

The Church of the Incarnation

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Cantors

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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 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., JANUARY 29TH
5:00pm— Jennie Cusano



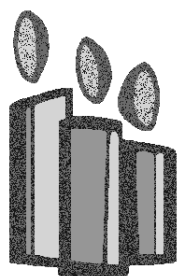
SUNDAY, JANUARY 30TH
8:00am— Paul DiMascio
9:30am— Lillian Vasquez
11:00am—Elizabeth Carcia

MONDAY, JANUARY 31ST
9:00am— Luigi & Nancy Montella
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 1ST
9:00am— Joseph & Amelia Massed
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 2ND
9:00am— For all our parishioners
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 3RD
9:00am—Deceased members of the Daras Family
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 4TH
9:00 am—Christopher Sulick

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 5TH
5:00 pm - Judith Skinner Curcio & Robert J. Skinner

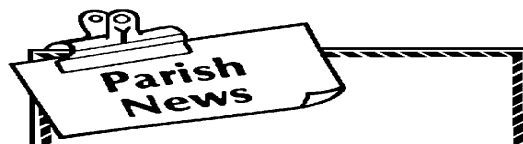
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 6TH
8:00 am— For all our deceased parishioners & benefactors
9:30 am—Salvatore Tarascio
11:00 am— Deceased members of the Bonaquisto & Martino Families

The Sanctuary Candle will burn from 1/31/2011 – 2/6/2011 in memory of Rosina Rossi.



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The Blessed Virgin Mary Candle will burn from 1/31/2011—2/6/2011 in memory of Joseph Saltarelli.

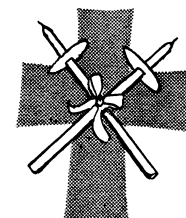


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Superintendent of Catholic Schools, Dale R. Hoyt, extends his deepest gratitude to all who contributed to last week's Catholic High School Collection.

Your support of the educational mission of the Church in the Archdiocese of Hartford is appreciated. We pray for our Catholic Schools.

In honor of St. Blaise, we will bless throats this weekend during all of the Masses. This blessing is a sign of thanks for the gift of breathing, speech and taste.



St. Blaise
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Rachel's Vineyard is The Church's main ministry of assistance for those who have had an abortion. Rachel's Vineyard offers weekend retreats that are confidential and supportive. They can help with spiritual and emotional healing. The next retreats will be held on March 18-20th and June 10-12th in Litchfield. Call the national toll-free hotline at 1-877-HOPE-4-ME.




Children's Liturgy of the Word will take place this Sunday at the 9:30am Mass. Presiders will be Kathi Stickley and Steve Ellis. We thank the Kelly family for hosting the munchkins and also thank the parents who signed up to host for the rest of the year!! Hope to see you there!!

Faith Formation will meet next Saturday, February 5th at Emerson-Williams School.

All Parish Family Home Communities will meet at their regularly scheduled times.

For storm related cancellations please log on to our website:

www.thechurchoftheincarnation.com. or tune into WFSB, WVIT or WTIC AM. Please do not call the rectory. Thank you.



BAPTISM

**MATTHEW
JOSEPH RAMOS**

Women of our Parish.....Please consider attending a Women's Weekend Retreat at Our Lady of Calvary in Farmington. Openings are still available for February 11-13 and March 11-13. Visit the Retreat Center at OurLadyofCalvary.com to find out more information about the weekend entitled "Blessed-Broken-Shared." Gather your friends and join others for a wonderful experience. Every woman should experience this weekend. Brochures are available in the Narthex. You are welcome to call Noranne Wamester at (860) 529-6765 for more information.

Our Lady of Calvary Retreat Center presents: Amazing Love....A retreat reflecting on the amazing power of God's Love.

Monday, March 21st, Dinner at 6pm and program from 7-9pm. The evening includes presentations, music, quiet reflection, and prayer. Call (860) 677-8519.

Mother-Daughter Getaway...April 9-10 from 9am on Friday to 12 pm on Saturday. Our Lady of Calvary Retreat Center in Farmington. Call (860) 677-8519.

Queen of Apostles Padre Pio Prayer Group Holy Hour at Holy Apostles Chapel in Cromwell. 10am Mass, Rosary Benediction. First Saturday, February 5th. All are invited to attend. Call Genevieve for more information at (860) 667-0350.

St. Patrick's Dinner to be held on Monday, March 14th, Fr. Crawford Hall. Doors open at 6:30pm. Homemade Corned Beef, cabbage, carrots & potatoes, Irish Soda Bread, coffee & dessert. \$15.00 p.p. Raffle too! Get your family and friends together for a night of delicious food, fun and friends. You won't be disappointed. There is limited seating so make your reservations early as it sells out quickly. Please call Michele Kalousdian at (860) 563-0860. Checks should be made payable to "Church of the Incarnation" and can be mailed to Michele at 154 Griswold Rd., Wethersfield. Deadline for reservations is Tuesday, March 1st.

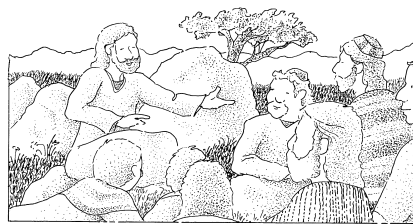
The next Employment Support Group meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 8th at 9:30am in Fr. Crawford Hall. If you or someone you know is in need of employment, please join us. If you have an updated resume, please bring one to the meeting. We are searching for a volunteer to help with this group. Ideally a volunteer with a Human Resource background would be most helpful. The Group meets every other Tuesday at 9:30 am in Fr. Crawford Hall. Please call Ken Mendoza at (860) 563-1319 if you are able to help.

Wethersfield UNICO Macaroni Dinner....Wethersfield UNICO's 32nd Annual "World Famous" Macaroni Dinner will be held on Sunday, February 13th from 11:30am-4:30pm at the Wethersfield Community Center. Meal includes pasta with homemade sauce & meatballs, garlic bread, salad, soda, wine, coffee and ice cream. Only \$9.00 for adults and \$4.00 for children 12 and under. This is UNICO's primary fundraiser. The funds raised go towards our charitable activities and donations. We offer College Scholarships for residents of Wethersfield and Rocky Hill. For scholarship info. visit our website at www.WethersfieldUnico.org.

**Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
January 30, 2011**

"Blessed are the poor in spirit,
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven."

— *Matthew 5:3*



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FEAST OF FAITH

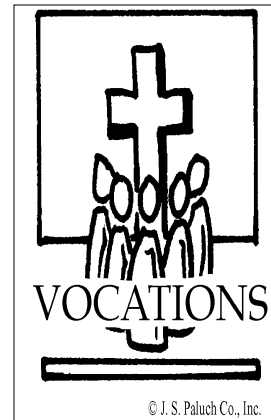
I Confess

One form of the penitential rite at the beginning of Mass is the traditional *Confiteor*, or “I confess,” a prayer that was formerly prayed by the priest alone at the foot of the altar, but which is now prayed by the entire assembly. The *Confiteor* is at once personal—“I confess”—and communal, prayed aloud, together. We recognize that sin does not just separate us from God; sin comes between us and others, isolating us. We acknowledge that sin has many dimensions, individual and communal: sins of thought, sins of speech, sins of action, sins of omission. Sin is not something that happens to us; sin is something we do. In the *Confiteor*, we take responsibility for our own actions. The repeated insistence on our “fault,” with the ritual gesture of striking the breast, an ancient sign of penitence, is not meant to lower our self-esteem. Rather, it acknowledges our human instinct to transfer the blame whenever we can (“The devil made me do it!”). This prayer stops us short. We take responsibility for ourselves, our actions, our failure to act. Then we cry out to God in those ancient words, *Kyrie, eleison*—Lord, have mercy. For the sinner who repents, there is mercy. This truth is at the heart of our faith, and it is where the Mass, our feast of faith, begins.

If you are leaving Wethersfield for the winter, please notify the rectory so that we can place your envelopes on inactive. When you return, kindly call and we will re-activate them. Thank you.

Blest are they who.....take a look at the beatitudes.

These are the gifts of spiritual leaders. Encourage them wherever you see them growing. If one is growing toward a vocation to priesthood or religious life, call Father 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.



Diaconate Inquiry Sessions: The Archdiocesan Office of Diaconate Formation is now preparing to admit a new class of candidates for the Diaconate in the fall of 2011. Any Catholic man between the ages of 35 and 60 who may be interested in the Diaconate is encouraged to speak to his pastor. Sacred Heart Church in Bloomfield will hold two sessions on March 6th and March 20th from 2-4pm. Both sessions must be attended, and spouses must also attend. Please call the office to register no later than February 24th at (860) 761-7447 to pre-register.

There will be a “Project Baby Love” collection next weekend. Disposable diapers & wipes are needed. Thank you.

If you are new to the parish, and have requested to receive church envelopes, please allow approximately one month for them to be mailed out to you. They are mailed from the envelope company outside of Connecticut. Thank you.

GOD'S WAYS

If we itemized the top eight things that bring us happiness, what items might show up on the list? A hefty bank account? A Caribbean cruise or African safari? A shopping mall marathon? Season tickets for the hometown team? A new car? If we already have some of these things, most likely we know they don't bring us true happiness. Fact is, they probably bring us more aggravation—items to return or repair, one more object for people to argue over. Today's scriptures point us toward the things that bring us true joy. The words of all three passages conflict with our society's conviction that fortune, fame, and power are the sought-after treasures of life. God's ways are not the ways of our popular culture, after all, and today's readings help point us in the right direction.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — You humble of the land, seek justice and humility, and the Lord will be your protection (Zephaniah 2:3; 3:12-13).

Psalm — Blessed are the poor in spirit; the kingdom of heaven is theirs! (Psalm 146).

Second Reading — God chose the weak of the world, those who count for nothing, so that whoever boasts should boast in the Lord (1 Corinthians 1:26-31).

Gospel — Jesus taught from the mountain: Blessed are the poor in spirit (Matthew 5:1-12a).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Heb 11:32-40; Mk 5:1-20

Tuesday: Heb 12:1-4; Mk 5:21-43

Wednesday: Mal 3:1-4; Heb 2:14-18; Lk 2:22-40 [22-32]

Thursday: Heb 12:18-19, 21-24; Mk 6:7-13

Friday: Heb 13:1-8; Mk 6:14-29

Saturday: Heb 13:15-17, 20-21; Mk 6:30-34

Sunday: Is 58:7-10; Ps 112; 1 Cor 2:1-5; Mt 5:13-16

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: St. John Bosco

Wednesday: The Presentation of the Lord; Groundhog Day

Thursday: St. Blase; St. Ansgar;

Friday: First Friday

Saturday: St. Agatha; First Saturday

A Family Perspective.... It is in our family where we learn to be merciful and comforting to others. The Beatitudes of the Kingdom of God begin at home and depend on you. Parents lead the way.

Stewardship Message...Blessed are they who are what they are and do what they do for the sake of the kingdom! The Gospel today assures good steward that their suffering and their service on behalf of the kingdom will be rewarded!