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SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
MAY 12, 2024



First Holy Communion

WELCOME TO THE TABLE OF THE LORD!

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Henry Flick • Jameson LaForge • Asher Liebeskind
Elle Lundberg • Aubrey Milardo • Vincent Pec
Margaret Phelan • Adelynn Sadler
Charlotte Schiebel • Cailin Stinchon

Dear Jesus,
through bread and wine at the Last Supper,
and by your holy word,
you gave the Eucharist to your church.
You transformed common food and drink
into your Body and Blood,
and offered us a share in your life
in ways we still cannot fully understand.
Grant now that these young people
will always treasure the gift they have in you.
Give them the grace to be faithful to you
and to remain in communion with your church.
As they receive their first Communion,
the Bread of Life and Cup of Salvation,
make them always aware of the hope they have
for eternal life in you.
Amen.

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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 4:00 p.m. to 4:45 p.m.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

Please call the Parish Office (860-643-4466) to arrange for a meeting with the Pastor.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:

Please call the Parish Office (860-643-4466) to arrange for a meeting with the Pastor.

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.

**SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
May 11 — 12, 2024**

Ushers Group II
MAINTENANCE COLLECTION

SATURDAY, MAY 11

10:00 A.M. **SPECIAL MASS FOR THE CELEBRATION OF FIRST HOLY COMMUNION** 
4:30 P.M. **Knight of Columbus Rosary** (in the Cry Room)
5:00 P.M. **Mass offered for All Parishioners of St. Maurice Church**

SUNDAY, MAY 12

7:30 A.M. **Mass offered for the Soul of †Donald Holbrook** requested by Shirley and Gloria Holbrook
Chaplet of Divine Mercy (in the Cry Room)
10:00 A.M. **Mass offered for the Souls of †Jane Hilbie and †Charlene Willette** requested by Linda Armstrong
Chaplet of Divine Mercy (in the Cry Room)
5:30 P.M. **Evening Prayer** from the Liturgy of the Hours

MONDAY, MAY 13 — No MASS

6:30 P.M. Parish Council Meeting (in the Parish Center)

TUESDAY, MAY 14 — No MASS

7:15 P.M. **Choir rehearsal** in the church
New voices are always welcome!

WEDNESDAY, MAY 15

9:00 A.M. **Mass offered for All Souls in Purgatory**
Rosary after Mass
9:00 A.M. CHRISTMAS FAIR WORKSHOP (in the Parish Center)

THURSDAY, MAY 16

9:00 A.M. **Mass offered for All Souls in Purgatory**
Rosary after Mass
6:00 P.M. **HOLY HOUR FOR VOCATIONS LED BY BISHOP MICHAEL R. COTE**

FRIDAY, MAY 17

9:00 A.M. **Mass offered for All Souls in Purgatory**

SATURDAY, MAY 18



11:00 A.M. **CONFIRMATION AT SAINT BERNARD CHURCH IN ROCKVILLE**
4:30 P.M. **Rosary** (in the Cry Room)
5:00 P.M. **Mass offered for All Souls in Purgatory**



SUNDAY, MAY 19 — PENTECOST SUNDAY
Ushers Group III
7:30 A.M. **Mass offered for All Souls in Purgatory**
Chaplet of Divine Mercy (in the Cry Room)
10:00 A.M. **Mass offered for All Parishioners of St. Maurice Church**
Chaplet of Divine Mercy (in the Cry Room)
5:30 P.M. **Evening Prayer** from the Liturgy of the Hours

FROM SAINT MAURICE PARISH



ST. MAURICE PRAYER LINE

Please remember all the special intentions on the St. Maurice Prayer Line and Faith Formation Students Prayer Requests.

New requests this week: Frank, Rosemary, Jayuri, Debrupyna, Joshua, Abbey, Dan.
Candle Intentions: Special prayers for the Intentions in the Candle Note Book.

Please call Carol Zabielski at (860) 643-2837

ST. MAURICE PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY



Members of the Prayer Shawl Ministry are making full size prayer shawls for our long term care patients. Also, mini pocket prayer shawls are available for everyone.

If you can help in any way in this Ministry, please call:
Irene Zdrojowy (860) 533-1733



HOLY HOUR FOR VOCATIONS

Come join in praying a Eucharistic Holy Hour for Vocations led by Bishop Cote.
THURSDAY, MAY 16TH 6:00PM — 7:00PM

ST. MAURICE CHURCH

These hours of adoration are a wonderful opportunity to pray for vocations to the priesthood and religious life, to pray for our seminarians, and for our priests and religious already serving our diocese.

STEWARDSHIP

Offertory: May 5 — \$3,193
Projected Amount needed — \$3,670

"Whoever confesses that Jesus is the Son of God, God abides in him, and he in God." — 1 JOHN 4:15

How strong is your faith? When you have an opportunity to either defend or clarify a question about our Catholic faith, do you do it? Or, do you remain silent so that others don't think you are weird? Pray for the courage to be strong in all circumstances and to joyfully share your witness with others.

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Parish Membership Form

Drop in collection ^

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

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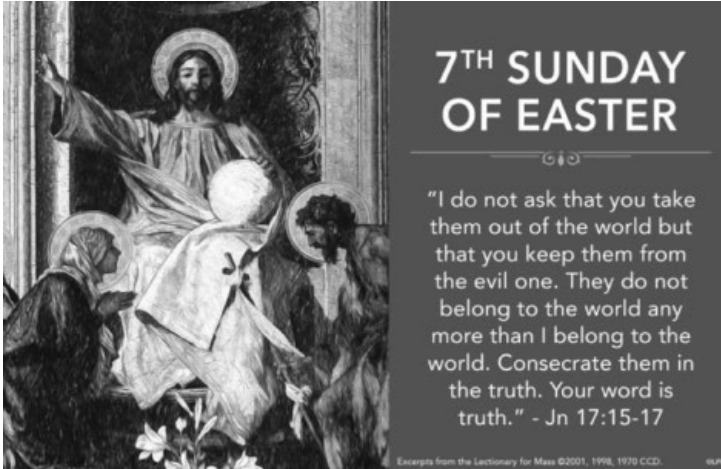
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FROM ST. MAURICE PARISH

A few months ago, I had the singular privilege of a private meeting with Pope Francis. We were a small group of pastors, composed largely of non-Catholics. The Holy Father wished to discuss our work for Christian unity. The phrase I remember him saying with greatest frequency was: *Tutti dentro*. It means, “Everyone in.” He clearly wanted us to emphasize that the Church is made for the whole human race, not a select few. At the center of his concern was unity. We are all brothers and sisters, he said multiple times. The Church’s primary longing is for everyone to join Her.

This longing is at the heart of this Ascension feast day. We hear the longest recorded prayer of the one whom Pope Francis represents. Jesus’ concern is unity, praying to the Father, “**that they may be one, even as we are one**” (John 17:11). The deep unity of all people in Christ through the power of the Holy Spirit is what Jesus most desires. It is what he ascends to accomplish.

Do we have this same burning desire in our hearts, too? Or do we see Christian unity as an unrealizable dream? Or worse, as something that threatens our own narrow tribal interests? This feast is a wonderful time to consider our attitude toward Christian unity, and to commit to do whatever we can to foster it. It is the Pope’s desire because it is that of Jesus — and it should be ours, too.

- Father John Muir



**PENTECOST SUNDAY
BOLTON ECUMENICAL
COUNCIL**

This world is in great need of God. Conflicts and turmoil continue to escalate in many regions. In response, the Bolton Ecumenical Council is sponsoring a short prayer service for world peace. This event is to take place on **Pentecost Sunday, May 19th at 12:00 pm at Bolton Town Green Gazebo** (across from Bentley Library), rain or shine. Please join us as a community of believers in lifting up our prayers. Hope you can join!



**WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE A
GIFT BEARER AT MASS?**

If you would, before mass begins, please let the ushers know and they will give you instructions.

FROM OUR PASTOR’S DESK

Dear Parish Family,

I remember clearly while I was still teaching, that this time of year was a bit tortuous. The kids could smell a summer vacation approaching and it took every ounce of energy and patience I had to keep them focused. I never knew who was more grateful for the arrival of Summer, them – or me!

Parish life can be similar. There are many spring activities, meetings, missions, Confirmations, first Communion, weddings, ordinations and such that keep our parish hopping. When Summer arrives, we take a deep breath and thank God for the vibrant parish that is ours. As Pastor, I remind people to slow it down over the next couple of months and enjoy the summer with their families.

As two parishes with three worship sites, we need to remind ourselves that we’re one family. It’s important to come together and cement relationships and mission. With that in mind, we will be having a get together and workshop for all:

- **all lectors** on June 10th at 6:30 pm. at St. Maurice Church in Bolton
- **all communion ministers** on July 15th at 6:30 pm at St. Matthew Church in Tolland
- **our music ministry** at St. Bernard Church in Rockville—date to be determined by our three music directors

Please mark your calendars and make every effort to join us.

Psalm 133:1 - How good and pleasant it is when God's people live together in unity!

Peace everyone,

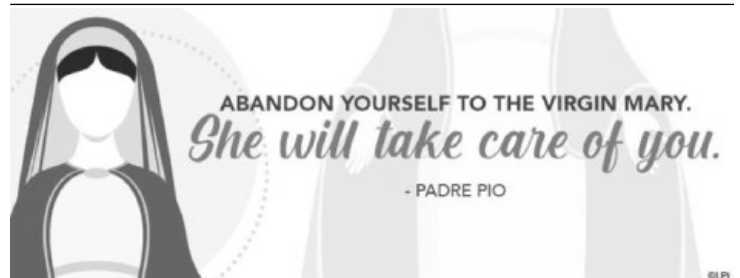
Fr. Rick

FROM THE DIOCESE OF NORWICH


All women are cordially invited to attend
**The Norwich Diocese Council of Catholic Women’s
46th Annual Layette**

at St. Sebastian Church, 155 Washington St., Middletown, CT. on Sunday, June 2nd from 1pm to 3pm. Items needed are diapers, food, formula, wipes, new baby clothes up to size 3T, blankets, baby items etc. These items will be distributed to the districts of the Norwich Diocese Catholic Charities.

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