

## From the desk of Monsignor Bride

THANK YOU THANK YOU THANK YOU THANK YOU  
Special thanks are in order for all those who worked so hard to make Harvest Fun Day such a wonderful success.



It is hard to imagine just how much work and how many hours are spent getting ready for this undertaking. I am especially grateful to Trish Lynch and Arlene Touranjoe who co-chair this event, to Louise Young who spends so much

time in every phase of the preparation and execution and the hundreds of others who give so many hours to getting ready. There are so many aspects of the day that it is impossible to imagine the number of folks involved. Then when the day comes, there are those who come and spend time and money on it and contribute greatly to its success. I regret that it was impossible for me to be here for the whole time but there is an annual Mass and reception for the Knights of the Holy Sepulchre in Saint Patrick's Cathedral in New York. I am a Knight Commander of the Holy Sepulchre and also the coordinator of the Diocese of Norwich participation in this and in addition Bishop Cote and I travel to New York every year for this. The Diocesan Finance Office was enrolled this year and I simply had to be there. I was here for the opening and first hour of the day before I had to depart.

This event truly brings together so many folks in the entire parish. Working together, eating together, preparing together, planning together, all become a vital part of this.  
**THANK YOU EVERYONE!**

If you did not get your flu shot (seasonal, not swine -YET) at the Harvest Fun Day, I encourage you to do so as soon as possible. The Medical Profession is emphasizing that the normal flu shot will be a real blocking of Swine Flu. Very often folks who get the regular flu have a tendency to move into the swine flu illness so in blocking one we can often block both. In October there will be some vaccine for Swine Flu available

Bishop Cote has issued guidelines for the Diocese of Norwich on how to curtail the possibility of getting the flu. They are as follows

- 1) Receive Communion in the hand. This presents passing the flu from one's tongue to another through the Eucharistic Minister touching of the tongues.
- 2) DO NOT SHAKE hands at Sign of Peace time. Simply turn and exchange a greeting of peace.
- 3) No reception of Holy Communion under the species of wine.

No 1 and 3 are working out fine. Number 2 is not being observed well.

*Monsignor Bride*

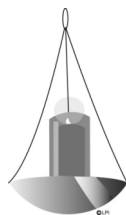
## Pilgrimage to Holy Land

*Now is the time to sign up for the pilgrimage to the Holy Land in April of 2010. Contact parish office if more info is needed. All reservations must be made to Tours of Distinction, P.O. Box 1011, 7A Pasco Drive, East Windsor, CT 06088-1011. (860) 627-0199*

**Catholic Men's Conference of Connecticut**  
*This will be held on Saturday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2009. Last year this was a marvelous success. If interested contact Annette or Monsignor Bride.*

*Father Abern will have cataract surgery on Wednesday, September 30<sup>th</sup>. There will not be morning Mass on Thursday, October 1 but rather a Communion Service at 7:30 A.M.*

**Parish Support**  
**The Stewardship offering for**  
**Sunday, September 20, 2009**  
**\$10,065.10 Thank you!**



*The October Sanctuary Candle will burn for*  
*Gerald Doherty & John McGrath*

Bishop Michael R. Cote, Bishop of Norwich, has authorized that a collection for the Cradle Fund of the Diocese of Norwich be taken in all parishes of the Diocese on the weekend of October 3 and 4, 2009. Because of the increasing demands on the Cradle Fund and because of the Church's commitment to provide for needy, expectant mothers, Bishop Cote asks you to generously support this appeal. The care of expectant mothers and newborns warrants a sacrificial gift. Their need is our responsibility. Our assistance is a means of making tangible our pro-life convictions. Thank you.



**MASS INTENTIONS**

**Saturday, Sept. 26 -Vigil – Twenty-sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time**

5:00 pm YDouglas White r/b Harvest Fun Day Volunteers  
Y Kevin Brown r/b Reid Family & Ethyl Comerford

**Sunday, Sept. 27 – Twenty-sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time**

8:00 am Y Deceased Members of the Murray & Sanelli Families r/b Lou & Audrey  
10:30 am Y Joan Pennella r/b family  
Y Dee Clinton r/b Eunice Ficara  
Y Elizabeth Tashjian r/b Rosemary Strekel  
Y Joan Operhall r/b husband & family  
Y Claire Klozar r/b Kraska family  
Y John O'Meara r/b Bob & Susan Staab  
Y Kenneth & Mary Jane Lantz r/b family

**Monday, Sept. 28–Weekday**

7:30 am For the parishioners of Christ the King

**Tuesday, Sept. 29– Sts. Michael, Gabriel & Raphael, Archangels**

7:30 am Intention of the Celebrant

**Wednesday, Sept. 30 – St. Jerome**

7:30 am Y Robert Novak r/b Rosemary Strekel

**Thursday, Oct. 1 – St. Therese of the Child Jesus**

7:30 am Y Gerard & David Munday r/b family

**Friday, Oct. 2– Guardian Angels**

7:30 am Special Healing r/b Tom & Gerry Moriarty

**Saturday, Oct. 3 -Vigil – 27<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time**

5:00 pm YDarren Palmer r/b Joe & Annette  
Y Patricia Wiesinger & ErinMarie Beacham r/b George & Margaret Zipp

**Sunday, Oct. 4 – 27<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time**

8:00 am Y  
10:30 am Y Mary & Jeremiah Shine, Daniel Shine, Denis Shine r/b family  
Y Pearce C. Beskin r/b Pro-Life Committee  
Y Anthony Melillo r/b Rosemary Strekel  
Y Joan Operhall r/b husband & family

**Readings for the Week of September 27, 2009**

Sunday: Nm 11:25-29/Jas 5:1-6/Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48  
Monday: Zec 8:1-8/Lk 9:46-50  
Tuesday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a/Jn 1:47-51  
Wednesday: Neh 2:1-8/Lk 9:57-62  
Thursday: Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12/Lk 10:1-12  
Friday: Bar 1:15-22/Mt 18:1-5, 10  
Saturday: Bar 4:5-12, 27-29/Lk 10:17-24  
Next Sunday: Gn 2:18-24/Heb 2:9-11/Mk 10:2-16 or 10:2-12

**Regularly scheduled parish events**

Rosary.....Tuesdays – 7:00pm  
Pro-Life Meeting ..... 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday – 9:30am  
New Life Meeting..... 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday – 9:00am  
Men's Club ..... 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday – 6:30pm  
Bible Study.....Thursdays – 9:00 am

**Adult Education**

**Monsignor Bride's Monday night Adult Education class will begin on Monday, October 5<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM in the large meeting room. This first semester we shall discuss the Book of Genesis and the second semester we shall discuss the Gospel of St. John. Plan now to attend this informative and happy experience of adult catholic education.**

**STEAK NIGHT**

*Steak Night will be held on Oct. 10 from 6:30-9:30pm. Tickets will be sold after masses. Adult will be \$ 18 and Children will be \$5. Adult Dinner includes: A 12 oz. Angus NY Strip Steak, Baked Potato, Bread, Salad, Drinks, and Dessert. Children Dinner includes: Hotdog or Hamburger, Baked Potato, Bread, Salad, Drinks, and Dessert.*

**PILGRIMAGE SET FOR HOLY LAND**

**Dates:** Saturday, April 17<sup>th</sup> through Monday, April 26<sup>th</sup>.

**Flight:** Direct flight from Newark to Tel Aviv

**Meals:** Breakfast and dinner every day (included in price)

**Franciscan Tour Guide** as part of Pilgrimage.

**Deluxe Motor Coach** while in Holy Land.

**Overnight in Tel Aviv** (arrival night) one night at

**Nof Ginossar Kibbutz in Galilee on Sea of Galilee/ and Notre Dame Center in Jerusalem**

**Price:** \$3,449. Per person-double occupancy. \$3,999. Single occupancy.

**Please sign up as soon as possible.**

**Please stop by the office for more detailed information.**

**A LETTER FROM BISHOP COTE**

My dear sisters in Christ:

Throughout the month of October the annual membership appeal for the Norwich Diocesan Council of Catholic Women will be conducted. I invite you to become a member of the Diocesan Council or, if you already are a member, to renew your membership. I urge you to join with women across the four counties of the Diocese of Norwich and Fishers Island in the activities and programs offered by the Council on the diocesan and district levels.

The Council helps to raise awareness about moral issues of our day. It enriches the bonds of love and faith that unite us as God's people and it tirelessly works to promote Christian unity.

The Council is a voice for the needy and a valiant witness to the sacredness of human life. Through the Council, major topics are addressed that affect society and significant issues like family and the daily practice of Christian values in the light of the Gospel are examined so that women are enabled to respond to them with their faith convictions.

The Council is an advocate for social justice and it makes a difference in the moral fiber of life in our communities in Eastern Connecticut.

I call upon the women of our diocesan family to support the Norwich Diocesan Council of Catholic Women by becoming members. By joining the Council you will discover a very effective way in which you can witness to the presence of Jesus Christ in your life.

May the Lord and His Mother, under her title of Our Lady of Good Counsel, bless the work of our Catholic women!  
Sincerely yours in Christ,



Bishop of Norwich

**NEEDED:** A responsible person is needed to provide after school care to a Middle School girl, with a physical disability, in her Old Lyme home. Hours and pay are negotiable. If interested, please call Cheryl at 434-8438 after 5:00 pm or 705-5807 during the day.

**CCD Classes**

CCD Classes will begin next weekend. If you have not registered your children, please do so as soon as possible. Louise will need accurate numbers so supplies can be purchased. Registration forms are located on the tables in the narthex and in the basket outside of the office window.

**Silver and Gold Jubilee Anniversary Mass  
Sunday, October 4, 2009 @ 2:00p.m.**

Inviting all couples married 25 & 50 years, also welcome to attend are those celebrating any other anniversary significant to them, to participate in and renew your wedding vows in a Pontifical Mass which will be celebrated by Bishop Michael R. Cote at the Cathedral of St. Patrick, Norwich. Family and friends are invited to share in this special testimony and witness to love and marriage. Light refreshments will be provided in the Cathedral Hall following the Mass.

Please call your Parish office to register for this beautiful Jubilee Anniversary Celebration. For additional information call Susan Williams at 860-889-8346 ext. 283  
Office of Family Life/Catholic Charities.

**Seventeenth Annual Mass for Firefighters/EMS  
Personnel**

**Saturday, October 10, 2009 at 5:00 PM**

Bishop Cote will celebrate Mass for all Firefighters/EMS Personnel in the Cathedral of St. Patrick. Assembly at Chelsea Parade for the line-up and the procession of all personnel and apparatus will begin at 3:00 pm. All Companies, departments and personnel and their families are invited to participate.

**MINISTRY TO THE SICK**

**Do you know any person who is elderly and cannot get out; is a shut-in; who has recently been sick and not able to get to Church? Please call the parish office and tell Annette the name and address. WE DESIRE TO VISIT THEM, AND BRING THEM HOLY COMMUNION. Please HELP us!**

**Fill this out and drop in basket, if you have not called the office:**

**Name of shut-in** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Address** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Town** \_\_\_\_\_