February 7, 2021 CHRIST THE KING CHURCH

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SACRAMENTAL LIFE

Eucharist:

Mass:
Mon. -Fri.:
***New Time* 8AM**
Sat. Vigil: 5:00PM
Sunday: 8:00AM
& 10:30AM

Adoration:
M-F: 6:30-7:30AM

Reconciliation :
(Confession)
Saturday: 4:00pm - 4:30pm and *anytime* by appointment.

Anointing of the Sick :
(& Ministry to the Sick)
Call the rectory anytime a person is sick and would like anointing or a visit

Baptism:
Please call our parish office to arrange pre-Baptismal instruction and the time of the ceremony.

Holy Orders:
Contact Fr. Joe Ashe or Fr. Walter Nagle, 860 434 1660, if you want *to learn more about becoming a* ***priest or deacon***, or, contact Fr. Greg Galvin, Vocations Office: 860 887 9294.

Matrimony:
Preparation for marriage must begin at least six months before actual ceremony. Please call our parish office.

Confirmation:
Confirmation preparation begins in the 9th grade and the sacrament is received in the 10th grade. Adults can join the **RCIA.**

Sexual Misconduct Services: 800-624-7407

5TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

When it was evening, after sunset, they brought to him all who were ill or possessed by demons. The whole town was gathered at the door. He cured many who were sick with various diseases, and he drove out many demons, not permitting them to speak because they knew him. - Mk 1:32-34

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MASS SCHEDULE

Sat. Feb. 6 St. Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs
5:00pm
SUNDAY Feb. 7 5thSunday in Ordinary Time
8:00am Helen Limbach r/b her family, Janet Camean
10:30am George Fournier r/b The Goodwin Family
Mon. Feb. 8 St. Jerome Emiliani;
St. Josephine Bakhita, Virgin
8:00am The Parishioners of Christ the King
Tues. Feb. 9
8:00am Jean Gorman r/b a friend
Wed. Feb. 10 St. Scholastica, Virgin
8:00am Jane Esters r/b Bill and Joan Todd
Thur. Feb. 11 Our Lady of Lourdes
8:00am For the Malades with the Order of Malta
Fri. Feb. 12
8:00am Sybil Gonyo r/b Adam and Margaret Kuhn
Sat. Feb. 13 Blessed Virgin Mary
5:00pm
SUNDAY Feb. 14 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time;
World Marriage Day; Valentine's Day
8:00am For all Married Couples
10:30am Michael Johns r/b The Young Family

The Sanctuary Lamp this week will be lit for all Married Couples.

Morning Eucharistic Adoration

M - F 6:30 - 7:30 am *before the 8:00am Mass*

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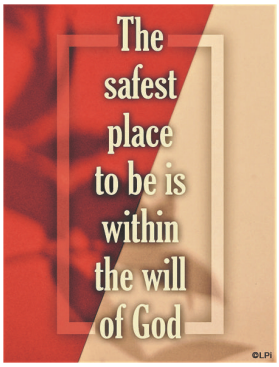


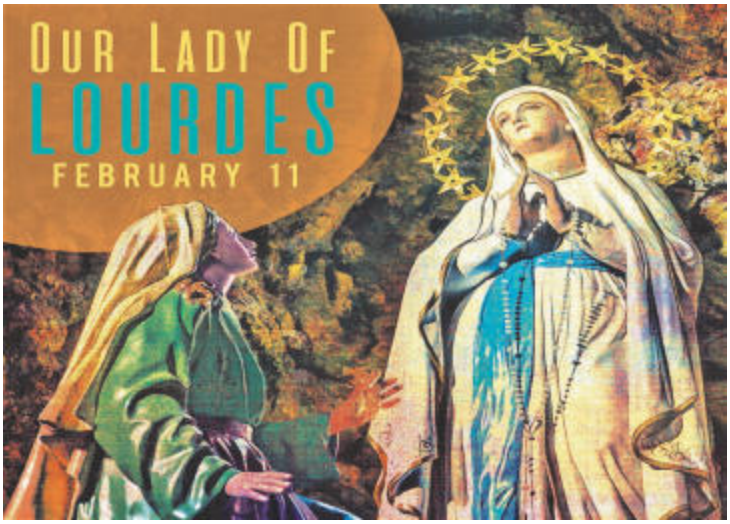
WELCOME BACK TO CHURCH !

COME TO SUNDAY or SATURDAY VIGIL MASS
(Public WEEKEND Masses began on July 4 , 2020
SAT: 5pm, SUN: 8am & 10:30am

***…OR* WEEKDAY MASS**
***(began June 8, 2020)* M–F: 8AM**

The Most Reverend Michael R. Cote, Bishop of Norwich, has *dispensed of the Sunday Mass obligation.*

As of Nov. 6, limitations on religious worship are now 25% building capacity or 100 people as amended by CT's Governor. We comply with state orders by social distancing, every other pew is taped and unused; **masks are to be worn by attendees and hand sanitizer used at the entrance**. **norwichdiocese.org**.



RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS
The Audacity of Holiness

Do you know a holy person? I'm not talking about piety — that's important, too, in its own way. But right now, I'm speaking of holiness.

St. Therese of Lisieux called holiness "a disposition of the heart that makes us humble and little in the arms of God, aware of our weakness, and confident — in the most audacious way — in His Fatherly goodness."

The holy person sees a storm on the horizon of life, and rather than give themselves over to fear and despair (natural and understandable reactions), regards the gathering winds as an opportunity to rely more fully on God. The holy person takes a bad situation and sanctifies it with charity and understanding that defies our fallen human nature.

Peter's mother-in-law was still in the throes of a fever when Jesus grasped her hand. It wasn't until she took his hand and allowed him to help her up that "the fever left her and she waited on them." Before the fever could leave her, she had to commit to holiness — to put her trust in him in a most audacious way. She had to find it within herself to lift her weakened hand to grasp his — and as soon as she did, she was rewarded. Her bodily health restored, she gave thanks, and attended to his needs.

God's hand is always outstretched to us. Will we take it, even if the fever of sin and pride and worldly concerns rages in our souls? Will we muster the strength? Will we be audacious enough to have confidence in His Fatherly goodness?

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

Question: Is it ever Ok to leave Mass before it ends?

Answer: This is an interesting question because beneath the surface there seems to be an assumption that if it's okay, then why do we have to stay after we receive communion? The short answer is "no," but we definitely want to go a bit deeper as we consider why.

First, when we think about questions like this, we must consider this in adult terms. If there is something gravely important that we need to do, then we must attend to that. However, if it is a matter of convenience or preference, then we really have to stop and think again. First, while we always want to recognize the importance of sacramental communion in the Mass, we also need to understand how important the time of thanksgiving and prayer after communion is. This is summarized in the Prayer After Communion offered by the celebrant and then we are also commissioned to "Go forth" during the Dismissal of the Mass, reminding us that we have been entrusted with a gift — the Word of God and the Presence of Christ in the sacrament — and that we are to share that gift with others. If we simply leave after we receive communion, we risk two things. First, there is the possibility that we will turn our reception of communion into a purely personal, individual experience that is separated from our common experience of worship — and communion in the fullest sense — and, second, we lose an opportunity for gratitude and serious reflection if we simply leave after communion. This time of thanksgiving, reflection, and, ultimately, missioning, are important and, in the end, an essential part of the celebration of the Mass.

Preparing For Faith Formation's Palm-burning

Confirmation students making palm bundles in and selecting Bible readings for today's F.F. prayer service.

THE DOUG AND DAVE SHOW- FAMILY, FAITH, AND FUN

National Catholic musicians and talents, The Doug and Dave Show, will join the Office of Faith Events on **February 11th at 7pm** for Family, Fun and Faith. Everyone is encouraged to join us. Filled with characters that delight young and old, songs that will make you sing out loud, stories which will inspire, and Catholic truths learned in a new and lighthearted ways. Join the live streamed event on the Diocese of Norwich page- norwichdiocese.org/Live-Events

If you would like the links sent of where you can see the event, please contact Marianne Nicholas: manicholas@norwichdiocese.net or call (860)848-2237 ex.304.

Readings for the week of February 7, 2021

Sunday: Jb 7:1-4, 6-7/Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [cf. 3a]/1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23/Mk 1:29-39
Monday: Gn 1:1-19/Ps 104:1-2a, 5-6, 10 and 12, 24 and 35c [31b]/Mk 6:53-56
Tuesday: Gn 1:20—2:4a/Ps 8:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [2ab]/Mk 7:1-13
Wednesday: Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17/Ps 104:1-2a, 27-28, 29bc-30 [1a]/Mk 7:14-23
Thursday: Gn 2:18-25/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 [cf. 1a]/Mk 7:24-30
Friday: Gn 3:1-8/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7 [1a]/Mk 7:31-37
Saturday: Gn 3:9-24/Ps 90:2, 3-4abc, 5-6, 12-13 [1]/Mk 8:1-10
Next Sunday: Lv 13:1-2, 44-46/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 11 [7]/1 Cor 10:31—11:1/Mk 1:40-45

The Burial of the Alleluia: A Poem by a monk from San Benedetto in Monte, Norcia, Italy

The following poem was written by a monk of the Monastery of San Benedetto in Monte, Norcia, Italy. Septuagesima Sunday, the beginning of the "porch of Lent", marks the "burial of the Alleluia", when the Alleluia of the Mass is replaced by the Tract. The very word Alleluia is also no longer heard in the chanting of the Office, until the Easter Vigil. This poem is a wonderful gift for each of us who love the Traditional Mass to deepen our own faith as we prepare for Lent.

From every mountain, hill and vale
Let Alleluia ring!
And may each woman, man and child
This Alleluia sing!

Alas! But little time is left
With Alleluia near;
We from thee soon shall have to part,
Oh, Alleluia dear!

Until Septuagesima
Will Alleluia last;
From that grave moment on we must
From Alleluia fast.

Then, in woe we shall, bereft
Of Alleluia mourn,
And clad with deepest sorrow wail,
From Alleluia torn.

Then will our drooping eyes, deprived
Of Alleluia weep,
And we'll in penance far away
From Alleluia keep.

Then will our days be difficult,
When Alleluia flees,
For better heaven's realm the heart
With Alleluia sees.

In one sole manner can we with
No Alleluia cope,
If on this journey we go forth
In Alleluia's hope.

Thus, we must always mindful be,
With Alleluia ceased,
That on that Day of days we shall
With Alleluia feast.
On that most sacred Day our mouths
Will Alleluia fill,
And joy our hearts, for nothing will
Our Alleluia kill.

Then jubilation will come forth
In Alleluia's sounds,
And merrily repeat itself
In Alleluia rounds.

Then filled our every limb shall be
With Alleluia's might,
And on all faces mirth shall shine
With Alleluia bright.

Then nothing will our sturdy hearts
With Alleluia fear,
When finally, after the race
We Alleluia hear.

Then, rapt in bliss, we'll dwell secure
In Alleluia's spell,
And every tongue from East to West
Will Alleluia tell.

Then shall the music of the spheres
With Alleluia rhyme,
And heaven will its rhythm move
To Alleluia's time.

For then, O Christ, the mournful tomb
Will Alleluia burst,
And Thou, Triumphant Victor, shall
Sing Alleluia first!

But, for now, until we hear
That Alleluia bell,
We must with mournful joy thee bid
Fare, Alleluia, well!

Operation Rice Bowl: Our Lenten Program: For Lent For Life

For 48 years, Operation Rice Bowl has helped to feed the hungry poor. Through Operation Rice Bowl --- a program of prayer, fasting, learning, and giving --- what you give up for Lent can give hope to the poorest of the poor. Make this Lenten season one of awareness, compassion, and reflection. Operation Rice Bowl is sponsored by Catholic Relief Services and the Diocese of Norwich. Details will appear in next Sunday's Bulletin.

Please join us VIRTUALLY **Saturday, March 13, 2021, from 9 AM to noon**, for the Spring Norwich Diocesan Women's Conference. Joining us will be keynote speaker, author, storyteller, and retreat leader, **Julianne Stanz.** Julianne has authored the book Developing Disciples for Christ, is the Director of Parish Life and Evangelization for the Diocese of Green Bay, Wisconsin, and is a consultant for the USCCB committee on Catechesis and Evangelization. Cost is $10, to register online go to www.norwichdiocese.org or contact The Office of Faith Events: 860-848-2237, manicholas@norwichdiocese.net

***Virtual Basket Raffle to benefit the 2021 Norwich Diocesan Women's Conference. **Raffle is open to all from Feb. 13 - March 14, winners will be notified March 15. Chance are $1.** Simply use the following link below to participate https://go.rallyup.com/baskets **or send a check with your basket choices by March 5th to:** Bishop Flanagan Ministry Center, 199 Broadway, Norwich, CT, 06360, attention: Marianne ***

Parish Prayer Line

Intentions are shared via first name only, but can be completely anonymous. To request prayers for ***any*** intention, any need, or in thanksgiving, call Michele, 860-434-8529.

Do you want to register with the parish?
Welcome!

Have you changed your address, are you moving out of or into the parish, or would like to receive envelopes? Please contact the office, 860-434-1669, or ctkoldlyme@aol.com. Or, you can fill out the following and return via the basket, drop it at the office, or mail to: 1 McCurdy Road, Old Lyme, CT 06371

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Are you looking for a way to enrich your marriage without leaving your home? Worldwide Marriage Encounter is offering an experience you can enjoy from the comfort of your home.

A virtual Worldwide Marriage Encounter experience in this region will take place Valentine's Day weekend, **Feb. 12-14, 2021.**

Learn skills not only to improve your relationship, but to thrive together. Gain tools for building and maintaining a strong relationship in today's world.

For more information, or to register for this virtual experience, contact Frank and Margie Pearson at 860-337-2447, or call Mary-Jo McLaughlin at Catholic Family Services, 860-848-2237, Ext. 312. Fee:$100. (Sliding fee scale if needed.)

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XAVIER HIGH SCHOOL'S $20,000 RAFFLE

The winner will be chosen on April 30 at 11 a.m. in front of Xavier. Tickets are $100, no limit to the number you can purchase. You do not need to be present, but you must be 18 years or older. Tickets can be purchased online, through the mail or in person in the Advancement Office, Room 105. Information at **xavierhighschool.org.** Click on **Alumni & Giving**, and then click on **$20,000 Cash Raffle**. The raffle is a game of chance, as such it is not considered a charitable contribution as per State of Connecticut and IRS guidelines. All proceeds will benefit the Xavier Annual Fund. More information contact the Advancement Office at 860-346-7735, or advancement@xavierhighschool.org.

VIRTUAL BINGO FOR ALL AGES

The Office of Faith Events invites people of all ages to participate in Virtual Bingo! Bingo will take place on Sunday, February 21st from 3:30 – 5pm. You will receive your cards online, mark them and even remark them for the next game or you can print them and play. Through video conferencing, we will call the numbers and play different BINGO games from regular bingo, double bingo, picture frame, and finally black out! It will be great fun with lots of gift certificates for prizes! The cost is $6 per card for the whole Bingo event! To register for your Bingo card, go to: https://bit.ly/2Laol7Y or call Marianne at 860-848-2237 ex. 304.

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