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TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME — OCTOBER 4, 2015

Good News!

October 4, 2015

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B)

Gn 2:18–24 / Heb 2:9–11 / Mk 10:2–16 or 10:2–12

My mother was convinced that none of her children would get married. We were older when we were called to that vocation but, one by one, we did marry. I am happy to say that my husband and I continue to share this vocation three decades later, and we give our thanks to God. My sister was not as fortunate. After years of abuse, she divorced her husband. She did not make that decision lightly. She went into counseling, prayed, and talked. She considered her children, her husband, and herself. And she read and reread today's Gospel from Mark. In the end, her safety and the safety of her children was a major concern.

Jesus railed against the ease of divorce. A man had simply to hand his wife a piece of paper, and he could do so for any reason, including infertility and a failure to please him. But Jesus advances the woman's cause, refusing to allow her to be treated like a piece of property or disposed of at whim. He saw marriage as a sign of God's covenantal love and lifelong fidelity and exalts it as a sacrament. When both spouses commit themselves to each other and to their vocation, this grace is made manifest, and their bond is strengthened. But sin and human brokenness can interfere with God's plan, leaving separation or even divorce as the only option.

In the longer form of this reading, the people brought their children to Jesus, and he blessed them. Maybe we can do the same for those affected by abuse or divorce, so they too, at long last, can be healed.

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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 WEEKTWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIMEOCTOBER 3 — OCTOBER 4, 2015USHERS GROUP I2ND COLLECTION — CRADLE FUNDSATURDAY, OCT 35:00 P.M. Mass offered for All Parishioners
of St. Maurice Church*Altar Servers:* Maria Cinea
Lectors: Georgette Pelletier
Eucharistic Minister: Annedda Stiller*COFFEE SOCIAL after Mass in the Church Basement*SUNDAY, OCT 47:30 A.M. Mass offered for All Parishioners
of St. Maurice Church*Altar Servers:* Shirley Warbeck
Lector: Judy Knox
Eucharistic Minister: Linda Richardson8:30 A.M. — 8:50 A.M. CHILDREN'S CHOIR in the Church8:30 A.M. BREAKFAST FOR FAITH FORMATION9:00 A.M. FAITH FORMATION CLASSESANNUAL YOUTH EXPLOSION FOR CONFIRMATION CLASS10:00 A.M. Mass offered for All Parishioners
of St. Maurice Church*Altar Servers:* Emilia & Marta Herasimowicz
Lector: Jeffrey Monroe
Eucharistic Minister: Janusz Herasimowicz*CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY after Mass**COFFEE SOCIAL after Mass in the Church Basement*MONDAY, OCT 59:00 A.M. Mass offered for †Joseph Chattell
request of Gloria HolbrookTUESDAY, OCT 69:00 A.M. Mass offered for †Samuel Guglielmino7:15 P.M. — CHOIR REHEARSALWEDNESDAY, OCT 79:00 A.M. Mass offered for All Parishioners
of St. Maurice Church9:00 A.M. CHRISTMAS FAIR WORKSHOP in the Parish CenterTHURSDAY, OCT 8 — NO MASSFRIDAY, OCT 9 — NO MASSSATURDAY, OCT 104:30 P.M. ROSARY BEFORE 5:00 P.M. MASSSTEWARDSHIP**Last week's Offertory: September 27 — \$2,704**
Projected Amount needed \$3,370*"So out of the ground the Lord God formed every beast of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to the man to see what he would call them; and whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name." (GENESIS 2:19)*

The creation story reminds us of two important points. First, since the start, God has put the entire world into our care. Second, stewardship has been around since the beginning of mankind, it isn't something recently invented by the Church. Just as past generations built our Church, it is now our responsibility to continue to nurture and develop these gifts for future generations.

NEXT WEEKTWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIMEOCTOBER 10 — OCTOBER 11, 2015USHERS GROUP II2ND COLLECTION — MISSION COMBINE COLLECTIONSATURDAY, OCT 105:00 P.M. Mass offered for †William Miller
request of The Family*Altar Servers:* Maria Cinea
Lectors: Patti Cinea
Eucharistic Minister: Bert Flynn*COFFEE SOCIAL after Mass in the Church Basement*SUNDAY, OCT 117:30 A.M. Mass offered for Marian Herasimowicz
request of Janusz & Agata Herasimowicz*Altar Servers:* Shirley Warbeck
Lector: Judy Trzcinski
Eucharistic Minister: Arlene GiglioNO FAITH FORMATION CLASSES10:00 A.M. Mass offered for †Emelia & †Nichola Maratta
request of Josephine & Silvio Maratta*Altar Servers:* Alex Czercowy
Lector: Jessica Merry
Eucharistic Minister: Kathleen Smythe*CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY after Mass**COFFEE SOCIAL after Mass in the Church Basement*MONDAY, OCT 129:00 A.M. Mass offered for †Marion Carrier
request of Lou and Dorli CloutierTUESDAY, OCT 139:00 A.M. Mass offered for †Lucianne Cloutier
request of Mary Mumford7:15 P.M. — CHOIR REHEARSALWEDNESDAY, OCT 149:00 A.M. Mass offered for †Samuel Guglielmino9:00 A.M. CHRISTMAS FAIR WORKSHOP in the Parish CenterTHURSDAY, OCT 15 — NO MASSFRIDAY, OCT 16 — NO MASSSATURDAY, OCT 174:30 P.M. ROSARY BEFORE 5:00 P.M. MASSReadings for the Week of October 4, 2015

Sunday: Gn 2:18-24/Heb 2:9-11/Mk 10:2-16
or 10:2-12

Monday: Jon 1:1--2:2, 11/Lk 10:25-37

Tuesday: Jon 3:1-10/Lk 10:38-42

Wednesday: Jon 4:1-11/Lk 11:1-4

Thursday: Mal 3:13-20b/Lk 11:5-13

Friday: Jl 1:13-15; 2:1-2/Lk 11:15-26

Saturday: Jl 4:12-21/Lk 11:27-28

Next Sunday: Wis 7:7-11/Heb 4:12-13/Mk 10:17-30
or 10:17-27

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FROM 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.

NO KID HUNGRY



Traditionally St. Maurice parishioners have donated food items for families in need by contributing to the local Bolton Food Pantry.

In addition special collections for food have been requested and delivered at Thanksgiving, Christmas, and Easter.

Now a new need in the community has surfaced for some of our Bolton school children. A number of children have been identified by school officials as going hungry over the weekend. In response the Bolton PTA created a program called "No Kid Hungry". The PTA has begun to supply these children with easily prepared nutritious food in special backpacks to take home over the weekend. A list of these foods and details about the "No Kid Hungry" program are in the bulletin insert. If you wish to make a donation please place yours in either church foyer. Janusz Herasimowicz is our parish liaison for this program if you have any questions or concerns.

Thank you for your continued support and generosity!

Children's



Choir

This fall we will be offering an opportunity for your children to form a **children's choir at St Maurice Church!** Our Organist and Choir Director, Don Benevides, will hold practices every Sunday from 8:30 to 8:50 am. The first practice will be on

Sunday, October 4th. Our hope is to have the children singing monthly during mass beginning in November. The intent is to build community and to share the joy of the Lord in song. No experience necessary and all children are welcome to participate!

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. 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 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

Outreach to Haiti - Ride To Rebuild

A small team from the Diocese of Norwich Outreach to Haiti (OTH) will start a 6-day, 339-mile bike ride, touching five of the six New England states, on September 28th, to raise awareness and funds in order to rebuild facilities in Haiti. The course will start in Kittery, ME and go past all 11 parishes/schools in CT twinned with Haitian parishes/orphanages/schools. To get more information on OTH, the need for and details of the ride, and to donate, go to www.outreachtohaiti.org/ride-to-rebuild.

The Silver and Gold Jubilee Anniversary Mass

Sunday, October 18, 2015 -- 2:00p.m. Cathedral of St. Patrick

Inviting all couples married 25 & 50 years or a significant anniversary in renewal of your wedding vows at the Pontifical Mass celebrated by Bishop Michael R. Cote at the Cathedral of St. Patrick. Family members are invited to share in your celebration. A reception follows the Mass. Register through your parish in September.

Twenty-third Annual Mass for Firefighters/EMS Personnel

Saturday, October 17, 2015, at 5:00 p.m.

On Saturday, October 17, 2015, at 5:00 p.m., Bishop Cote will celebrate Mass for all Firefighters/EMS personnel, in the Cathedral of Saint Patrick. Assembly at Chelsea Parade for the line-up and the procession (to the Cathedral) of all personnel and apparatus will begin at 3:00 p.m. The Homilist will be Deacon Wayne Sandford, Deacon at St. Therese Church, North Haven and Past Chief of the East Haven Fire Department. All companies, departments, and personnel and their families are cordially invited to participate. For more information call, Mrs. Terri Zampini at 860-887-9294, x265, or Monsignor Brown at x232.

Workshop for New Lectors and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Saturday, October 24, 2015 from 9:30 to Noon

Registration begins at 9:00. Fee \$10

St. Joseph Parish, 99 Jackson Street, Willimantic 06226

Registration form at: worship@norwichdiocese.net

Or call 860-848-2237x203

Please join Bishop Cote at the Sixth Annual Seton Scholarship Dinner

honoring the recipients of the Most Reverend Michael R. Cote, D.D. Award for Contributions to Catholic Education to be held at 4 PM on Sunday, November 1, 2015 at The Riverhouse at Goodspeed Station, 55 Bridge Road, Haddam, Connecticut. This year's honorees are Brother Lawrence Harvey, CFX, Sister Mary A. McCarthy, RSM and Mrs. Kathleen R. Clancy. Tickets are \$150/person. All proceeds benefit Catholic Schools within the Diocese. Opportunities for sponsorship and program advertising are available. For tickets and more information, please contact Kathy Gaito at 860-886-1928 ext. 15, kgaito@norwichdiocese.net or visit www.norwichdiocesedevelopment.org.

Scott Hahn to speak at the Cathedral of St. Patrick

On Saturday, October 10th, The Cathedral of St. Patrick, Norwich will present Scott Hahn, a professor of Biblical Theology and Scripture as well as Catholic convert, from 9:30 AM until 3:30 PM. Dr. Hahn's topic will be "Evangelizing Catholics: The Bible, The Eucharist and the New Evangelization." He is one of the most sought after religious speakers in our country. Tickets, which include complementary lunch, are \$20 per person, \$10 for students. Religious are admitted free with advanced registration. Tickets are available at Merciful Savior Gift Shop in Colchester or by calling Karen at (860) 303-0513

Registration forms are attached to bulletin boards in both vestibules.

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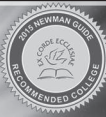
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