

The Church of the Incarnation

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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., APRIL 16TH**

5:00pm - Deceased members
of the Coombs, Drury, Hyland
& McConnon Families

SUNDAY, APRIL 17TH

8:00am - Lawrence Skinger &
Grandparents

9:30am—Dr. John F. Beakey

11:00am—Deceased members of the
Heffernan & McGuire Families

MONDAY, APRIL 18TH

9:00am—For all our parishioners

TUESDAY, APRIL 19TH

9:00am— Walter Easinsky

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 20TH

9:00am—Nicholas & Mary Champ

HOLY THURSDAY, APRIL 21ST

7:00pm—For all our parishioners

GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 22ND

3:00 pm—Liturgical Service

HOLY SATURDAY, APRIL 23RD

8:00 pm—For all our parishioners

EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 24TH

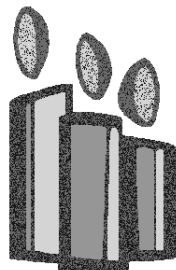
8:00 am—Lillian Vasquez, Mary Mudano
and Anne Renza

9:30 am—Deceased members of the
Andreoli Family

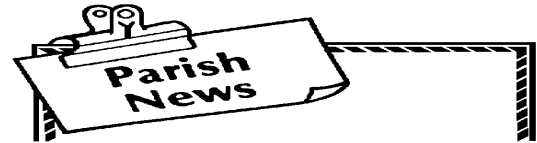
11:00 am—Lucy Reale Leone

The Sanctuary Candle will
burn from 4/18/2011 –
4/24/2011 in memory of
Frank Bulanti.

**The Blessed Virgin Mary
Candle** will burn from
4/18/2011—4/24/2011 for
John Rossi.



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This Sunday is Palm Sunday.
Blessed palms will be distributed
at all the masses.



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We will have Lenten
Confessions on Monday, April
18th from 7-8pm in the Church. Fr.
Moran will hear confessions.

The second collection this weekend is the
monthly collection.

Employment Support Group: Tuesday,
April 19th at 9:30am in Fr. Crawford Hall.

Holy Thursday Silent Adoration will take
place in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel, on
April 21st, from 8:30pm-10:00pm:

In Attendance 8:30pm-9:00pm—Nellie Ro-
maine & Sister Betty; 9:00pm-9:30pm—
Mary Lou Gates & Felix Kessel; 9:30pm-
10:00pm—Frank & Emily Monaco. Join us.

**Holy Week Confessions: Good Friday &
Holy Saturday, 11-12 noon only. No after-
noon Confessions on Saturday, April 23rd.**

**Blessing of the Easter Food will be held on
Holy Saturday, 12:15pm Fr. Crawford Hall.**



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**Holy Week begins on Palm Sun-
day:**

Consider full participation in the
beautiful liturgies. (**Holy Thurs-
day**) 4/21-7pm, (**Good Friday**) 4/22, 3pm &
(**Easter Vigil**) 4/23-8pm, Meet Jesus there.

**There is a House of Bread collection this
weekend.** Coffee & sugar are requested.

**Thank you to all who donated to the
Peter's Pence collection last weekend.**



Children's Liturgy of the Word: April 17th
9:30am Mass. Our Presider is Noranne Wamester. Confirmation students are Courtney Brazel and Anne Davoren. Thank you to the Bonvisuto, Dupont & Lipka Families for hosting the refreshments.

Registration letters (2011-2012) for the Faith Formation Program were mailed. Registration deadline **5/16/2011**. Extra forms at www.thechurchoftheincarnation.com. All families of new students must include a copy of child's Baptismal certificate unless baptized at Incarnation. Grade 9 students (Sept.2011) will receive an invitation in Oct. for the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Operation Rice Bowl: Lenten program of Catholic Relief Services. It is an outreach to those who live with hunger and poverty. Please return your Rice Bowl before Easter.

Thank you to our Sacristan, Toni Munoz for organizing the Incarnation Mass of Anointing last Sunday.

Our Middle School Students participated in an outreach to Kids' Café. The Family of Cathy Beers prepared 300 sandwiches and our students' under the direction of Cathy Beers, Gina Burby, Phyllis DiFiore, Filomena Marinelli & Gina Zaino added snacks and juice boxes, fruits and a coloring packet. The 4th/6th Gr. community of Regina Cravero also provided Easter baskets and snacks for the children at Kids' Café. God's *Blessings to you all!*

A Family Perspective...The cruel death of Jesus tells us bad things can and do happen to very good people. It also tells us God is present during the suffering. Bad things happen but God does not abandon us.

Stewardship Message...“Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!” shout the crowds in today's Gospel. May we be always ready to share our blessings when we are sent in His name!

The Children of the Congo Apostolate:
We are very proud of our children in Grades K-6 and many of our parishioners who contributed so generously towards our Lenten Apostolic for the children of the Congo. Your amazing spirit of sharing will send ten children to Catholic School in the Diocese of Kikwit for one full year. The grand total collected was \$1,030.00. I spoke with Fr. Kombo this week to celebrate this wonderful news with him and he was overwhelmed with your generosity. He has just returned from the Congo to monitor the program and told us how happy the children are in Catholic School. Blessings upon all of you! Thank you from the hearts of the children. The check will be presented to Fr. Moran at 9:30am Mass this Sunday as the Children gather around the Sanctuary for Children's Liturgy of the Word. Fr. Moran will send the check to Fr. Kombo during Holy Week. Noranne Wamester, Pastoral Associate.

The Rectory will be closed on Good Friday and Easter Monday. Emergency calls only please. Thank you.

Thank you to all who donated to the special collection for the extraordinary winter expenses. So far we have collected \$5,425.00. If you have not yet had the opportunity to contribute we will gladly welcome your donation.

Women's Club Communion Breakfast, May 1st, 12noon-Rocky Hill Marriott, 100 Capital Blvd., R Hill. Menu: Fresh fruit, scrambled eggs, sausage, bacon, oven roasted potatoes, danish, juice, coffee/tea. Call Eleanor or Carol - (860) 529-7183. \$19 p.p., Deadline 4/18. Mail checks payable to Incarnation Women's Club - Eleanor Reddin, 99 Round Hill Rd., Weth.

HomeFront Day: Can you help repair the home of a needy family? We need You On Our Team on Saturday, May 7th. 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/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. Project sponsored by Sacred Heart, Corpus Christi and Incarnation Churches. Please complete and place in baskets.

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Name _____ Address _____

Phone _____ I have skills in _____ I am a professional

in _____ I am not skilled, but will help with (circle) Yard cleanup, Project cleanup,

Painting, other _____.

Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

April 17, 2011

God greatly exalted [Christ]
and bestowed on him the name
which is above every name.

— *Philippians 2:9*



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

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.

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

Join us for The Men's Association Bus Trip to the Mets vs. LAA Game on June 19th - 1:10pm game time. \$85 p.p. includes; game ticket, luxury bus, movie, food & beverages on bus. Call Tony (860) 836-3064.

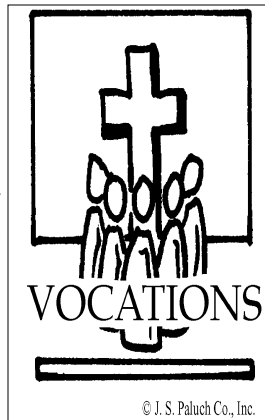
Fr. Al Fontana's Vacation Pilgrimage to Italy, Nov. 6th-15th -10 days/8 nights. Call St. Anthony, Bristol (860) 583-1349.

2011 Archbishop's Annual Appeal changes lives through service to the Lord. It is important that when you give to any charitable organization, you are confident that the funds are used wisely. Be assured that your gift to this Appeal only supports the ministries and programs indicated in the 2011 A. A. A. Literature (860) 243-3800 for information.



WEDDING BANNES
BRIAN ALMEIDA & DINA DiBACCO

Blest are they who come in the name of the Lord! Am I being called to proclaim Jesus as a priest, deacon, brother, or sister? Consider giving life through ministry as a priest, sister, or brother. 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.



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 not permitted, liquids, (milk/juices), allowed.

Corpus Christi School Fundraiser: Pasta Dinner - 5/21, 4:30-7pm at Our Lady's Hall, (basement Corpus Christi). \$10 adults & \$25 per fam. Tickets at door. Sponsored by Weth. Knights. Call Mike (860) 874-2922.

BAPTISMS

JULIAN MICHAEL INFANTINO
JACOB REIS FISHER

HOSANNA!

“Hosanna to the Son of David; blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord; hosanna in the highest” (Matthew 21:9). With these words the Church enters the holiest of weeks, commemorating the passion, death, and resurrection of Christ. When the people of Jerusalem cried out with their “hosannas,” they were using an ancient Hebrew shout of acclamation that meant “Pray, save us.” The king to whom they were shouting eventually would save them, but in a way that would be far from what they expected. Salvation would come from the wood of the cross as Jesus hung there to bring freedom from sin and life through death, opening the gates of heaven for all who put their faith and trust in him.

TODAY'S READINGS

Gospel at the Procession with Palms — Jesus' entry into Jerusalem (Matthew 21:1-11).

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 Matthew (Matthew 26:14 — 27:66 [27:11-54]).

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; Earth Day
 Saturday: Holy Saturday; Vigil of Easter

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) Mt 28:1-10 Sunday: Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Ps 118; Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8; Jn 20:1-9 or Mt 28:1-10 or (at an afternoon or evening Mass) Lk 24:13-35.

FEAST OF FAITH The Liturgies of Holy Week

Holy Week is the culmination of the liturgical year. During these holy days, the liturgy will lead us, with Jesus, to the depths and to the heights.

It begins with a harsh juxtaposition, as we carry palms in remembrance of Christ's triumphant entry into Jerusalem and then listen to the Passion according to Matthew, as the King is handed over for crucifixion. Then, on Holy Thursday, we remember the night Jesus was handed over—the night he gave himself for us and to us, to live in our midst forever in the sacrament of his Body and Blood. On Good Friday, we touch with our hands the mystery of the Lord's cross, the instrument of torture that has become the tree of life. Then, at the great Easter Vigil, the lighting of the paschal candle speaks to us of the triumph of light over darkness, of life over death. The resurrection of the Lord becomes a living reality in our midst as the catechumens for whom the Church has prayed throughout Lent are plunged into the mystery of Christ's death and share in the glory of his resurrection. These are indeed holy days, the culmination of the Church's liturgy, and an invitation to participate in the very life of Christ. Come, let us worship.