

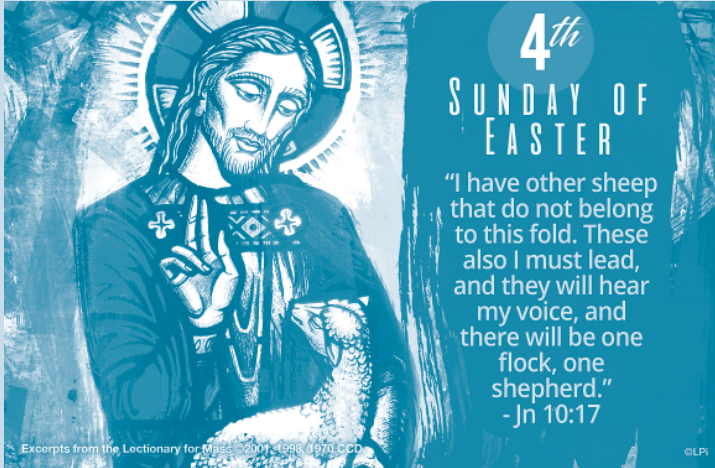
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FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER — APRIL 22, 2018



Today's Gospel occurs in the middle of Jesus' ministry. At first, Jesus' words seem to be about the value of self-sacrifice in a leader. "I am the Good Shepherd? I will lay down my life for the sheep." The Apostles likely would have accepted these words easily enough. But then comes something more strange. "I lay down my life in order to take it up again? I have power to lay it down and power to take it up again." Only later, when Jesus opened the Scriptures to them after his resurrection, would the Apostles understand his words. Only then would they understand why such an act was necessary for the salvation of the world.

Even now, we may struggle with the necessity of Holy Week. How often do we hear complaints against the silence of God, as if He is the "hired man" who "runs away" from suffering? Jesus' life, death, and resurrection is our redemption in fact. God himself bears the full weight of sin's consequences. The Paschal Mystery is also a sign that happens in full view of the human experience. We have seen Jesus lay down his life. We have seen him accompany others. "I know mine and mine know me." We have seen him reach those outside the traditional flock, "sheep not of this fold." Jesus is the Good Shepherd, not only in Scripture but in our daily lives.

While we can't experience physically walking alongside him like the Apostles did, the grace of our redemption continues through the Church. We are shepherded by the sacraments, by faith formation, by good mentors. At the same time, we are not only the sheep. In imitating Jesus, we, too, are invited to lay down our lives for others. We can be the hands, feet, and shepherd's crook of Christ.

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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 a Pancake Breakfast after the Sunday Mass, 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):

Saturday 4:15 p.m. — 4:45 p.m.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

Please call the rectory (860-748-4560) 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 860-748-4560.



FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

APRIL 21 — 22, 2018

USHERS GROUP II

SATURDAY, APRIL 21

5:00 P.M. Mass offered for †Margaret Chetelat
request of Marge and Bert Flynn

CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY *after Mass*

6:00 P.M. **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SPRING FLING**
at the Parish Center

SUNDAY, APRIL 22

7:30 A.M. Mass offered for †Christine Carlone
request of Kathy Depathy

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 †Deceased Members of
Herasimowicz Family
request of Agata and Janusz Herasimowicz

CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY *after Mass*

5:30 P.M. **EVENING PRAYER**
FROM THE LITURGY OF THE HOURS

MONDAY, APRIL 23

9:00 A.M. Mass offered for Theresa Ciscon (secretarier)
request of Shirley Holbrook

TUESDAY, APRIL 24

9:00 A.M. Mass offered for All Parishioners
of St. Maurice Church

7:15 P.M. **CHOIR REHEARSAL**
New members are most welcome

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 25

9:00 A.M. Mass offered for All Parishioners
of St. Maurice Church

9:00 A.M. **CHRISTMAS FAIR WORKSHOP**

THURSDAY, APRIL 26 — NO MASS

FRIDAY, APRIL 27 — NO MASS

SATURDAY, APRIL 28

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

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

FROM SAINT MAURICE PARISH

Delicious
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JOIN US FOR BREAKFAST AT THE TRIPLE PLAY CAFÉ



Time: 8:00 A.M. — 10:00 A.M.

Date: Sunday, April 29

Location: St. Maurice Parish Center
\$6.00 / Person \$18.00 / Family

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OUTREACH TO HAITI **Diocese of Norwich**
Outreach to Haiti Annual Fundraiser

Join Bishop Cote at the Diocese of Norwich Outreach to Haiti annual Charity Gala,

Saturday, April 28, at A Villa Louisa, Bolton CT.

RSVP on-line www.outreachtohaiti.org. or call Outreach to Haiti 860 800 3601. Proceeds benefit the Diocese's long-standing mission in Haiti: nutrition & feeding programs, medical care, orphanages, and education program The evening features Dr. Jacquet, Outreach Clinic Director, a silent auction, cocktails and dinner. The price is \$100. Thank you for your support!



CHILDREN AND YOUTH MASS
will be held at 10:00 A.M.
on Sunday, April 29

STEWARDSHIP

Last week's Offertory: APRIL 15 — \$1,915

Projected Amount needed \$2,980

"I am the good shepherd...and I lay down my life for the sheep... and they will heed my voice."

- John 10:14-16

When you pray, do you only ask Jesus for the things that you want? Do you ever ask Him what He wants from you? How do you listen for His response? Usually, the answer is in "quiet whispers", so take time every day, in silence, to actively listen for His response.

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Parish Membership Form

Drop in collection ^

Please enroll the following as members of the Church of St. Maurice:

Adults _____

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We can help out as: Altar server _____ Lector _____ Usher _____ Eucharistic Minister _____ Choir _____ Crafts workshop _____

FROM SAINT MAURICE PARISH



ST. MAURICE PRAYER LINE

Please remember all the special intentions on the St. Maurice Prayer Line.

Prayer Line: Anne, Diane, Marge, Irene, Mary, David, Francis, Margaret, Grace, Bob, MaryJane,

George, Claire.

Candle Intentions: Dot, Alex, Alie, Nick, Victoria

For all who assist us through difficult times, that God will continue to renew them and inspire their words and deeds.

For peace and healing: that God will send healing to all who were impacted by violence.

That we have the courage to do the work God has sent us to do, knowing that this is the true path to peace and joy.

Prayer shawls are available upon request

Thank you. Carol & Mary Ann

MERCIFUL SAVIOUR GIFT SHOP

Dear Friends:

We have some wonderful news to share with you---
God has chosen a beautiful family, HENRY, SUZANNE & SHANE BOMBRIA from Columbia, CT as the **NEW OWNERS of Merciful Saviour Gift Shop!!!** The mission lives on!!! Merciful Saviour will be open for business until MAY 31, 2018 and will briefly close for renovations and restocking. A GRAND REOPENING WILL BE ANNOUNCED FOR EARLY SEPTEMBER! More details will follow in the Four County Catholic, Local Newspapers. With gratitude and love,

Ed and Marie Fusco

SAINT MAURICE PARISH COMMUNITY



M= Mass

E= Eucharistic Adoration

R= Rosary

C= Confession

Y= YOU Your commitment

East Catholic High School:

It's not too late to become an Eagle! East Catholic will be hosting one of its last Entrance Exams on Tuesday, April 24th at 8:30 a.m. Pre-registration is preferred but not required. Explore East today by calling Ms. Devlin, Director of Admissions, at 860-649-5336 ext 6238.



Father Leon is available at all times for any Spiritual needs, to call or meet with him personally, you're always welcomed. Reach him direct at (860) 748-4560.

FROM THE DIOCESE OF NORWICH

BEGINNING EXPERIENCE WEEKEND ~ If you are widowed, separated or divorced and want help in resolving the pain and grief of losing the marriage relationship and create a more peace-filled future, consider attending a Beginning Experience weekend May 4-6 at St. Thomas Seminary in Bloomfield, CT. The fee for the Catholic-based weekend is \$265, which covers food, lodging, materials and a follow-up event. For more information call Maureen at 860-285-8685 or Victoria at 860-993-2384, or visit www.beginningexperience.org.

Bookkeeper Job Opening

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To apply contact Joan Aresco – arescoj@mtstjohn.org or Dr Pamela Potemri – potemrip@mtstjohn.org

Holy Family Men's Retreat

Retreat Theme: **Grace Enough - Join Holy Family's retreat** team for a weekend of peace and reflection on the power of God's grace in our lives. Discover anew how God's grace is our greatest source of strength and courage to meet the ever-present challenges in our lives. Together we'll reflect on how living in God's grace guides us to make wise choices, leading to true happiness and peace.

The retreat includes: home-cooked meals, inspirational liturgies, uplifting music, free time, and workshops. The retreat begins with dinner at 6:00 p.m. on Friday evening and concludes with Sunday brunch at noon. Register at

www.holyfamilyretreat.org/graceenough

or call Holy Family Passionist Retreat Center, West Hartford, CT at 860.760.9705 for more info.

Men's Retreat Date: June 8-10, 2018

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Jesus is the good shepherd and laid down his life for us that we may have new life. Give your marriage new life by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend.

The next Weekends are **July 6-8, 2018** in MANCHESTER, CT and **November 2-4, 2018** in MANCHESTER, CT.

For more information, call Pat & Mary-Jo McLaughlin at 860-315-2127 or visit them at <https://www.mectw.org/>.



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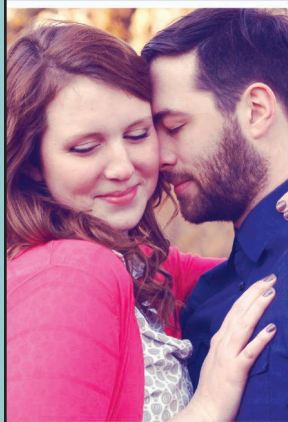
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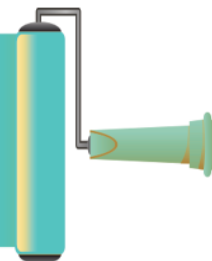
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