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Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time - October 26, 2014

## Good News!

October 26, 2014

**THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)**

Ex 22:20-26 / 1 Thes 1:5c-10 / Mt 22:34-40

Quickly, name the greatest law of the United States.

I think all of us would have to think about that. Some might name a precept like "All men are created equal." Others might talk about the Bill of Rights. But when it comes to the laws that embody these precepts, we might point to any number of them and disagree about which is the greatest.

Jesus has no such problem. When the Pharisees try to test him with a similar question about Jewish law, Jesus responds immediately with the great commandment from Deuteronomy (6:4) and pairs it with a law found in Leviticus (19:18).

The Pharisees knew both laws, but the first had been emphasized throughout Israelite tradition. The Jews were commanded to teach it to their children and to bind the words to their foreheads and wrists. The second, though, was one of a series of laws, seemingly no more or less important than the ones that surrounded it.

When Jesus lifted up the two of them, he made it very clear that our first love is always for God, to whom we give our entire being. Jesus is equally clear, though, that we cannot stop there. We must also love our neighbors as we love ourselves.

Indeed, our relationship with God and our relationship with one another are bound up in each other. When one is broken, so is the other. When one flourishes, so does the other. Loving God and neighbor draws us together as Church to praise and worship God and to reach out to the world.

Let us obey both these commandments with equal joy.

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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 WEEK

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
OCTOBER 25 - 26, 2014  
USHERS GROUP IV  
ST. MAURICE FUEL FUND COLLECTION

SATURDAY, OCT. 25

5:00 P.M. — Mass offered for +Jane and +James Toomey  
 request of The Toomey Family

SUNDAY, OCT. 26

7:30 A.M. — Special Intention for the Family Members of Anna  
Czercowy

CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY after Mass

8:30 A.M. — BREAKFAST FOR FAITH FORMATION

9:00 A.M. — FAITH FORMATION

10:00 A.M. — Mass offered for +John Garvan  
 request of Frances Garvan

CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY after Mass

6:00 P.M. — ADULT FAITH FORMATION

MONDAY, OCT. 27

9:00 A.M. — Mass offered for +Samuel Gugliemino

TUESDAY, OCT. 28

9:00 A.M. — Mass offered for All Parishioners of St. Maurice  
Church

7:30 P.M. — CHOIR REHEARSAL

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 29

9:00 A.M. — Mass offered for +Henry Leonard

9:00 A.M. — CHRISTMAS FAIR WORKSHOP

THURSDAY, OCT. 30 — NO MASSFRIDAY, OCT. 31 — NO MASSSATURDAY, NOV. 1

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

**STEWARDSHIP**

Last week's Offertory: Oct. 19 — \$2,740  
 Projected Amount needed \$3,370

"Whoever sacrifices to any god, save to the Lord only, shall be utterly destroyed." — EXODUS 22:20

Do you put other "gods" before God? Is your love of money, power, status or some personal possession greater than your love for God? If so, you may want to pay attention to the scripture reading because you are not going to like the outcome. The good news — it's not too late to put God first in your life.

NEXT WEEK

COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFULL DEPARTED  
NOVEMBER 1 - 2, 2014  
USHERS GROUP I  
ALL SAINTS OFFERING

SATURDAY, NOV. 1

5:00 P.M. — Mass offered for +Billy Maneggia — 1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary  
 request of The Family

*Altar Servers:* Maria Cinea

*Lectors:* Bert Flynn

*Eucharistic Minister:* Georgette Pelletier

**COFFEE SOCIAL** after Mass in the Church Basement

SUNDAY, NOV. 2

7:30 A.M. — Mass offered for Michael and Arlene Giglio  
on the 60<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary — Congratulations!

*Altar Servers:* Shirley Warbeck

*Lector:* Judy Knox

*Eucharistic Minister:* Arlene Giglio

CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY after Mass

8:30 A.M. — BREAKFAST FOR FAITH FORMATION

9:00 A.M. — FAITH FORMATION

10:00 A.M. — Mass offered for +William Maneggia  
 request of Donna Tedford Sheridan

*Altar Servers:* Emilia & Marta Herasimowicz

*Lector:* Evelyn O'Connor

*Eucharistic Minister:* Lou Cloutier

CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY after Mass

MONDAY, NOV. 3

9:00 A.M. — Mass offered for +Henry Leonard

TUESDAY, NOV. 4

9:00 A.M. — Mass offered for +Samuel Gugliemino

7:15 P.M. — CHOIR REHEARSAL

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 5

9:00 A.M. — Mass offered for All Parishioners of St. Maurice  
Church

9:00 A.M. — CHRISTMAS FAIR WORKSHOP

THURSDAY, NOV. 6 — NO MASSFRIDAY, NOV. 7 — NO MASSSATURDAY, NOV. 8

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

**Readings for the Week of October 26, 2014**

Sunday: Ex 22:20-26/1 Thes 1:5c-10/Mt 22:34-40

Monday: Eph 4:32--5:8/Lk 13:10-17

Tuesday: Eph 2:19-22/Lk 6:12-16

Wednesday: Eph 6:1-9/Lk 13:22-30

Thursday: Eph 6:10-20/Lk 13:31-35

Friday: Phil 1:1-11/Lk 14:1-6

Saturday: Rv 7:2-4, 9-14/1 Jn 3:1-3/Mt 5:1-12a

Next Sunday: Wis 3:1-9/Rom 5:5-11 or Rom 6:3-9/Jn 6:37-40

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**SAINT MAURICE PARISH****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.

**On the Feast of Our Lady of The Rosary** - The Rosary was prayed by: Gloria, MaryAnn, Judy, Fran, Sharon, Tammie, Mary, Patti, Annedda, Rich, Kathy, Jeannette and Lisa at church while many prayed at home. Thank you all and may God bless you!



**Our Musical Director, Mr. Don Benevides** will begin offering a **guided guitar practice** on **Tuesday** evenings from **7:00-7:30** for teens. If you have a guitar and would like to join this group lesson, please come to the church and join in the fun!

**ADULT FAITH FORMATION:****REVELATION:****THE KINGDOM YET to Come**

The next session on the *Book of Revelation*, Chapters 6 and 7, will be on **Sunday, October 26<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m.** in the Parish Center. Session is 55 minutes in length. All are welcome.

**OCTOBER IS THE MONTH OF THE ROSARY**

"Love the Madonna and pray the Rosary, for her Rosary is the weapon against the evils of the world today. All graces given by God pass through the Blessed Mother."

**St. Pio of Pietrelcina... Pray for us**

**SLEIGH BELLS RING CHRISTMAS FAIR**  
**CHRISTMAS FAIR NEEDS**

As we move toward our Fair we ask for your help with our needs. We still need many, many baby food jars. We never get enough and they are the baseline for all sorts of things. We also need to gather flour, sugar, and cinnamon. Donations of sure jell and paraffin for the jams and jellies will also be appreciated. Keys (any kind), canning jars, Crisco. You can leave your donations in the vestibule of the Church or at the Parish Center. Thank you.

**Defending Our Religious Liberty**

Organizations such as church-sponsored universities, hospitals and social services, are facing a fine of \$100 per day (\$36,500 per year) per employee if they provide health coverage that does not include contraceptives, including abortion-causing drugs, and sterilization. Exorbitant fines like these will surely force a lot of organizations that serve tens of thousands of people to close.

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****Diocesan Pro-Life Mass**  
**at the Cathedral of St. Patrick in Norwich**  
**on Saturday, November 1<sup>st</sup> — 8:30 a.m.**

**Please join us at Mass as we pray to end abortion and for the healing for those who have had an abortion.**

Following the Mass, the Rosary will be prayed both at the Cathedral and Planned Parenthood. A brunch in the Cathedral Hall will follow the Rosary this month.

**RACHEL'S VINEYARD RETREAT WEEKENDS**

"I did not think the sorrow and wounds from my abortion, could be healed".

Healing and forgiveness can begin with a **Rachel's Vineyard Retreat**. A Retreat Nov. 7-9 in Stockbridge, MA call 413-452-0661 and Retreat Nov.14-16 in CT call 203-631-9030. [rachelvineyard.org](http://rachelvineyard.org)

"PROJECT RACHEL" is our Diocesan ministry for anyone seeking healing and forgiveness. Priests in **Project Rachel** ministry are there for you with God's Grace and Mercy.

Call 860-889-8346 ext.283. All inquiries are confidential.

**Marriage Encounter Weekend**

"We thought we had a great marriage, but now our love is so much deeper than anything we could have imagined!" Rediscover each other with a heart-to-heart **Marriage Encounter**.

To register for the **November 7-9<sup>th</sup>** weekend in Manchester or for information call 860-376-0440. [www.wwme.org](http://www.wwme.org).

**Twenty-Third Annual Red, White and Blue Mass**

**Sunday, November 16, 2014, at 10:15 a.m.**

On Sunday, November 16, 2014, at 10:15 a.m., Bishop Cote will celebrate Mass at the Cathedral of Saint Patrick for all military personnel, those who are active, in the reserves and Veterans.

The purpose of this celebration is to honor our service men and women as we recognize the many sacrifices made by the families and loved ones of our military. The theme for the 2014, Red, White and Blue Mass is U.S. Air Force. The Homilist will be Reverend Raymond Introvigne. The Mass Committee Chairs are BG CT Edward J. Waitte, (Ret.) and Mr. David K. Harding, U.S. Merchant Marine.

For more information call, Monsignor Brown or Mrs. Rebecca McDougal at **860-887-9294**.

**EnCourage Support Group** — Encourage is a Catholic spiritual support group for family members of loved ones with same-sex attraction.

For more information on the monthly support group meetings beginning in October please call the Family Life Office at: **860-889-8346 ext.283**

**Parents divorcing and/or resolving child custody issues**

— participate in the court suggested **Parent Education Program**. Catholic Charities offers ongoing, monthly Saturday Parenting Education classes in Norwich, Rockville, Middletown and Willimantic. Fees apply and are determined by the State of CT. Please call **860-889-8346 ext. 260** for registration and monthly class locations and dates.





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