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SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME — JANUARY 18, 2015

# dear Padre

January 18, 2015

## Is there a Year of John?

I read that the current liturgical year is the year of Mark, that next year will be the year of Matthew, and the following year will be Luke. Then it starts all over with the year of Mark again. Why doesn't John have a year?

It certainly does seem that John has been slighted by the three-year *Lectionary* cycle. There is not, in fact, a "year" that is wholly dedicated to reading his gospel.

Mark's Gospel is the shortest of the four. During the year we read Mark, we also read John's sixth chapter. During all three liturgical years, we read from John's Gospel during the Easter season. We also read significant portions of John's Gospel during our weekday liturgy.

All four gospels tell the same story—the story of Jesus—in different ways. Unfortunately, many times we combine the stories in our minds and inadvertently confuse the unique approach of each of the four evangelists. One example of this is when we put Matthew's wise men with Luke's shepherds in our manger scenes.

Maybe one day we'll have a four-year *Lectionary* cycle in which one year is dedicated to the continuous reading of John's Gospel. Until then, I encourage you to read each gospel separately.

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### WEEKEND MASSES:

Saturdays at 4:00 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**SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**JANUARY 17 – 18, 2015**  
**Order Grinders This Weekend**  
**USHERS GROUP IV**

**SATURDAY, JAN. 17**

**4:00 P.M.** Mass offered for +Lois Dunham  
 request of Linda Wiley

*COFFEE SOCIAL after Mass in the Church Basement*

**SUNDAY, JAN. 18**

**7:30 A.M.** Mass offered for +Samuel  
Gugliemino

*CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY after Mass*

**NO FAITH FORMATION CLASSES**

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

*CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY after Mass*

*COFFEE SOCIAL after Mass in the Church Basement*

**6:00 P.M. — ADULT FAITH FORMATION**  
*in the Parish Center Library*

**MONDAY, JAN. 19**

**9:00 A.M.** Mass offered for +Martha Turner  
 request of Lynn Mancino

**TUESDAY, JAN. 20 — NO MASS**

**7:30 P.M. — CHOIR REHEARSAL**

**WEDNESDAY, JAN. 21 — NO MASS**

**7:15 P.M. — KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BUSINESS MEETING**

**THURSDAY, JAN. 22 — NO MASS****FRIDAY, JAN. 23 — NO MASS****SATURDAY, JAN. 24**

**3:30 P.M. — ROSARY BEFORE 4:00 P.M. MASS**

**STEWARDSHIP**

Last week's Offertory: Jan. 11 — \$3,166

Projected Amount needed \$3,370

*"Jesus turned and saw them following him and said to them, 'What are you looking for?'" - JOHN 1:38*

What are you looking for? Are you wasting your time looking for the material comforts of the world? Or, is your heart longing for something deeper that can only be found by spending time with God? Take time, each day, in silence and ask the Lord what it is that He wants you to do.

NEXT WEEK**THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**JANUARY 24 – 25, 2015**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> COLLECTION — ST. MAURICE FUEL FUND**  
**USHERS GROUP I**

**SATURDAY, JAN. 24**

**4:00 P.M.** Mass offered for +Jeannette Violette  
 request of Linda Lachapelle

*Altar Servers: Maria Cinea*

*Lectors: Georgette Pelletier*

*Eucharistic Minister: Linda Wiley*

*COFFEE SOCIAL after Mass in the Church Basement*

**SUNDAY, JAN. 25**

**7:30 A.M.** Mass offered for +Samuel Gugliemino

*Altar Servers: Lynn Mancino*

*Lector: Lynn Mancino*

*Eucharistic Minister: Arlene Giglio*

*CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY after Mass*

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

**9:00 A.M. — FAITH FORMATION CLASSES**

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

*Altar Servers: Nicholas VanDine*

*Lector: Jessica Merry*

*Eucharistic Minister: Lou Cloutier*

*CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY after Mass*

*COFFEE SOCIAL after Mass in the Church Basement*

**MONDAY, JAN. 19**

**9:00 A.M.** Mass offered for +Mae Mancino  
 request of Lynn Mancino

**TUESDAY, JAN. 20 — NO MASS**

**7:30 P.M. — CHOIR REHEARSAL**

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**Readings for the Week of January 18, 2015**

Sunday: 1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19/1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20/  
 Jn 1:35-42

Monday: Heb 5:1-10/Mk 2:18-22

Tuesday: Heb 6:10-20/Mk 2:23-28

Wednesday: Heb 7:1-3, 15-17/Mk 3:1-6

Thursday: Heb 7:25--8:6/Mk 3:7-12

Friday: Heb 8:6-13/Mk 3:13-19

Saturday: Heb 9:2-3, 11-14/Mk 3:20-21

Next Sunday: Jon 3:1-5, 10/1 Cor 7:29-31/Mk 1:14-20

**SAINT MAURICE PARISH**

**ST. MAURICE PRAYER LINE**

We are seeking volunteers to pray for those intentions regularly received by our Prayer Line. If you are interested in being part of this quiet ministry or have any questions, please contact Mary Ann Murphy (860) 649-5449 or Carol Zabielski (860) 643-2837

For your information, on the table by the candles on the Blessed Mother's side of the Church, there is a box for prayer requests and a notebook for Candle intentions.

**PRAYER REQUEST BOX**

**Purpose:** Give to all, including children and teenagers, a place for their prayer requests. All requests will be forwarded to St. Maurice Prayer Line. Parishioners and visitors to St. Maurice are welcome to use this option for placing their petitions on the Prayer Line. These petitions will be included in prayers of more than thirty members of the Prayer Line. Please use only the first name of persons for whom prayers are being said. No names included are also acceptable.

Pencil and paper are also available on left in box.

**Questions:** Mary Ann Murphy (860) 649-5449 or Carol Zabielski (860) 643-2837

**ADULT FAITH FORMATION:**

**REVELATION:**

**THE KINGDOM YET TO COME**

The next session on the *Book of Revelation*, Chapters 19 and 20, will be on **Sunday, January 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 P.M.** in the **Parish Center Library.**

Session is 55 minutes in length. All are welcome.

Parishioners interested in participating in an adult Catholic book reading of *A Father Who Keeps his Promises*, by Dr. Scott Hahn, are asked to place their names on the sign-up sheet on the back table of the Church (Rectory side). There are limited copies for \$5. We will begin the month of February with this book. Jesus refers to the **Father** 17 times in the Sermon on the Mount, and 170 times in the Gospels. Read how God our Father patiently reaches out in love throughout salvation history to restore his people into right relationship with his divine family. It is the same untiring love he has for you. A short Sunday afternoon discussion group will follow in March.

**WAIM GRINDER SALE**



Prepaid orders for grinders will be taken after all Masses today. To place your order, please see Tom Manning in the choir area at the back of the Church. Grinders are \$6.00 each and come in five varieties: tuna, veggie, turkey, ham and salami. Grinders may be picked up after Sunday Masses the following weekend January 25th. Proceeds benefit the work of the **Windham Area Interfaith Ministry.** Orders may also be placed and paid for online through the St. Maurice website by following the link on the home page.

**FROM THE DIOCESE OF NORWICH**

On Sunday, February 8, 2015, the 18th **Annual Mass of Thanksgiving for the Gift of Consecrated Life** will be celebrated at 10:30 a.m., in the Cathedral of Saint Patrick, Norwich. All are invited to join Bishop Cote in thanking God for the gift of consecrated life and for the sisters, brothers, and religious priests who enrich the Church and build up God's Kingdom with the witness of their religious commitment. The theme is Wake up the World, with their testimony of faith, holiness, and hope. The homilist will be Father Raymond Borkowski, O.F.M. Conv., the former pastor of Saint John Parish in Cromwell and currently Parochial Vicar of Saint Paul Church in Kensington, Connecticut. All are invited to participate in the Mass.

**Marriage Preparation Class for Engaged Couples**

"God's Plan for a Joy-filled Marriage"

January 31, February 7, 21, 2015 9:30 am-12:00 pm

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This Christmas St. Maurice helped 30 families which is 162 people. We were able to furnish them with groceries for several days, holiday meal, gift certificate for fresh vegetables and milk, a turkey and potatoes. In addition each person

received 2 gifts. All are very thankful and express their gratitude and tell us we do make a difference in their lives!

Thank you to all of you who donated groceries, money and time putting all together and delivering to all. Thank you to the **Keenens** for 35 bags of potatoes, to **ShopRite** for 30 turkeys, **Bolton High School Honor Society** for 4 complete meals, **Knights of Columbus** brought 12 coats and last but not least **St. Maurice Confirmation Class** students for their help.

So many of you took several bells and brought lovely, warm clothing and useful items. So together you made a joyous Christmas to many! **THANK YOU ALL!!!**

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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.



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