The Church of the Incarnation

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> Toni Munoz 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.

Rectory (860)-529-2533

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Incarnation Church E-Mail Address cincarnation@sbcglobal.net

Office of Faith Formation (860)-529-6765 gotellit@aol.com

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SATURDAY, APRIL 18TH

5:00pm- Anthony Melillo

SUNDAY, APRIL 19TH

8:00am- Santo Motta

9:30am- George, Violet, Stanley &

Jerome Czaja

11:00am- Frank Bulanti

MONDAY, APRIL 20TH

9:00am— Nicholas Champ

TUESDAY, APRIL 21ST

9:00 am-For all our parishioners

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 22ND

9:00am- Angelo Manocchio

THURSDAY, APRIL 23RD

9:00am- Joseph & Amelia Massed

FRIDAY, APRIL 24TH

9:00am – Deceased members of the Daras Family

SATURDAY, APRIL 25TH

5:00pm—Sebastian Gianni

SUNDAY, APRIL 26TH

8:00 am— Joseph Fote

9:30 am— Rose Mangiafico

11:00 am— Lucy Reale Leone

The Sanctuary Candle

will burn from 4/20/09–4/26/09 in memory of Patrick & Dorothy Rose.



The Blessed Virgin Mary Candle will burn from 4/20/09 - 4/26/09 in memory of Rose Mangiafico.



The Second collection this weekend is the Peter's Pence Collection. This collection is to benefit the charities supported by the Holy Father.

There is a House of Bread collection this weekend. Coffee & sugar are needed.

The Employment Support Group will meet this Tuesday, April 21st at 9:30am in Fr.

Crawford Hall. If you or someone you know is searching for employment, please attend our meeting.

The Men's Association will meet this Tuesday, April 21st at 7:00pm in the rectory meeting. Pizza and refreshments will be served.

First Communion will be held next Saturday, April 25th at 10am in the Church.

Thank you to all who contributed to the Easter Collection and to the Easter Flower Collection. Thank you to all who decorated the Church and Sanctuary so beautifully for Easter. Thank you all who contributed in any way to making our Holy Week and Easter celebration so beautiful.

2009 Archbishop's Annual Appeal.

The A.A.A. changes lives through service to the Lord. In addition to assisting the underserved of our communities, your gift helps to provide formation and education opportunities to those whose vocation is vital to our faith and our Church. If you have not yet made your Appeal commitment, please consider doing so in the days ahead. Thank you.



Children's Liturgy of the Word is this weekend at the 9:30am Mass. Presiders will be John Breton, Maura Buyak & Yolanda Antoniak. Host family is the Breton Family.

Monday, 4/20th: New Day, A Journey from Grief to Healing/1:00pm, Fr Crawford Hall.

Faith Formation:

Tuesday: Grade 8 — Final class Wednesday: Grade 7 — Final class.

First Communion Rehearsals for those children receiving on April 25th will be held this week on Wednesday from 3:30-5pm and this Friday from 3:30-5pm. <u>All those receiving First Communion on April 25th must be in attendance! Thank you!</u>

Registration (2009-2010) for the Faith Formation Program has been mailed. All registrations must be returned no later than May 15, 2009. Extra registration forms and the welcome letter may be downloaded from our website address which is: www.thechurchoftheincarnation.com. All families of new students must include a copy of your child's Baptismal certificate unless your child was baptized at the Church of the Incarnation. Those entering Gr. 9 (Sept. 2009) will receive a special invitation in Oct. for the Sacrament of Confirmation. **Faith Formation (Religious Education)** formally begins in First Grade. First Communion preparation begins in First Grade. The Kindergarten program entitled "Little Lambs" which begins in October is offered as an optional program.

The May Crowning of our Blessed Mother will take place on Sunday, May 3rd at the 9:30am Mass at Incarnation. All children are invited to process in this beautiful celebration. Please call the Formation Office -529-6765 or e -mail at Gotellit@aol.com. Young ladies should wear a Sunday dress and young gentlemen should wear dress pants and a dress shirt. Please come to Fr. Crawford Hall at 9:15am.

Thank you to the catechists, 5th and 6th grade students from our Faith Formation classes and all others involved in packaging over 250 lunches and Easter treat bags for the children of Kids' Café in Hartford.

Sister Kristen, a Sister of St. Joseph, prepares more than 415 after school meals each day for

more than 415 after school meals each day for the children in the Hartford area who would otherwise go home hungry. In addition to the 250 lunches that were delivered to Sister Kristen, a large quantity of snacks were also donated by the students each week of Lent as part of their Lenten almsgiving project. Rice and \$60.00 was also collected to support the Kids' Café. Thank you again to the Confirmation candidates, their families, The Beers Family, The Cravero Family, The DiFiore Family, The Marinelli Family, The Zaino Family, The Kieselback Family for delivering the items, and to Fr. Lonergan and Fr. Moran for administering the Sacrament of Reconciliation to the children. Thank you to Noranne Wamester for her support with this outreach endeavor.

We received a lovely thank you from Sister Kristin Johnsen for supporting Kids Café.

A Family Perspective...Notice Jesus came into a house and said, "Peace be with you." Peace is not measured only by the noise levels in our home; it also depends on the levels of trust, acceptance, forgiveness and respect for one another.

Stewardship Message...The Christian community described in Acts understood and practiced total stewardship. St. Paul reports that the believers did not claim anything as their own, but held everything in common, and distributed to each whatever was needed. **HomeFront Day: We need you on our Team:** Date this year is Saturday May 2nd. This project is sponsored by the Office of Urban Affairs of the Archdiocese, and Americares. Parishes all over the state accept a project to repair and fix up the home of a needy family. We need workers with a variety of skills as well as unskilled workers. You must be at least 16 years of age, but young people ages 14-16 may work with a signed release from their parents, and supervision. For more information and to sign-up call Pat McGovern at 563-7773, Brian O'Connor at 563-4888, or Audrey Saharek at 529-2533. This project is sponsored by Sacred Heart, Corpus Christi and The Church of the Incarnation.

2008 Christmas Concert...This concert was dedicated in loving memory to Reverend John F. Edwards. We have DVD's available for purchase by calling the rectory or by visiting Mrs. Niver in the Choir Loft. \$20.00 per DVD. Thank you. Check the website for info.

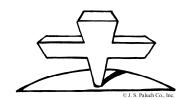
A Holy Hour in observance of the World Day of Prayer for Vocations will be held on the Fourth Sunday of Easter (Good Shepherd Sunday), May 3rd at 2pm in the Chapel at the Archdiocesan Center at St. Thomas Seminary in Bloomfield. (467 Bloomfield Avenue). The Holy Hour, which is sponsored by the Serra Club of Hartford, is open to all. Call (860) 654-1893 for more information

Archbishop Henry J. Mansell will celebrate the inaugural Blue Mass on Sunday, May 17th at 11am in the Cathedral of St. Joseph in Hartford. This is a historic event which dates back to 1934, when over 1,000 police and fire personnel packed Saint Patrick's Catholic Church in Washington, D.C. for the special occasion. While the Blue Mass has been a long standing tradition in some parts of the country, it was not until the horrific events of September 11, 2001, that the celebration of such Masses spread throughout the communities of the United States. The Blue Mass is a way to come together as the People of God to honor and recognize the sacrifice of police, firefighters, and other safety personnel, and to remember those who have given their lives in service to our communities.

Second Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday) April 19, 2009

Who indeed is the victor over the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

— 1 John 5:5



Men's Association Baseball Bus Trip:

We have not been able to reserve a date with the Yankees this year. Our trip this year will be the New York Mets vs. Marlins on May 30th. Price \$75.00 p.p....Luxury bus, food, beverages, movies & game ticket. Come and enjoy a beautiful day at the new Citi Field Stadium, the Mets new home.... Call Tony Colasacco at 836-3064.

The Men's Association Steak Night will be held on Wednesday, May 13th at 6:30pm in Fr. Crawford Hall. This year's Guest Speaker is Bill Hennessey, who will present a History of and interesting Tidbits about the Connecticut Lottery. For Men's Association Members and Prospective Members. Call Bill Carroll at 667-4947 for reservations. \$20.00 p.p. Pay at the door.

The Women's Club Communion Breakfast, will be held on Sun., April 26th following the 11:00am Mass. Cost is \$19.00 p.p. which includes a breakfast buffet at the Marriott Hotel in Rocky Hill at 12:15pm. Guest speaker will be Regina Cram, a writer for The Catholic Transcript. Reservations can be made at the April 16th, Club meeting or by calling Laura Decker at 721-8284. We will have a sign-up sheet at the 4/16 meeting for carpooling. Please let us know if you would like a ride or if you will be driving and have room for passengers. All payments need to be received by 4/18 and no refunds are available after 4/21. This event will be a highlight as we finish out our 2008-2009 year together.

Thank you to all who filled the Rice Bowls for Catholic Relief Services.

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

Open House/ St. Augustine School in Hartford, May 7th, 5-7:30pm. Call 249-5661.

Corpus Christi Women's Club will sponsor a Red Sox Baseball Trip...Sunday, May 10th...Tampa Bay Rays VS Red Sox. Call Natalie at the rectory at 529-2545.

Corpus Christi School Golf Outing.....
Tuesday, June 2nd at Indian Hills Country
Club in Newington. Full details are on website at www.corpuschristigolf.golfreg.com.
You may call Mark St. Pierre at 338-1043.
See the bulletin boards for more information.

St. Mary's Women's Club of Newington is sponsoring a Bus Trip to Newport Rhode Island Playhouse and Cabaret Restaurant. June 14th. Bus leaves from St. Mary's School at 8:30am returning at 6pm. Cost is \$85.00 for the Bus, Buffet and Play. Call Pat 563-5676 or Pauline at 666-0188. The Play is entitled "Breaking Legs" which is about three Mafia Bosses wanting to invest in a play.



Divine Mercy Sunday is celebrated this weekend. The Weth-

ersfield Observance will be held at Corpus Christi Church, Silas Deane Highway from 2:30-3:30pm on Sunday.



SO THAT YOU MAY BELIEVE

It is not often that the author of one of the books of the Bible comes right out and tells us directly why he is writing what he is writing. In this Sunday's Gospel reading, taken from the conclusion of John's Gospel, the author tells us that he has chosen to record these events so "that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that through this belief you may have life in his name" (20:31).

The letter of John echoes this idea by saying that "[e]veryone who believes that Jesus is the Christ is begotten by God" (5:1)—what we might refer to as being "born again." Our reading from the Acts of the Apostles for this Second Sunday of Easter shows us exactly what it looks like when believers are born again through faith.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — With great power the apostles bore witness to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus (Acts 4:32-35).

Psalm — Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting (Psalm 118).

Second Reading — The victory that conquers the world is our faith (1 John 5:1-6).

Gospel — Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed (John 20:19-31).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 4:23-31; Jn 3:1-8 Tuesday: Acts 4:32-37; Jn 3:7b-15 Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26; Jn 3:16-21 Thursday: Acts 5:27-33; Jn 3:31-36 Friday: Acts 5:34-42; Jn 6:1-15 Saturday: 1 Pt 5:5b-14; Mk 16:15-20

Sunday: Acts 3:13-15, 17-19; Ps 4; 1 Jn 2:1-

5a; Lk 24:35-48



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.

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Second Sunday of Easter;

Divine Mercy Sunday; Orthodox Easter

Tuesday: St. Anselm; Yom Ha-Shoa

(Holocaust Remembrance Day)

Wednesday: Earth Day;

Administrative Professionals Day

Thursday: St. George; St. Adalbert Friday: St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen;

Arbor Day

Saturday: St. Mark

CHRIST IS HERE

Christ departed from our sight that we might return to our heart, and there find him. For he departed, and behold, he is here.

—St. Augustine

A CHEERFUL GIVER

A cheerful giver does not count the cost of what he gives. His heart is set on pleasing and cheering the one to whom the gift is given.

—St. Julian

