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**SATURDAY, MAY 28TH**

5:00pm - Thomas & Mary
Scully

SUNDAY, MAY 29TH

8:00am - In memory of
Concetta & Lucy Berritta

9:30am—Mike & Rose Casparino

11:00am—Arthur Dubois

MONDAY, MAY 30TH

9:00am— Francesco & Concetta Ficocelli

TUESDAY, MAY 31ST

9:00am— Deceased members of the
Mucumeci & Gaetano Families

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 1ST

9:00am—Maria & Silvino Chiulli

ASCENSION THURSDAY,**JUNE 2ND**

9:00am—For all our parishioners

5:30pm- In memory of Margaret, William
P. & William J. Montanile

FRIDAY, JUNE 3RD

9:00 am—For all our parishioners

SATURDAY, JUNE 4TH

5:00 pm-Raphael J. Vignone

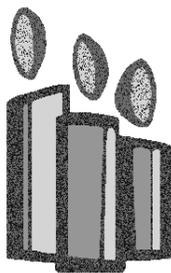
SUNDAY, JUNE 5TH

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

9:30 am—Margaret, James Sr. & James
Parisi Jr.

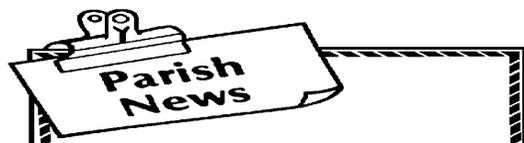
11:00 am—Shirley Carrier

The Sanctuary Candle will
burn from 5/30/2011 –
6/5/2011 in memory of
Angeline Samperi.



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**The Blessed Virgin Mary
Candle** will burn from
5/30/2011—6/5/2011 in
memory of James Coughlin.



**The Second Collection next weekend will
be the Catholic Relief Services Collection.**

This Collection supports six Catholic agencies benefiting millions of displaced, and impoverished families and individuals around the world. From direct humanitarian services to helping victims of human trafficking and working to reunify families, the funds from this Collection make a real difference in lives across the globe. How will you help? Please support the Catholic Relief Services Collection and Jesus in disguise. Thank you!

**The rectory will be closed this Monday,
May 30th in Honor of Memorial Day.**
Emergency calls only please. Thank you.

**The Employment Support Group will meet
this Tuesday, May 31st at 9:30am in Fr.
Crawford Hall.** If you or someone you know
is in need of employment, please join us!

**A Christian Perspective on Islam...will be
held this Wednesday, June 1st at 7pm. See
page three of this bulletin for details.....**

**This Thursday, June 2nd is The
Ascension of the Lord, A Holy
Day of Obligation.** Masses will
ASCENSION be held at 9am and 5:30pm.

Friday, 6/3 is the First Friday in June.
Mass will be at 9am with Vocations Holy
Hour at 9:30am in the Chapel. Join us!



Faith Formation (Religious Education) formally begins in First Grade. First Communion preparation begins in First Grade. The Kindergarten program “Little Lambs” begins in October and is an optional program. **Grade 9 students** (as of Sept. 2011) will receive an invitation in Oct. for the Sacrament of Confirmation.



The Incarnation Social Action Committee will sponsor a collection for the Town of Wethersfield Food Bank the weekend of June 25th & 26th. 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 so much for caring!!

Hospital Visits: If you or a loved one is admitted to the hospital, please inform the hospital staff that you are a member of the Church of the Incarnation. Due to the privacy laws, it is very difficult to decipher those patients who are parishioners and would like a visit by a priest. Thank you for your help and understanding.

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 most informative presentation. Rebecca is a former Associated Press reporter who was stationed in Bahrain. The presentation that she will share with us is the same briefing that was given to State Department Employees. She received her Masters of International Public Policy from the School of Advanced International Studies at Johns Hopkins University where she focused on Arab Studies. She also completed her fellowship at Boston University’s School of Divinity on Religion and Globalization. Please join us for refreshments following the presentation in Fr. Crawford Hall.

We welcome the Eighth Grade Graduation Class of St. Gabriel’s School to their Retreat on Thursday, June 2nd. They will join us for Mass at 9am to begin their retreat.

Thank you to all who donated to the 2011 Archbishop's Annual Appeal last weekend.

A Family Perspective...In today's gospel Jesus prepared his disciples for his departure. Family life is a series of departures. As we mature and grow older we constantly transition from our families.

Stewardship Message...Those who obey the commandments, Jesus says in today's Gospel, are the ones who really love him. Does my stewardship reveal my love for Jesus?

**Sixth Sunday of Easter
May 29, 2011**

"I will ask the Father,
and he will give you . . . the Spirit of truth."
— *John 14:16-17*



The Archdiocesan Office for Catholic Social Justice Ministry will host the Second Annual Bishop Peter Rosazza Social Justice Conference, "Rooted in Faith: Building One Human Family" to be held on Saturday, June 11, 2011 from 9-3pm at St. Paul Catholic High School in Bristol. The Conference will feature a keynote address by well-known international justice and peace spokesperson, Dr. Stephen Colecchi, and twenty workshops on current social justice topics. The conference fee of \$40 includes continental breakfast, lunch and materials. Call (203) 777-7279 for more information.



WEDDING BANNS

Vincent Giarratana & Stefanie Aglieco

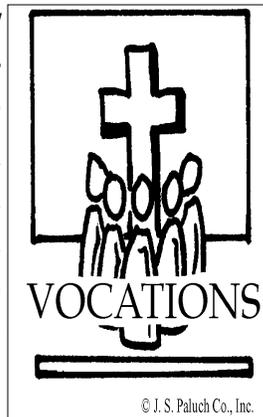
Timothy Sliva & Lindsay Campanello

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. "Did the U.S.A. need a new Missal?" It all began in 2002 when a new Roman Missal, 3rd edition, was published in Latin for the Roman Rite. This Latin missal was given to all of us and is called the *editio typica*, meaning that it is the original or source document for all Roman Missals, whatever the language. Once a new edition of the Latin Missal has been published, the bishops must direct the translation of the Missal into their own language. The 2011 English Roman Missal, that will replace the missal now in use, is our translation of the 2002 3rd edition of the *Missale Romanum*. At the beginning, our attention to some changes in the words of the prayers will offer us all an opportunity to improve 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.

Lay Ministry Class: Would you like to serve your parish in a more effective way and deepen your own faith life at the same time? If your answer is "yes", then perhaps God is inviting you to be a lay minister. Call Mary Marsan, at (860) 243-9465. A new class begins in September 2011.

If you love me you will hold to my words and my Father will love you and will come to you. Where does God come to you? If you feel you are being called to a vocation to the priest hood 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.



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

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



East Catholic High School will sponsor a Summer Carnival on June 15th through June 18th. There will be rides, food, fun, games for the whole family with free admission! Advance discounted ride tickets will be available after Memorial Day. A Cow Chip Raffle will also be held on Saturday, June 18th with \$3,500 in cash prizes and a Chili-Cook Off! Call Sarah at (860) 649-5336 Ext. 234.

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THE REASON FOR OUR HOPE

“What is the reason for your hope?” Imagine somebody coming up to you and asking you that question. Not “What are you hoping for?” or “What are you hoping to do?” No, this isn’t about our desires for possessions or aspirations for life, it’s “Why do you hope?” Peter today tells us that we ought to be ready to give an answer to this question. Truth be told, few of us spend much time thinking about why we hope. Luckily, the scriptures today give us our answers. We hope because Christ suffered for us, in order that we might come to God. We hope because we know that, in the Spirit, God grants us another Advocate through Christ to remain with us always. No matter what we might hope for, whatever we might hope to do, we must always first know and proclaim the reason for our hope: the presence of God in Christ, with us through the power of the Spirit.

TODAY’S READINGS

First Reading — The people of Samaria accepted the word of God preached by Philip; they received the Holy Spirit (Acts 8:5-8, 14-17).

Psalm — Let all the earth cry out to God with joy (Psalm 66).

Second Reading — Act with gentleness and reverence toward all, so that when you are maligned those who defame you will be the ones put to shame (1 Peter 3:15-18) *or* 1 Peter 4:13-16.

Gospel — I will not leave you orphans, but will come to you (John 14:15-21) *or* John 17:1-11a.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 16:11-15; Jn 15:26 — 16:4a

Tuesday: Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16; Lk 1:39-56

Wednesday: Acts 17:15, 22 — 18:1; Jn 16:12-15

Thursday: Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47; Eph 1:17-23; Mt 28:16-20 (for Ascension); otherwise Acts 18:1-8; Jn 16:16-20

Friday: Acts 18:9-18; Jn 16:20-23

Saturday: Acts 18:23-28; Jn 16:23b-28

Sunday: Acts 1:12-14; Ps 27; 1 Pt 4:13-16; Jn 17:1-11a; or (for Ascension) Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47; Eph 1:17-23; Mt 28:16-20

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Sixth Sunday of Easter
 Monday: Memorial Day
 Tuesday: Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
 Wednesday: St. Justin
 Thursday: The Ascension of the Lord
 (unless transferred to Sunday)
 Friday: St. Charles Lwanga and His
 Companions; First Friday
 Saturday: First Saturday

FEAST OF FAITH The Collection: A Privilege

As the altar is prepared for the celebration of the Eucharist, the collection is taken up. In the early church, this part of the Mass must have been something to behold, as the people suddenly began to move, bringing forward to the deacons and priests freshly-baked bread and fine wine. Then, after the Eucharistic Prayer, that same community came forward again in the Communion procession, and they received back the very gifts they had given, now transformed into something infinitely more precious than bread and wine: the very Body and Blood of Christ.

Beginning around the eleventh century, it became the custom for people to present money instead of bread and wine, and the procession of the faithful gradually disappeared (it survives in the liturgy of Holy Thursday). But the meaning is the same. We continue to bring the fruit of our labors and to offer them freely to God. And God continues to transform them into Christ. It is through our generous sharing of time, talent, and treasure that our parishes can preach the gospel, reach out to the sick and the imprisoned, and celebrate the sacraments.

MEMORIAL DAY

They fell, but o’er their glorious
 grave
 Floats free the banner of the
 cause they died to save.



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—Francis Marion Crawford