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SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME — JULY 26, 2015

Good News!

July 26, 2015

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B)

2 Kgs 4:42-44 / Eph 4:1-6 / Jn 6:1-15

My Irish aunt's motto was, "If there aren't leftovers, somebody went away hungry." The motto is shared by aunts, mothers, and grandmothers in nearly every culture. During holidays, our table was a groaning board of food prepared by my mother and aunt, brought by other family members, and shared with everyone. On the many occasions when we had more guests than we realized, the whispered command, "FHB," would make its way through our house. The initials stood for "Family, Hold Back," because our first duty was to make sure that our guests had enough to eat, and there were always peanut butter sandwiches and apples for us later.

Whenever I think of the miracle of the loaves and fishes, I think about holidays at our house. Impossibly, it seemed, everyone had more than enough to eat. There were always leftovers. But Jesus started with far less than we did. The five barley loaves and two fish were a meager beginning, food of the poor. That food became abundant in Jesus' hand. It wasn't the first miraculous multiplication. The Old Testament prophets, Elijah and Elisha, both multiplied scarce resources, but not for so many. Jesus outdoes them all. It is John's way of saying that Jesus isn't just another prophet. He is more powerful than any who came before him. As we will hear in the coming weeks, he is life itself. This is John's eucharistic story. The life that Jesus brings is abundant—we will all be satisfied. Think about that when you next receive Communion.

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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 WEEKSEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIMEJULY 25 — JULY 26, 2015USHERS GROUP IIISATURDAY, JULY 25

5:00 P.M. Mass offered for †William and †Marion Miller
request of The Family

Altar Servers: Maria Cinea
Lectors: Bert Flynn
Eucharistic Minister: Georgette Pelletier

COFFEE SOCIAL after Mass in the Church Basement

SUNDAY, JULY 26

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

Altar Servers: Shirley Warbeck
Lector: Judy Knox
Eucharistic Minister: Linda Richardson

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

Altar Servers: Ben Snuffer
Lector: Rita Sheetz
Eucharistic Minister: Rita Sheetz

CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY after Mass

COFFEE SOCIAL after Mass in the Church Basement

MONDAY, JULY 27

9:00 A.M. Mass offered for Intentions of Carol Zabielski

TUESDAY, JULY 28 — NO MASSWEDNESDAY, JULY 29 — NO MASSTHURSDAY, JULY 30 — 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 31 — NO MASSSATURDAY, AUG 1

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

STEWARDSHIP

Last week's Offertory: July 19 — \$1,950
Projected Amount needed \$3,370

"There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish; but what good are these for so many?"

(JOHN 6:9)

The miracle of the Loaves and Fishes is the only miracle which is recorded six times in the Gospel. It carries two important messages. First, no matter how little we have, we always have enough to share. Second, Christ can take our humble gifts and do great things with them if we are just willing to let Him.

NEXT WEEKEIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIMEAUGUST 1 — AUGUST 2, 2015USHERS GROUP IVSATURDAY, AUG 1

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

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

COFFEE SOCIAL after Mass in the Church Basement

SUNDAY, AUG 2

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

Altar Servers: Shirley Warbeck
Lector: Joel Cohan
Eucharistic Minister: Arlene Giglio

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

Altar Servers: Lee Ann Snuffer, Alex Czercowy
Lector: Paul Brown
Eucharistic Minister: Kathleen Smythe

CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY after Mass

COFFEE SOCIAL after Mass in the Church Basement

MONDAY, AUG 3

9:00 A.M. Mass offered for †Samuel Guglielmino

TUESDAY, AUG 4 — NO MASSWEDNESDAY, AUG 5 — NO MASSTHURSDAY, AUG 6 — 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, AUG 7 — NO MASSSATURDAY, AUG 8

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

Readings for the Week of July 26, 2015

Sunday: 2 Kgs 4:42-44/Eph 4:1-6/Jn 6:1-15
Monday: Ex 32:15-24, 30-34/Mt 13:31-35
Tuesday: Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28/Mt 13:36-43
Wednesday: Ex 34:29-35/Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42
Thursday: Ex 40:16-21, 34-38/Mt 13:47-53
Friday: Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37/Mt 13:54-58
Saturday: Lv 25:1, 8-17/Mt 14:1-12
Next Sunday: Ex 16:2-4, 12-15/Eph 4:17, 20-24/Jn 6:24-35

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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.

29th Annual Rummage Sale

St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception Church at 70 West Main Street in Baltic is seeking donations for its annual rummage sale. Donations of furniture, household items, clothing etc. will be gratefully accepted through July 27th. Please call St. Mary Rectory at (860) 822-6378 to arrange for pick-up of larger items.



Defending Our Religious Liberty

Critics who say the Catholic Church is against universal health care are misinformed. The Catholic Church is founded on the Corporal Works of Mercy and helping others. The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) has always advocated for health care. The Catholic Church is opposing the health care mandate, because it violates the First Amendment, which is supposed to safeguard freedom of religion.

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.

FROM THE DIOCESE OF NORWICH

Diocesan Pro-Life Mass at the Cathedral of St. Patrick in Norwich on Saturday, August 1st ~ 8:30 a.m.

Please join us and our celebrant Rev. Joseph Whittel 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.



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.



Wanted – Part-time Administrative Assistant with strong computer and managerial skills. Must be very proficient in MS Word, Excel, Access, Word Perfect, and written and oral communication skills. Must be responsible, organized, loyal, professional, and a practicing Catholic with ability to multi-task, maintain strict confidentiality, and complete tasks in a timely manner. 21 hours per week starting. Send cover letter and resume by August 15, 2015, to: Search Committee, Diocese of Norwich Tribunal, 201 Broadway, Norwich, CT 06360.

*...from 5 loaves and 2 fish,
all ate and were filled.*



IMMEDIATE OPENING

Youth Minister

A part-time (25 Hours per week) position is available for a Youth Minister at the Office of Faith Events, Diocese of Norwich. Major responsibilities include coordinating youth events and assisting in other events of the office.

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