

# The Church of the Incarnation

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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,  
MAY 9TH**

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

**SUNDAY, MAY 10TH**

8:00am- Maria D. Silva  
9:30am- Victoria Tomaiuolo  
11:00am- Mass in Honor  
of the Blessed Virgin Mary

**MONDAY, MAY 11TH**

9:00am- Antoinetta & Josephine Lepore

**TUESDAY, MAY 12TH**

9:00 am- For all our parishioners

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 13TH**

9:00am- Deceased members of the  
Bartosiak Family

**THURSDAY, MAY 14TH**

9:00am- Deceased members of the  
Robinson & Montanile Families

**FRIDAY, MAY 15TH**

9:00am- Deceased members of the  
Armentano Families & Thomas Reddin

**SATURDAY, MAY 16TH**

5:00pm- Edward Plona

**SUNDAY, MAY 17TH**

8:00 am- Ernesto Susi  
9:30 am- J. Michael Kelly  
11:00 am- Pedro Leoncio Roque Jr.

**The Sanctuary Candle**

will burn from 5/11/09-  
5/17/09 in memory Aldo  
Zeppa.

**The Blessed Virgin Mary**

**Candle** will burn from  
5/11/09 — 5/17/09 in  
Thanksgiving to our Blessed Mother.



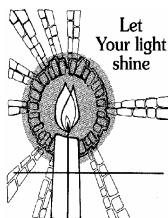
**The Second Collection this weekend is the monthly collection. Thank you.**

**The Second Collection next weekend will be the Catholic Communications Campaign.** This collection will support the Office of Radio & Television evangelization programs in the Archdiocese of Hartford and throughout the country.

**The Prayer Shawl Ministry will meet this Wednesday, May 13th from 9:30-10:30am in Fr. Crawford Hall.** This ministry has presented over 900 shawls to members of our community. Our heartfelt thanks to all who have so generously supported us and to all the beautiful women who create these shawls blessed with prayers.

**The Men's Association Steak Night will be this 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.

**There will be a House of Bread collection next weekend.** Coffee & sugar are needed. 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](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.

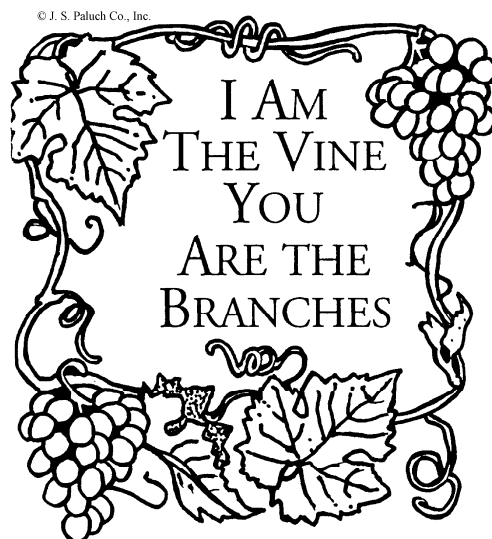


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**A Special Mother's Day Prayer.....**  
We pray a special prayer for all Mother's both living on this Earth and in Heaven on this their special day.

**A special thank you to Sonny Senatro for his help with organizing and setting up the volunteers for Homefront Day for Incarnation Church. Thank you also to all those volunteers that were there to make it possible.**

**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.



**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.

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

**A Family Perspective...**The words of Jesus in today's gospel, "Abide in me," are appropriate on the day we honor mothers because a special bond connecting mothers and their children extends beyond birth and death. They will always "abide" in each other. It is a lasting presence.

**Stewardship Message...**The good steward lives the advice of St. John, loving in deed and in truth, rather than just talking about it.

**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 for more information.

**Fifth Sunday of Easter  
May 10, 2009**

**Let us love not in word or speech  
but in deed and truth.**

**— 1 John 3:18**



**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.

### **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.

**Are you or is someone you know ready to explore the Bible?** Registrations for the fifteenth anniversary class of the Archdiocesan Catholic Biblical School are already coming in and will be considered through August 15th. Classes will be held at various locations around the diocese and both in the evening and during the Day. Coming to know God's Word in the Bible will have a profound impact on your life and faith, at least, that's what participants have been telling us for years, and what last October's Vacation Synod on the Word of God confirmed. Call Barbara Jean (BJ) Daly Horell at 243-9465, ext. 11 or on the web at [cbs@orehartford.org](mailto:cbs@orehartford.org).

**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.



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**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."



## LIVING BRANCHES

The Gospel and second reading for this Fifth Sunday of Easter emphasize the need for us to remain in Christ, and he in us. This shared life finds expression in the image of the one vine and many branches. We become living branches of the vine, members of the Body of Christ through baptism, Eucharist, and confirmation, sacraments of sharing God's own life. The First Letter of John describes the fruit of this vine as active love of neighbor: "And his commandment is this: we should believe . . . and love one another" (1 John 3:23).

Our first reading from Acts shows us an example of someone who shares in Christ's life in the person of Saint Paul. Paul's fearless witness, even at the risk of his life, is proof to everyone that the risen Lord's Spirit truly fills him with life and is bearing fruit in him.

## TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — Barnabas reported to the apostles how Saul had seen the Lord on the way (Acts 9:26-31).

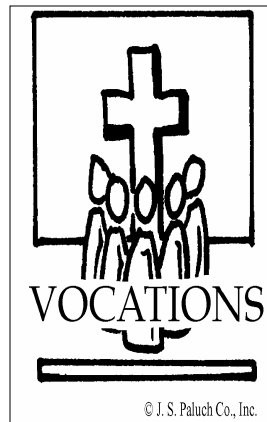
**Psalms** — I will praise you, Lord, in the assembly of your people (Psalm 22).

**Second Reading** — This is God's commandment: that we may believe and love (1 John 3:18-24).

**Gospel** — I am the true vine; whoever remains in me will bear much fruit (John 15:1-8).

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 14:5-18; Jn 14:21-26  
 Tuesday: Acts 14:19-28; Jn 14:27-31a  
 Wednesday: Acts 15:1-6; Jn 15:1-8  
 Thursday: Acts 1:15-17, 20-26; Jn 15:9-17  
 Friday: Acts 15:22-31; Jn 15:12-17  
 Saturday: Acts 16:1-10; Jn 15:18-21  
 Sunday: Acts 10:25-36, 34-35, 44-48; Ps 98;  
 1 Jn 4:7-10 or 1 Jn 4:11-16; Jn 15:9-17 or Jn 17:11b-19



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: Fifth Sunday of Easter; Mother's Day  
 Tuesday: St. Nereus and St. Achilleus; St. Pancras  
 Wednesday: Our Lady of Fatima  
 Thursday: St. Matthias  
 Friday: St. Isidore the Farmer  
 Saturday: Armed Forces Day

## TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

In Ireland and the United Kingdom, Mother's Day is over. "Mothering Sunday" was on the Fourth Sunday of Lent. Long ago, people were freed from work to travel on this day to the parish where they were baptized, their "Mother Church." Often, people were reunited with their mothers on this day. Employers would release their workers and servants for this visit. The American celebration, while based on this custom, really has to do with an anti-war movement of mothers in Civil War times. They crusaded for better sanitary conditions for their sons. When President Wilson instituted the first Mother's Day in 1912, it was a day to fly the flag in honor of mothers whose children had died in battle. Knowing the tradition is a good balance to our celebration today: we can enfold in prayer the mothers who have suffered the loss of their children in war.

## CHRISTIANITY

Christianity is the spirit of Jesus Christ at work in the world.

—Anonymous

## HOLIEST FLOWER

Mary is the lily in God's garden.

—St. Bridget of Sweden