our New London and Norwich offices. Ideal candidate is one who is skilled in providing treatment services for children, adolescents and adults. Prior experience with the treatment of Co-occurring Disorders is desirable. Excellent organizational and leadership skills as well ability to partner with community agencies a must. Excellent benefits package, including medical, vacation and pension. EOE. Please send letter of interest and resume to: Search Committee, Catholic Charities, Diocese of Norwich, Inc., 331 Main St. Norwich, CT 06360, or email: jamesmaffuid@ccfsn.org.

Catholic Charities Positions Available: Human Services – Basic Needs Program

Emergency Services Worker/Case Manager - Two PT, 20 hrs. per week, positions available. One position in Norwich / One position in New London. Must have a minimum of an Associates Degree in Human Services and 1 yr. case management experience. Individual will assess the need of the individuals and families that we serve to provide case management, advocacy, referrals, and direct relief. Bilingual (Spanish) an asset. Candidate must demonstrate sensitivity to individuals of diverse backgrounds and knowledge of community resources. Computer literacy and accurate documentation required. Please send letter of interest and resume to Search Committee, Catholic Charities, Diocese of Norwich, Inc. 331 Main Street, Norwich, CT 06360 or sylvialaudette@ccfsn.org. No Phone calls. Closing date: July 14, 2014.

Natural Family Planning Awareness Week July 20-26 ~ Discover NFP: It’s Worth It!

Discover, celebrate and reverence God’s vision of human sexuality and His Divine plan for love and marriage. NFP can change your life. You increase trust as well as a sense of gratitude and awe for each other. The modern, scientific methods of **NFP** are based on an awareness of a woman’s fertility, easily learned and 99% effective. *Together*, a couple uses this knowledge to either achieve or postpone a pregnancy after discernment of their family situation. Talk to a couple using **NFP**, it is obvious to see the beauty and awesome Truth of **NFP** and why there is a <2% divorce rate compared to 50% of non-**NFP** couples. Ongoing **NFP** classes in our diocese and online or Home-study available in English and Spanish. Read more on **NFP** at foryourmarriage.org or cli.org. Don’t know a couple using NFP? Call the Family Life Office at 860-889-8346 ext. 283 and one of our instructor couples will be very happy to talk to you.

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