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THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER — APRIL 19, 2015

Good News!

April 19, 2015

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER (B)

Acts 3:13-15, 17-19 / 1 Jn 2:1-5a / Lk 24:35-48

During a particularly difficult period at one place I worked, I would come home at night and rehash conversations and events, wondering whether the outcome would have been different if I'd said or done something else.

I wonder whether the apostles asked themselves the same kinds of questions after the crucifixion. "Should we have done something differently? Could we have prevented this somehow?" Perhaps they locked the door because they were afraid they'd be put to death too.

When we're in a bad situation, sometimes all we want to do is hide. It's a child's response: If I don't look at it, maybe it will go away. But the locked door was no barrier, and Jesus came and stood in their midst. Rather than ridicule their fear, he gently put it to rest: "Peace be with you." The more Jesus talked, the more they heard, and they came to know that the peace of the Lord is not like the world's peace.

It's not a temporary measure that will only give way to more turmoil. Jesus calmly and lovingly put their fears to rest. It wasn't that the world was suddenly going to be welcoming; rather, they would be confident in the new life that was in them and in the grace Christ alone can give.

Jesus does this for us as well. He walks through the locked doors of our hearts and blesses us with peace. The more we listen to Jesus' words, the more we can understand and witness to his truth.

Is the Lord with you today?

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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.

**THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER****APRIL 18 — 19, 2015****USHERS GROUP I****2nd COLLECTION FOR THE
SALVATORIAN FATHERS****SATURDAY, APR. 18****5:00 P.M. Mass offered for †Samuel Guglielmino***Altar Servers:* Maria Cinea*Lectors:* Georgette Pelletier*Eucharistic Minister:* Linda Wiley**COFFEE SOCIAL** after Mass in the Church Basement**SUNDAY, APR. 19****7:30 A.M. Mass offered for All Parishioners
of St. Maurice Church***Altar Servers:* Shirley Warbeck*Lector:* Joel Cohan*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 †Patricia Auger and
†John McGary
request of Frank and Joanne Auger***Altar Servers:* Elena & Catherine Fiano*Lector:* Barbara Fiano*Eucharistic Minister:* Sharon Scorso**CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY** after Mass**COFFEE SOCIAL** after Mass in the Church Basement**MONDAY, APR. 20****9:00 A.M. Mass offered for †Samuel Guglielmino****TUESDAY, APR. 21****9:00 A.M. Mass offered for †Ton Hoang
request of Thao Hoang****7:30 P.M. — CHOIR REHEARSAL****WEDNESDAY, APR. 22****9:00 A.M. Mass offered for †Henry Leonard****9:00 A.M. — 12:00 P.M. — CHRISTMAS FAIR WORKSHOP****THURSDAY, APR. 23 — NO MASS****FRIDAY, APR. 24 — NO MASS****SATURDAY, APR. 25****4:30 P.M. ROSARY BEFORE 5:00 P.M. MASS****STEWARDSHIP****Last week's Offertory: April 12 — \$3,448****Projected Amount needed \$3,370***"The community of believers was of one heart and mind and no one claimed that any of his possessions was his own."*

- ACTS 4:32

All that we are and all that we have is a gift from God! Think of your family, your friends, your talents and abilities – these are all gifts from God. We aren't really owners of anything, we are merely "stewards" of the gifts God has blessed us with.

**NEXT WEEK****FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER****APRIL 25 — 26, 2015****USHERS GROUP II****SATURDAY, APR. 25****5:00 P.M. Mass offered for †Elizabeth Heffernan
Request of her daughter and grandchildren***Altar Servers:* Maria Cinea*Lectors:* Patti Cinea*Eucharistic Minister:* Patti Cinea**COFFEE SOCIAL** after Mass in the Church Basement**SUNDAY, APR. 26****7:30 A.M. Mass offered for †Harry Soucy
Request of Irene Kwiatkowski***Altar Servers:* Lynn Mancino*Lector:* Judy Knox*Eucharistic Minister:* Arlene Giglio**CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY** after Mass**8:00 A.M. KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS PANCAKE BREAKFAST****9:00 A.M. FAITH FORMATION CLASSES****10:00 A.M. Mass offered for Robert Rouleau and
Michele Rouleau Andresio
Request of the Family***Altar Servers:* Nicholas VanDine*Lector:* Evelyn O'Connor*Eucharistic Minister:* Kathleen Smythe**CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY** after Mass**COFFEE SOCIAL** after Mass in the Church Basement**MONDAY, APR. 27****9:00 A.M. Mass offered for †Henry Leonard****TUESDAY, APR. 28****9:00 A.M. Mass offered for †Samuel Guglielmino****7:30 P.M. — CHOIR REHEARSAL****WEDNESDAY, APR. 29****9:00 A.M. Mass offered for †Ty Hoang
request of Thao Hoang****9:00 A.M. — 12:00 P.M. — CHRISTMAS FAIR WORKSHOP****THURSDAY, APR. 30 — NO MASS****FRIDAY, MAY 1 — NO MASS****SATURDAY, MAY 2****4:30 P.M. ROSARY BEFORE 5:00 P.M. MASS****Readings for the Week of April 19, 2015**

Sunday: Acts 3:13-15, 17-19/1 Jn 2:1-5a/Lk 24:35-48

Monday: Acts 6:8-15/Jn 6:22-29

Tuesday: Acts 7:51--8:1a/Jn 6:30-35

Wednesday: Acts 8:1b-8/Jn 6:35-40

Thursday: Acts 8:26-40/Jn 6:44-51

Friday: Acts 9:1-20/Jn 6:52-59

Saturday: 1 Pt 5:5b-14/Mk 16:15-20

Next Sunday: Acts 4:8-12/1 Jn 3:1-2/Jn 10:11-18

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 MaryAnn.

OFFERTORY GIFTS



When you have requested a Mass and wish to present the gifts, please contact an usher before Mass.



Strength through the Holy Spirit
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2015 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

Through the "Strength of the Holy Spirit," we know that you will help us through.

We gain strength through our faith. Strength to help us overcome struggles we may face in life.

During this Easter season, let us draw strength from Christ's resurrection. As we overcome obstacles, let us reflect on the new beginning that Christ granted to us by dying on the cross and rising from the dead.

The **Annual Catholic Appeal** helps the ministries and programs in the Diocese to reach out to many people, offering renewed strength to begin anew...to face life challenges and overcome hardships.

If you haven't made your pledge to the 2015 ACA "Strength through the Holy Spirit" campaign, please consider doing so by calling 860-886-1928 or visit www.norwichdiocesedevelopment.org to donate.

Defending Our Religious Liberty

The fight for religious freedom is not a Catholic issue, not a Jewish issue, not an Orthodox, Mormon, or Muslim issue. It is an American issue. The passage of the Affordable Care Act has dangerous implications on all religions. If we permit the government to have the final say on what type of health care coverage a religious organization must provide, we are basically enabling them to interfere in all religious liberty concerns in areas such as immigration and humanitarian services.

If you haven't done so already, please voice your opposition to the federal health care mandate by calling U.S. Secretary of Health and Human Services Sylvia Mathews Burwell at 202-205-5445. Let her know that the mandate is in violation of our First Amendment right to religious freedom.

FROM THE DIOCESE OF NORWICH

WHITE MASS FOR HEALTH CARE WORKERS AND CAREGIVERS OF ALL FAITHS

will be celebrated at the **Cathedral of Saint Patrick, 213 Broadway, Norwich, on Sunday, April 19, 2015, at 9:00 a.m.** Brunch will immediately follow in the Church Hall. The Most Reverend Michael R. Cote will be the Celebrant, Deacon Gerald Shaw, MD, will be the Homilist, and the featured speaker will be Seth Flagg, LCDR (MC) USN. The topic will be "*Keeping the Faith: Caring for Wounded Marines.*" The Chair of this event is Deacon Gerald Shaw, MD.

The requested donation for breakfast is \$25.00. Health care workers of all faiths are invited.

For further information call Monsignor Brown at 860-887-9294, ext. 232.

Diocesan Pro-Life Bilingual Mass will be held at St. Mary Star of the Sea Church in New London on Saturday, May 2nd

~ 8:30 a.m. Please join us and our Celebrant, Rev. Robert Washabaugh, at this special bilingual Mass as we pray for the dignity and respect of all natural life from conception to death. Following the Mass, the Rosary will be prayed. Refreshments will be served. Please note the change in location.

Holy Spirit Retreat for High School Girls

Saturday April 25, 2015 9:00 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.

The Holy Spirit Retreat is held at Holy Family Motherhouse in Baltic, CT. There is no cost for the retreat. Learn more about the Holy Spirit, visit Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament, pray and share with the Sisters, meet other teens like yourself and much more.

Call Sister Jacinta at 860-822-8241 for a registration form or e-mail motherhouse@sistersofcharity.com.

RSVP by April 20, 2015.

Share-A-Day

The Sisters of Charity of Our Lady Mother of the Church

invite girls in 2nd and 3rd grades to our Share-A-Day with the Sisters from 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 a.m. on Saturday, May 2, 2015 at Holy Family Motherhouse in Baltic, CT. This special day includes recreation, talks, activities and prayers with the Sisters.

Please RSVP to Sr. Mary DePaul at 860-822-8241 by April 27.

Holy Family Mini-Camp

Holy Family Mini-Camp an overnight Summer Camp will be held from July 31– August 2 at Holy Family Mother House in Baltic, Connecticut. This 12th annual summer camp run by the Sisters of Charity of Our Lady Mother of the Church is open to girls 11-15. The theme for this years Camp is Christ is Our Light.

Activities include Saturday and Sunday Mass spiritual talks and prayer as well as crafts, games, swimming and various physical activities. There is a \$50.00 dollar registration fee and a \$100.00 dollar camping fee. For more information please call:

Sister Mary De Paul at (860) 822-8241 or e-mail sistermarydepaul@yahoo.com

Please register as soon as possible—May 1 at the latest

SAINT MAURICE PARISH 60th ANNIVERSARY

Sign up to participate in celebrating the 60th Anniversary of the incorporation of St. Maurice as a Parish! See sheets in the rear of the church. Bishop Cote will be celebrating the 10:00 Mass here on Pentecost, Sunday May 24th. A picnic and other activities will follow in the afternoon.



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