

**readings for the week**

Sunday: Is 55:1-3/Rom 8:35, 37-39/Mt 14:13-21  
 Monday: Jer 28:1-17/Mt 14:22-36  
 Tuesday: Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22/Mt 14:22-36  
 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14  
 Wednesday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/2 Pt 1:16-19/Mt 17:1-9  
 Thursday: Jer 31:31-34/Mt 16:13-23  
 Friday: Na 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7/Mt 16:24-28  
 Saturday: Hb 1:12-2:4/Mt 17:14-20  
 Next Sunday: 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a/Rom 9:1-5/  
 Mt 14:22-33

The new weekend Mass schedule will go into effect the weekend of August 30 & 31, 2008. The new Mass schedule is as follows:

SACRED HEART CHURCH (550 HARTFORD TPKE., VERNON)  
 Vigil Mass - Saturday at 5:45pm  
 Sunday Mass - Sunday at 10:45am  
  
 SAINT MAURICE CHURCH (32 HEBRON RD., BOLTON)  
 Vigil Mass - Saturday at 4:00pm  
 Sunday Mass - Sunday at 8:45am

**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.

**faith formation registrations**

If your child/teen was a member of the Faith Formation Program last year, you should have received a letter and re-registration form in the mail or by e-mail. If you have not received a letter and registration form, please contact Rella or Sandy as soon as possible.

If your child/teen has never been registered in the Faith Formation Program, the following information is for you:

Classes will be held on Sundays from 9:15-10:30am and on Wednesdays from 4:00-5:15pm. You may select the day that is most convenient for you.

For more information about Sacred Heart's Faith Formation Program or to enroll your child/teen, please contact Rella or Sandy (875-4563) or e-mail Rella at [rella@sacredheartchurch.net](mailto:rella@sacredheartchurch.net).

Classes are scheduled to begin Sunday, September 28<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday, October 1<sup>st</sup>.

*Trivia:*  
 The feast of St. Cajetan is celebrated on August 7. He is the patron saint of the unemployed, gamblers and of job seekers. In Argentina they call him "Patrón del trabajo," the Patron of Work.

**stewardship**

*Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened,  
 and I will give you rest..*

Matthew 11:28

Even the most casual reading of the Bible reveals the extraordinary concern – obsession, really – that God has for the well-being of God's human creation. From the first creation story in Genesis to the end of the Judeo-Christian scriptures, there is an emphasis on the principle of regularly stopping human labor so that God's work may be accomplished and appreciated. It's "stewardship" of life.

In our culture "summertime" is usually equated with "vacation time," but regardless of the time of the year, it's important to just set some time aside to stop *doing* and spend some time just *being*. What are you doing to respect or thwart the labor plans God has for you? If you are fortunate enough to be in a position of authority, what are you doing to allow, encourage and enable your subordinates to take time off? Are you modeling God's example of concern to your employees, or something quite different?

*... learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart;  
 and you will find rest for your selves.*

Matthew 11:29

July 24-30, 2008

Income	\$ 6,012.59
Ordinary Expenses <i>(includes lay salaries, payroll taxes and medical insurance)</i>	<u>\$ 8,123.21</u>
Net Income	(\$ 2,110.62)

Compare to last year:

July 21-27, 2007

Income	\$ 4,728.47
Ordinary Expenses	<u>\$ 1,558.15</u>
Net Income	\$ 3,170.32

**scripture study**

Saint Joseph Church in Rockville is offering Scripture Study on the Gospel of Saint Luke in September. There are two different sessions available; Tuesdays beginning September 2 at 10am, and Sundays beginning September 7 at 2pm. Register by calling 871-1635.

**40 days for life**

Please call Fr. Tony (860-643-4466) to sign up for one hour of prayer to be held at 12 Case Street in Norwich on Thursday, October 30. **Sacred Heart Church** will be covering all 24 hours from **12:00am (midnight) October 30 to 12:00am (midnight) October 31.**

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

## 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).

## young adults

Are you looking for opportunities to socialize with other people who share your faith? We are seeking young adults who are interested in Catholic fellowship. If you'd like to join in with a group to have fun, provide service to others, and grow spiritually, then join us aboard the Schooner Argia while it docks in Mystic on Friday, September 20<sup>th</sup> from 5:30pm to 7:30pm. Wine, cheese, and other refreshments will be served as you enjoy an evening of conversation and fellowship. The Schooner Aria is located at 15 Holmes Street, Mystic, Connecticut. Cost is \$20 per person. You may register as a member at [NorwichYA@yahoo.com](mailto:NorwichYA@yahoo.com) or call the Diocesan Office for Faith Formation at 860-848-2237, x312.

## It's Back-to-School Time

We're collecting Composition Notebooks, Pens with **BLACK INK ONLY**, Pencils, Pencil Sharpeners and Erasers for the kids in Haiti.

*There will be back-to-school sales soon. Please keep an eye out for these items so that we can help the children in Haiti.*

### attention: communion ministers

Memo to Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion who bring Eucharist to the hospital, nursing home or Shut-ins:

The elapsed time between picking up the Eucharist and bringing it to the person should be as short as possible. *It should not be kept in your possession for an extended period of time, either overnight or from week-to-week.* Hosts remaining should be returned to the tabernacle or consumed by the EMHC. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

### ... and all our ministers at mass

Please remember to return your preference sheets **by August 17** so that we can schedule you according to your wishes when the next schedule is made.

### pilgrimage to mexico

Bishop Michael Cote will lead the seven-day pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Mexico from October 15 to 22, 2008. Includes the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe, Mexico City, San Miguel Del Milagro, Tepeyac Hill and several other significant holy sites. Price includes local bus to/from Newark airport, departure lunch, all tips, 7 breakfasts, 3 lunches, welcome reception, 3 dinners, and also includes the \$119 departure tax and \$110 fuel surcharge.

Reservations must be made by August 12, 2008. Cost of tour: \$1,865 per person double occupancy. \$300 deposit required (\$139 optional insurance) \$300 single supplement (limited number.)

For information or reservations, please call 860-887-9294 x235.

### life line screening

Court House Plus will be hosting a Life Line Screening event for the community on Thursday, August 21, 2008. Life Line Screening will perform four health screenings using Doppler color flow ultrasound: Stroke/Carotid Artery screening \$45; Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm (AAA) screening \$45; Ankle Brachial Index (ABI) \$45; Atrial Fibrillation screening \$45.

You must pre-register by calling 1-800-324-1851 or call Janet at (860)242-1746. These screenings are painless, non-invasive, and each test requires ten minutes or less to complete. The cost is \$45 each or the all-four package for \$139.00.

AUGUST 3, 2008

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## the work of the church

<b>SATURDAY</b> 5:00pm	EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME <b>Mass: <i>Germain "Gerry" Delage, 1<sup>st</sup></i></b> <i>Anniversary</i> , requested by the Sacred Heart Parish Family
<b>SUNDAY</b> 8:00am	EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME <b>Mass: <i>Lucy Adams</i></b> , requested by Ann Noel & Jean Merz
	10:30am <b>Mass: <i>Joseph White</i></b> , requested by his family
<b>MONDAY</b> 9:00am	JOHN MARY VIANNEY, PRIEST <b>Liturgy of the Word with Communion</b>
<b>TUESDAY</b> 7:00pm	DEDICATION OF THE BASILICA OF ST. MARY MAJOR IN ROME <b>Mass: <i>Charles Ricci</i></b> , requested by Joe & <i>Joann Augustyn</i>
<b>WEDNESDAY</b> 9:00am	TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD <b>Mass: <i>Michael Fornabi</i></b> , requested by Marie <i>Whitham</i>
<b>THURSDAY</b> 4:30-6pm	SIXTUS II, POPE, MARTYR AND COMPANIONS; CAJETAN, PRIEST <b>Sacrament of Reconciliation</b>
	7:00pm <b>Mass: <i>Salvatore Marchese</i></b> , requested by Frank & Maria Neri
	7:45pm <b>Intercessory Prayer</b>
<b>FRIDAY</b> 10:30am	DOMINIC, PRIEST <b>Mass at Vernon Manor</b>
<b>SATURDAY</b> 5:00pm	NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME <b>Mass: <i>For the People of the Parish</i></b>
<b>SUNDAY</b> 8:00am	NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME <b>Mass: <i>Christopher McNally, Jr.</i></b> , requested by the Sacred Heart Parish Family
	10:30am <b>Mass: <i>Lois Martineau</i></b> , requested by her husband, Art

## meetings

<b>SATURDAY</b> 7:00pm	<b>Narcotics Anonymous*</b> , Northeast Rooms
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>Former Youth Group Members at Gay City State Park Fellowship after Mass</b>
<b>MONDAY</b>	Offices Closed
<b>WEDNESDAY</b> 8:00pm	<b>Alcoholics Anonymous*</b> , South Community Rooms
<b>THURSDAY</b> 10:00am	<b>Bible Study</b> , South Community Rooms
	8:00pm <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>

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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.STMAURICEKOFCC.ORG](http://WWW.STMAURICEKOFCC.ORG)

### **MASS INTENTIONS**

#### **SUNDAY**

5:00 p.m. Irene Gousy request of Mr. & Mrs. Raymond Lemaire.

7:30 a.m. John Ciscon request of Linda & Phil Bell.

9:15 a.m. Special Intention.

11:00 a.m. Joseph Secchiaroli request of Ann Secchiaroli and Family.

FRIDAY - August 8th

9:00 a.m. Special Intention request of Linda Armstrong

#### **NEXT SUNDAY**

5:00 p.m. Martial Gousy

7:30 a.m. Olga Guglielmino

9:15 a.m. Clark Kurtz

11:00 a.m. Levi Fournier & Clifford & Mishio

#### **"GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING" - TITHING**

Last week's collection was \$4,108

Last year's collection was \$4,067

Projected amount needed \$4,204

(for projected obligation, expenses, repairs and tithing the tithe).

*" Why spend your money for what is not bread; your wages for what fails to satisfy? " Isaiah 55:2*

Do you waste the financial gifts that

God has given you on things that are not necessary or on things that do not give you joy and fulfillment? This is Isaiah's challenge to us this week.

**VOLUNTEER NEEDED** - The parish needs a coordinator for Safe Environment program. Every parish is required by the diocese to have a coordinator. Please call the rectory at 643-4466 or talk to Fr. Stan or Tony.

**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** - Eighteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time

(Fr. Tony) / Ushers Group III / 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.

**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.

Knights of Columbus planning meeting at 7:00 p.m. at the Parish Center.

**FRIDAY** - Mass at 9:00 a.m.

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

**NEXT SUNDAY** - Nineteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time / (Fr. Stan) / Ushers Group IV / Rosary after 7:30 a.m. Mass.

Fr. Gregory Galvin will speak on vocation.

Readings for next Sunday - 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a / Rom 9:1-5 / Mt 14:22-33

Altar Servers scheduled for next Sunday:  
 5:00 p.m. Maria Cinea

7:30 a.m. Henry & Ray Marrion

9:15 a.m. Brendan & Katelyn Donahue

11:00 a.m. Danielle & Brianna Kerr

### **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 24th. St. Maurice will be covering all 24 hours, from 12 midnight Sep. 23r to 12 midnight on Sep. 24th.**

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

### **TRIP TO HAITI**

Fr. Stan has had scheduled a trip to Haiti from January 28 to February 6, 2009. If anyone wishes to go please contact Fr. Stan or let Theresa know. We will be going to Port-au-Prince and Jeremie and visit Madam Paula Thybulle and her orphanage which you support through our tithing the tithe.

### **NOTE FROM FR. STAN**

I would like to begin meeting with parishioners in various neighborhoods. Summer seems to be a good time for these meetings. If you would like to host such a meeting please let Theresa know which evenings of the week would be good for you. Retires might wish to look at a day time meeting.

**ST. MAURICE - SACRED HEART  
PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING  
JULY 15, 2008**

PRESENT: Fr. Stan, I. Kwiatkowski, K. Perlitz, B. Sposito, E. Aufman, L. Wiley, B & P. Rouleau, D. Betti, C. Luchini, R. Lemaire, B. Benevides, K. Bergin, P. Cinea, T. Manning, C. & S. Scorso, R. Bernabuci, L. Deraleau, A. Chin, J. Crane, S. Dosouto, E. Golnik, R. Ladd, L. Paro, M. Powell, S. Rice, M. Simcoe, M. Staggenborg, D. Valli, B. Gonsalves, C. Gagnon

The meeting opened with scripture reading, reflection, sharing and prayer.

1. SURVEY: Ernie presented a PowerPoint summary of the survey responses compiled by himself and Tom. The 499 responses indicated that both parishes would prefer a Sunday mid morning Mass with St. Maurice preferring an earlier midmorning and Sacred Heart a later mid morning. Both would like to have a Saturday Vigil Mass. There was not a wide spread interest in a Sunday evening Mass.

2. MASS SCHEDULE: Father Stan addressed the need to develop and implement a Mass schedule for four weekend Masses between both parishes as Father Tony will most likely not be at St. Maurice for any extended time. Keeping in mind that there needs to be a two hour span between Masses, the following possible times for Sunday were presented and discussed by council members: 8:15am- 10:15am, 8:30- 10:30am, 8:45am - 10:45am, and 9am - 11am. Those present agreed that 8:45am Sunday Mass at St. Maurice and 10:45 Mass at Sacred Heart seemed workable. The Saturday vigil Mass was more difficult to discern as the timeframe was very much shortened to a two hour time span of between 4pm and 6pm. After moderate discussion, the times agreed to were a 4 pm Saturday vigil Mass at St. Maurice and a 5:45 pm Vigil Mass at Sacred Heart. The revised Mass schedule will become effective the weekend of August 30th and 31<sup>st</sup>

3. WEEKDAY SCHEDULE: For the present, St. Maurice weekday Mass schedule will be Monday - Friday at 9am when Fr. Tony is the celebrant and Tuesday - Friday at 9 am when Fr. Stan is the celebrant. Each will alternate parishes every two weeks. Sacred Heart weekday Mass schedule will remain the same. Summer: Tuesday & Thursday at 7 pm and Wednesday & Friday at 9am. Winter: Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday at 9 am and Thursday at 7pm. Adoration at each parish will remain the same. Confessions at Sacred

Heart will remain the same and at St. Maurice confessions will be heard before Mass. The upcoming August holy day Masses will be 9am and 7pm on the day at both parishes.

4. SHARING OF INFORMATION: Both parish bulletins will be available at each parish. In addition St. Maurice's bulletin will be available along with Sacred Heart's on the Sacred Heart web site;

5. INDIVIDUAL PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING DATE: Sacred Heart 3rd Wednesday of the month. There are no meetings during July and August or during Advent and Lent. The next Sacred Heart council meeting will be September 17th at 7pm. St. Maurice, 4th Tuesday of the month. The next meeting will be September 23rd at 7:15pm. Combined council meetings are yet to be determined.

**6. NEXT SCHEDULED MEETINGS: SACRED HEART - WEDNESDAY - SEPTEMBER 17 - 7PM. AT. MAURICE - TUESDAY - SEPTEMBER 23-7:15PM**

The meeting closed with prayer. Respectfully submitted: Patti Cinea, St. Maurice - Arleen Chin, Sacred Heart.

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**FATHER GREG GALVIN, DIRECTOR OF VOCATIONS FOR DIOCESE OF NORWICH**

Each baptized Christian is called by God to do something unique and special with their life as a gift back to God. Our call or vocation as Christians is to become more Christ like. Each person has certain gifts and talents that will help that person to be of service to others. Service is the vocation that is common to all Christians. Each person is called to live out that call to service through a particular life vocation. God calls some to married life as a husband or wife, others He calls to live a single life in the world and others He calls to serve His family the Church either as a religious brother or sister or as a religious or diocesan priest. We must each pray that we come to know the truth of which life God has created us to live and then we must freely choose to respond to His love by choosing to do His will and not our own. "The harvest is rich but the laborers are few, so ask the Lord of the harvest to send laborers to his harvest." Father Greg Galvin, Director of Vocations for the Diocese of Norwich, will be speaking to our parish family about the need to pray for Vocations next weekend.