The Catholic Community Of Saint Maurice

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME JANUARY 19, 2025



WELCOME!

Welcome to the parish of Saint Maurice.

If you are new, please introduce yourself to the priest after Mass.

We are always looking to meet new parishioners.

While you are here, you a part of our family!

Parish Information

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Music Director 860-871-0752

Office Hours

Tuesday & Friday 10:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M

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saintmauricechurchbolton@gmail.com

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Parish Staff

Reverend Michael Phillippino, Administrator Reverend Richard D. Breton, Jr., Parochial Vicar Mr. Hank Audette, Office Assistant Amie Tillmann, Director of Faith Formation Don Benevides, Director of Music

SACRAMENT OF THE EUCHARIST Mass Schedule

Vigil Mass - Saturdays at 5:00 p.m. Sunday Masses - 7:30 and 10:00 a.m. Holy Days - 9:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION)

Saturday 4:00 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. (Or by appointment)

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

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

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY:

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

PASTORAL CARE TO THE SICK AND HOMEROUND

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

St. Maurice Mass Intentions JANUARY 18 — JANUARY 26

SATURDAY, JANUARY 18 — (Vigil Mass)

4:00 P.M. For those who have died through war and violence

SUNDAY, JANUARY 19 — Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 A.M. For Father Richard's Parents on their

51st Wedding Anniversary

10:00 A.M. For All Parishioners of St. Maurice Church

MONDAY, JANUARY 20 — No Mass TUESDAY, JANUARY 21 — No Mass

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 22 — Day of Prayer for Protection of the Unborn

9:00 A.M. Living and Deceased Members of the Nadeau Family

THURSDAY, JANUARY 23 — St. Vincent, Deacon & Martyr

9:00 A.M. <u>Living and Deceased Members of the Marquis Family</u>

FRIDAY, JANUARY 24 — St. Francis de Sales – Bishop & Doctor

9:00 A.M. Living and Deceased Members of the Nadeau Family

SATURDAY, JANUARY 25 — (Vigil Mass)

4:00 P.M. † Linda LaChapelle

SUNDAY, JANUARY 26 — Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 A.M. For All Parishioners of St. Maurice Church
10:00 A.M. For All Parishioners of St. Maurice Church

GOSPEL MEDITATION

A friend invited me to an invitation-only wine-tasting event. There were over two hundred varieties of wine. Having no idea how to approach such a massive selection, I wandered aimlessly among the tables, sipping this and that. At the end of the evening my friend asked if I had tried some of the exceptionally expensive wines. I hadn't. "The really good stuff disappears first," he said. "My man, you missed out on some amazing vino." I was so disappointed. I wasted my chance for amazing once-in-a-lifetime wine. The wine I tasted was, well, blah.

Don't we often feel a similar disappointment in life? I missed this or that opportunity. If only I had known. Optimism sputters and fades. The glory days are gone. The chances, it seems, for the really great things in life come and go so quickly. Then they are gone forever. The good stuff goes first. Then life is just blah.

Not so with the Lord Jesus. In Jesus' miracle at the wedding at Cana, the steward of the feast says, "Everyone serves good wine first, and then...an inferior one" (John 2:10). That's the natural downward progression of life. The good stuff disappears quickly. But he says of the groom (who symbolizes Jesus), "But you have kept the good wine until now." This is the ever-improving trajectory of the realm of God's grace. With Jesus, the "good wine" of divine love, hope and peace gets better as our journey of faith progresses. Where are your greatest disappointments? Don't give in to the lie that the really good stuff is gone. Tell Jesus you've run out. Then learn how to taste that amazingly good wine, because he saves the best until now

- Father John Muir

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: Keith, Dom, Christine,

Viola, Angela, Katie,

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 Irene Zdrojowy (860) 533-1733

Ministry, please call:

Sunday Vespers — Evening Prayer from the Liturgy of the Hours Sunday at 5:30 p.m. in the Church duration 30 minutes



Rosary Every Saturday at 3:30 PM in the Cry Room

STEWARDSHIP

Offertory: December 22 — \$3,786
December 24/25 — \$5,300
December 29 — \$3,819
January 1 — \$647
January 5 — \$4,152

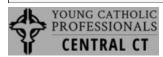
Projected Amount needed — \$3,670

"To each individual the manifestation of the Spirit is given for some benefit." - 1 Corinthians 12:7

St. Paul tells us that God has blessed each of us for a reason. How has God blessed you? Are you using your gifts according to God's plan? How are you helping to build God's kingdom here on earth? Remember that if you don't do the work God planned for you, no one else can do it. Live the life God has intended for you. Take time to discern your charisms (gifts from the Holy Spirit). Experience the supernatural Peace and Joy God desires for each of us.

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FROM ST. MAURICE PARISH



Young Catholic Professionals Executive Speaker Event in Manchester

Come join Young Catholic Professionals Central CT for our next Executive Speaker Series Event! Come enjoy light refreshments and networking along with a talk by Mary Fitzgerald, President of Acme Wire Product Co. a manufacturing company that specializes in metal wire forming and fabrication. Let's be inspired by Mary's journey and how she has worked in witness for Christ. We look forward to meeting you there!

Where: 45 Ludlow Rd, Manchester, CT When: Thurs, Jan 23rd from 7 - 9 PM Who: All professionals from 18-39. **RSVP** via QR code or https://

ycp.glueup.com/event/executive-speaker-

series-mary-fitzgerald-129405/?pk campaign=widgetevent-list

E-mail info@ycpcentralconnecticut.org to learn more.



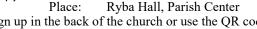
Knights of Columbus Council 6199 Cor is coming to St. Maurice!

Cor (heart) is a program based on fraternity, prayer, and faith formation. The first monthly meeting is planned for Sunday, January 26, 2005 at 9 a.m. in the Parish Center (at the same time as faith formation for youth). Deacon David Imhof, Connecticut State Evangelization and Faith Formation Director, will lead us.



Knights of Columbus Council 6199 Valentine's Day Dinner

5:30pm — 7:30pm after the Vigil Mass Saturday 2/15/2025





Sign up in the back of the church or use the OR code to reserve online. Cost \$20.

JOIN THE PARISH CHOIR

Choir rehearsals every Tuesday at 7:15 p.m. New members most welcome.



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The Sisters of Charity of Our Lady, Mother of the Church will be holding a Marian Discernment Retreat on February 7th-9th at the mother-house in Baltic. The retreat is open to single young women, aged 18-33, who are discerning or are interested in the vocation to the religious life.

There will be an opportunity for daily Mass, the sacrament of reconciliation, prayer, conferences on discernment alongside our Lady, and recreation with the sisters.

To register, please contact Sister Gabriella at vocations@sistersofcharity.com or (860) 964-0468.

STEUBENVILLE EAST HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS WELCOME

Join teens from across the U.S. for three days of fellowship, faith. and worship at Steubenville East in Springfield, MA, from Friday, July 25 to Sunday, July 27. This event is open to 8th-12th graders, with a cost of \$300, which covers the conference, meals, and transportation. Additionally, the cost of housing is \$150 for a 2person room or \$75 for a 4-person room for two nights. A \$100 deposit is required by February 27 to reserve your spot with the Office of Faith Events.

To register, please speak with Tom Manning or Amie Tillman. Poster and registration are on the Other Links page of our Parish Website. For any questions, contact Liza Roach at lroach@norwichdiocese.net or call 860-848-2237 ext. 305



ANNUAL YOUNG ADULT MASS WITH ARCHBISHOP COYNE

On Sunday, February 9th, St. Thomas Aquinas in Storrs is excited to welcome Archbishop Christopher Coyne for the 7th Annual Diocesan Young Adult Mass & Reception. Young adults (ages 18-39, both single and married) are invited to attend and encouraged to bring friends. The Mass, celebrated by Archbishop Coyne, will begin at 7:00 p.m., followed by a reception at the Catholic Center.

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

Retreat: The Holy Spirit - Awaken! Saturday, February 22, 2025 9:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Mass 5:00 p.m. Cathedral of St. Patrick Norwich, Connecticut

Catechumens and Candidates are welcome to attend the day filled with prayer, witness talks, and more. To register, contact Alvania Tejada: faithevents@norwichdiocese.net; (860) 848-2237 x304



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