

The Church of the Incarnation

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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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(860) 721-6595

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SATURDAY, APRIL 30TH

5:00pm - Joseph Pedemonti

SUNDAY, MAY 1ST

8:00am - For all our parishioners & benefactors

9:30am—Pauline Dolge

11:00am—Mary C. Finn

MONDAY, MAY 2ND

9:00am—Frank Carlino

TUESDAY, MAY 3RD

9:00am— Deceased members of the Carroll & Autenrith Families

WEDNESDAY, MAY 4TH

9:00am—For all our parishioners

THURSDAY, MAY 5TH

9:00am—Florence & Stephen Romaine

FRIDAY, MAY 6TH

9:00 am—Deceased members of the Gurrieri Family

SATURDAY, MAY 7TH

5:00 pm- Savino Civitillo, Nancy Civitillo & Michael Daly

SUNDAY, MAY 8TH

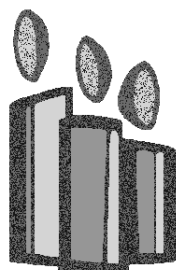
8:00 am—Maria D. Silva & Maria Loura

9:30 am—Antonietta & Giuseppe Leone & Angela Leone

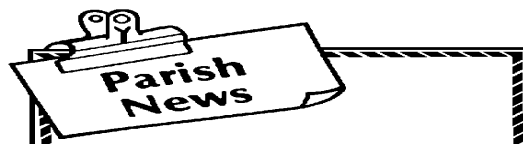
11:00 am—Peter LaCava

The Sanctuary Candle will burn from 5/2/2011 – 5/8/2011 in memory of Sophie Marinelli & Eleanor Mazzarella.

The Blessed Virgin Mary Candle will burn from 5/2/2011—5/8/2011 in memory of Lillian Gogulski.



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Women’s Club Communion Breakfast, May 1st, 12noon-Rocky Hill Marriott, 100 Capital Blvd., R Hill. See you there!

The Women’s Club cooking team will meet this Monday, May 2nd from 1-3pm in Fr. Crawford Hall.

The Employment Support Group will meet this Tuesday, May 3rd at 9:30am in Fr. Crawford Hall. Please join us if you are in need of employment.

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.

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



The Mother’s Day Rose Sale will be held on Saturday, May 7th and Sunday, May 8th after all the Masses. Roses will be sold at a cost of \$5.00 each.

Thank you.

The May Crowning will held Sunday, May 8th at the 9:30am Mass. First Communion children will process and we welcome all children to process. Please call Noranne Wamester at (860) 529-6765.



The Holy Sacrament of First Communion will be held next Saturday, May 7th at 10am. Rehearsal for those children receiving on May 7th will be held this Wednesday, May 4th and Friday, May 6th both from 3:30-5pm in Fr. Crawford Hall. Both rehearsals are mandatory.



The final session of Children's Liturgy of the Word for the Summer Break will be held next Sunday, at the 9:30am Mass.

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.

The Church of the Incarnation Parish Family is very proud to welcome, Natasha Costardo, into the fuller community of Incarnation Church. Natasha was baptized, received First Eucharist and was Confirmed at our Easter Vigil Services.

Divine Mercy Sunday is Sunday, May 1st. Fr. Ed from My Father's House, in Moodus, CT., will offer the Divine Mercy Chaplet, a talk, discussion & refreshments at 1:30pm with a film on Mercy beginning at 3:15pm. Call Dottie or Joanie at (860) 873-1906.

A Family Perspective... *"Whose sins you forgive, are forgiven" means that grudges we carry only make us miserable. The Kingdom of God begins in your home where children learn the paths to peace promised in today's gospel through mercy and forgiveness demonstrated by their parents.*

Stewardship Message.... *Jesus meets the need of each disciple. To the fearful in the upper room, He speaks words of peace. To doubting Thomas, He provided the tangible proof of His resurrection. What do I need to become His disciple? What do I have to share that might meet someone else's need?*

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

Position Opening: Administrator of Julie House in Windsor, CT. Licensed by the St. of CT, Julie House, a 19-bed residence, is sponsored by the CT Province of the Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur for its retired but independent members. This is a full-time position with salary and benefits. The Administrator's role will be to hire and supervise the staff, to provide a well-maintained building, to be present daily to the residents,, to insure a welcoming atmosphere for visitors and to provide reports to the state as needed. Send resume to Sr. Mary Rose Crowley at 468 Poquonock Avenue, Windsor, CT., 06095

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.

Thank you to all who donated to the Easter Collection last weekend.

HomeFront Day: Can you help repair the home of a needy family? We need You On Our Team on Saturday, May 7th. Rain Date is May 14th. 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 _____.

**Second Sunday of Easter
(Divine Mercy Sunday)**

May 1, 2011

“Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed.” — *John 20:29b*



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Save the date: A Christian Perspective on Islam. On Wednesday, June 1, from 7pm-8:30pm, in Fr. Crawford Hall, Rebecca Feaster Pittman, a former parishioner and lector at Incarnation will offer a presentation on Islam intended to provide basic information about the Islamic Faith. Americans often know little or nothing about Islam and what little is known is sometimes restricted to news reports. Many are surprised that the vast majority of Muslims are not Arab, that Allah is very much the “One God”, that Christians and Jews believe in and that Muslims accept the Old and New Testaments as holy books and have high regard for both Moses and Jesus. All are welcome to attend this informative presentation.

The Men's Association Steak Night: Wednesday, May 18th at 6:30pm in Fr. Crawford Hall. This year's guest speaker is Jim Halloran from Putman, who will discuss Market Outlooks for 2011. We welcome Men's Association Members and Prospective Members. Call Bill Carroll for reservations at (860) 667-4947 by May 17th. \$25 p. p. Tickets sold at the door. **See pink flyers at doors.**

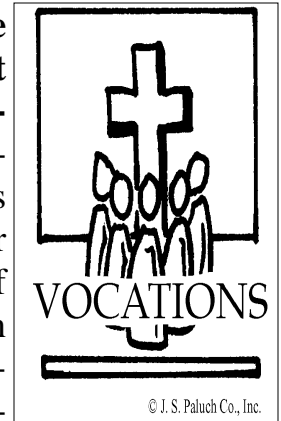
Join us for The Men's Association Bus Trip to the Mets vs. LAA Game on June 19th - 1:10pm game time. \$85 p.p. includes; game ticket, luxury bus, movie, food & beverages on bus. Call Tony (860) 836-3064.

On November 27, 2011, a new English translation of the Roman Missal will be used to celebrate Mass throughout the United States. At the beginning, our attention to some changes in the words of the prayers will offer us all an opportunity to "raise the bar" of our conscious participation in the Mass. The language of this translation is guaranteed to promote understanding of the action of Christ and the Church in the Liturgy. Check our parish bulletin in the months ahead to learn more about our preparations for the new Missal.

Corpus Christi School in Wethersfield is hosting an Open House on Tuesday, May 10th at 8:15am for incoming first grade students for the 2011/2012 school year.

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.

Blessed are they who have not seen yet believe. What will it take for me to respond to priesthood or religious life. To respond to this call from God, 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.



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

The Archbishop's Annual Appeal supports many important ministries and programs. Gifts are allocated towards religious education programs, youth ministries, local charities, the education of our seminarians, our retired clergy, our Catholic schools and all of the services provided by the Archdiocese, far too many more to list here. If you have not yet made your gift or pledge, please pray about your decision and consider making a pledge or one-time gift. Join us, your Catholic community, as we share our blessings and join in The Miracle of Sharing.

BELLA ITALIA 2011.....Italian getaway to Verona, Modena, Florence, Cinque Terre National Park, Rome, Pompeii and Sorrento. Fr. John Gatzak of the Office of Radio & Television and WJMJ Radio of the Archdiocese of Hartford invites you on an Italian Tour, September 5-18, 2011 for 14 days/12 nights. Call Joan at (203) 758-7367 for more information.

GET REAL!

Those of us who flatter ourselves that we have a “realistic” view of the world may listen to the first reading today and say, “Get real!” when we hear Luke’s account of the early, Elysian days of the Christian movement. All seems to be rosy, lots of wonders are performed, everyone shares selflessly, they eat together in “exultation,” and the Lord added to their numbers? Well, who wouldn’t be attracted to a group like this? From the wind that swept through the upper room at Pentecost as the Spirit of God blew over the face of the waters in Genesis, and the fire that appeared over each disciple as the light appeared at the dawn of creation, Luke’s intent in Acts is to show a new creation, a restoration of creation’s original goodness through the working of the Holy Spirit. It is the Spirit who continues to make us into the Body of Christ. We may occasionally, like Thomas in the Gospel, say, “Get real!” but our ultimate reality in the Spirit is to work continually to make our Christian community a new creation, one in which others will find God’s joy and beauty.

TODAY’S READINGS

First Reading — All who believed were devoted to the teachings of the apostles, the communal life, the breaking of the bread, and prayer (Acts 2:42-47).

Psalms — Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting (Psalm 118).

Second Reading — God has given us an undiminished inheritance, safeguarded for us in heaven (1 Peter 1:3-9).

Gospel — The risen Christ comes to his disciples with peace and the Spirit. The absent Thomas doubts (John 20:19-31).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 4:23-31; Jn 3:1-8

Tuesday: 1 Cor 15:1-8; Jn 14:6-14

Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26; Jn 3:16-21

Thursday: Acts 5:27-33; Jn 3:31-36

Friday: Acts 5:34-42; Jn 6:1-15

Saturday: Acts 6:1-7; Jn 6:16-21

Sunday: Acts 2:14, 22-33; Ps 16; 1 Pt 1:17-21; Lk 24:13-35

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Second Sunday of Easter;
Divine Mercy Sunday;
Holocaust Remembrance Day

Monday: St. Athanasius

Tuesday: Ss. Philip and James

Thursday: Cinco de Mayo

Friday: First Friday; National Day of Prayer

Saturday: First Saturday

FEAST OF FAITH**The Homily**

The ambo, or pulpit, is a special place—it is the place for God’s word. That is why it is not used for all the spoken words of the Mass, even important words like the collects and the blessing. The ambo is only used for the scripture readings, and for the homily and the prayer of the faithful.

The homily is part of the Liturgy of the Word. It flows from the readings we have just heard, and helps us to understand the way in which God is speaking to us today. The homily is not a lecture, a catechism lesson, or a speech. It is more like an exhortation; it has an urgency about it, for it calls us to find ourselves in the scripture, to live the faith we profess, to see our world by the light of the Gospel. The homily, in itself a response to God’s word, demands a response from us. There are many styles of preaching and many ways to respond to the scriptures. But whether the homily is weak or strong, an open ear and an open heart can find in it an abundance of spiritual nourishment.