

The Church of the Incarnation

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Lorissa Heath
Rosanne Sweeney Gowdy
Andrew Russo
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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 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, MAY 1ST

5:00pm - Frances &
Patrick Sullivan

SUNDAY, MAY 2ND

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

9:30am - Pauline Dolge

11:00am—Stephen & Florence Romaine

MONDAY, MAY 3RD

9:00am— Joseph Rizzo

TUESDAY, MAY 4TH

9:00am— For all our parishioners

WEDNESDAY, MAY 5TH

9:00am— Margaret & Andrew Marek

THURSDAY, MAY 6TH

9:00am—Deceased members of the Gawle
Family

FRIDAY, MAY 7TH

9:00 am – Sebastiano & Concetta Ficocelli

SATURDAY, MAY 8TH

5:00 pm – Francis, Helen & Edward
Sullivan

SUNDAY, MAY 9TH

8:00 am – Maria Dias Silva & Maria Loura

9:30 am—Marie Pasternak

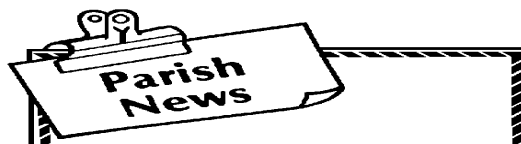
11:00 am –Antonietta & Giuseppe Leone

The Sanctuary Candle

will burn from 5/3/2010 –
5/9/2010 in memory of
Peter LaCava.

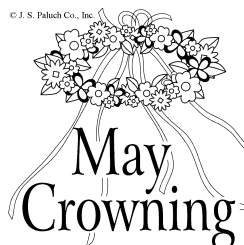
The Blessed Virgin Mary

Candle will burn from
5/3/2010—5/9/2010 in
memory of Rose Mangiafico.



Thank you to the Incarnation Women's Club and Chairperson, Laura Decker for planning the Annual Communion Breakfast last Sunday. It was a lovely event.

There is a "Project Baby Love" collection this weekend, May 1st & 2nd. Coffee & sugar are needed.



The May Crowning will held Sunday, May 2nd at the 9:30am Mass. First Communion children will process and all children are invited to process also.

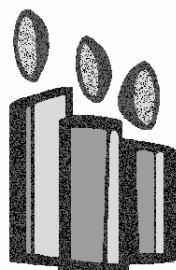
The Women's Club Cooking Team will meet this Monday, May 3rd from 1-3pm in the kitchen of Fr. Crawford Hall.

The Employment Support Group will meet this Tuesday, May 4th at 9:30am in Fr. Crawford Hall. If you or someone you know is in need of employment, please have them attend our meeting.

The Women's Club Executive Board will meet this Thursday, May 6th at 7:30pm in Fr. Crawford Hall.

Friday is the first Friday in May...Vocations Holy Hour will be held from 9:30-10:30 am in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel.

The Second Collection next weekend will be the monthly collection.





The Final Children's Liturgy of the Word will be held this Sunday at the 9:30am Mass. Regina Cravero, Martha Kirsche and Filomena Marinelli will preside. Thank you to the Stefano family for hosting.

The New Day Program will meet on Mon., 5/3rd at 1:00pm in Father Crawford Hall. **(2010-2011) Registration for the Faith Formation Program has been mailed.** Please return registrations by 5/15/ 2010. Extra registration forms/welcome letter may be downloaded from our website address: www.thechurchoftheincarnation.com. New students must include a copy of their Baptismal certificate unless your child was baptized at the Church of the Incarnation. Those entering Gr. 9 (Sept. 2010) will receive a special invitation in Oct. for the Sacrament of Confirmation. **Faith Formation (Religious Education) formally begins in First Grade.** First Communion preparation begins in First Grade. The Kindergarten program entitled "Little Lambs" begins in October and is offered as an optional program.



On Sat., May 1st, 44 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 prayer 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 "Let the Little Children Come to Me..." 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. Our Sexton, Phil Pasternak for preparing the Fr. Crawford Hall and the Narthex. Thank you to Teri Aiudi, Faith Formation Secretary, for preparing the many clerical communications necessary to organize this day.

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

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.

A Family Perspective....The gospel challenges us to see DIFFERENCES in one another in anew way not as something we need to change or tolerate, but to embrace. In a Christian family we are accepted and cherished for who we are and who we can be. This is how all “will know you are my disciples and God is glorified.”

Stewardship Message....In today’s Gospel, Jesus gives His disciples — and us — a new commandment: “love one another.” Good stewards who spend their time and talents in service to others are well on their way to fulfilling this commandment.

BAPTISMS



**Mia Avery Murawski
Giuliana Sophia Rodriguez
Elliot Mikul McMullin
Gavin Schwarzhaupt**

**Fifth Sunday of Easter
May 2, 2010**

**“Behold, God’s dwelling is with the human race.”
— Revelation 21:3**



CHURCH

**“Church” in Greek means convocation, or assembly in Latin, because all are called to be members of it.
—St. Isidore**

WEDDING BANNS



Mark Robitaille & Diana Calderone

Foodshare Walk Against Hunger: A team of our 7th & 8th graders and their parents will meet in the parking lot of Incarnation Church at 12:30pm on May 2nd and head over to The Hartford together. The 3 mile walk starts at 2pm. We will return back to Incarnation around 4pm. This year's walk will benefit the House of Bread's Kid's Café. Call Lisa Stefano at (860) 563-1227 for interested 8th graders or Rachel Kieselback for interested 7th graders at (860) 571-9386.


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 bagged items to Fr. Crawford Hall after any mass that weekend. Thank you!

Volunteers Needed: The Garden Ministry is looking for a few additional volunteers to help maintain the garden beds at the entrances to the church and around the rectory. Activities include spring and fall clean-up, occasional planting, and the watering of these gardens during the summer months. The time demand is minimal. Anyone interested should call Bob Quinn at (860) 563-4049, day or night.

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. Buses depart Incarnation parking lot at 9am.

The Men's Association STEAK NIGHT will be held on Wed., May 19th at 6:30pm in Fr. Crawford Hall. This year's guest speaker is Eileen Hurst, who will discuss the CCSU Veterans History Project—recording and archiving veterans' histories from all wars and conflicts. For Men's Association members and prospective members. Call Bill Carroll at (860) 667-4947 by May 12th. \$20 p.p. Pay at the door.

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Pray for Vocations  **The new commandment of love is required of everyone who follows the Risen Lord.**

How do you fulfill the command? If you feel a calling to follow the Risen Lord call Fr. Michael Dolan, Director of Vocations, Archdiocesan Center at St. Thomas Seminary, (860) 761-7456 or e-mail vocations@stseminary.org, or visit the web at www.vocationshartford.org.

The Incarnation Men's Association Third Annual Golf Tournament August 8, 2010 at the Wethersfield Country Club. The Club has held it's prices of last year for golf. We are asking for non-player volunteers to help at the tournament, such as measuring closest to a pin on a par 3, raffle or monitoring play. To help call Earle Munroe at (860) 563-0848 or Don Peterson at (860) 529-8482, leave a message.

2010 Archbishop's Annual Appeal.....This appeal supports many important ministries and programs. Your gifts are allocated towards religious education programs, youth ministries, local charities, the education of our seminarians, our retired clergy, and the services provided by the archdiocese. Please consider donating so in the days ahead. Your gift will help continue the ministries and programs that help so many throughout the Archdiocese.

TRANSFORMATION

When we clean, repair, or otherwise restore things in our possession, we often say “good as new” or “just like new.” This, according to the book of Revelation, is what happens to anything that is filled with the glory of Christ. When scripture uses the word “new” it doesn’t merely mean “a different one, a replacement” (as our advertisements do), but it carries the sense of something being transformed so fully and completely that it is now almost unrecognizable. Our world is filled with tears, death, pain, thirst, darkness; but the new world—the new heavens and new earth brought about by Christ’s resurrection—is filled with joy, everlasting life, glory, living water, and light. As Paul noted in his second letter to the church at Corinth, if we are in Christ, then we are a new creation. And disciples who are a new creation, who live in the new heaven and earth brought about by Christ, are also daily practitioners of a new commandment: to love one another with that transforming, re-new-ing love that Christ bestowed on us.

TODAY’S READINGS

First Reading — Paul and Barnabas continue their travels, spreading the faith and unifying the churches (Acts 14:21-27).

Psalm — I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God (Psalm 145).

Second Reading — John’s vision of God dwelling with the human race (Revelation 21:1-5a).

Gospel — As Jesus has loved us, so we must love one another (John 13:31-33a, 34-35).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Cor 15:1-8; Jn 14:6-14
 Tuesday: Acts 14:19-28; Jn 14:27-31a
 Wednesday: Acts 15:1-6; Jn 15:1-8
 Thursday: Acts 15:7-21; Jn 15:9-11
 Friday: Acts 15:22-31; Jn 15:12-17
 Saturday: Acts 16:1-10; Jn 15:18-21
 Sunday: Acts 15:1-2, 22-29, Ps 67; Rv 21:10-14, 22-23; Jn 14:23-29

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Fifth Sunday of Easter
 Monday: Ss. Philip and James
 Wednesday: Cinco de Mayo
 Thursday: National Day of Prayer
 Friday: First Friday

SAINTS PHILIP AND JAMES, APOSTLES May 3

Call Philip the gospel’s “Answer Man.” “Can anything good come out of Nazareth?” Nathaniel asked Philip, who had proclaimed Jesus “the one about whom Moses wrote in the law, and also the prophets” (John 1:45). Jesus asked Philip, “Where can we buy enough food for them to eat?” (John 6:5). Greeks brought Philip their request: “We would like to see Jesus” (John 12:21). Philip’s answer to each question: bring people to Jesus! At the Last Supper, finally, Philip had a request of his own: “Show us the Father!” (John 14:8). Jesus had three last questions for Philip: “You still don’t know me? How can you ask that? Don’t you believe?” And an answer: “I am in the Father and the Father is in me” (John 14:10). Today’s James is not John’s brother, Zebedee’s son, but, tradition says, author of the New Testament Letter of James, who died praying for his murderers in Jesus’ words: “Forgive them, for they know not what they do.” Few historical details for either saint, but lessons aplenty: Bring every question we have and everybody we meet to Jesus; be, as James’ letter challenges, “doers of the word and not hearers only” (James 1:22).

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