

The Church of the Incarnation

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Cantors

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Sacristan

Mass Schedule

Confessions on Saturdays from 3:45 - 4:30p.m.
Vigil Mass: Saturday at 5:00p.m.
Sunday Masses: 8:00, 9:30 & 11:00 a.m.
Daily Mass: (Mon. - Fri.) 9:00 a.m.
Recitation of the Rosary before
9:00 a.m. daily Mass

Sacrament of Baptism

By previous appointment
Sundays at 1:00 p.m. in the
Baptistry of the Chapel

Weddings

Please contact a priest 6-10 months prior.

New Parishioners

The Church of the Incarnation welcomes new parishioners. Please fill out the large white index card (registration form) found at the main entrance, and place in the collection baskets.

Rectory Hours

9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

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**SATURDAY,
MARCH 14TH**

5:00pm- Deceased mem-
bers of the Carroll, Ryan &
Autenrith Families

SUNDAY, MARCH 15TH

8:00am- Ed Sitarz
9:30am- Thomas & Mary Scully
11:00am- John, Josephine, Michael &
Jean Mele

MONDAY, MARCH 16TH

9:00 am- For all our parishioners

TUESDAY, MARCH 17TH

9:00 am- Giovanni & Ida Ficocelli

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 18TH

9:00am- Viviana Sofia Gugliotti

THURSDAY, MARCH 19TH

9:00 am- Rose & John Stavola

FRIDAY, MARCH 20TH

9:00 am- Vincenzo Ficocelli

SATURDAY, MARCH 21ST

9:00am —Lisa Albino

5:00pm— Edwin Przybylski

SUNDAY, MARCH 22ND

8:00 am— Manuel Loura

9:30 am- Mary & Dan Richi and Cora,
Henry and Mikey Daversa

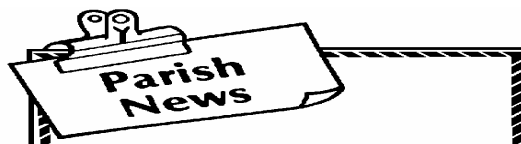
11:00 am-Prospero R. DePhillips

The Sanctuary Candle

will burn from 3/16/09-
3/22/09 in memory of
Rocco A. DeMilia.

The Blessed Virgin Mary

Candle will burn from
3/16/09-3/22/09 in memory
of Santo Listro.



Today is the Archbishop's Annual Appeal kick-off weekend. We will have a DVD presentation in place of the homily to explain the works/goals of the 2009 A. A. A.

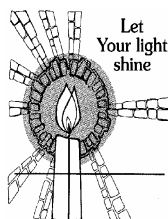
Incarnation Mass of Anointing on Sunday, March 15th at the 11am Mass.

St. Patrick's Corned Beef Dinner..... This Monday, March 16th at 6:30 pm in Father Crawford Hall. See you there!

The Men's Association will meet this Wednesday, March 18th at 7pm in the rec-tory mtg. room. Pizza/refreshments served.

Women's Club General meeting this Thursday, March 19th, 7:30pm in Fr. Crawford Hall. See next page for information.

Website Launch: This Sunday, March 15, 2009 marks the official launch of our first-ever parish website. This is a very exciting time as we will now have the ability to communicate with our parishioners online. In the coming weeks and months, our goal is to continue to improve the site with all of the latest information about our church, its ministries, etc. We welcome all feedback as we strive to make it the best website it can be. We are most grateful to Marco Pace and Jeff McBride for their tireless efforts regarding the website. We are also grateful to Teri Aiudi, Filomena Marinelli, Audrey Saharek and Noranne Wamester for serving on the planning and executing team.





Children's Liturgy of the Word will be held next Sunday at the 9:30am Mass.

Monday: New Day.....A Journey from Grief to Healing continues on Monday, March 16th at 1:00pm, Father Crawford Hall.

Tuesday: Grade 8 will meet.

Wednesday: Grade 7 will meet.

Saturday Grades K-6 will meet at Emerson-Williams School at 9am.

Saturday: There will be a First Communion Banner workshop for parents who wish to have a time of personal instruction at 9:00 am in the cafeteria of Emerson-Williams School.

Lenten Movie Afternoon for Grades 5 & 6 will be held on Thursday, March 26th from 1:30-4pm in Fr. Crawford Hall.

Admission will be a bag of rice for Kid's Café in Hartford. Pizza & soda will be available for \$1.00 per slice. Popcorn will be offered free of charge. Registration forms are at the exits. Call Filomena Marinelli at 721-0538 for more information.

The third grade and fourth grade retreats have been cancelled.



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Catholic Relief Services

Lenten Program:

Operation Rice Bowls... They are available at the exits.

Women's Club General meeting this Thursday, March 19th...Please join us for "A Spiritual Housekeeping:" at 7:30pm, Fr. Crawford Hall. Barbara Gawle, a member of our Incarnation Parish Family, and a former member of the Felician Sisters Community of Enfield, will present this Lenten Reflection. In recognition of the churches current observance of the Jubilee Year of St. Paul, her talk will include references to St. Paul. In 1981, Barbara created the series, "Discovering Prayer," which was offered as a six week course at Manchester Community College. That material was used to develop a textbook on prayer, published in 1984 under the title "How to Pray." All are welcome to attend.

The Women's Club Communion Breakfast, will be held on Sunday, April 26th immediately following the 11:00am Mass. Cost is \$19.50 per person which includes a delicious breakfast buffet at the Marriott Hotel in Rocky Hill at 12:15pm. Guest speaker, Regina Cram, a writer for The Catholic Transcript, will join us to share her story, "The Journey of a Lifetime: Kicking and Screaming into the Catholic Church". Don't miss this delightful speaker who uses humor to engage her audiences as she talks about God's hand in our spiritual journey. Reservations can be made by calling Laura Decker at 721-8284.

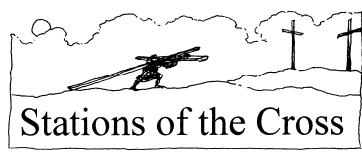
Easter Communion Regulation: Catholics are obliged to receive Communion at least once between the 1st Sunday of Lent & Trinity Sunday.



BAPTISMS

Charles Herbert Aglieco

A Family Perspective....Listen to Jesus in today's gospel: "Stop making my Father's house a market place." Has your home been reduced to an extension of the shopping mall? A chaotic feeding station or a Laundromat? If you are not busy and productive, do you feel you are wasting time? This week, waste time just being together.



Archbishop Mansell has encouraged parishes to cooperate in the scheduling of masses and liturgical services to help ease pressure caused by the shortage of priests. In this spirit, the parishes of Wethersfield have agreed to centralize the commemoration of the Stations of the Cross at Corpus Christi Church, on the Fridays of

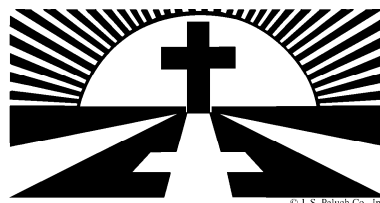
Lent at 7:30pm with Stations of the Cross and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

There will be a House of Bread collection next weekend. Coffee & sugar are requested. Over 300 guests are served a meal each day at this soup kitchen. Approximately 400 children are served a warm meal each day at Kid's Café, which is also part of the House of Bread. Thank you for your continued support of this most worthy cause.

In preparation for Easter our Small Christian Community groups invite you to join us for a Day of Reflection on Thursday, April 2nd at Our Lady of Calvary Retreat Center in Farmington. Noranne Wamester will guide through our day. For reservations contact Gilda at 563-9848 or Betty at 563-9274.

Third Sunday of Lent
March 15, 2009

I, the LORD, am your God . . .
You shall not have other gods besides me.
— *Exodus 20:2a, 3*



Our Incarnation Basketball Teams will celebrate their wonderful season at an awards banquet on Monday, March 30th at 6pm in Fr. Crawford Hall. A note to all parents...If you would like...you are invited to bring a dessert. Thank you.

The Church of the Incarnation awards two scholarships annually for parishioners entering area Catholic High Schools. Deadline to submit applications is April 1st. Call Noranne Wamester for application 529-6765.

The Women's Auxiliary of St. Francis Hospital & Medical Center is having their Annual Membership Drive. March 2nd through April 17th. 2009 is our 83rd Anniversary and we just made a 5,000,000.00. plead to the hospital! Help us help St. Francis by becoming a part of our proud tradition. We always look for those who like to get involved, but membership does not always incur obligations. Look for more information at the entrances or call our community ambassador Michele Kalousdian at 563-0860 for more information.

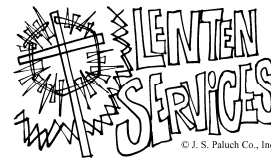
Special Spring Holiday Cleaning for Easter: If you are able to volunteer an hour or two of your time to prepare our worship space for the glory of Eastertime, call Toni Munoz at 563-9720. Dates are Saturday, March 28th and Saturday, April 4th both at 9:30am. Thank you.

You may return the Easter Flowers envelopes anytime until Easter Sunday. Thank you.

For the Season of Lent, The Sanctus (Holy, Holy) and Agnus Dei (Lamb of God) will be sung. Hymn numbers 861/ 864 in the Missal.

Lenten Mass

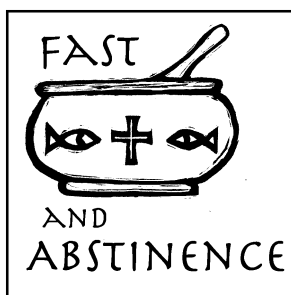
Schedule: Daily mass will be at 9am Monday-Saturday excluding Holy Saturday, April 11th. Corpus Christi will celebrate masses at 6:45am, 12:05pm and 5:30pm Monday-Friday. Saturday Masses at Corpus are 7:30 am & 12:05pm.



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Lenten Regulations:

Catholics ages 14 and older are to abstain from meat on all Fridays during Lent. The rule does not apply when health or ability to work would be seriously impacted.



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Catholics who have celebrated their 18th birthday, but have not yet marked their 59th are to fast on Good Friday. On days of fast, one full meal is allowed. Two other meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to individual needs but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted, but liquids, including milk and juices, are allowed.

Mercy High School, Middletown, CT. Please join us for Discover Mercy on Saturday, April 4th from 9am-12:45pm. The program is open to 6th and 7th grade girls and parents. Activities, food and fun! Call (860) 346-6659.

Make-up Entrance Exam for East Catholic High School on March 18th at 8am to all eighth graders who were unable to take a previous exam. The exam will be given at the school. Call 649-5336 with any questions.



TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The law was given through Moses (Exodus 20:1-17 [1-3, 7-8, 12-17]) or *Exodus 17:3-7*.

Psalms — Lord, you have the words of everlasting life (Psalm 19) or *Psalm 95*.

Second Reading — We proclaim Christ crucified; the foolishness of God is greater than human wisdom (1 Corinthians 1:22-25) or *Romans 5:1-2, 5-8*.

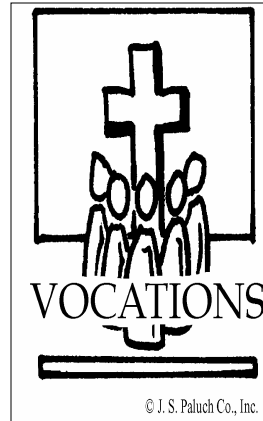
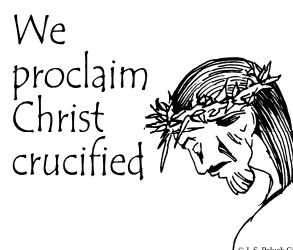
Gospel — Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up (John 2:13-25) or *John 4:5-42 [5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42]*.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 2 Kgs 5:1-15b; Lk 4:24-30
 Tuesday: Dn 3:25, 34-43; Mt. 18:21-35
 Wednesday: Dt 4:1, 5-9; Mt 5:17-19
 Thursday: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Ps 89; Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a
 Friday: Hos 14:2-10; Mk 12:28-34
 Saturday: Hos 6:1-6; Lk 18:9-14
 Sunday: 2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23; Ps 137; Eph 2:4-10; Jn 3:14-21 Alternate readings (Year A): 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a; Ps 23; Eph 5:8-14; Jn 9:1-41[1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38]

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Third Sunday of Lent; First Scrutiny
 Tuesday: St. Patrick
 Wednesday: St. Cyril of Jerusalem
 Thursday: St. Joseph, Husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary
 Friday: Spring begins; Abstinence



Are you being called to the Priesthood or Religious?

If you would like more information please call Fr. Michael Dolan at the Archdiocesan Vocation Office at St. Thomas Seminary, Bloomfield 286-7670 or on the web: www.vocationshartford.org.

Men's Association New York Yankees Bus Trip Update: We have been in contact with the Yankees representatives for the past few months and have not been able to confirm a date as of yet. Please continue to check this bulletin for more information. Thank you for your patience.

Liturgy

Environment

In today's Gospel, we move closer to



Easter: "the Passover of the Jews was near." Jesus becomes angry when the temple, which is to be a house of prayer, is turned into a place of business. He drives the merchants out of the Temple, then he sits down to teach them instead. The real Temple, he tells them, is His body—the Word made Flesh. The ending of the reading is very telling: Jesus "did not need anyone to testify about human nature. He Himself understood it well." Jesus knows that before long, He will be crucified by the hatred of human being; He also knows that He will be raised up again by the love of God.

Wishing all our parishioners a Happy St. Patrick's Day and Happy St. Joseph's Day!!