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Eucharist:

Mass: Mon-Fri: 7:30am

Sat. Vigil: 5:00pm

Sunday: 8:00am &
10:30am

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**.

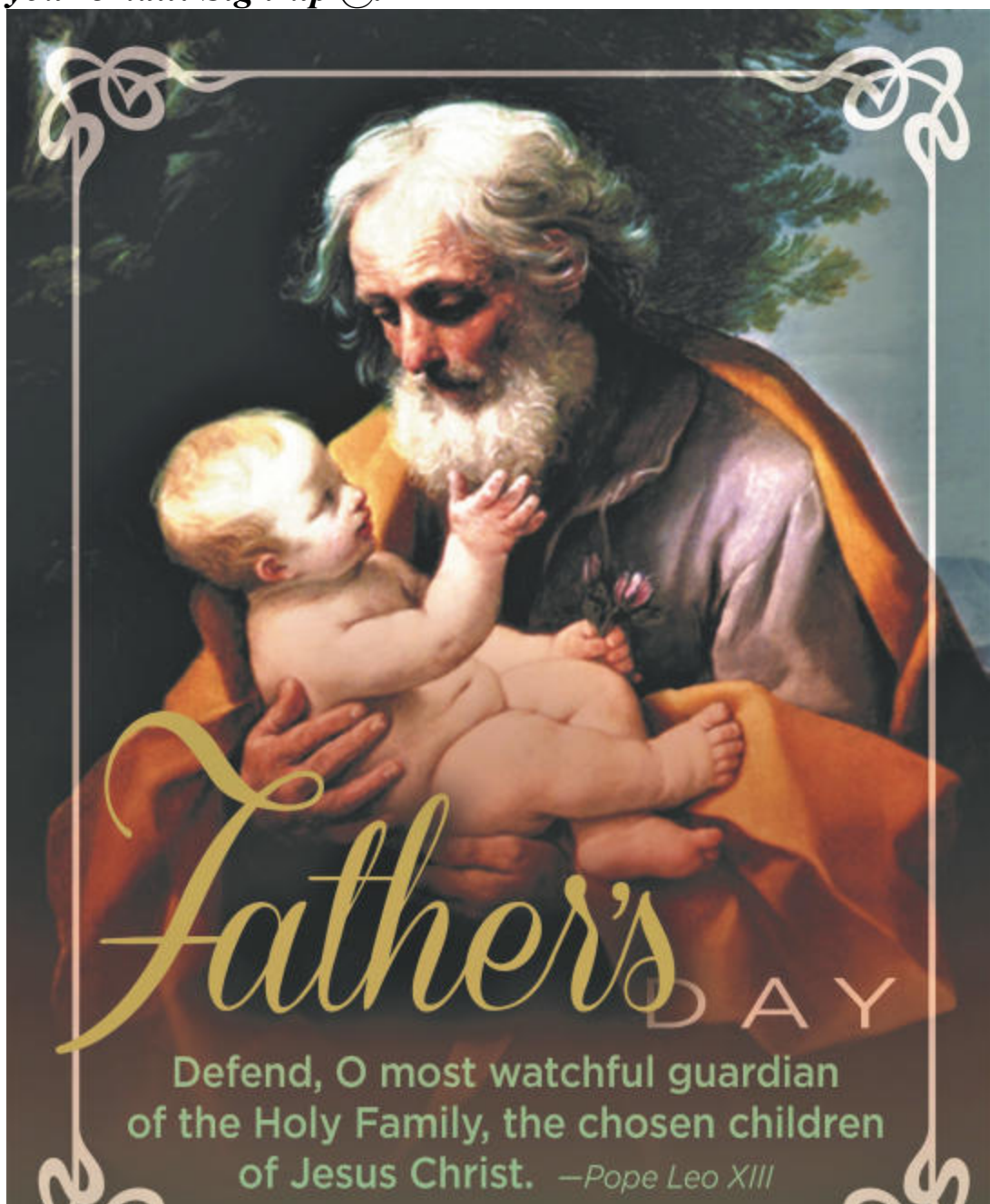
Holy Days of Obligation:

7:30am & 6:30pm

(No evening Mass the day
before the Holy Day.)

The Rosary is prayed
Tuesdays at 4:30pm.

Sexual Misconduct Services:
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MASS SCHEDULE

Sat. June 20 (LIVE-STREAM ONLY)

The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary

5:00pm For all Fathers, living and deceased

Healing of America

SUNDAY JUNE 21 (LIVE-STREAM ONLY)

12th SUNDAY in Ordinary Time; Father's Day

10:30am For all Fathers, living and deceased

Mon. June 22 **PUBLIC MASS** St. Paulinus of Nola,

Bishop; Sts. John Fisher, Bishop, and Thomas More,

8:00am

Tues. June 23 **PUBLIC MASS**

8:00am Frederick Rubelmann, Jr. r/b his family

Wed. June 24 **PUBLIC MASS**

The Nativity of St. John the Baptist

8:00am

Thurs. June 25 **PUBLIC MASS**

8:00am

Fri. June 26 **PUBLIC MASS**

The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

8:00am Holy Souls in Purgatory r/b The St. Elizabeth of the

Trinity Community Of Descalced Carmelite Seculars

Sat. June 27 (LIVE-STREAM ONLY)

5:00pm

SUNDAY JUNE 28 (LIVE-STREAM ONLY)

13th SUNDAY in Ordinary Time

10:30am Dee Clinton

The Sanctuary Lamp this week will be lit for all fathers, living & deceased.



LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Jesus knows that the challenges a disciple of the Gospel will face in the world are real. He tells all of us point blank, **"Do not be afraid."** There are many things we can fear as we attempt to live the Gospel: unpopularity, being rebuked, rejection, anger, being challenged, having to defend ourselves, standing alone, insecurity, failure, and even death. Many folks know that their faith calls them to live life more deliberately and radically but are cowards when it comes to putting it into practice. We easily justify sticking with the "acceptable" norms with which we are accustomed. These only serve to keep us stuck and mired in mediocrity. The Gospel — given flesh by the very presence of Christ — seeks to stretch, challenge, and change us. We do not have to fear anything, even death. Sometimes, living with our fears brings us a sadly disordered sense of comfort. Maybe what we really fear above all else is change.

COME TO MASS!

Public Weekday Masses Resume!

NEW time: 8AM, M-F

In coordination with the Archdiocese of Hartford, the Diocese of Norwich announces the churches of our diocese **may resume the public celebration of ONLY weekday Masses on June 8, 2020.** (See Mass schedule at left.) <=

The celebration of public Masses on Saturday evening and Sunday continues to be **suspended until further notice.** Please note: limitation on gatherings for religious worship of **100 people or 25% capacity indoors or 150 people outdoors** as commanded by CT Governor Ned Lamont's Executive Orders, remain in effect for all churches. We are complying with orders by limiting attendance, social distancing, many pews are taped off and unused, masks are to be worn, hand sanitizer at entrance, no singing nor processing, and Communion after mass.

The Most Reverend Michael R. Cote, Bishop of Norwich, ***dispensed of the Sunday Mass obligation*** and released the Parish Reopening Guidelines to the Pastors of the Diocese. The primary goal in issuing these standards is to provide necessary guidance rooted both in sound liturgical principles as well as to keep everyone, faithful and clergy, as safe as reasonably possible given the requirements of the present circumstances.

Please see norwichdiocese.org and our website, christthekingchurch.net, for further information.

Will You Say Yes?

You find yourself in the difficult situation of being accused of blasphemy and confronting possible execution. Your crime is believing in Jesus Christ. The question is then asked of you, "Are you a Christian, a follower of the one named Jesus Christ?" Your answer may very well dictate what happens to you next. What is your answer?

It is probably easier to answer this question when the scenario is make-believe. All of us want to believe that we would say yes to the question of belief in Jesus, but strange things happen when humans panic in the face of extreme stress. As we reflect on what we would say, there are those all over the world who are being asked that very same question. It is a question that was asked of many in the first centuries of the Church. Those who respond "yes" are considered martyrs and saints.

We might not usually think of all this in terms of good stewardship living. However, our faith is also a gift we have received from God to cultivate, grow, and share with others. The more interesting question than the one posed above is, "Would an accuser even think of asking you such a question?" Would you have cultivated, grown, and shared your faith enough that anyone would even consider you worthy of asking the question? They might assume you don't know Jesus Christ at all. I don't like conflict and do not seek out conflict, but I would rather someone ask the first question posed than assume there is no reason to confront me in the first place. *-Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS*

Cherish your freedoms

Pope Gregory VII fought hard for the separation of church and state because he lived in a time (11th century) when the church was subject to civil authorities, and abuses of power were rampant. In the face of enormous opposition, this great reformer extricated the church from the control of external rulers and strengthened the unity of the whole church under the centrality of the papacy. Remember that religious freedom is one of the founding principles of our country, worthy of the sacrifice of many. And one that our faith demands that we respect for all.

John 16:29-33. "In the world you will have trouble, but take courage, I have conquered the world."

2020 WORLD COMBINED COLLECTION, **June 20-21**

The Combined Collection for World Charities will be held this weekend. Your contribution will assist:

- Catholic Relief Services
- The Campaign for Human Development
- Aid to the Church in Central & Eastern Europe
- The Holy Land.

Most of you should have received information in the mail about this collection. Please read this material and mail your donation to:

Christ the King Church, 1 McCurdy Rd,
Old Lyme, CT 06371 by the end of June.

Your support and generosity are essential to these programs of our Universal Church.

Franciscan Land-based Experiences and Youth Leadership

The Franciscan Life Center in Meridan will be holding its Franciscan Land-based Summer Experiences and Youth Leadership programs June 29 - July 3, 2020, from 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. A second outdoor experience will be July 20 through 24. Precautions due to Covid-19 will be in effect to protect your children and the counselors. If you are interested in having your 6-12 year old child/children attend the land-based program or your 13-14 year old attend Youth Leadership, please contact Sister John Frances at events@flcenter.org or 203-237-8084. You may also visit flcenter.org/events for registration forms.

Catholic Charities needs **your help!**

Do to the enormous impact of Covid-19, we are quickly running out of resources to help all of those who come to us in need within the Diocese of Norwich.

Requests for our services are overwhelming!

In the last 3 months we have served 1,288 clients with 2,517 services and provided over 20,000 meals from our Emergency Food Pantries.

All donations are welcome especially monetary donations of any size, baby items such as diapers & wipes, and non-perishable food. Visit ccfsn.org or call us at 860-889-8346 for more information.

"Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me."



FATHER'S DAY BLESSING

Gracious God and Father, our first father,
You are the One who has brought us to life
in this world you created.

You created us and everything around us.

We turned away from you
and only after disappointing you did we return your love.

Look with favor on our earthly fathers.

They helped create us in your image.

We have disappointed them,

but have come to realize just how important they are to us.

Bless all our fathers, living and deceased, with comfort and health.

We bring all their needs to you

and ask for strength so they may live worthy lives.

We ask all this in the name of your Son,

our model of what it means to reverence our fathers.

In Christ's name.

Amen.



Banns of Ordination

The following deacon will be ordained to the Order of Priesthood on Saturday, June 27, 2020:

Rev. Mr. Michael Patrick Bovino

Should you know of any reason why this man should not be ordained a priest, please write to:

The Most Reverend Michael R. Cote, Bishop of Norwich
201 Broadway, Norwich, CT 06360

Because of the current COVID-19 limitations on the number of people for religious gatherings, the Ordination will be closed to the public but will be live-streamed on the Diocesan website at 10:30 a.m. on June 27th.

Live-Stream Weekend Meetings and WEEKDAY ONLY Public Mass (8AM)

8:00AM New Time (DAILY(M - F) Zoom Meeting) AND Public Mass!!!

<https://zoom.us/j/114188963?pwd=MnA5cWlHQThickY1UIZocmx3VGITUT09>

Meeting ID: 114 188 936, Password: 226134

5:00PM SATURDAY (Zoom Meeting ONLY)

<https://zoom.us/j/223857915?pwd=d3l1YWdmRUNaSSStEcVYwMUlZVStlZz09>

Meeting ID: 223 857 915, Password: 634317

10:30AM SUNDAY (Zoom Meeting ONLY)

<https://zoom.us/j/225302077?pwd=M2RQZWhlVnllNmFNSXdBTTl6a3k1dz09>

Meeting ID: 225 302 077, Password: 364282

Our live-stream masses continue thanks to the work of Ron Paine, Bill Thomas, Ellen Cole, and of course, Fr. Joe and Fr. Walter!!!

If you are in need of a priest, please contact Fr. Joe and/or Fr. Walter at the rectory, 860-434-1660.

Finance Council News

The Parish "bread and butter" income (Weekly Offertory) is only down 3.13%. This is absolutely **AWESOME** and a proven indicator of the generosity and dedication CTK's parishioners have to their church. **THANK YOU!**

The Parish applied for a "PPP" loan and was approved for the amount of \$45,617. If you are not familiar with this, PPP is a program developed under the CARES ACT which includes financing options for small businesses owners and independent contractors, who continue paying employees even though their work places are shut down due to the pandemic. Charitable organizations also qualified for these loans. Current guidelines for repayment would indicate that CTK will not be required to pay back the loan as long as the funds were used for Payroll as well as other specific recurring expenses. If for any reason the parish did need to repay the loan, it would need to be paid back over a 2 year period at the rate of 1.0% CTK's PPP (administered through the SBA) loan was obtained through Webster Bank. We are keeping in contact with Webster Bank & they will forward the "forgiveness" application as soon as it is available.

- John Smith, Finance Council Chair

Readings for the week of June 21, 2020

Sunday: Jer 20:10-13/Ps 69:8-10, 14, 17, 33-35 [14c]/Rom 5:12-15/Mt 10:26-33

Monday: 2 Kgs 17:5-8, 13-15a, 18/Ps 60:3, 4-5, 12-13 [7b]/Mt 7:1-5

Tuesday: 2 Kgs 19:9b-11, 14-21, 31-35a, 36/Ps 48:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 10-11 [cf. 9d]/Mt 7:6, 12-14

Wednesday: *Vigil*: Jer 1:4-10/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 15, 17 [6b]/1 Pt 1:8-12/Lk 1:5-17. *Day*: Is 49:1-6/Ps 139:1-3, 13-14, 14-15 [14a]/Acts 13:22-26/Lk 1:57-66, 80

Thursday: 2 Kgs 24:8-17/Ps 79:1b-2, 3-5, 8, 9 [9]/Mt 7:21-29

Friday: 2 Kgs 25:1-12/Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6 [6ab]/Mt 8:1-4

Saturday: Lam 2:2, 10-14, 18-19/Ps 74:1b-2, 3-5, 6-7, 20-21 [19b]/Mt 8:5-17

Next Sunday: 2 Kgs 4:8-11, 14-16a/Ps 89:2-3, 16-17, 18-19 [2a]/Rom 6:3-4, 8-11/Mt 10:37-42



2020 Annual Catholic Appeal Update

While we were not able to conduct our video /in pew 2020 Annual Catholic Appeal, "One Faith, One Family" weekend, we are still very much in need of your support. Please go to our website, www.norwichdiocesedevelopment.org to watch our video to see some of our ministries' good works. You may also make your gift/pledge online on our website as well. If you have not returned your ACA envelope, please do so at your earliest convenience. Now, more than ever, our diocesan ministries need your help to support those of our brothers and sisters who are suffering physically, spiritually, and emotionally from this pandemic. Thank you and God Bless You.

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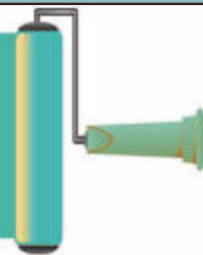
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