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Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time August 03, 2014

Good News!

August 3, 2014

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)

Is 55:1-3 / Rom 8:35, 37-39 / Mt 14:13-21

A cookie jar sits on a table outside my office. Thin mints, Oreos, and chocolate chip cookies are there for the taking—free and welcome. Sometimes I wish it wasn't there, because the daily temptation is hard to resist, though I do most of the time.

The cookies are part of our hospitality corner. Hot water for tea, coffee, and hot chocolate is also available. Students and associates come to take a break from studying or working and appreciate the refreshment. Over the years, many have then stopped by my office to talk about school, jobs, and the meaning of life.

Who knew that such a little thing as free cookies would create such graced moments?

Today we celebrate and remember the free gifts God has given to the human community. "Come to the water," Isaiah urges us; "God is good to all and compassionate; abounding in mercy," the psalmist cries out. St. Paul reminds us that nothing can separate us from God's love, and Jesus multiplies bread for thousands, making sure that all have what they need.

We have only cookies in our jar, and the looks on people's faces tell me they're much enjoyed. How much more, then, do we welcome and need what is in God's cookie jar—love, life, mercy, forgiveness, and himself?

We lift up one another in welcome and conversation. God lifts all of us up—teaching us, refreshing us, and showing us where we can participate in his hospitality by taking what he has given us and feeding others.

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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 WEEKEIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIMEAUG. 2-3, 2014USHERS GROUP IVSATURDAY, AUG. 2 –

5:00 P.M.— Mass offered for +Robert Rose request of Dorothy Rose and Family

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

SUNDAY, AUG. 3 –

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

CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY after Mass

10:00 A.M. – Mass offered for Parishioners of St. Maurice Church

CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY after Mass

MONDAY, AUG. 4 –

9:00 A.M.— Mass offered for +Clayton Skaggs requested Helena Skaggs

5:00 P.M.— Parish BINGO—Food available from 5 P.M. Games begin at 6:30 P.M.—Jackpot \$600

TUESDAY, AUG. 5 – NO MASS

WEDNESDAY, AUG. 6 – NO MASS

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

THURSDAY, AUG. 7 – NO MASS

FRIDAY, AUG. 8 – NO MASS

SATURDAY, AUG. 9 –

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

STEWARDSHIP

Last week's Offertory—July 27—\$2,010

Projected Amount needed \$3,370

"Why spend your money for what is not bread; your wages for what fails to satisfy?" - ISAIAH 55:2

Of all the ways we are asked to be generous, giving our money can be the most challenging. God understand this. Remember though that we are called to be generous with all our gifts, including our money. We are called to give from our "first fruits" and not from what is "leftover".

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIMEAUG. 9-10, 2014USHERS GROUP ISATURDAY, AUG. 9 –

5:00 P.M.— Mass offered for +Charles and + Mary Varick request of the Family

Altar Servers: *Maria Cinea*

Lectors: *Bert Flynn*

Eucharistic Minister: *Georgette Pelletier*

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

SUNDAY, AUG. 10 –

7:30 A.M.— Mass offered for + Joseph Kurys request of Mary Anne Murphy

Altar Servers: *Shirley Warbeck*

Lector: *Judy Knox*

Eucharistic Minister: *Linda Richardson*

CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY after Mass

10:00 A.M. – Mass offered for + Henry Leonard

Altar Servers: *Emilia & Marta Herasimowicz*

Lector: *Rita Sheetz*

Eucharistic Minister: *Rita Sheetz*

CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY after Mass

MONDAY, AUG. 11 –

9:00 A.M.— Mass offered for special intentions for Mary and Ivy Palliardi request of Loretta Palliardi

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

TUESDAY, AUG. 12 – NO MASS

WEDNESDAY, AUG. 13 – NO MASS

NO Christmas Fair Workshop

THURSDAY, AUG. 14 – NO MASS

7:00 P.M. Knights of Columbus Business Meeting

FRIDAY, AUG. 15 – NO 9:00 A.M. MASS—The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary—Holy day of Obligation

7:00 P.M.—Mass offered for +Rev. Robert W. Cronin request of Mary Mumford

SATURDAY, AUG. 16 –

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

Readings for the Week of August 3, 2014

Sunday: Is 55:1-3/Rom 8:35, 37-39/Mt 14:13-21

Monday: Jer 28:1-17/Mt 14:22-36

Tuesday: Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22/Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14

Wednesday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/2 Pt 1:16-19/Mt 17:1-9

Thursday: Jer 31:31-34/Mt 16:13-23

Friday: Na 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7/Mt 16:24-28

Saturday: Hb 1:12--2:4/Mt 17:14-20

Next Sunday: 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a/Rom 9:1-5/Mt 14:22-33

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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 and Mary Ann

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.

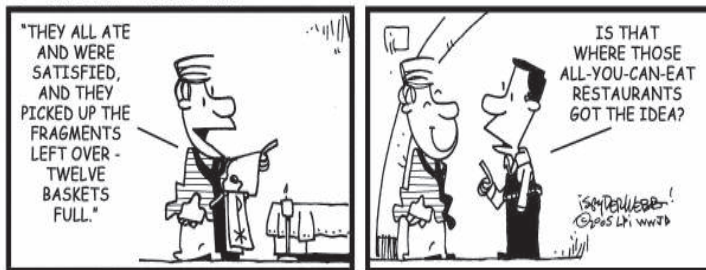
We are now taking applications for vendors. Call the Recreation Department for an application. 860-456-1107 ext. 123 or 124. Leave a message with name, address and telephone number.

ACTS RETREAT FOR WOMEN—September 18-21, 2014

Sponsored by St. Joseph Church, Vernon/Rockville

Retreat location: Immaculata Retreat House, Willimantic
Catholic women present an ACTS retreat weekend under the guidance of clergy. The retreat begins Thursday evening and ends at 11:30 am Sunday Mass at St. Joseph's. Reception follows in the hall. Please join us. For information call:
Diane Tyszka 860-778-3368
Suzan Martucci 860-871-9493
Jo_Ann Shine 860-228-3605
Or visit www.actct.org

18th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Defending our Religious Liberty

The Connecticut Catholic Conference notes that, since 1919, the Catholic Church has been a longstanding advocate of universal, accessible and life-affirming health-care. However, the HHS mandate of the Affordable Care Act harshly penalizes those employers who do not provide abortions and other contraception coverage for their employees. In its decision, the Supreme Court clearly reaffirms that freedom of religion is a basic fundamental right under our Constitution.

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

Annual Diocesan Mass of Remembrance

Tuesday, September 9, 2014 at 6:00p.m.

Cathedral of St. Patrick, Norwich

A Mass in memory of children who have died from stillbirths, miscarriages or abortions, for children who have died recently or years ago. The Mass of Remembrance is an opportunity for families to memorialize the gift of eternal life of their preborn children. Bishop Michael Cote will be the main celebrant. Refreshments served following the Mass. Sponsored by the Family Life and Pro-Life Offices. For information call 860-889-8346 ext. 283.

Is your marriage tearing you apart, little or no communication, considering separation or divorce? For serious marriage building and repair: Retrouvaille is a lifeline. At a **Retrouvaille** weekend couples are given tools to re-establish communication, work on their issues, gain new insights and heal. A series of 6 post sessions follows the weekend phase. For information or to sign up for the next weekend on Sept. 19-21 in Hartford area call 413-525-1634. **Website www.retrouvaille.org.**

The Silver and Gold Jubilee Anniversary Mass

Sunday, October 19, 2014 -- 2:00p.m.

Cathedral of St. Patrick

Inviting all couples married 25 & 50 years and any significant anniversary in renewal of your wedding vows at the Pontifical Mass celebrated by Bishop Michael R. Cote at the Cathedral of St. Patrick. Refreshments follow the Mass. Register in September. For information: 860-889-8346 ext.283.

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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