

The Church of the Incarnation

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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 and Faith Formation Registration

The Church of the Incarnation welcomes new parishioners. All forms are available at the main entrance of the church. Please mail or place in the collection basket.

You may also visit our website for printable forms at:
www.thechurchoftheincarnation.com

Rectory Hours

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

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**SATURDAY,
AUGUST 8TH**

5:00pm - Ludger & Celena
Martin

SUNDAY, AUGUST 9TH

8:00am—Anastasia Derech
9:30am - Betty Burns
11:00am - Tiberio Pace



The Second Collection this weekend is the monthly collection.

Thank you to the Liturgy Committee and all others who organized the lovely reception this past Tuesday on the Memorial of Saint John Vianney, the patron of parish priests. It was fitting to remember with gratitude and admiration the work done by all our priests during the 150th anniversary of the death of St. John Vianney legendary in his lifetime as a preacher and confessor.

The Employment Support Group will meet this Tuesday, August 11th at 9:30am in Fr. Crawford Hall.

The Prayer Shawl Ministry will meet this Wednesday, August 12th from 9:30-10:30am in Fr. Crawford Hall.

Mass for the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary will be celebrated at 9:00am this Saturday, but not as a Holy Day of Obligation.

Faith Formation registration for new students in ongoing. Call 529-6765 to receive information about this program. Please know that the first grade parish home communities are filled.

The first day of Faith Formation for Emerson-William School will be held on Saturday, September 26th for grades 1-6.

MONDAY, AUGUST 10TH

9:00am - Carmela Brunetti

TUESDAY, AUGUST 11TH

9:00 am— John P. Shea

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 12TH

9:00am—Mary, Joseph, Rose & John
Stefano

THURSDAY, AUGUST 13TH

9:00am - For all our parishioners

FRIDAY, AUGUST 14TH

9:00am - Lucille Bonadies

SATURDAY, AUGUST 15TH

9:00am – Bernice Mik

5:00 pm—Lawrence & Louise Spellacy
and John A. & Bridget Prout

SUNDAY, AUGUST 16TH

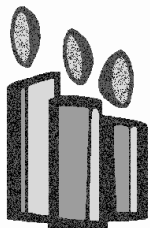
8:00 am –Frank Tamosunas

9:30 am - Thomas & Mary Scully and
Loretta Hock

11:00 am –Stanley & Aniela Wyka

The Sanctuary Candle

will burn from 8/10/09–
8/16/09 in memory of
Fran DiTunno.



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The Blessed Virgin Mary

Candle will burn from
8/10/09 — 8/16/09 in
memory of Rose Mangiafico.



Year for Priests

This year has been dedicated as the Year for Priests by Pope Benedict the Sixteenth from June 19, 2009 to June 19, 2010. And so as laity and religious who have responded to the call of each individual's vocation in life, we step back and reflect on the vocation of the priesthood. With a spirit of gratefulness as a faith community, let us reflect on the ministry of all priests and in particular, the gift of who presently serve in our parish, our Pastor Father James Moran and our assistant on weekends Father James Fanelli. We will also celebrate all priests who have served our parish since its founding on the weekend of September 12th & 13th and in a special way at the 9:30am Mass on September 13th. Let us all spend a few moments and plant a seed of reflection for these priestly men who have served in the vocation of the priesthood. As Jesus gave us His life, the priest continues to extend the hand of Christ to us in the celebration of the Eucharist, the source and summit of our faith. The priest brings us the sacraments of the Church. The priest is a spiritual director, a comforter, a companion on our journey. When thinking about the source and summit of our faith, the Eucharist, the acronym PEAK spells out four areas of reflection. And so as a community we commit ourselves to:

P. Prayer: For all priests, that they may feel the strength of Our Heavenly Father; that they may be grounded in the determination of Jesus and that they may feel the comforting presence of the Holy Spirit as they serve the people of God.

E. Encouragement: May the example of the priestly life offer encouragement to young men who are being called to the vocation. May we be willing to tap a shoulder, to plant a seed of wonder, to invite them to consider the vocation of priesthood.

A. Affirmation: May we, as the people of God, affirm the gifts of our priests. May we offer appreciation for an inspiring homily, a sacramental moment, a friendly smile, a visit in the hospital or at home, an understanding and compassionate heart.

K. Knowledge: May we recognize in a deeper way the gift of priesthood in our church. May we celebrate the good news of the priesthood. Let us raise our consciousness to the critical importance of this vocation.

In closing we pray:

Heavenly Father, Listen to the heart of your sons and strengthen them to shepherd the elders to the little ones.

Loving Lord and Faithful Brother.

Help us to see as a people, the gift of the priest and of one another.

Holy Spirit, infuse in each and every priest an energy and spirit to reach the people of God, the lowly and the least.

Blessed Mother, surround each priest with your mantle of Compassion and comfort. Let your maternal love nourish and affirm the ministry that they have followed through your Son, Jesus Christ.

Pray Encourage, Affirm and Know: With God's grace the vocation to the priesthood will be inspired to grow. Amen.

Noranne S. Wamester, Pastoral Associate
August, 2009

The Incarnation Men's Association is again sponsoring the Annual Parish Family Picnic on Sunday, August 30th from 1-4pm. Cost is \$5.00 p.p. or \$10.00 per family. This includes food & beverages, pony rides from 1:30-3:30pm, moon bounce and a new raffle this year. Seating will be available both inside Fr. Crawford Hall and outside under a tent. Tickets will be on sale on the day of the event at the door only. Join us! Volunteers are needed for a few hours to set and clean up. Please call Audrey at the rectory at 529-2533.



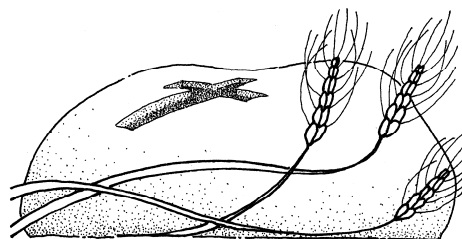
Wedding Anniversary Celebration: Couples observing their twenty-fifth, fiftieth or other special wedding anniversaries are invited to the Anniversary Mass on Sunday, October 25th at 2:00pm. Archbishop Mansell will celebrate the Liturgy at the Cathedral of St. Joseph in Hartford. Family, friends, and all married couples are welcome to attend the Mass. A brief reception immediately follows. Registration for anniversary couples is requested by calling Pastoral Assistant Audrey Saharek at 529-2533. Thank you.

Pilgrimage to Italy: Consider joining us as for 11 days as we tour the beautiful cities of Venice, Padua, Turin, Florence, Assisi and Rome from April 20-30, 2010. Our pilgrimage will be a joyful journey designed to highlight our Catholic faith, help us appreciate its historical roots, and be inspired by the art and tradition that are such a treasure of our church. Two special highlights will be a rare chance to see the Holy Shroud of Turin, believed to be the burial cloth of our Lord Jesus Christ, and an audience with our Holy Father, Pope Benedict XVI. Contact Fr. Jeff Gubbiotti at Most Holy Trinity Church in Wallingford (203) 269-8791 or e-mail him at jag628@yahoo.com.

**Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 9, 2009**

I am the living bread that came down from heaven.

— *John 6:51*

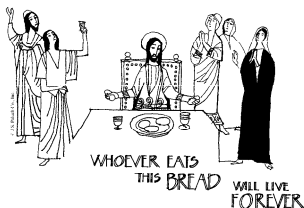


The Incarnation Men's Club Membership Drive has begun. Letters have been mailed out to all members . Dues remains \$10.00. Please return your envelope in the collection baskets or mail to the rectory. Thank you. Please visit the church website for their yearly calendar.

Adult Confirmation Classes for Baptized Roman Catholics who have made their First Communion and are over the age of 18 to be held in two locations this fall. Call Mary Marsan at (860) 243-9465 or Donna Yatcko at (203) 248-6958. The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated on October 28th at St. Thomas Seminary Chapel.

What is a lector? A lector is a person who proclaims the first and/or second reading at Mass. This person may also lead the Prayers of the Faithful at Mass. A new lector receives instruction in the formation process. The lector also receives a workbook to prayerfully prepare for the readings. This workbook helps the lector to properly prepare, read aloud and PRAY the readings during the preceding week. If you are being called to this ministry, please call Noranne Wamester, Pastoral Associate/Lector Formation facilitator at 529-6765 about the ministry.

Thank you to all who donated to the mission collection last weekend. Father Aristarco Escobal, was very grateful for your generosity.



Corpus Christi Women's Club is sponsoring some bus trips this year. These trips are not fundraisers, but are meant to build community amongst parishes. Several Incarnation parishioners have attended these trips in the past. The next trip will be September 30th to "Wine & Dine in Hudson Valley, NY" and the final will be; "Shop till You Drop in Kittery Maine on November 14th. Call Natalie at Corpus Christi at 529-2545. Flyers are at exits.

The Sacrament of Confirmation will be administered at Incarnation on Sunday, October 25th at 2pm. Bishop Peter Rosazza will celebrate the Confirmation Mass.

Children's Liturgy of the Word is always looking for new presidors to spread the Word. At your summer gatherings around the pool, please be a spokesperson for CLW and consider friends, and family that would perhaps be a good candidate. Please let them know that no experience is required. People often feel they are not knowledgeable enough about scripture to be a presidor, Please convey to them that the only requirement is a willing Spirit. We begin again in the Fall and welcome anyone willing to share God's Word to the children of our church -- the future of our church. Call Noranne Wamester at 529-6765.

Are you or is someone you know ready to explore the Bible? Registrations for the 15th anniversary class of the Archdiocesan Catholic Biblical School will be considered through August 15th. Classes will be held at locations around the diocese and both in the evening and during the Day. Call Barbara Jean (BJ) Daly Horell at 243-9465, ext. 11 or on the web at cbs@orehartford.org.



STRENGTHENED BY THE BREAD OF LIFE

Today we resume the “Bread of Life” discourse from John’s Gospel that began two weeks ago. He makes reference to the Jews’ ancestors who ate manna in the desert. These days we would think primarily of Israel wandering in the desert, but faithful Jews would also have known the story of Elijah that we hear today. Strengthened by food and drink in the desert, the angel of the Lord sends him on his forty-day and forty-night journey (the biblical number for a preparation time). Like the food given to Elijah in the desert, Jesus tells his listeners that he is bread for the life of the world. It is very important that we not stop listening to Jesus after his promise of eternal life—a marvelous promise, but this “reward” is not the only reason we feast on the Bread of Life. We also come to the table to be made strong for the journey of mission, that the whole world might have life in the fullness of Christ. We are compelled, if we have eaten of the bread of life, to go forth in service to all.

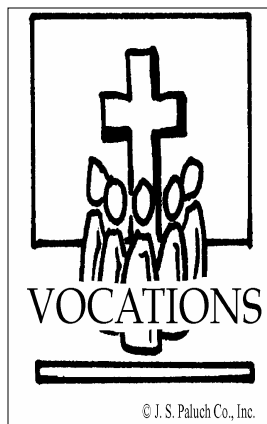
TODAY’S READINGS

First Reading — After resting and taking nourishment twice, Elijah is strengthened to walk to the mountain of God, Horeb (1 Kings 19:4-8).

Psalms — Taste and see the goodness of the Lord (Psalm 34).

Second Reading — Be touched by the Holy Spirit of God so as to be imitators of God and live in love (Ephesians 4:30 — 5:2).

Gospel — Jesus professes that he is the living bread and whoever eats this bread will live forever (John 6:41-51).



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: 2 Cor 9:6-10; Jn 12:24-26
 Tuesday: Dt 31:1-8; Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14
 Wednesday: Dt 34:1-12; Mt 18:15-20
 Thursday: Jos 3:7-10a, 11, 13-17; Mt 18:21-19:1
 Friday: Jos 24:1-13; Mt 19:3-12
 Saturday: Vigil: 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2; Ps 132; 1 Cor 15:54b-57; Lk 11:27-28
Day: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; Ps 45; 1 Cor 15:20-27; Lk 1:39-56
 Sunday: Prv 9:1-6; Ps 34; Eph 5:15-20; Jn 6:51-58

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
 Monday: St. Lawrence
 Tuesday: St. Clare
 Wednesday: St. Jane Frances de Chantal
 Thursday: St. Pontian and St. Hippolytus
 Friday: St. Maximilian Mary Kolbe
 Saturday: Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

MAKE DEPOSITS

Friendship is like a bank account. You can’t continue to draw on it without making deposits.

—Anonymous