

# The Church of the Incarnation

544 Prospect Street  
Wethersfield, CT 06109



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Pastor

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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.

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(860)-721-6595

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**SATURDAY,  
MAY 2ND**

5:00pm- Shirley Graham

**SUNDAY,  
MAY 3RD**

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

9:30am- Peter LaCava

11:00am- Antoinetta Leone

**MONDAY, MAY 4TH**

9:00am- Theodore & Antoinette  
Kurlowicz

**TUESDAY, MAY 5TH**

9:00 am-Stephen & Florence Romaine

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 6TH**

9:00am- Margaret & Andrew Marek,  
Nicholas Damato and Robert Ensign

**THURSDAY, MAY 7TH**

9:00am-Loreta Susi

**FRIDAY, MAY 8TH**

9:00am- Sebastiano & Concetta Ficocelli

**SATURDAY, MAY 9TH**

5:00pm-Francesca Maccarone &  
Tommaso Maccarone and Assunta Fusco

**SUNDAY, MAY 10TH**

8:00 am-Maria D. Silva

9:30 am- Victoria Tomaiuolo

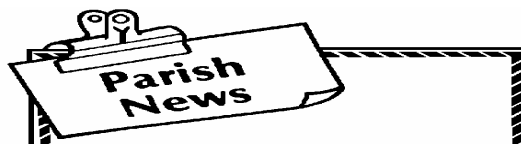
11:00 am- Mass in Honor  
of the Blessed Virgin Mary

**The Sanctuary Candle**

will burn from 5/4/09-  
5/10/09 in memory of Joseph  
& Lorraine Gaudet.

**The Blessed Virgin Mary  
Candle** will burn from

5/4/09 — 5/10/09 in memory  
of Peter LaCava.



**There is a "Project Baby Love" collection  
this weekend.** Disposable diapers & wipes  
are needed.

**Today is World Day of  
Prayer for Vocations...Please  
pray for increased vocations.**



**The Second Collection next weekend will  
be the monthly collection. Thank you.**

The Women's Club cooking team will cook  
this Monday, May 4th from 1-3pm in the  
kitchen of Fr. Crawford Hall.

The Employment Support Group will meet  
this Tuesday, May 5th at 9:30am in Fr. Craw-  
ford Hall.

There will be a Women's Club Executive  
Board meeting this Thursday, May 7th at  
7:30pm in Fr. Crawford Hall.



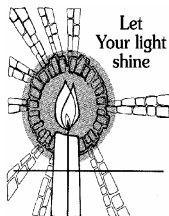
**BAPTISMS**

**Brenna Carey Gregorski**

**Kailyn Shae Ford**

**Christopher Plage**

**Rishelle Laya Victoria Mathavan**





**Our final Children's Liturgy of the Word for the Spring/Summer season is this weekend at the 9:30am Mass. Presiders are Lisa Brady, Debbie Lessard and Filomena Marinelli. Host families are the Bresnahan and Stefano Families.**

**On Sat., May 2nd, 29 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.

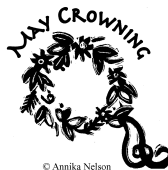
**We especially thank our Sacristan, Toni Munoz** for preparing the vessels and vestments for our First Communion Liturgy.

**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.

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](http://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 takes place this Sunday, May 3rd at the 9:30am Mass.**

**The Catechist Appreciation Dinner will be held on Tuesday, May 5th at 6pm. If you have not yet sent in your form, please do so a.s.a.p. Thank you.**

**A Family Perspective....The gospel description of the Good Shepherd is a job description for parenting. Parents must “know” their children and “freely lay down their lives” each day by sacrificing for their children. Even when they don’t want to listen, children must “hear our voice.” Like Jesus, it is our job to “lead” our children to the Father.**

**Stewardship Message...To be good stewards we must be good shepherds, willing to lay down our lives for those committed to our care, not mere hired hands who run off, “leaving the sheep to be snatched and scatter by the wolf.”**

**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.

**Corpus Christi School Golf Outing Fundraiser:** The Corpus Christi Golf Committee thanks lead sponsor Liberty Bank who will take the lead sponsorship this year. The event is June 2nd at Indian Hill Country Club in Newington. See their website at [www.corpuschristigolfreg.com](http://www.corpuschristigolfreg.com). Call Mark St. Pierre at 338-1043 for more information. See our bulletin board also.

**Fourth Sunday of Easter  
May 3, 2009**

See what love the Father has bestowed on us  
that we may be called the children of God.

— *1 John 3:1*



**Thank you to Laura Decker and all the Women's Club for planning the lovely Communion Breakfast. It was a very well attended and very well received by all.**

**Men's Association Baseball Bus Trip: Incarnation Church runs a trip to New York every year and this year we have tickets to see the brand new Citi Field Stadium, the Mets new home.... (aka Tax-payers Stadium)...** This is a great trip for young and old, suitable for parents to bring their children and teens to bring their friends. This is a great opportunity to get to see the new stadium, have a fun filled day and not have to worry about paying for parking. Trip is May 30 and \$75 per ticket. Choice of grinder, beer and soda and deluxe accommodations to Citi Field to see the New York Mets take on the hottest team in baseball, the Florida Marlins. 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 Corpus Christi After School Program** in Wethersfield is currently seeking aides to fill positions for the 2009/2010 school year. Call Diane at 529-0090 for info. See the bulletin boards for detailed information.

**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. If you have not yet made your Appeal commitment, please consider doing so in the days ahead. Thank you.

**St. Augustine School, in Hartford celebrates 80 years of excellence.** Reunion on May 16th. Vigil Mass at 4pm at the church followed by social hour and stations dining at the school from 5-8pm. Tickets are \$40.00 p.p. cash bar. Call Marie at 721-1204.

**The Sisters of Notre Dame** have a state licenses "residential Care Home" for the retired, but still independent, sisters of our religious community call "Julie House" in honor of our foundress, Sister Julie Billiard. The facility is in Windsor. They are seeking to fill two positions. The first position is for an Administrator of Julie House and the second is for a Director of Resident Services. Both are full time positions. Call Sister Mary Rose Crowley at 688-1832. See the bulletin board for more information.

**Men's Evening of Enrichment:** The Knights of Columbus, Council, 4193 of Wethersfield is hosting a new series of events open to all Catholic Men. Please see the bulletin boards for more information. The first evening is May 20th at Corpus Christi entitled: "Fatherhood in a Fatherless World."



### SAVED BY THE ONE WHO WAS REJECTED

Some city teenagers often scorn and reject farm kids. Yet it's no exaggeration to say that humanity owes its life to farmers who care for the world's crops and livestock. This week's scriptures remind us that Jesus was as rejected as a shepherd, a farm boy, yet we owe our very lives to him.

In this Sunday's reading from the Acts of the Apostles Peter tells the people that salvation comes through Jesus Christ, the one who was rejected. In John's letter we hear that we have become God's beloved children through Jesus, whom the world did not know. Lastly, in the Gospel Jesus describes himself as the Good Shepherd who "lays down his life for the sheep" (John 10:11). Will you join Jesus in laying down your life for God's beloved flock?

### TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — There is no salvation through anyone else (Acts 4:8-12).

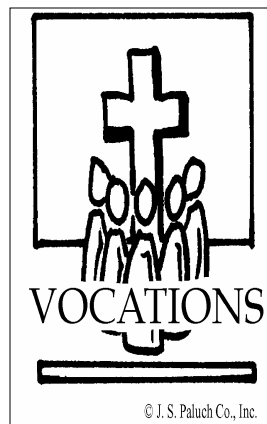
**Psalm** — The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone (Psalm 118).

**Second Reading** — See what love the Father has bestowed on us that we may be called the children of God (1 John 3:1-2).

**Gospel** — The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep (John 10:11-18).

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 11:1-18; Jn 10:1-10  
 Tuesday: Acts 11:19-26; Jn 10:22-30  
 Wednesday: Acts 12:24 — 13:5a; Jn 12:44-50  
 Thursday: Acts 13:13-25; Jn 13:16-20  
 Friday: Acts 13:26-33; Jn 14:1-6  
 Saturday: Acts 13:44-52; Jn 14:7-14  
 Sunday: Acts 9:26-31; Ps 22; 1 Jn 3:18-24; Jn 15:1-8



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](http://www.vocationshartford.org).

### SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Fourth Sunday of Easter;  
World Day of Prayer for Vocations  
 Tuesday: Cinco de Mayo

### LEGACY

Every character has an inward spring;  
let Christ be that spring.  
Every action has a keynote;  
let Christ be that note.  
—Henry Drummond

### ON WEALTH

Nothing is more fallacious than wealth. It is a hostile comrade, a domestic enemy.  
—St. John Chrysostom

### THE GLORY OF GOD

The glory of God is humanity fully alive.  
—St. Irenaeus

### GENUINE FREEDOM

People thirst for genuine inner freedom. They yearn for the life which Christ came to give in abundance.  
—Pope John Paul II