

The Church of the Incarnation

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Wethersfield, CT 06109



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Director of Music

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Musicians

Vanessa Crowley
Lorissa Heath
Rosanne Sweeney
Andrew Russo
Heather Picard Bonney
Cantors

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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(860)-721-6595

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**SATURDAY,
APRIL 25TH**

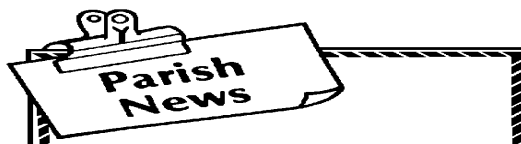
5:00pm- Sebastian Gianni

**SUNDAY,
APRIL 26TH**

8:00am- Joseph Fote

9:30am- Rose Mangiafico

11:00am- Lucy Reale Leone



MONDAY, APRIL 27TH

9:00am- Frank D. Carlino

TUESDAY, APRIL 28TH

9:00 am-For all our parishioners

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 29TH

9:00am- Frank C. Garber Jr.

THURSDAY, APRIL 30TH

9:00am- Silvino & Maria Chiulli

FRIDAY, MAY 1ST

9:00am- Pauline Dolge

SATURDAY, MAY 2ND

5:00pm- Shirley Graham

SUNDAY, MAY 3RD

8:00 am- For all our deceased parishioners & benefactors

9:30 am- Peter LaCava

11:00 am- Antoinetta Leone

Thank you to all who donated to the Peter's Pence Collection last weekend. Friday is the First Friday in May...Mass will be held at 9am with Vocations Holy Hour from 9:30-10:30am in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel.

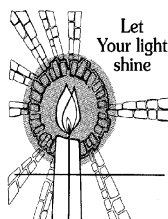
Wethersfield's First Responders...Special Service to Honor our Wethersfield Police, Wethersfield Volunteer Fire and Wethersfield Volunteer Ambulance will be held on Sunday, April 26th at 7pm in the Meetinghouse of First Church of Christ. The address is 250 Main Street in Old Wethersfield. Please join us to show our gratitude for these hard workers who are always there when we need them!!

First Communion will be held next Saturday, May 2nd at 10am in the Church.

There will be a "Project Baby Love" collection next weekend. Disposable diapers & wipes are needed.

The Sanctuary Candle

will burn from 4/27/09-4/3/09 in memory of Millie Christadore.



The Blessed Virgin Mary

Candle will burn from 4/27/09 - 4/3/09 in memory of Angeline Samperi.



BAPTISMS

GAVIN DUKES CARABASE

KYLIE KARANIAN

KAYLEE OLIVIA COUGHLIN



Our final Children's Liturgy of the Word for the Spring/Summer season will be held next weekend at the 9:30am Mass.

On Sat., April 25th, 30 beautiful children received the Lord in the Eucharist for the first time. It was truly a beautiful day in the lives of our children and their families. We would like to thank each family for your participation and witness to the Sacred Sacrament of First Holy Communion. May the Eucharist always be at the center of your family life.

The children prepared very well for this moment. We invite our parishioners to view the pray center in the Narthex. Each child came to the quiet on their retreat day and pondered the prayer starter "I welcome Jesus into my heart when..." Each child reflects the true simplicity and beauty of the relationship with Jesus that children have. May we, as a community grow from the prayers of the children. **Each child also created a Blessing Cup on their retreat as a remembrance of their Communion.**

"The Catechist strives to be an instrument of the Lord's presence" We are grateful to all catechists who served our parish in the ministry of education.

We especially ask God's blessings on those who helped to prepare the children for this day. We are most grateful to all who dedicated their time and shared their talents to make this day meaningful and special.

The theme of Peace is carried through in the banner present in the Sanctuary and in the prayers of the children.

Our sincere gratitude to our Pastor, Fr. James Moran for his guidance and support for our children, parents and catechists throughout this year.

We especially thank our Sacristan, Toni Munoz for preparing the vessels and vestments for our First Communion Liturgy.

Gratitude sings out to Theodora Niver and the beautiful voices of the Cantors and sounds of the musicians.

Our sincere thanks to Noranne Wamester, Pastoral Minister, whose leadership and spiritual direction has made this time such a beautiful witness of Christ's enduring love for His children.

The New Day community has completed their 10 week journey. They will gather for a closing luncheon at the home of Noranne Wamester at Noon on Tuesday, April 28th.

First Communion Rehearsals for those children receiving on May 2nd will be held this week on Wednesday from 3:30-5pm and this Friday from 3:30-5pm. All those receiving First Communion on May 2nd must be in attendance! Thank you!

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.

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.

A Family Perspective....In today's gospel, the disciples recognized Jesus only after they ate with Him and touched Him. Only then did their fear leave them. Perhaps we would relieve anxiety in our homes if we touched more often and shared in more focused family meals.

Stewardship Message...The disciples in today's Gospel came to know Jesus in the breaking of the bread. When we share what we have with those who are in need, we, too, will discover Jesus in our midst.

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.

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.

Third Sunday of Easter
April 26, 2009
 You alone, O LORD,
 bring security to my dwelling.
 — *Psalm 4:9*



Reminder for those who have already signed up to attend The Church of the Incarnation Women's Club Communion Breakfast.... It will be held this Sunday, April 26th following the 11:00am Mass with 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.

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.

Low Gluten Altar Hosts are available for those parishioners with Celiac Sprue Disease. The gluten content of these altar breads is 0.01 percent. If you wish to receive a low gluten host, please inform the priest prior to Mass. Thank you.

Hospital Visits: If you or a loved one is admitted to the hospital, please inform the hospital staff that you are a member of the Church of the Incarnation. Due to the privacy laws, it is very difficult to decipher those patients that are parishioners and would like a visit by a priest. Thank you for your help and understanding.

Easter Flowers - Many thanks to all those who have helped to decorate the Sanctuary and Church this Easter by using their Easter Flower Offering Envelopes. The names of those to be remembered will remain on the Altar and prayed for at all Masses.

Saint Mary School: Thursday, May 7th, St. Mary School, 652 Willard Avenue in Newington will host it's Annual Spring Enrollment Open House from 6:30-8:00pm.

2009 Archbishop's Annual Appeal.

The A.A.A. supports many important ministries and programs. Your gifts are allocated towards religious education programs, youth ministries, local charities, the educations of our seminarians, our retired clergy, and all of the service provided by the Archdiocese. Even this list does not even touch upon all of the elements of the Appeal. 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.



BELIEVING IN JESUS CHRIST

Throughout the Easter season, all three of the Sunday readings are taken from the New Testament—the Christian scriptures. Together they explore what it means to believe in Jesus as the Christ, the One who fulfilled the prophecies of the Jewish scriptures.

Today's selections refer to our human weakness, yet they emphasize the forgiveness and peace that are available to those who put their faith in "Jesus Christ the righteous one" (1 John 2:2). In the Acts of the Apostles Peter invites everyone to "repent, therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be wiped away" (Acts 3:19). The First Letter of John calls Jesus Christ "expiation for our sins" (1 John 2:2). Finally, in the Gospel Jesus greets the disciples with "Peace" and urges them to preach "repentance, for the forgiveness of sins" (Luke 24:47).

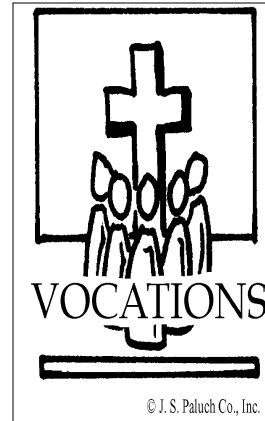
TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The author of life you put to death, but God raised him from the dead (Acts 3:13-15, 17-19).

Psalm — Lord, let your face shine on us (Psalm 4).

Second Reading — We have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous one (1 John 2:1-5a).

Gospel — Thus it is written that the Christ would suffer and rise from the dead on the third day (Luke 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.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 6:8-15; Jn 6:22-29
 Tuesday: Acts 7:51 — 8:1a; Jn 6:30-35
 Wednesday: Acts 8:1b-8; Jn 6:35-40
 Thursday: Acts 8:26-40; Jn 6:44-51
 Friday: Acts 9:1-20; Jn 6:52-59 or, for the memorial, Gn 1:26 — 2:3 or Col 3:14-15, 17, 23-24; Mt 13:54-58
 Saturday: Acts 9:31-42; Jn 6:60-69
 Sunday: Acts 4:8-12; Ps 118; 1 Jn 3:1-2; Jn 10:11-18

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Third Sunday of Easter
 Tuesday: St. Louis Mary de Montfort; St. Peter Chanel
 Wednesday: St. Catherine of Siena
 Thursday: St. Pius V
 Friday: St. Joseph the Worker; First Friday; National Day of Prayer
 Saturday: St. Athanasius; First Saturday

