

**readings for the week**

Sunday: Is 55:10-11/Rom 8:18-23/  
Mt 13:1-23 or 13:1-9  
Monday: Is 1:10-17/Mt 10:34-11:1  
Tuesday: Is 7:1-9/Mt 11:20-24  
Wednesday: Is 10:5-7, 13b-16/Mt 11:25-27  
Thursday: Is 26:7-9, 12, 16-19/Mt 11:28-30  
Friday: Is 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8/Mt 12:1-8  
Saturday: Mi 2:1-5/Mt 12:14-21  
Next Sunday: Wis 12:13, 16-19/Rom 8:26-27/  
Mt 13:24-43 or 13:24-30

**attention: parents**

With the warm summer weather arriving, the walking/bicycle trails are becoming very busy. Many of the people using the trails also use our restrooms on Sunday morning. In order to keep our children safe, we remind the parents to please go with their children to the restrooms. Your cooperation in this matter will be greatly appreciated.

**youth group at six flags**

Next Sunday, July 20<sup>th</sup>, some members of the Youth Group will be spending the day at Six Flags in Agawam, MA. Attendees are reminded that we will be leaving the church parking lot around 12:00 noon. Don't forget your permission forms and your half of the entrance fee!

**stewardship**

**steward**

*noun*

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3 a person employed to manage another's property, esp. a large house or estate.

• a person whose responsibility it is to take care of something : farmers pride themselves on being stewards of the countryside.

- *New Oxford American Dictionary*

"Religion: Financial stewardship is based on the belief that God is the true owner of each person's possessions, and that one is accountable to God for the acceptable care and use of those possessions."

- *Wikipedia, "Stewardship"*

Define "stewardship" however you will; in the Judeo-Christian tradition it refers to the principle that everything that one "has" actually belongs to God, with the individual acting as the appointed steward. In the Old Testament the responsibilities of the Steward were quite simple: give one-tenth of what is received back to the rightful owner (God) and take good care of what remains, using only what is necessary from that remains to take care of personal needs.

Easier said than done, no? The good practice of Stewardship in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century is rarely a simple process, either for a person or a Parish.

In this space we will be detailing some of the pressures your Parish faces as it manages its finances. We'll mix in some reflections that pertain to the Sunday readings from time to time. You may also find it useful to examine how to best reflect Stewardship principles in your own living and giving.

July 1-8, 2008

Income:	\$ 5,087.78
Ordinary Expenses	\$ 4,152.60
Mortgage	<u>\$ 1,300.00</u>
Net Income	(\$ 364.82)

Compare to last year:

July 1-6, 2007

Income:	\$5,560.64
Ordinary Expenses including salaries and taxes	<u>\$ 6,946.45</u>
Net Income	(\$ 1,385.81)

**summer hours**

For the summer, your parish offices will be open from 1:00pm until 4:30pm on Tuesdays and Thursdays and Wednesday 9:30am to 4:30pm, Friday 9:30am to 3:00pm. The Tuesday daily Mass will generally be in the evening, but you should check the bulletin each week for the exact schedule as **there are exceptions (like this week.)**

*8<sup>th</sup> Annual*  
**St. Maurice Knights of Columbus**  
**Golf Tournament**  
**Tallwood Country Club**  
Hebron, Connecticut  
**Saturday, July 19**

\* *Scramble format with shotgun start at 1pm*

\* *\$100 per golfer entry fee includes:*

*greens fees, cart, lunch, dinner,  
giveaways and awards!*

For **information:** email [golf@StMauriceKofC.org](mailto:golf@StMauriceKofC.org)

For **golfer registration:** contact Lee Snuffer, (860) 647-7363,  
[Lee.Snuffer@StMauriceKofC.org](mailto:Lee.Snuffer@StMauriceKofC.org)

To **help sponsor:** contact Dave Delorme, (860) 643-2738,  
[Dave.Delorme@StMauriceKofC.org](mailto:Dave.Delorme@StMauriceKofC.org)

*Proceeds benefit*

*St. Maurice KofC council #6199*

*charitable activities; including*

*WAIM, MACC, MARC, local scholarships and  
other worthwhile organizations!*

More info online at: <http://www.StMauriceKofC.org/golf>

## here's an update on who's doing what

Fr. Tony DiMarco will be offering daily Masses on a regular basis Monday through Friday at 9:00am at Saint Maurice in Bolton.

Confessions at Saint Maurice are on Saturday from 3:30 to 4:30pm. They're Thursday 4:30-6pm at Sacred Heart.

Sunday Masses will be celebrated by:

July 5/6 and 12/13 –

Father Tony at St Maurice,  
Father Stan at Sacred Heart

July 19/20 and 26/27 –

Father Stan at Saint Maurice,  
Father Tony at Sacred Heart

## adopt a family or child

*Dear Friends:*

*Although it is the beginning of summer, the new school year will be here before we know it. Clothing children for school can be a difficult task for low-income families who are struggling financially. Having new clothing to begin the school year increases a child's self esteem.*

*To start these children's school year on a positive note, Vernon Social Services is sponsoring "Adopt a Family or Child for Back to School Clothes." We are requesting assistance from organizations such as yours for help with this endeavor. Participants of this program are given the sizes and preferences for a child (or as many children as they choose) and shop for their Back-to-School clothes. If the sponsor doesn't have time to shop but would still like to help, monetary donations are also acceptable and very much appreciated.*

*If your organization or individual members would like to participate, please have them contact our office at 896-2375, Ext.0.*

*Thank you for your anticipated support.*

*Fondly,*

*Paula Claydon  
Director of Social Services*

## renew your spirit

Philip Weekend - Why not give yourself a special weekend with the Lord? Come and join us for this powerful experience with God.

Date: Saturday, July 26th and Sunday, July 27.

Time: Saturday 9:00am - 4:00pm and Sunday 1:00pm - 5:00pm.

Place: Spiritual Renewal Center,  
11 Bath Street, Norwich, CT 06360.

Registration fee: \$20 and pre-registration is required.

## Recruitment for Prison Ministry Volunteer Training Program,

### "Gift of Grace"

*"Come, you who are blessed by my Father. Inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. For I was in prison and you visited me."*

The Office of Prison Ministry in the Diocese of Norwich is seeking individuals interested in volunteering for Prison Ministry. There are many ways in which you can share your Gifts:

- Scripture Study and Sharing•
- Retreat Days
- Sacramental Preparation
- Small Christian Communities
- Prayer Groups
- Music for Liturgies
- Religious Education
- Visiting Inmates

A training program called "Gift of Grace" has been developed for those interested in volunteering in prison ministry. The schedule is as follows: Saturday, August 23; Saturday, September 13; Saturday, September 20, Saturday, September 27; Saturday, October 4, 2008. Retreat scheduled for Sunday, October 12, 2008 at Enders Island, Mystic, CT.

**This program will take place at the Bishop Flanagan Ministry Center in Montville, CT. Pre-registration is required. Parish teams are encouraged. There is a particular need for people who are bi-lingual in English and Spanish. Please bring a bag lunch on Day I, Day IV and V.**

For more information, please contact Sheree Antoch at the Prison Ministry Office (860) 848-2237 X212 or [prison@norwichdiocese.net](mailto:prison@norwichdiocese.net).

## special collection

Bishop Cote has authorized a voluntary collection for **AID FOR MIDWEST FLOOD VICTIMS**. We will take this collection next week, but you may contribute at any time.

If you are paying by check, you may make your check payable to "Sacred Heart Church" and put *Aid for Midwest Flood Victims* in the memo field or on the outside of an envelope so we can direct your donations in accordance with your wishes.

*JULY 13, 2008*

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## the work of the church

<b>SATURDAY</b> 5:00pm	FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME <b>Mass: <i>Terry Biega</i></b> , requested by a friend
<b>SUNDAY</b> 8:00am 10:30am	FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME <b>Mass: <i>John Marshall</i></b> , requested by his family <b>Mass: <i>Joseph Horvath</i></b> , requested by the <i>Kurban Family</i>
<b>MONDAY</b> 9:00am	<b>Liturgy of the Word with Communion</b>
<b>TUESDAY</b> → <b><u>9:00am</u></b>	<b>Mass: <i>Priscilla Walker, 1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary</i></b> , requested by Bill & Mary McIntyre
<b>WEDNESDAY</b> 9:00am	<b>Mass: <i>Fr. Henry Bialkowski</i></b>
<b>THURSDAY</b> 4:30-6pm 7:00pm 7:45pm	<b>Sacrament of Reconciliation</b> <b>Mass: <i>Francesco &amp; Carmela Neri</i></b> , requested by Frank & Maria Neri <b>Intercessory Prayer</b>
<b>FRIDAY</b> 10:30am	<b>Mass at Vernon Manor: <i>For the People of the Parish</i></b>
<b>SATURDAY</b> 5:00pm	SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME <b>Mass: <i>Joseph Sullivan</i></b> , requested by the Sacred Heart Parish Family
<b>SUNDAY</b> 8:00am 10:30am	SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME <b>Mass: <i>Harry Kehoe</i></b> , requested by his family <b>Mass: <i>Yvonne Latulippe</i></b> , requested by her <i>family</i>

## meetings

<b>SATURDAY</b> 7:00pm	<b>Narcotics Anonymous*</b> , Northeast Rooms
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>Fellowship after Mass</b>
<b>MONDAY</b>	Offices Closed
<b>TUESDAY</b> 7:15pm	<b>Joint Pastoral/Parish Council Meeting</b>
<b>WEDNESDAY</b> 8:00pm	<b>Alcoholics Anonymous*</b> , South Community Rooms
<b>THURSDAY</b> 10:00am 8:00pm	<b>Bible Study</b> , South Community Rooms <b>Alcoholics Anonymous Big Book*</b> , South Community Rooms
<b>SATURDAY</b> 7:00pm	<b>Narcotics Anonymous*</b> , Northeast Rooms
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>Fellowship after Mass</b> <b>Youth Group at Six Flags</b>

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\* Note: Some groups meeting at Sacred Heart including but not limited to *The Red Cross, Vernon Jr. Women's Club, Brownies, Cubs, Alcoholics Anonymous, Alcoholics Anonymous Big Book* and *Narcotics Anonymous* are not part of and not acting on behalf of the Parish or the Diocese

**WEBSITE ADDRESS FOR ST. MAURICE**  
**WWW.STMAURICEKOFC.ORG**

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**SUNDAY**

- 5:00 p.m. Cornelius Flynn request of Bert & Marge Flynn.  
7:30 a.m. Olga Guglielmino request of Samuel Guglielmino and Michael & Joanna Williams  
9:15 a.m. Vincenty Szwed (9<sup>th</sup> Anniversary), request of Lucy Szwed and Family.  
11:00 a.m. Christopher Boehm (10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary), request of Barbara Buckalew and The Harney Family.

**NEXT SUNDAY**

- 5:00 p.m. Evannie Yarnott  
7:30 a.m. Adam Mancino (3<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary)  
9:15 a.m. Leon & Josephine Szwed  
11:00 a.m. Charles & Mary Varrick

**GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING" – TITHING**

Last week's collection was \$5,373

Last year's collection was \$4,337

Projected amount needed \$4,204

(for projected obligation, expenses, repairs and tithing  
"Encourage youngsters to feel the joy of their own giving. Whether they are using Offertory envelopes or collection food for food for the poor, propose that they give from their own resources rather than asking their parents for the contribution. This will introduce children to the pride that comes from giving and, habit. I hope, it will introduce them to a lifelong joy and thank our parents who teach their children by example the joys of giving back to the Lord."

(Bulletin - St. Francis of Assisi, Metuchen, NJ)

Christmas Fair Workshop Wednesday at 9:00 a.m. at the Parish Center. Everyone is invited to join in making crafts for the 2008 Christmas Fair.

**The Fair Group needs:**

- Cookie cutters
  - China cups and saucers
  - Soup mugs
  - Small fancy boxes (Harry & David Style)
  - Baby food jars
  - Tea spoons – odd pieces will be fine
- Leave in back of church in front of the choir area.  
Please help us reach our goal this year.

**THIS WEEK**

**SUNDAY** – Fifteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Ushers Group IV / Rosary after 7:30 a.m. Mass.

**MONDAY** – Mass at 9:00 a.m.

Prayer Group at 7:15 p.m. in the Parish Center.

Everyone is invited to join in prayer.

**TUESDAY** – Mass at 9:00 a.m.

Pastoral Council meeting of both parishes at 7:15pm at Sacred Heart Church. Will be going over survey.

**WEDNESDAY** – Mass at 9:00 a.m.

ADORATION of the EUCHARIST 3:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Christmas Fair Workshop at 9:00 a.m. at the Center.

**THURSDAY** – Mass at 9:00 a.m.

**FRIDAY** – NO Mass this morning.

**SATURDAY** – Confessions 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.

**NEXT SUNDAY** – Sixteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Ushers Group I / Rosary after the 7:30 a.m. Mass.

Readings for next Sunday – Wis 12:13,16-19 /

Rom 8:26-27 / Mt 13:24-43.

Altar Servers scheduled for next Sunday:

5:00 p.m. Josh Meyers, Kyle Tocc

7:30 a.m. Neil Roback, Ashley Heavens

9:15 a.m. Ryan & Benjamin VanDine, Kevin Dean

11:00 a.m. Allison Vigue

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July 5/6 and 12/13 – Fr. DiMarco

July 19/20 and 26/27 – Fr. Szezapa

**PASTORAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**

For St. Maurice and Sacred Heart council members

**Tuesday, July 15th**

at Sacred Heart Church at 7:15 p.m.

All member are urged to attend this important meeting.

**VOLUNTEER NEEDED**

The parish needs a volunteer to coordinate the diocesan Safe Environment program here at St. Maurice Church. Every parish must have a coordinator for this program so please volunteer by calling the rectory at 643-4466 or let Fr. Stan know. Thank you.

## **40 DAYS FOR LIFE**

Please call Fr. Tony to sign up for one hour of prayer to be held at 12 Case Street in Norwich on Wednesday, September 24<sup>th</sup>. St. Maurice will be covering all 24 hours, from 12 midnight Sep. 23<sup>rd</sup> to 12 midnight on Sep. 24<sup>th</sup>.

Please participate in this prayer vigil in front of Planned Parenthood.

### **OFFICE OF PRISON MINISTRY TO PRISONERS**

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Program Curriculum and copy of application is posted on the bulletin board at the back of the church.

## **8<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL ST. MAURICE GOLF SCRAMBLE DRIVE FOR CHARITIES**

At Tallwood Country Club, Hebron, CT, on Saturday, July 19, 2008. Lunch served at 12:00 noon and shotgun start at 1:00 p.m. Full dinner following play. Many prizes will be awarded! Golfers entry fee of \$100 includes greens fees, cart, lunch and full dinner. Teams are made up of 4 golfers. Singles are encouraged to participate. The scramble format is very forgiving to novice and casual golfers. Proceeds benefit St. Maurice Knights of Columbus Council #6199, charitable activities including WAIM, MACC, MARC, local scholarships and other worthwhile organizations. Golfers and non-golfers alike are cordially invited to support our largest fundraiser of the year.

For player information, contact Lee Snuffer (860) 647-7363 or [www.StMauriceKofC.org/golf](http://www.StMauriceKofC.org/golf)

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### **GIANT RUMMAGE SALE** **TWO BIG WEEKS OF BARGAINS** Food – Clothing – Furniture – Toys Household – Books – Décor – Electronics and more

**Thursday - July 24<sup>th</sup> - 5 to 8 PM Early Bird Shopping – Admission \$10.00**

**Friday, July 25<sup>th</sup> 9 AM to 7 PM Free Admission**

**Saturday, July 26<sup>th</sup> 9 AM - 2 PM Free Admission**

**Friday, Aug. 1<sup>st</sup>, 4 PM – 7 PM Free Admission**

**Saturday, Aug. 2<sup>nd</sup>, 9AM – 12PM Free Admission**

St. Joseph School, Route 207 (West Main Street) Baltic CT (860) 822-6378. Donations gratefully accepted, June 20<sup>th</sup> to July 20<sup>th</sup>.