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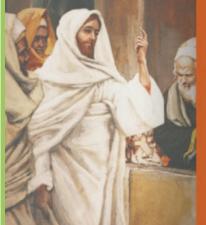
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14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astonished. They said, "Where did this man get all this? What kind of wisdom has been given him? What mighty deeds are wrought by his hands!" - Mk 6:2

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass 92001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

Recently I watched a bunch of YouTube videos on how to optimize willpower in the face of weakness. The message was: do not accept your weakness. Crush it. Dominate it. In one video, however, at the end of a rant by a willpower coach, the muscular stoic admitted, "You'll never actually get what you want, no matter how hard you try." Amazingly, he admitted that willpower alone is not sufficient for us weak-willed humans.

What does God want us to do with our weaknesses, if crushing them with willpower won't work? For example, what should I do with my tendency to arrogance and self-isolation? Or my procrastination? Or my intellectual and physical limitations? Or my selfishness?

The counter-intuitive answer is clear in this week's words from St Paul, "I will rather boast most gladly of my weaknesses in order that the power of Christ may dwell in me (2 Cor. 12:9)." Boast of our weaknesses? Paul isn't promoting weak-mindedness or laziness. Rather, he perceives that Jesus loves us not despite our weaknesses but because of them. Boasting of our weakness means claiming human will is not all we have. It means turning to God whenever we feel weak, which—let's face it—is almost all the time. When we do, we learn to love our weaknesses,

because it's there that we meet the strength of Christ. This week, I challenge us to find ways to boast not in willpower but in weakness.

— Father John Muir





FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME JULY 7, 2024

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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.

ST. MAURICE CHURCH BOLTON, CT

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

July 6 — 7, 2024

Ushers Group II

SATURDAY, JULY 6

4:30 P.M. Rosary (in the Cry Room)

5:00 P.M. <u>Mass offered for All the Parishioners of</u>

St. Maurice Church

SUNDAY, JULY 7

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 Souls in Purgatory

Chaplet of Divine Mercy (in the Cry Room)

5:30 P.M. Evening Prayer from the Liturgy of the Hours

MONDAY, JULY 8 — No Mass

TUESDAY, JULY 9 — No Mass

WEDNESDAY, JULY 10

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)

6:00 P.M. Music Ministry meeting at St. Bernard Church

THURSDAY, JULY 11

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

Rosary after Mass

FRIDAY, JULY 12

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

Rosarv after Mass

SATURDAY, JULY 13

4:30 P.M. Knights of Columbus Rosary (in the Cry Room)

5:00 P.M. Mass offered for All Souls in Purgatory

SUNDAY, JULY 14

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

St. Maurice Church

Chaplet of Divine Mercy (in the Cry Room)

10:00 A.M. Mass offered for the Souls of †Barbara and

†Donald Sullivan

requested by Patrick and Daniel Sullivan

Chaplet of Divine Mercy (in the Cry Room)

5:30 P.M. Evening Prayer from the Liturgy of the Hours



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 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: Laura, Keith, Tiffany,

Angie, Ginny, Mano, Seva, Katherine, Morgan, Carolyn, Christopher.

Candle Intentions: Special prayers for the Intentions in the Candle Note Book.

Please call Carol Zabielski at (860) 643-2837

Dear Parishioners,

The scheduled music workshop on July 10th is still available to our music team. All three Churches will meet at St. Bernard Church at 6:00 pm. for a collaborative evening of song, instruction and fellowship. Please join us.

The Communion minister workshop scheduled for July 15th at St. Matthew Church is available to all three Churches. Please join us at 6:30 pm for an evening reflecting on the Eucharist, and liturgical procedures.

Look forward to seeing you there.

Peace,

Fr Rick

Members of the Music Ministry & Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Get togethers and workshops for all music ministry members and communion ministers from both of our parishes (Blessed Sacrament & St. Maurice) on the following dates:

- Music Ministry: July 10th at 6:00pm at St. Bernard Church in Rockville
- <u>Communion Ministers:</u> July 15th at 6:30 pm at St. Matthew Church in Tolland

STEWARDSHIP

Offertory: June 30— \$3,374

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"As the Lord spoke to me, the spirit entered me and set me on my feet, and I heard the one who was speaking say to me, 'Son of man, I am sending you...'" EZEKIEL 2:2-3

God has a plan for each of us. He calls us to do something for Him. But, He doesn't leave us on our own to figure it out. He gives us the resources we need to do His work. Are you listening for God's call? When you hear it, do you get on your feet and do the work He asks of you? Do not be afraid. God doesn't call the equipped, he equips the called. Answer His call.

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Please enroll the following as men	nbers of the Ch	urch of St. Maurice:	
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Send offertory envelopes	Send form for EFT (electronic donation)		We will Donate Online
We can help out as: Altar server	Lector Us	her Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion	Choir Crafts workshop

FROM ST. MAURICE PARISH



Blessed Sacrament Bible Study 2024 EPHESIANS: DISCOVER YOUR INHERITANCE

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Register today! Registration Closes- Monday, July 22nd Classes will be held at the Blessed Sacrament Parish Center Monday 9:00 AM or Monday 7:00PM Eight Sessions:

8/26, 9/9, 9/23, 10/7, 10/21, 11/4, 11/18, 12/2 Registration/Materials: Three options available \$28.00 Workbook only, NO On-line access \$35.00 Workbook AND On-line access \$7.00 On-line access only- this includes On-line workbook and video. (The On-line workbook is not printable.)

Register on Blessed Sacrament Website:

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August 25th Parish BBQ and Retirement Party for Fr. Bill and Theresa Ciscon

Knights will be providing burgers, dogs and soft drinks. Parishioners are welcome to bring salads, deserts and side dishes to share. The event is free to all parishioners to come out and socialize as a community while we celebrate the many years of service of our retirees.

While the event is free and open to all, we ask that you sign up to help us to plan the food for the number of attendees. Sign up sheets will be posted in the church vestibules.

SAINT MAURICE SLEIGH BELLS RING CHRISTMAS FAIR GROUP



The Sleigh Bells Ring Fair group is looking for mason jar donations. Any size is appreciated. Please leave in the vestibule of church and they will be picked up. Thank you.

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