

# The Church of the Incarnation

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Rev. James M. Moran  
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**Pastoral Associate**

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**Pastoral Assistant**

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**Rectory Office Assistant**  
**Faith Formation Secretary**

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**Middle School Coordinator**

Mrs. Theodora Niver  
**Director of Music**

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Lorissa Heath  
Rosanne Sweeney Gowdy  
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 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](http://www.thechurchoftheincarnation.com)

## Rectory Hours

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

**Rectory**  
(860) 529-2533

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**SATURDAY,  
DECEMBER 4TH**

5:00pm—Michael & Lisa  
Albino & Family

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER  
5TH**

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

9:30am— Richard Herms

11:00am—Carmela Devaney

**MONDAY, DECEMBER 6TH**

9:00am— Anthony & Welcome DiCicco Sr.

**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 7TH**

9:00am— For all our parishioners

**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 8TH**

9:00am—John D'Onofrio

5:30pm —Salvatore & Carmela  
DiSilvestro

**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 9TH**

9:00am—Mary & Richard Collins

**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 10TH**

9:00 am – Maria & Sebastian Amato

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 11TH**

5:00pm –Deceased members of the  
DeRose Family

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 12TH**

8:00 am—Lillian Gogulski

9:30 am—Stanley Malinowski & George  
& Jerome Czaja

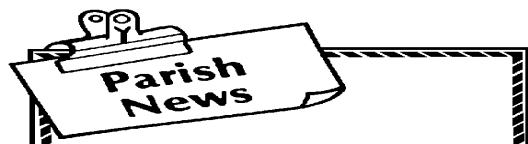
11:00 am— Pietro G. Cieri & Salvatore  
Santilli

**The Sanctuary Candle**

will burn from 12/6/2010 –  
12/12/2010 in memory of  
Concettina & Salvatore  
Genovese.

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

12/6/2010—12/12/2010 in memory of  
Brian Heffernan & Marie Taylor.



St. Nicholas

**Santa Claus is on his way to  
Incarnation Church this Sun-  
day Dec 5th from 2-4pm!** The

Men's Association is sponsoring  
their 9th Annual Children's  
Christmas Party! Enjoy a Magi-  
cian, Christmas Coloring Books/  
crayons & a Special Christmas

Story told by Fr. Moran. Santa will arrive  
from the North Pole to meet the children and  
have a gift for each child, up to age 10. A 5 x  
7 color photo with Santa will be given to  
each child. Pick-up on Dec. 11/12th in Fr.  
Crawford Hall. Parents, Grandparents, and  
children of all ages are welcome.

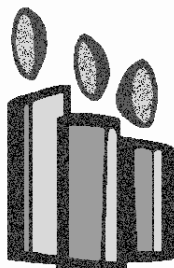
**The Women's Club Cooking Team will  
cook this Monday, December 6th from 1-3  
in the kitchen of Fr. Crawford Hall.**

**This Wednesday, December 8th is The  
Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Vir-  
gin Mary, A Holy Day of Obligation.  
Masses will be held at 9am and 5:30pm.**

**The Prayer Shawl Ministry will meet this  
Wednesday, December 8th from 9:30-  
10:30am in Fr. Crawford Hall.**

**Prayer For Healing will meet this Thurs-  
day, December 9th at 9:30am in Fr. Craw-  
ford Hall. If you know of someone who is in  
need of prayers or you would like to pray for  
yourself or a loved one, please join us!**

**The Second Collection next weekend will  
be the Monthly Collection.**



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**Children's Liturgy of the Word will be held this weekend at the 9:30am Mass.**

Presiders are Mary & John Breton & Steve Ellis. Thank you to the Kelly Family for hosting the refreshments for the Fall Season. We invite our families to sign up to host the refreshments for the Winter C.L.W. Season. It is a very simple task. Two families may sign up together. One family picks up the munchkins on Sunday morning and the other sets up the table and juice. If you are willing to help out as a family, call Audrey at the rectory at (860) 529-2533, and she will give you the simple instructions. Thank you! There will be a sign-up sheet in the Fr. Crawford Hall bulletin board at our December 19th C.L.W.

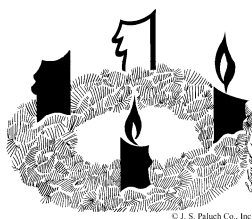
**Middle School Catechists are needed. We are in need of two men to join our 7th/8th grade gentlemen's retreat team. This is a once a month commitment.** Please call Noranne (860) 529-2533 if you are able to help share your faith with our young parishioners. We need create smaller classes at this level.

**We pray for our 2011 Grade 9 Confirmation young women Candidates as they attend their retreat at the Our Lady of Calvary this Sunday from 3-7pm.**

**Our Grade 7 & 8 young ladies will attend their retreat this Sunday in Fr. Crawford Hall from 4-7pm.**

**The year 2011 Incarnation Calendars are at all the entrances. One per family please.**

**Faith Formation for Grades K-6 will be held at Emerson-Williams School on Saturday, December 11th at 9am. Parish Family Home Communities will meet as scheduled.**



**Families in the Light**

Please let your light shine as a family or as a religious education community and sign-up to light the Advent wreath. This is a wonderful way to prepare for the coming of the Christ Child. There is a sign-up poster in the Narthex. When it is your time to light the wreath, please tell the celebrant prior to mass that you will be lighting it.



**Angel Tree:**

We continue our 12th Advent Giving Program. Flyers are at the exit. Please pick up your angels and return your gifts by December 12th. God Bless you for helping those less fortunate. Thank you!



**Incarnation Nativity Pageant**

**Sunday, December 12th at 3:00pm in the church.** Next rehearsal is Saturday, December 11th at 11am in the church.

**Thank you to the Women's Club, Rita Sulick and all others involved with The West Side Holiday Shops Christmas Fair.**

**There is a “Project Baby Love” collection this weekend.** Disposable diapers & wipes are requested. Thank you to all parishioners who generously donate all year long! Another special thank you to The Bello Family for delivering all the items to Birthright for us all year long!!

**The Incarnation Women’s Club Christmas Party** will take place on Tuesday, December 7th, at The Wethersfield Country Club. 6:00 pm social, 7pm dinner. Call Rita Sulick at (860) 563-7639 with any questions.

**Thank you to all who have recently donated to our Annual Collection.** We continue to graciously accept your donations. We have received over \$83,000 in donations so far.

*A Family Perspective...* Like John the Baptist, every parent “prepares the way of the Lord” in the hearts of their children. Advent is a good time to ask; “Do I help or hinder my children to know Jesus?”

*Stewardship Message...* We must be good stewards of God’s gifts to us, receiving them gratefully and cultivating them with care, lest we be the ones about whom John the Baptist speaks today, cautioning us, “Every tree that does not bear good fruit will be cut down and thrown into the fire.”  
See Matthew 3:10

**The Incarnation Men’s Association Annual Membership Renewal Campaign has begun.** Letters were mailed to members. Dues for the 2010-2011 year remains at \$10.00. New members are always welcome to join, call John Ewaski at (860) 563-3887.

**The Incarnation Women’s Club Annual Membership Drive will end this month, but new members are most welcome at any time.** Thank you to all who have joined as we currently have 412 members! If you have not yet sent in your dues for 2010-2011, you may obtain a form at any church entrance or by calling either Ann Hock (860) 563-0728 or Vera Raffalo (860) 563-0262.

**Second Sunday of Advent  
December 5, 2010**

The earth shall be filled with knowledge of the LORD,  
as water covers the sea. — *Isaiah 11:9*



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**The ABC’s of Annulment will be held on Tuesday, January 11th from 7-9pm at Most Holy Trinity Church Hall, 68 N. Colony St., Wallingford, CT.** This is a follow up workshop wherein people come to actually write their annulment paper in a quiet, supportive setting with staff available to assist writers confidentially. Call (203) 230-2460 for more information.

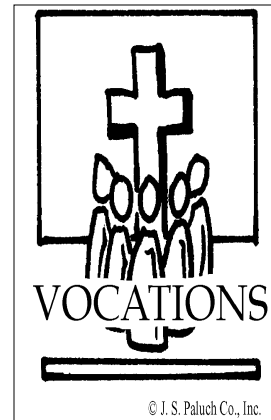
**This is a letter from Archbishop Mansell:  
Dear Friends in Christ,**

Next year, on the First Sunday of Advent, November 27th, 2011, Roman Catholics in the United States will celebrate mass using the 3rd edition of the Roman Missal. A special committee is working here in the Archdiocese of Hartford to ensure that you are prepared adequately to participate in the Liturgy with confidence at that time.

In the coming months, you will be notified of many opportunities to learn more about the new missal through a variety of resources, which will include printed material, live presentations, DVD video conferences and news about Internet websites that provide Instruction and information. The Archdiocesan website, [www.archdioceseofhartford.org](http://www.archdioceseofhartford.org) will have a special link with information on the Roman Missal.

At the beginning of the New Year, the Archdiocese of Hartford will offer a more in-depth instruction on this significant milestone in the history of the liturgy. Throughout the United States, bishops and priests are preparing to celebrate Mass with some new language. Your participation in the new liturgy will involve some new words in the responses to the priests and in familiar prayers such as the Gloria and the Creed. This new translation will enable Roman Catholics who speak English to participate at Mass with the same prayers found in the Missals of other languages. Every moment you invest in prayerful preparation promises to yield a spiritual harvest that cannot be measured. I invite you to seize this extraordinary opportunity to grow in understanding the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass and of the faith that is ours through this new Roman Missal given to the entire world. May our celebration of the Mass grow ever richer in the years to come.

**On November 24, 2010, Michael J. Rogers Jr. S.J., son of Michael and Mary- Ellen Rogers of Incarnation Parish, had the honor of serving Mass at St. Peter's Basilica in Rome.** The Dean of the College of Cardinals presided at the Mass, while the Holy Father, Pope Benedict XVI gave the final commendation. Michael is in Rome for his final Theology Studies at the Pontifical Gregorian University, and has been a member of the Society of Jesus, the Jesuits, since his graduation from the College of the Holy Cross in 2002. He is expected to be ordained to the Transitional Diaconate in April, 2012 in Rome, Followed by Ordination to the Priesthood, in Boston, MA, in June, 2013. Please keep Michael in your prayers.



**Some of our parishioners have expressed an interest in remembering their loved ones with Christmas Flowers.** To help with this request you will find a new Christmas Flower envelope in your packet. This Special Christmas Flower Envelope will be happily received at any time prior to Christmas.

**Congratulations to the Incarnation Boys Junior Varsity (Blue), Boys Varsity, Girls Junior Varsity and Girls Varsity Basketball Teams** who won their games last weekend. **Thank you to the Women's Club, Rita Sulick and all others involved in planning The West Side Holiday Shops Christmas Fair.**

**BAPTISM**

**OLIVIA WADE LALLIER**

## THE LONG-AWAITED ONE

As the Sundays of Advent unfold the scriptures shift focus from the final coming of the Lord to his historical birth. Today's scriptures blend the two. Isaiah's disillusionment with the kings of his own day led him to envision an ideal king who would rule with divine approval and be led by divine wisdom. For centuries the Jewish people anticipated the arrival of that Messiah, who would usher in a blessed age when the whole world would finally dwell in justice and peace.

After centuries of such growing expectation, the preaching of John the Baptist about the imminent arrival of the Messiah could not help but provoke intense interest. The Baptist's message about preparation for "the one who is coming" (Matthew 3:11) makes clear that Jesus is, in fact, the long-awaited one who is ushering in the new age foretold by Isaiah and all the prophets.

## TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — He shall bring justice for the afflicted; the earth shall overflow with the knowledge of the LORD (Isaiah 11:1-10).

**Psalm** — Justice shall flourish in his time, and fullness of peace for ever (Psalm 72).

**Second Reading** — Glorify God by living in harmony with one another, welcoming each other as Christ welcomed you (Romans 15:4-9).

**Gospel** — Produce good fruit worthy of your baptism; repent, for the reign of God is near (Matthew 3:1-12).

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Is 35:1-10; Lk 5:17-26  
 Tuesday: Is 40:1-11; Mt 18:12-14  
 Wednesday: Gn 3:9-15, 20; Eph 1:3-6, 11-12;  
 Lk 1:26-38  
 Thursday: Is 41:13-20; Mt 11:11-15  
 Friday: Is 48:17-19; Mt 11:16-19  
 Saturday: Sir 48:1-4, 9-11; Mt 17:9a, 10-13  
 Sunday: Is 35:1-6a, 10; Ps 146; Jas 5:7-10;  
 Mt 11:2-11

## SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Second Sunday of Advent  
 Monday: St. Nicholas  
 Tuesday: St. Ambrose; Islamic New Year 1432;  
 Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day  
 Wednesday: The Immaculate Conception of the  
 Blessed Virgin Mary  
 Thursday: St. Juan Diego  
 Friday: International Human Rights Day  
 Saturday: St. Damasus I

## FEAST OF FAITH

### Watching for Christ's Coming

In the season of Advent, we look to the coming of Christ at the end of time, and we prepare ourselves to celebrate his first coming among us at Christmas. Remembrance of the past is combined with preparation for the future. Memory meets action.

In a certain sense, the Mass is an Advent prayer. At the Last Supper, Jesus did not tell his disciples, "Never forget what I did for you." Instead, he said, "Do this in remembrance of me." He calls us to remember by *doing*, to combine memory with action. In the celebration of the Eucharist, remembering and doing become one. Jesus is as present in our midst as he was in that upper room, breaking the bread and sharing the cup; but it is a new kind of presence, seen only with the eyes of faith. In the heavenly liturgy, there will be no need of sacraments, for there, "celebration is wholly communion and feast" (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 1136). Here, things are different. We have only glimpses and flashes of the beauty that is yet to be. And yet, in the liturgy, we truly participate in the heavenly liturgy. The Mass is our foretaste of the joys of heaven.

**Winter Escape:** A Weekend Experience for Young Adults (18-25), Jan., 7-9 at Our Lady of Calvary Retreat Center, 31 Colton St., Farmington, CT. \$50.00 offering. Call (860) 677-8519.