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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.

Good News!

July 20, 2014

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)

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

When our children were small, my husband would periodically clean out my car. I always found his method interesting: Into a bag would go receipts, empty juice boxes, stray books, mittens, pens, loose change, and anything that would get in the way of vacuuming the floor.

He made no distinction, collecting even things that were obviously trash and could be thrown out. Then he'd bring me the bag to sort through. I used to laugh at him: "Really, you kept the empty soda can?"

I've come to realize that his method of cleaning echoes today's parable. Young shoots, whether wheat or weeds, look very much alike. What if, in our zeal to toss out weeds, we toss out wheat as well? Jesus tells us it's better to wait until the end, when they look more like their true selves, and deal with them then.

Perhaps there's some final use for the juice box or the soda can before we throw it away. I find this a remarkably hopeful attitude. While we would always end up throwing out a lot, we occasionally uncovered treasures that would have been lost forever.

Maybe building the kingdom of heaven is also like cleaning out a car.

Whether field or car, I'd like to think that God watches over what he plants and carefully looks for new strains of wheat among the tried and true stalks.

And in his mercy, God carefully examines all before he lets go of the weeds altogether.

Mary Katharine Deeley
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THIS WEEKSIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIMEJULY 19 — 20, 2014USHERS GROUP IIMaintenance CollectionSATURDAY, JULY 19 —

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

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

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)

CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY after Mass

MONDAY, JULY 21 —

9:00 A.M.— Mass offered for +James Bloznalis 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. Progressive Jackpot \$500

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

STEWARDSHIP

Last week's Offertory—July 13—\$2,653

Projected Amount needed \$3,370

"The kingdom of heaven may be likened to a man who sowed good seed in his field...He who sows good seed is the Son of Man, the field is the world, the good seed the children of the kingdom."
MATTHEW 13:24, 37-38

As children of God, we are all "good seeds," blessed by God with the potential to accomplish much good in the world. We fulfill God's plan when we share our talents and our financial gifts to help build God's kingdom on earth. Through our stewardship we sow "good seeds" on earth to ultimately help each other get to Heaven!

NEXT WEEKSEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIMEJULY 26 — 27, 2014USHERS GROUP IIISATURDAY, JULY 26 —

5:00 P.M.— Mass offered for +William & +Marion Miller request of the Family

Altar Servers: Maria Cinea

Lectors: Georgette Pelletier

Eucharistic Minister: Linda Wiley

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

SUNDAY, JULY 27 —

7:30 A.M.— Mass offered for +Walter & +Kazimiera Demusz request of Wes and Roma Demusz

Altar Servers: Shirley Warbeck

Lector: Joel Cohan

Eucharistic Minister: Linda Richardson

CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY after Mass

10:00 A.M. — Mass offered for +Vincenty Szwed request of Lucy Szwed and Family

Altar Servers: Elena & Catherine Fiano

Lector: Paul Brown

Eucharistic Minister: Clifford Scorso

CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY after Mass

MONDAY, JULY 28 —

9:00 A.M.— Mass offered for the intentions of Carol Zabielski

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

TUESDAY, JULY 29 — NO MASSWEDNESDAY, JULY 30 — NO MASS

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

THURSDAY, JULY 31 — NO MASSFRIDAY, AUGUST 1 — NO MASSSATURDAY, AUGUST 2 —

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

Readings for the Week of July 20, 2014

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

Monday: Mi 6:1-4, 6-8/Mt 12:38-42

Tuesday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Jn 20:1-2, 11-18

Wednesday: Jer 1:1, 4-10/Mt 13:1-9

Thursday: Jer 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13/Mt 13:10-17

Friday: 2 Cor 4:7-15/Mt 20:20-28

Saturday: Jer 7:1-11/Mt 13:24-30

Next Sunday: 1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12/Rom 8:28-30/Mt 13:44-52 or 13:44-46

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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).

SEEKING VENDORS for St. Joseph Living Center's Annual Outdoor Fall Festival: Saturday, September 20, 2014 from 10:00 to 3:00, 14 Club Road in Windham. Crafts, Art Work, Plants, Home Goods, Your Home Business (i.e. Avon, Pampered Chef, etc.), Tag Sale, Jewelry, Fabrics, Wood Working, and so on.

We are now taking applications for vendors. Call the Recreation Department for an application. 860-456-1107 ext. 123 or 124. Leave a message with name, address and telephone number.

FROM ST. EDWARD SCHOOL

Dear Pastors and Parishioners of the Vernon Deanery,

All of us at St. Edward School would like to thank you for your support of our beloved school this past year. In our world that is constantly trying to squeeze God out, your support helped educate His children in a setting where all we do is in His name. This year so many wonderful things took place at St. Edward School – from academic accomplishments to sporting highlights and, of course, always a great focus – service to community. This year our 8th grade class, who cooks and serves monthly at our local soup kitchen, served a record number of meals to our neighbors in need! Please know how far your support goes and how many lives are touched because of it! All of you are in our prayers as we very gratefully look forward to the 140th year at St. Edward School. May God bless you for your goodness and generosity, and may you know of our unwavering commitment to serving God's children and to finding alternate resources to perpetuate Catholic elementary education which is so important in this changing – and often frightening – world. Please continue to keep our faculty and staff in your prayers as we walk this journey.

With deepest gratitude in His love,
MaryAnne Pelletier, Principal

Defending our Religious Liberty

The Connecticut Catholic bishops are encouraged by the Supreme Court decision in the Hobby Lobby case. Since the beginning, the position of the Catholic Church has been that no individual or employer should be forced to pay for health insurance that violates their religious beliefs. We will have to examine carefully all of the details of the ruling; however, the ruling appears to affirm the religious freedom of all Americans. We must continue to let our voices be heard so that our First Amendment right in the U.S. Constitution will be preserved for all companies, organizations, and individuals.

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

EUCHARISTIC HOLY HOUR FOR VOCATIONS

On Friday, July 25, 2014, from 7 pm—8 pm come join in praying with Bishop Cote a Eucharistic Holy Hour for Vocations. This month the holy hour will be at The Cathedral of St. Patrick in Norwich. Come pray for those who are called to priestly or consecrated religious life. Pray for our seminarians and those in the process of applying to the Diocese. Join our Diocesan prayer team for vocations by emailing to the vocation office for more information at vocations@norwichdiocese.net and check out our website at god-calls.com.

Golf Enthusiasts ~ Norwich Diocese Catholic Charities 9th Annual Golf Tournament on Wednesday, September 17th at Fox Hopyard in East Haddam. A scramble format and shotgun start includes 18 holes, a BBQ lunch and ends with appetizers and awards of prizes and raffles. An excellent opportunity for a great round of golf at a premier course, with Bishop Michael R. Cote in attendance, while helping Norwich Diocese Catholic Charities support those in need. Sponsorship opportunities available. Information or registrations call 860-889-8346 ext. 285.

DIOCESE OF NORWICH PILGRIMAGE TO**The Czech Republic**

October 29 – November 4, 2014

For information or reservations call 860-887-9294

Most Reverend Michael R. Cote, Bishop of Norwich, will lead a seven day pilgrimage to the Czech Republic to **Karlovy Vary** (Carlsbad), the Marian Shrine at **Svatá Hora** (Holy Mountain) featuring a miraculous image of the Virgin Mary and the spectacular Basilica. The group will enjoy a panoramic tour of the city of Prague highlighting the State Opera, National Museum, Wenceslas Square and Prague's Castle District. We will also tour the old part of the city to view staroměstské náměstí (**Old Town Square**), **Royal Castle of Hradcany**, **St. Vitus Cathedral**, **St. George Church**, the **Golden Lane**, **St. Nicholas Church**, **Church of Our Lady of Victory** where the **original miraculous Infant Jesus of Prague** dating back to 1628 is kept and visit **St. Barbara Cathedral** in Kutna Hora (UNESCO town).

Price includes local bus to/from Boston airport, departure lunch, all tips, breakfast and dinner daily, and also includes departure tax and fuel surcharge.

Reservations must be made by _____.

Cost of Tour: \$3,529.00 per person double occupancy
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