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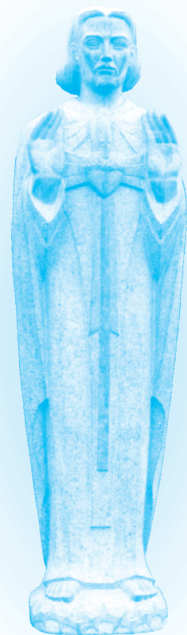
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SACRED HEART MISSION STATEMENT

"We the community of Sacred Heart are committed to serving God and each other through our faith in Jesus Christ. We strive to do this through a joyful celebration of the Eucharist, a spirit of hospitality, a commitment to community outreach, a sense of responsibility to others and through the ongoing nourishment of our minds and hearts."

SUNDAY LITURGIES

Saturday 5:45 PM

Sunday 10:45 AM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Thursday 4:30-6:00 PM

or by appointment

WEEKDAY LITURGIES

As listed inside

WE WELCOME YOU TO SACRED HEART PARISH FAMILY. If you are new to the parish please introduce yourself to Father Stan after Mass. We would also appreciate it if you would come to or call the office and register. We need to know who you are so that we may serve you better.

SHUT INS

Please notify us of parishioners who are in the hospital. If any parishioner is unable to celebrate Liturgy with us because of illness or handicap, please notify the office so that we may bring Eucharist to them.

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"But it shall not be so among you. Rather, whoever wishes to be great among you will be your servant; whoever wishes to be first among you will be the slave of all. For the Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many." - Mk 10:43-45

Readings for the Week

Sunday: Is 53:10-11/Heb 4:14-16/Mk 10:35-45 or 10:42-45
 Monday: Rom 4:20-25/Lk 12:13-21
 Tuesday: Rom 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21/Lk 12:35-38
 Wednesday: Rom 6:12-18/Lk 12:39-48
 Thursday: Rom 6:19-23/Lk 12:49-53
 Friday: Rom 7:18-25a/Lk 12:54-59
 Saturday: Rom 8:1-11/Lk 13:1-9
 Next Sunday: Jer 31:7-9/Heb 5:1-6/Mk 10:46-52

Youth Group News

Some members of the Youth Group will be going to Cornerstone on Saturday, October 31st to help prepare and serve lunch. We will leave the Sacred Heart parking lot at 9:50am. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Rella.

Welcome to Sacred Heart Parish!

The following families have recently joined Sacred Heart Parish:

Michael & Kimberly Ferguson and their child,
 Leah
 Thomas & Stacey Glinski and their children,
 Mary-Grace & Thomas, Jr.
 John & Ashleigh Kopec and their child,
 Alexander
 Nicholas Parkinson & Emily Hays and their child,
 Domanic
 Aaron White & Sarah Souza

We welcome them to Sacred Heart Parish and look forward to getting to know them better as we gather together to praise and worship the Lord.

A NEW GROUP AT SACRED HEART

A new group has been formed at Sacred Heart for **young adults between the ages of 21 and 35**. Called **The Sacred Heart Next Generation**, the focus of this group is to establish contact with other parishioners of the same age group.

Their **next meeting** is scheduled for **October 20 at 7:00pm at Wood 'n Tap on Hartford Turnpike in Vernon**.

For further information, please contact Jim Higgins (860-550-4428) or Kelly McMullin (860-454-7912 or 860-841-8127). s

Stewardship

In the week of October 11, 2009, in addition to the donations of money, food and clothing which were distributed to the poor and hungry in our own community and to the poor in Haiti; donations of labor and time were given to continue painting the exterior of the Parish Center, our properties were maintained, flowers were brought for the Church, the needs of the sick were cared for, the homebound were visited, the grieving were consoled, your children were formed in faith, and **as a parish you also returned \$3,548.20 to the Lord to assist in the work of the Church.** (The weekend of October 12, 2008 you offered \$4,010.55.)

The week before, October 4, 2009, you returned \$4,536.79. (A year ago, the weekend of October 5, 2008, you offered \$5,278.69.)

The week before that, September 27, 2009 you returned \$3,443.61. (The previous year, on the weekend of September 28, 2008 you offered \$4,973.57.)

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

**The Annual
 Saint Maurice Craft Fair
 will be held on
 November 21.**

Council of Catholic Women Membership Drive

The month of October is your opportunity to join and support the Council of Catholic Women in the Diocese of Norwich. The annual dues are only \$5, and Catholic Charities/Catholic Family Services will receive 60% of all dues collected; 25% will stay in the Diocesan Council of Catholic Women treasury with 15% of the dues collected in each district staying in that district. This money allows the Council of Catholic Women on the Diocese of Norwich "to support, empower and educate all Catholic women in spirituality, leadership and service." Look for the blue and white envelopes in the Church and join or contribute today!

THANK YOU!

A big Thank You to all those who were able to come out for the big Sacred Heart Church Breakfast Fundraiser at **HomeTown Buffet** on Saturday, October 17, 2009!

Holiday Activity

The holidays are fast approaching and the Tri Town Food Pantry will soon be accepting names for Thanksgiving Dinner Baskets and Christmas Dinner Baskets.

If you would like to make a food donation for a Thanksgiving Basket, each basket will contain the following items: Turkey, Cranberry Sauce, Stuffing, Potatoes, 2 canned Vegetables, 2 canned fruit, Yams, 2 Gravy, Rolls, Pickles, Desert. We are also doing a monthly program. We are collecting these items for each of these months. September –Cereal October - Gravy and Stuffing November - Instant Potatoes December - Ravioli/Macaroni & Cheese.

If you have any questions or would like to volunteer, please contact us. We will also have holiday information 872-9825.

Happy Holidays from the Food Pantry!

That Scripture Program Has Started

Saint Matthew Church, Tolland is offering an 11-week scripture program beginning on Thursday, October 15 at 7pm. Revelation - "The Kingdom Yet to Come" will explore in depth the final book of the New Testament. Each week, scripture theologian Jeff Cavins will present, via audio tape, lessons on each of the sections contained in this most mysterious of the New Testament literature. Each participant will have their own workbook which will enable them to gain better understanding of this final book of the New Testament. Also during each session we will look at and discuss the meaning of this ancient text to our faith life today, over 1900 years later.

In this intriguing look at one of the most talked-about books in Scripture, we will explore Revelation and discover how the Kingdom established by Christ in His Church is intimately connected with the Kingdom of Heaven.

You will also learn what the mysterious figures and images of Revelation represent and how these images relate to what has happened in the past, what is happening today, and how it relates to the Second Coming of Christ.

Pre- registration is needed because of limited space available and the need to order workbooks for each participant in this course. Cost is \$30 to cover the cost of the workbooks. Each session will be 2 hours in length including a break from 7 to 9pm. For further details, contact Deacon Ron Freedman at 860-478-4539 or rfreedman54@comcast.net

Mattie's Togs

Words we are hearing...."upscale Children's Boutique", "great selection and prices", "no crowds", "convenient location" ...

What are they talking about??? **Matties Togs at St Matthew's Church in Tolland**, of course. Spread the word! Children's clothing - infant's size thru size 6. Open Saturdays 9am to 1pm, located on Dunn Hill Road side of the church. Any questions please call Billie @ 860-871-0260.

Open House at East Catholic

East Catholic High School will hold an Open House on Thursday, November 19 at 7pm for eighth graders and their families. The entrance exam for eighth graders will be given on Saturday, December 5 at 8am at East Catholic High School. Call Ms. Gryphon, Admissions, at 860-649-5336 x 238 for information. Pre-registration for the exam is advised, but not required. The school website is www.echs.com

Job Opening

The Church of Saint Mary of the Visitation in Clinton, Connecticut is looking for a full-time director of Religious Education Program and a part-time director of Youth Ministry. Please call 860-669-8512 or send an email to godsquad@snet.net, or write to Saint Mary Church, 54 Grove Street, Clinton, Connecticut 06413.

Holiday Fair

Saint Mary Church in Coventry, Connecticut invite you to join them at their Annual Holiday Fair to be held on Friday, November 6 from 6-9pm and Saturday, November 7 from 10am - 2pm. Booths include: Christmas Shoppe, Ye Olde Country Store, The Jewelry Shoppe, The Doll & Toy Shoppe, Sewing Room, The Religious Booth, Small Raffle, Parish Bakery, Fried Dough and Food concession. For more information, call the Church Rectory at 860-742-0681.

Because Influenza can be neither predicted nor controlled, we are joining with all the parishes in the diocese to **take extraordinary steps to increase protection from Influenza infection in our communities and our schools**. Our precautions include **temporarily** changing some of our procedures to help limit the spread of germs by oral contamination and by physical contact.

- **Distribution of the Precious Blood will be suspended** for the time being. Holy Communion will only be distributed to non-ordained liturgical ministers and the faithful under the species of the Consecrated Host (*except in cases of Celiac Disease.*)
- **Communicants should receive in their hands** rather than on the tongue.
- **Do not hold hands during the Our Father.** Palms-up would be the better thing to do, anyway.
- **The Sign of Peace (handshaking) is eliminated for the time being.** Not eliminating the "peace," just the handshake.

OCTOBER 18, 2009

The Work of the Church

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME / WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

SATURDAY

4:00pm Mass at Saint Maurice: *James Anthony Harkins*
5:45pm Mass: *Ray Duhamel*, requested by his wife, Carol

SUNDAY

8:45am Mass at Saint Maurice: *Mary Radion*
10:45am Mass: *Anna Colliton*, requested by her husband, Dr.
Robert Colliton

MONDAY JEAN DEBREBEUF & ISAAC JOGUES, PRIESTS AND
MARTYRS & THEIR COMPANIONS

9:00am Liturgy of the Word with Communion

TUESDAY PAUL OF THE CROSS, PRIEST

9:00am Mass at Saint Maurice: *Donald Sullivan*

WEDNESDAY

9:00am Mass: *For the People of the Parish*, - and -
Jackie Arbercheski, requested by Ceil Ray

THURSDAY

4-6pm Sacrament of Reconciliation
7:00pm Mass: *S/Sgt Thomas Smith, USMC*
7:45pm Intercessory Prayer, Eucharistic Chapel

FRIDAY JOHN OF CAPISTRANO, PRIEST

9:00am Mass at Saint Maurice: *Members of the Boltom
Woman's Club*

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SATURDAY

4:00pm Mass at Saint Maurice: *Annita Detuccio*
5:45pm Mass: *Joseph Franek, Sr.*, requested by his wife,
Anastasia

SUNDAY

8:45am Mass at Saint Maurice: *Donald Sullivan & Charles
Varrick*
10:45am Mass: *The Szczapa Family*, requested by Helen
Jakielo

Meetings

SATURDAY

7:30pm Narcotics Anonymous, South Community Rooms

SUNDAY - Fellowship before and after Mass

9:15am Faith Formation

6:30pm Faith Formation, Grades 6-8 and Confirmation Prep
Youth Group at Lake Compounce

MONDAY - Offices Closed

TUESDAY

7:00pm SH Next Generation, Wood 'n' Tap

WEDNESDAY

4:00pm Faith Formation, Grades 2-4

8:00pm Alcoholics Anonymous, South Community Rooms

THURSDAY

10:00am Bible Study, South Community Rooms

8:00pm Alcoholics Anonymous Big Book, South Community
Rooms

SATURDAY

7:30pm Narcotics Anonymous, South Community Rooms

SUNDAY - Fellowship before and after Mass

9:15am Faith Formation

6:30pm Faith Formation, Grades 6-8 and Confirmation Prep
Youth Group (or rain date for Lake Compounce)

7:45pm

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

– BY APPOINTMENT ONLY

Parents please call three months prior to baptism date for an appointment with a Pastoral Team member who will detail the program for parents.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY –

Couples planning to marry take part in marriage information program at least nine months prior to the wedding date.

FAITH FORMATION SESSIONS –

October through May
Call 875-4563 for information

MONTHLY ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT – Oratory

The first Friday of each month
– 10:00 AM - 7:00 PM

ROSARY – Oratory

Monday Thru Friday - 8:30 AM

INTERCESSORY PRAYER – Oratory

Thursday - 7:45 - 8:15 PM

PASTORAL CONDUCT –

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Good News!

October 18, 2009

Twenty-Ninth Sunday In Ordinary Time

Is 53:10-11; Heb 4:14-16
Mk 10:35-45 or 10:42-45

Pain and anger fill today's readings. The Scriptures reach us where we live. Pain and anger reach deep into us and attach themselves to our lives.

There's no hiding from the suffering in Isaiah. There's no hiding from the revelation that God lets this servant suffer. We're startled to hear that "the LORD was pleased to crush him in infirmity...." But just a few lines later we read, too, "Because of his affliction he shall see the light."

When we're suffering, do we see that light? Do we see any bridge from pain to hope? Is there really a way from suffering to redemption? So often the flashes of real pain blot out our vision of what lies ahead. We suffer now. And our eyes are focused here, where we suffer.

The Scriptures don't try to make sense of suffering. Isaiah doesn't explain pain. What we're told instead is that in the middle of all this, God is with us.

Do we dare believe God can make sense of the suffering that strikes humans? We can't make sense of it when we're in pain. We're not left with a lot of options. We're not left in control. We are left to decide whether we'll put our faith in God.

This isn't blind faith. But it is a step away from what we know to Whom we know. It's a trust in the One who reaches for us when we're at our worst. It's faith in the God who knows more than we do, the God who knows what to make of suffering. It's faith in the God who has power, even to raise the dead.

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WEEKEND MASSES:

Saturdays at 4:00 PM

Sundays at 8:45 AM

Holy Days - 9:00 AM & 7:00 PM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION)

Saturday from 3:00 P.M. to 3:45 P.M.

Also by appointment.

BAPTISMAL INITIATIONS:

Please call the rectory (643-4466).

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.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:

Arrangements must start more than 6 months before marriage. Necessary interviews, a pre-cana course and plenty of paperwork is required. We strongly urge you to contact us to begin the Diocesan preparation course as soon as you are engaged to get the most out of it without rush.

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 our Coffee Social after the Sunday Masses on 2nd Sunday of the month and Pancake Breakfast every 4th Sunday. We hope you will favor your parish with your prayers, your presence, your talents and your financial assistance according to your means!

VISITATION TO THE SICK

We are most anxious to help anyone who cannot celebrate Mass with us in church because of illness, handicapped or age. If you wish the Sacraments, please call.

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**TWENTY- NINTH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME**

Saturday October 17, 2009

**4:00 P.M. Mass for James Anthony Harkins,
request of Richard, Gail and Terri Gidius**

Sunday October 18, 2009

**8:45 A.M. Mass for Mary Radion, request of
Share and Care Group**

Next Weekend

Saturday October 24, 2009

4:00 P.M. Mass for Annita DeTuccio

Sunday, October 25, 2009

**8:45 A.M. Mass: for Donald Sullivan and for
Charles Varrick**



Readings for the Week of October 18, 2009

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5 WEEKS AND COUNTING
'TIL THOSE BELLS START RINGING!

**Helping hands are needed Wednesdays and Fridays
9:00 A.M. for our Sleigh Bells Ring Fair. Lots of
work to be done, lots of fun to be had. Come join us.**

**Please remember we still need sugar, cinnamon,
wax, surgel, teacups, baby food jars and craft
supplies, etc, etc, etc.**

THIS WEEK

TWENTY NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

OCTOBER 17TH AND 18TH, 2009

Ushers Group II

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES RESUMES

TODAY

**2ND COLLECTION TODAY FOR
THE COMBINED MISSION APPEAL**

Youth Choir rehearsals after Masses

Monday, Oct.19, 2009: NO MASS

Tuesday, Oct.20, 2009: MASS at 9:00 A.M. at

ST. MAURICE CHURCH for Donald Sullivan

Request of Brian Murphy

**FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING in rectory
at 7:00 P.M.**

Choir rehearsal at 7:15

Wednesday Oct. 21, 2009: MASS at 9:00 A.M. at

SACRED HEART CHURCH

**Fair Workshop at 9:00 A.M in Church
Basement**

**ADORATION OF THE BLESSED
SACRAMENT**



3:00 P.M. – 7:00 P.M.

Thursday: Oct.22, 2009: MASS at 7:00 P.M. at

SACRED HEART CHURCH

Friday: Oct. 23, 2009: Mass for all members of the Bolton

Woman's Club, requested by Stephanie

Labanowski

Christmas Fair Workshop 9:00 A.M. – 12:00

Noon in the church basement.

SATURDAY Oct 24, 2009,

CONFESSIONS From 3:00 until -3:45 P.M.

YOUTH CHOIR REHEARSAL AFTER MASS

NEXT WEEK

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SATURDAY, OCT. 24, 2009

4:00 P.M. MASS:

ALTAR SERVERS: Maria Cinea & Emily

Fiano

LECTOR: Dolores Betti

EUCHARISTIC MINISTER: Patti Cinea

SUNDAY, OCT. 25, 2009

8:45 A.M. MASS:

ALTAR SERVERS: Brendan & Katelyn Donahue

LECTOR: Stephanie Labanowski

EUCHARISTIC MINISTER: James Boylan

CONFIRMATION NOTES

The Retreat for the 2009 Confirmation Candidates will be held this Saturday, Oct. 24, 2009 in the Church Basement.

Rehearsal for Confirmation will be held on Saturday, October 31, 2009 at 9:00 A.M. Each candidate must attend the rehearsal with their sponsor or parent.

THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION will be administered by the Most Reverend Bishop Michael R. Cote at the 4:00 P.M. Mass on October 31, 2009.

The Mission Combined Collection this weekend supports missionary works in Latin America, Asia, Africa and parts of the United States. By Baptism, all Catholics are called to participate in the mission of the Church, called to share their faith as missionaries. Today our missionaries are facing incredible odds as they labor in places like war-torn Sudan and other parts of Africa where drought and the AIDS epidemic are causing enormous human misery. They need and rely on our support, through prayer above all, but also through our financial gifts.

Thank you for your generosity in the past and thank you for what you will do now to help our missionaries continue their vital work. When we support them, we join them, and in this way, we too are missionaries for Christ.

SLEIGH BELLS RING
WORKSHOP

For the remaining weeks before the Sleigh Bells Ring Fair, workshops will be held both on Wednesdays and Fridays, from 9 A.M. to 12 Noon in the church basement.

Everyone is being asked to lend a hand in making this year's Fair a success. Please join the crafters, there is still much to be done. Your talents are sorely needed.

A Day with Fr. Andrew Apostoli, CFR

Saturday, Nov. 21, 2009, 9:30 A.M. to 3:30 P.M. at the Cathedral of St. Patrick, Norwich, CT. Fr. Apostoli is a member of the community of the Franciscan Friars of the Renewal and a well-known speaker and author and has appeared on EWTN. Fr. Apostoli will give three presentations: *Servant of God-Bishop Fulton Sheen-Prophet of Our Times*, *Do whatever My Son tells you* and *The Catholic Identity Today: What is It?* Cost per person is \$20, for students, \$10, lunch is included. To order tickets send a check made payable to the Cathedral of St. Patrick, your name, address, number of tickets, and a self-addressed stamped envelop to: Beverly Brown, 2 Julian Terrance, Norwich, CT 06360. For additional information call 860-887-7804.

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING WILL BE HELD ON Tuesday, OCTOBER 20TH, 7:00 P.M. AT THE RECTORY

"The Connecticut Right to Life Corp. is having its 35th annual convention on Saturday, Oct. 24 at the Courtyard by Marriott, Cromwell. The banquet speaker is biomedical ethicist Dr. David C. Reardon, Dir. Of the Elliot Institute, Illinois. Dr. Robert J. Scanlon, a strong proponent of Natural Family Planning, and Leslie Unruh of Abstinence Clearinghouse, Sioux Falls, SD, will also speak. There will be an 11:15 A.M. Mass followed by the program. The cost, including dinner is \$40.00 for adults and \$22.00 for students. To register call Janet at 203-878-4097.



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