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FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME — JULY 12, 2015

Good News!

July 12, 2015

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B)

Am 7:12–15 / Eph 1:3–14 or 1:3–10 / Mk 6:7–13

Spiritually, discernment is the process of listening for and responding to God's call. It is a popular activity these days in churches, schools, and businesses. Discerning the right career, the right person for a job—or even the right person to marry—occupies a lot of adults. I often talk about discernment with college students because Catholic tradition has much to offer to the process.

We can draw some principles of discernment from our readings today. From Ephesians, we learn that God has called us into the mission of Christ and to praise his glory in the world. Does the life you live now allow you to do that with a full heart? From Amos, we learn that God doesn't call only the ones we think are holy enough, brave enough, or religious enough. God calls all of us wherever he finds us. Amos was a dresser of sycamore trees. We might be teachers, parents, or students in school, but we are all a part of Christ's mission by baptism. Finally, in Mark, we learn that mission is a communal affair. We are together in mission. We are to go into every house, depending on God to tell us what to do and give us what we need.

With our different gifts, we help each other spread God's word and love those we meet. Finally, we learn that not everyone will hear us, but we must not let that weigh us down. We must shake the dust from our feet and move on. These and other principles of discernment can apply no matter where we find ourselves along the road. How have you responded to God's call 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.

THIS WEEKNEXT WEEKFIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIMEJULY 11 — 12, 2015USHERS GROUP ISATURDAY, JULY 11

5:00 P.M. Mass offered for All Parishioners
of St. Maurice Church

Altar Servers: Maria Cinea
Lectors: Georgette Pelletier
Eucharistic Minister: Linda Wiley

COFFEE SOCIAL after Mass in the Church Basement

SUNDAY, JULY 12

7:30 A.M. Mass offered for †Mary Radion (6th Anniversary)
and †Kathy Leiner
request of The Radion Family

Altar Servers: Shirley Warbeck
Lector: Joel Cohan
Eucharistic Minister: Linda Richardson

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

Altar Servers: Andy Fiano
Lector: Barbara Fiano
Eucharistic Minister: Betty Aitkin

CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY after Mass

COFFEE SOCIAL after Mass in the Church Basement

MONDAY, JULY 13

9:00 A.M. Mass offered for †Henry Leonard

TUESDAY, JULY 14 — NO MASSWEDNESDAY, JULY 15 — NO MASSTHURSDAY, JULY 16 — NO MASS

5:30 P.M. **BINGO** in the Parish Center
Doors open and food available at 5:30 P.M.
Games begin at 6:45 P.M.

FRIDAY, JULY 17 — NO MASSSATURDAY, JULY 18

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

STEWARDSHIP

Last week's Offertory: July 5 — \$2,287
Projected Amount needed \$3,370

"He instructed them to take nothing for the journey but a walking stick — no food, no sack, no money in their belts." (MARK 6:8)

How different we are from the Apostles who took nothing when they ventured out to serve God. Today, we make our journey through life more difficult because of all the material baggage that we drag along. Yet, the more we can let go of, the freer we are to serve God with love and joy.

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIMEJULY 18 — 19, 2015USHERS GROUP II

2ND COLLECTION — ST. MAURICE MAINTENANCE
COLLECTION

SATURDAY, JULY 18

5:00 P.M. Mass offered for †Evangie Yarnott
request of Irene Kehl

Altar Servers: Maria Cinea
Lectors: Patti Cinea
Eucharistic Minister: Bert Flynn

COFFEE SOCIAL after Mass in the Church Basement

SUNDAY, JULY 19

7:30 A.M. Mass offered for †Casimir and †Thomas Kurys
request of Helen Kurys and Family

Altar Servers: Shirley Warbeck
Lector: Judy Trzcinski
Eucharistic Minister: Arlene Giglio

10:00 A.M. Mass offered for †Charles and †Mary Varrick
request of The Family

Altar Servers: Nicholas VanDine
Lector: Jeffrey Monroe
Eucharistic Minister: Cliff Scorso

CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY after Mass

COFFEE SOCIAL after Mass in the Church Basement

MONDAY, JULY 20

9:00 A.M. Mass offered for †Adam Mancino
request of Lynn Mancino

TUESDAY, JULY 21 — NO MASSWEDNESDAY, JULY 22 — NO MASSTHURSDAY, JULY 23 — NO MASS

5:30 P.M. **BINGO** in the Parish Center
Doors open and food available at 5:30 P.M.
Games begin at 6:45 P.M.

FRIDAY, JULY 24 — NO MASSSATURDAY, JULY 25

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

Readings for the Week of July 12, 2015

Sunday: Am 7:12-15/Eph 1:3-14 or 1:3-10/Mk 6:7-13

Monday: Ex 1:8-14, 22/Mt 10:34--11:1

Tuesday: Ex 2:1-15a/Mt 11:20-24

Wednesday: Ex 3:1-6, 9-12/Mt 11:25-27

Thursday: Ex 3:13-20/Mt 11:28-30

Friday: Ex 11:10--12:14/Mt 12:1-8

Saturday: Ex 12:37-42/Mt 12:14-21

Next Sunday: Jer 23:1-6/Eph 2:13-18/Mk 6:30-34

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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 MaryAnn.

OFFERTORY GIFTS



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

FROM THE DIOCESE OF NORWICH

Has Your Family Been Touched By Adoption? If so, please join Catholic Charities Adoption Program on August 2, 2015 from noon until 4:00 pm for a pool party and picnic celebrating adoptive families. The day will include swimming, games, food and an opportunity to meet other adoptive families.

Please RSVP Susan Sedensky, Director of Adoption Programs at (860) 889-8346 ext. 282 if you plan to attend.

July 12, 2015

dear Padre

Q Is there an age limit for attending Mass?

My daughter tells me that after a certain age I'm no longer obligated to attend Mass every Sunday. Is that true? I'm eighty-five years old and have physical problems.



There is no age limit on attending the Sunday Mass. We have all been called to remember the Sabbath and to keep it holy. So there is no provision given in the Church that releases someone from attending Sunday Mass on the basis of age.



However, if your physical problems make it difficult for you to attend Mass, then you should attend when you can, and when you are not able to attend it is not considered a mortal sin. Why? A sin requires the cooperation of our will. We have to want to do the thing we know is wrong. You may want to attend Mass, but your body will not allow you. Thus, failure to attend Mass in this case would not be a mortal sin.

However, if you are able to do other activities, like shopping or going to a restaurant, then you might be able to physically attend Mass.

In short, if you are able you should attend Mass. If you are not able to attend Mass, keep the day holy by doing what you can. Maybe you could pray the rosary, watch the Mass on television, or read the Bible.

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Defending Our Religious Liberty

Pope Francis has stated that religious freedom is a fundamental human right. Each individual must be free, alone or in association with others, to seek the truth, and to openly express his or her religious convictions, free from intimidation and external compulsion. Genuine worship of God bears fruit not in discrimination, hatred and violence, but in respect for the sacredness of life, respect for the dignity and freedom of others, and loving commitment to the welfare of all. It is protected in the First Amendment of the Bill of Rights of our U.S. Constitution.

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, and your elected representatives. Let them know that the mandate is in violation of our First Amendment right to religious freedom.



IMMEDIATE OPENING
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