

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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SAT., MARCH 27TH

5:00pm - Pasquale Piccolo

SUN., MARCH 28TH

8:00am - Richard Kutyla

9:30am - Valentino &
Rosina Fazio11:00am—Deceased
members of the Masajada
and Clark Families**MONDAY, MARCH 29TH**

9:00am— Gladys Gaspic

TUESDAY, MARCH 30TH

9:00am— Rosanna Neri

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 31ST

9:00am— Neil Esposito & Paul Volpe

HOLY THURSDAY, APRIL 1ST

7:00pm—For all our parishioners

GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 2ND

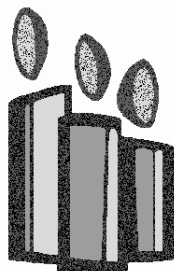
3:00 pm – Liturgical Service

HOLY SATURDAY, APRIL 3RD

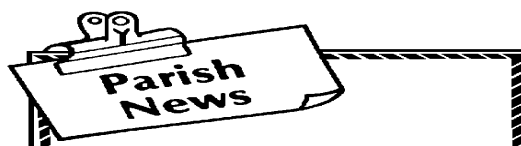
8:00 pm –For all our parishioners

EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 4TH8:00 am – For all our deceased
parishioners & Benefactors9:30 am—Gloria, Carmela, Thomas &
John Andreoli

11:00 am –Rose Mangiafico

The Sanctuary Candlewill burn from 3/29/2010 –
4/4/2010 in memory of John
Carpino.

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The Blessed Virgin Mary**Candle** will burn from
3/29/2010—4/4/2010 in memory of the
deceased members of the Heinimann and
Gurgigno Families.

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**Today is Palm Sunday.....
Blessed palms will be given
out at all masses this weekend.****We will have Lenten Confessions this
Monday, March 29th from 7:00-8:00pm in
the Church. Fr. Moran will hear confes-
sions.****Holy Thursday Silent Adoration will take
place in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel,
Thursday, April 1, 8:30pm-10:00pm. Sign-
up poster is in the Narthex. In Attendance
8:30pm-9:00pm—Tina Connolly; In Atten-
dance 9:00pm-9:30pm—Bill Carroll; In
Attendance 9:30pm-10:00pm—Larry
Spellacy. Please join us. All are welcome.****Confessions during Holy Week will be held
on Good Friday and Holy Saturday from
11-12 noon. No afternoon Confessions on
Saturday afternoon, April 3rd.****Blessing of the Easter Food will be held on
Holy Saturday, 12:15pm Fr. Crawford Hall.****The 2010 Archbishop's Annual Appeal is
now underway in our parish.** This appeal
helps provide the critical funding needed to
feed the hungry, to help shelter the homeless,
counsel those in despair, offer much-needed
assistance to the unemployed, and make
available medical care to those without health
insurance. Pledge packets are at the church
entrances.



Salvation Road, A Contemporary Christian Band will be in concert in Fr. Crawford Hall this Sunday, March 28th (Palm Sunday), at 6:30pm. This concert is a wonderful way to begin Holy Week. Tickets are available at \$10.00 p.p. by calling Noranne Wamester at (860) 529-6765 and they will be available at the door. This is going to be an amazing experience and will embrace all ages, youth and adults alike. Featuring Heather Bonney, our Cantor/Choir Member.

There will be no Children's Liturgy of the Word this weekend due to Fr. Crawford Hall being set up for the concert. The next Children's Liturgy will be held on April 11th at the 9:30am Mass.

There will be no Faith Formation communities on Holy Saturday.

The **Maryknoll Sisters** will celebrate their centenary in 2012 but will have a pre-centennial celebration at Incarnation on Sunday, April 11th at the 11am Mass. Sisters Anastasia Lott and Ellen McDonald will join us at the 11am Mass. Maryknoll is the first community founded in the U.S. for mission support. A brief program will show us who the Maryknoll Sisters are today and where they serve as they go into their second hundred years of mission. Our Small Christian Communities will provide refreshments.

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

The New Day Program, a bereavement support group will meet on Mon., March 29th at 1:00pm in Father Crawford Hall.

The Lenten Program will not meet on Good Friday.

A Family Perspective...."Father forgive them, they know not what they do." Frequently we offend each other without being aware of it. The survival of relationships depends on our ability to forgive one another. This Holy Week imitate Jesus and forgive those who have wronged you. Stop carrying resentment in your heart.

HomeFront Day: We Need You On Our Team on Saturday, May 1st. This project is sponsored by the Office Of Catholic Social Justice Ministry and HomeFront, Inc. 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, & supervision. Call Audrey Saharek at (860) 529-2533 or Sonny Senatro at (860) 563-4185. Sign-up sheet in bulletin next week. Project sponsored by Sacred Heart, Corpus, Christi and Incarnation.

The Church of the Incarnation awards two scholarships annually for parishioners entering area Catholic High Schools. Application deadline 4/1. Call Noranne Wamester at (860) 529-6765.

The Incarnation Women's Club is looking for additional members for the club to serve on its Executive Board next year. Officers and committee chairpersons will be elected in April for two-year terms that begin in June. If you don't feel comfortable taking on a position by yourself, consider asking a friend, and the two of you can share the duties of a single position. To volunteer call Paula Melillo at (860) 563-9506.

Congratulations to the Incarnation Girls Varsity and Junior Varsity Basketball Teams for winning the Archdiocesan Deanery Playoffs... We will celebrate our wonderful basketball season with a Basketball Banquet on Monday, April 5th at 6pm in Fr. Crawford Hall. All players and their families are invited to attend. We ask that all uniforms be returned at the banquet. Please return washed uniforms in bags labeled with players' names. Parents are invited to share a dessert.

Blessed Sacrament Chapel....The contemporary design of The Church of the Incarnation is in the general form of a crucifix. In the east transept or east wing, we have our Blessed Sacrament Chapel. It is a sacred place where we can find the intimacy and quiet of our prayer to be in the presence of Our Lord. It is a sacred place of worship originally designed for the celebration of daily Mass. While all people are welcomed to worship in the main church, we do offer the Chapel as an alternative for families and children and for people living with disabilities to fully participate in the Celebration of the Eucharist. Historically, the Blessed Sacrament Chapel has been reserved for children with their parents, since Mass being offered on the main altar can easily be observed; as well as reserved for those in the faith community with disabilities. We continue to honor those objectives today with the sincere hope that our parents will see the great advantage the Chapel provides for children to learn about participating in the Mass. Parents can use the Picture Books depicting the Mass with their children in the main church or the west transept, these Picture Books can also be found in the chapel pews. Additionally, we invite parishioners with disabilities to the comfort and privacy that our chapel can provide. As our parents prepare their children for Mass and as our disabled are welcomed to participate at Mass in a comfortable setting, we offer our continued support, patience, and understanding. It is with this trust and gentleness of spirit that we listen to what Jesus said: "Let the little children come to me, and do not stop them: because the Kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these."
Matthew 19: 14

The Liturgy Committee

**Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion
March 28, 2010**

The Lord GOD is my help,
therefore I am not disgraced.
— Isaiah 50:7a



WEDDING BANNERS

**Christopher Palazzo & Jamie Campanello
Damian Gugliotti & Deidre Pellerin**

Lenten Regulations: Catholics ages 14 and older are to abstain from meat on all Fridays during Lent. The rule does not apply when health or ability to work would be seriously impacted. Catholics who have celebrated their 18th birthday, but have not yet marked their 59th are to fast on Good Friday. On days of fast, one full meal is allowed. Two other meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to individual needs but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted, but liquids, i.e. milk/juices, are allowed. **For the Season of Lent**, The Sanctus (Holy, Holy) and Agnus Dei (Lamb of God) will be sung. They are hymns 859/862 in the Missal.

Men's Association Annual Baseball Trip: Saturday, May 8th...New York Mets vs. San Francisco Giants. Cost: \$75.00 p.p. includes bus, food, beverage, movie on bus and ticket. Call Tony Colasacco at (860) 836-3064.



You may return your Easter Flower envelope anytime from now until Easter.

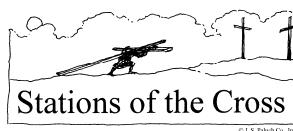
Easter Communion Regulation: Catholics are obliged to receive Communion at least once between the 1st Sunday of Lent & Trinity Sunday.

The Incarnation Social Action Committee will sponsor a collection for the Town of Wethersfield Food Bank on May 8th & 9th. They are in need of body deodorant, toothpaste, shaving cream, cleaning supplies like Fantastic, and paper goods like napkins, toilet paper and paper towels. Please bring your items in bags to Fr. Crawford Hall after any mass that weekend. Thank you!

Preparing for Lent....Operation Rice Bowl is the Lenten program of Catholic Relief Services. It is an outreach to those who live with hunger and poverty. Please return by 3/31.



Lenten Mass Schedule: During Lent daily mass will be celebrated at 9am Monday-Saturday excluding Holy Saturday, April 3rd. **Corpus Christi** will celebrate masses at 6:45am, 12:05pm & 5:30pm Mon-Fri.



Corpus Christi will also offer Stations of the Cross on Friday evenings at 7:30pm. As

Archbishop Mansell has recommended, the parishes in Wethersfield have consolidated Stations of the Cross at Corpus Christi Church.

The Women's Auxiliary of St. Francis Hospital & Medical Center Annual Membership Drive....March 1st to April 16th. 2010 is our 84th Anniversary. We would like to get a jump start on the \$5 million pledge and we need your help! Every year the Auxiliary comes to each parish to seek your support in our endeavors to serve St. Francis. As you may know, St. Francis is the largest Catholic Hospital in New England and provides many excellent services for our communities. Many of our members prefer to serve by monetary donations. As your community ambassador for the Annual Drive, I would like to extend an invitation to all women of the parish to join the auxiliary. Membership letters have been mailed. Call Michele Kalousdian at (860) 563-0860 to join. Flyers are in the Narthex.

JESUS, REMEMBER ME

Our Lenten journey of conversion has brought us to the holiest week of the Church year. With palm branches in hand we enter the holy city of Jerusalem, proclaiming, "Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord." From this grand entrance into the city, we follow the Lord Jesus as he shares his last meal with his disciples, institutes the Eucharist, is arrested, betrayed, and killed. Each year this celebration of Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion plunges us into the saving mystery of Christ's death and resurrection. The Lord's forgiveness of the repentant thief reminds us that reconciliation awaits those who put their faith in Christ. Let the repentant thief's words become our own this day: "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom" (Luke 23:42).

TODAY'S READINGS

Gospel at the Procession with Palms — Jesus' entry into Jerusalem (Luke 19:28-40).

First Reading — In spite of my sufferings I am not disgraced. I am not put to shame (Isaiah 50:4-7).

Psalm — My God, my God, why have you abandoned me? (Psalm 22).

Second Reading — Christ emptied himself, and God filled this emptiness with exaltation (Philippians 2:6-11).

Gospel — The account of Christ's passion according to Luke (Luke 22:14 — 23:56 [23:1-49]).

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion
 Monday: Monday of Holy Week
 Tuesday: Tuesday of Holy Week; Passover begins
 Wednesday: Wednesday of Holy Week
 Thursday: Holy Thursday; Paschal Triduum begins
 Friday: Good Friday of the Lord's Passion; Fast and Abstinence; First Friday
 Saturday: Holy Saturday; Vigil of Easter; First Saturday

We have Gluten Free Hosts for parishioners who need them. Please let the priest know prior to Mass of your request.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Is 42:1-7; Jn 12:1-11
 Tuesday: Is 49:1-6; Jn 13:21-33, 36-38
 Wednesday: Is 50:4-9a; Mt 26:14-25
 Thursday: Chrism Mass: Is 61:1-3a, 6a, 8b-9; Ps 89;
 Rv 1:5-8; Lk 4:16-21
Lord's Supper: Ex 12:1-8, 11-14; Ps 116;
 1 Cor 11:23-26; Jn 13:1-15
 Friday: Is 52:13 — 53:12; Ps 31; Heb 4:14-16;
 5:7-9; Jn 18:1 — 19:42
 Saturday: a) Gn 1:1 — 2:2 [1:1, 26-31a];
 b) Gn 22:1-18 [1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18];
 c) Ex 14:15 — 15:1; d) Is 54:5-14;
 e) Is 55:1-11; f) Bar 3:9-15, 32 — 4:4;
 g) Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28;
 h) Rom 6:3-11; i) Lk 24:1-12
 Sunday: Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Ps 118; Col 3:1-4
 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8; Jn 20:1-9
 or Lk 24:1-12 or (at an afternoon
 or evening Mass) Lk 24:13-35

HOLY WEEK AND THE PASCHAL TRIDUUM**Sunday, March 28 - Sunday, April 4, 2010**

"The days of Jesus' life-giving death and glorious resurrection are approaching, the hour he triumphed over Satan's pride, the time we celebrate the great event of our redemption" (Preface of the Lord's Passion II, *Sacramentary*). Thus the Church begins the one week of the year that we formally designate as "Holy." Simple rituals can link the domestic church to parish church and Church universal. Enthroned Sunday's palms where you pray, behind the family crucifix, even as part of front door decorations: "Christ reigns here," they proclaim; "all are welcome!" During the first three days of Holy Week, ready Easter clothes, prepare festal foods, clean the house, beautify the yard. Late Holy Thursday afternoon, share Lent's final meal before the Lord's Supper Mass. Pitcher, bowl, and towel make a fitting centerpiece; perhaps conclude the meal by washing each other's feet. On Good Friday, observe the paschal fast from food—from TV and computer, too! Then come to Holy Saturday's Vigil with mind clear, stomach empty, and heart full of "holy anticipation" that bursts into living flame when the new fire is kindled.