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Good News!

November 22, 2015 OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE (B)

Dn 7:13-14 / Rv 1:5-8 / Jn 18:33b-37

Like many people, when I hear the words "king" and "queen," I have an image formed by fairy tales and historical novels. The rulers of countries live in castles. They wear crowns and long capes and sit on thrones while their loyal subjects pay them homage. While I am aware that modern kings and queens wear "regular" clothes unless tradition dictates otherwise and that castles have become more contemporary, I still watch royal weddings for a glimpse of the pageantry that fed my childhood fantasies.

Pilate had an idea of what kings were like, too. In the first century, kings made laws and led people into battle. They had great armies and were a danger to another country's way of life. The Jews kept talking about a Messiah who would become king and destroy Israel's enemies. Pilate wasn't taking any chances. For Rome's sake, he would get rid of anyone who seemed a threat.

What Pilate failed to realize was that Israel's king had a very specific function, and it was not to make laws or lead armies. Instead, the king was to study and obey the Law of God and become himself the example of obedience (see Dt 17:18–20). When Pilate called Jesus "the King of the Jews," his words were truer than he knew, for Jesus was obedient to his Father, even unto accepting death for our sake. But Pilate had no idea why he was right because he was thinking in human terms.

Today we honor Christ, the king of the Jews, of all of us, and of the whole universe. Let us see him as he is and do as he does.

Mary Katharine Deeley

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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

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

NOVEMBER 21 — NOVEMBER 22, 2015

USHERS GROUP IV

Thanksgiving Food Delivery

SATURDAY, NOV 21

5:00 P.M. <u>Mass offered for †Robert Simmons</u>

request of Mary Simmons and Family

Altar Servers: Maria Cinea Lectors: Bert Flynn

Eucharistic Minister: Georgette Pelletier

COFFEE SOCIAL after Mass in the Church Basement

SUNDAY, NOV 22

7:30 A.M. Mass offered for Robert & Jane Hunt

on their 30th Wedding Anniversary

Altar Servers: Shirley Warbeck Lector: Judy Trzcinski

Eucharistic Minister: Arlene Giglio

COFFEE SOCIAL INCLUDES SALE OF ITEMS STILL AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE AFTER THE FAIR CONCLUSION

after Mass in the Parish Center

The Confirmation Candidates will be sorting and packing Thanksgiving food for Bolton families

8:30 A.M. — 8:50 A.M. CHILDREN'S CHOIR in the Church

8:30 A.M. Breakfast for Faith Formation

9:00 A.M. FAITH FORMATION CLASSES

10:00 A.M. Mass offered for †Matteo & †Vincent Quagliano

request of Josephine & Silvio Marata

Altar Servers: Alex Czercowy Lector: Jeffrey Monroe

Eucharistic Minister: Sharon Scorso

CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY after Mass

COFFEE SOCIAL INCLUDES SALE OF ITEMS STILL AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE AFTER THE FAIR CONCLUSION

after Mass in the Parish Center

MONDAY, NOV 23

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

TUESDAY, NOV 24

9:00 A.M. <u>Mass offered for All Parishioners</u>

of St. Maurice Church

7:00 P.M. ECUMENICAL THANKSGIVING SERVICE

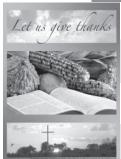
AT BOLTON CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

7:15 P.M. CHOIR REHEARSAL

WEDNESDAY, NOV 25

9:00 A.M. <u>Mass offered for All Parishioners</u>

of St. Maurice Church



THURSDAY, NOV 26 — NO MASS

HAPPY THANKSGIVING TO ALL PARISHIONERS

FRIDAY, NOV 27 — NO MASS

SATURDAY, NOV 28

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

NEXT WEEK

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

NOVEMBER 28— NOVEMBER 29, 2015

USHERS GROUP I

2ND COLLECTION — ST. MAURICE FUEL FUND

SATURDAY, NOV 28

4:00 P.M. Mass offered for Therese Kehl Switchenko

request of Irene Kehl

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

COFFEE SOCIAL after Mass in the Church Basement

SUNDAY, NOV 29

7:30 A.M. Mass offered for All Parishioners

of St. Maurice Church

Altar Servers: Shirley Warbeck

Lector: Joel Cohan

Eucharistic Minister: Linda Richardson

NO FAITH FORMATION CLASSES

10:00 A.M. Mass offered for †Rose Januarelli

request of Lucy Szwed

Altar Servers: LeeAnn & Ben Snuffer

Lector: Jessica Merry

Eucharistic Minister: Janusz Herasimowicz

CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY after Mass

COFFEE SOCIAL after Mass in the Church Basement

MONDAY, NOV 30

9:00 A.M. <u>Mass offered for All Parishioners</u>

of St. Maurice Church

TUESDAY, DEC 1 — NO MASS

WEDNESDAY, DEC 2 — NO MASS

THURSDAY, DEC 3 — NO MASS

FRIDAY, DEC 4 — NO MASS

SATURDAY, DEC 5

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

STEWARDSHIP

Last week's Offertory: November 15 — \$2,974

Projected Amount needed \$3,370

"Jesus answered, 'My kingdom does not belong to this world."

(JOHN 18:36)

How often do we put all our time and energy into building a kingdom here on earth, forgetting that life here is short? The real kingdom is in the next life. Yet, how much time and energy do we invest in working for that eternal kingdom?

Readings for the Week of November 22, 2015

Sunday: Dn 7:13-14/Rv 1:5-8/Jn 18:33b-37

Monday: Dn 1:1-6, 8-20/Lk 21:1-4 Tuesday: Dn 2:31-45/Lk 21:5-11

Wednesday: Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28/Lk 21:12-19

Thursday: Dn 6:12-28/Lk 21:20-28 Friday: Dn 7:2-14/Lk 21:29-33 Saturday: Dn 7:15-27/Lk 21:34-36

Next Sunday: Jer 33:14-16/1 Thes 3:12--4:2/Lk 21:25-28,34-36

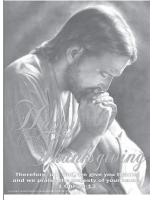
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FROM SAINT MAURICE PARISH



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.



The Bolton Ecumenical Council

will host its annual *Community*

Thanksgiving Service

on Tuesday, November 24th at 7:00 p.m. at Bolton Congregational Church. Donations of nonperishable food items will be appreciated, and given to local food

pantries. A freewill offering will be used in sponsorship towards the Bolton Scholarship Fund. Refreshments will follow the service. Come and join in the spirit of Thanksgiving, offering worship and gratitude to God as a Christian community, and enjoy the singing of the combined church choir.



THANK YOU FROM THE CHRISTMAS FAIR GROUP

Our sincere thanks to all who helped make our Christmas Fair a

great success. So many people helped it is impossible to name all of you - the bakers of so many goodies, donations of items, shoppers and well wishes - our thanks. Dorli, Kathy, Beth and Patti.

TABERNACLE

Recent restoration of the Sanctuary has included the building of a stepped platform and repositioning the Tabernacle back to behind the altar. Overall, parishioners' feedback has been positive with suggestions including: returning the four solid bronze angels at guard to their original patina, or another color other than black; and replacing the current tabernacle with a more architecturally structured one that will visually complement the worship space. If a tabernacle replacement is sought, then the current tabernacle would then be moved into the Sacristy, to be used to reserve the consecrated hosts during the Triduum. The December meeting of the Parish Council will focus on parishioners' suggestions. Please speak with Fr. Wojciech or any council member to include your recommendations.

FROM THE DIOCESE OF NORWICH



On Sunday, December 13, 2015, Bishop Cote will open the Holy Year of Mercy at the Cathedral of Saint Patrick 10:30 a.m. with a special celebration of the Eucharist. During this celebration representatives from every parish of the diocese will be commissioned as Disciples of Mercy. We will also have the traditional ritual of opening

the Holy Door of Mercy. All parishioners are cordially invited to participate in this Diocesan Celebration of Mercy. Following the Mass, a reception will be held in the Cathedral Auditorium. All are invited to participate.

During National Adoption Month, Catholic Charities Adoption Program is sponsoring an Essay Contest for students between the ages of 10 and 17. Participants should write a one page essay that addresses the topic, "How Adoption Has Affected My Life". The Winner will receive \$100.00 and his or her essay will be printed in the 4 County Catholic. Entries should be emailed to susansedensky@ccfsn.org by December 11th.

34th Annual Convocation For the Priests in the Diocese of Norwich

NEWPORT, RI.—The Annual Convocation for Priests will be held from November 30-December 2, 2015, at the Hyatt Regency Hotel on Goat Island in Newport, RI. It will be a time for all priests to gather with their bishop for spiritual renewal, support, education and rest. No parish, school or institutional activities will be scheduled during these days. Please pray for your priests, as they will be praying for you.

Defending Our Religious Liberty

In this Thanksgiving season, let us give thanks for our Godgiven rights, and stand strong in our opposition to the current encroachments being made on our religious freedom through the passage of the Health and Human Services federal mandate.

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.



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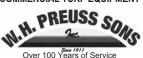


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