

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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MASS INTENTIONS



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SAT., FEBRUARY 4TH
5pm-Judith Skinner Curcio
& Robert John Skinner

SUN., FEBRUARY 5TH

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

9:30am-Deceased members of the Lepore
Family

11:00am—Jennie Cusano

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6TH

9:00am—For all our parishioners

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 7TH

9:00am— Maria Interlandi & Sebastian
Interlandi

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 8TH

9:00am—Alyre, Helen & Stella Leger

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 9TH

9:00am—In Thanksgiving to Our Lady of
Lourdes & St. Anthony

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 10TH

9:00 am-Deceased members of the
Bailardo & Fanelli Families

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 11TH

5:00 pm-Deceased members of the
Bonaquisto & Martino Families

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 12TH

8:00 am- Deceased members of the
Harrington & Campittello Families

9:30 am—Welcome DiCicco

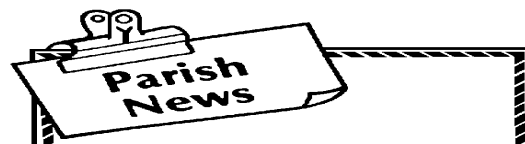
11:00am— Beth Kempf & The Deceased
members of the Phillips & Burgie Families

The Sanctuary Candle will
burn from 1/30/2012 –
2/5/2012 in memory of the
Deceased members of the
Viotto, Fischialleti & Vaughn
Families.

The Blessed Virgin Mary Candle will
burn from 1/30/2012—2/5/2012 in
memory of Josephine Oliveri.



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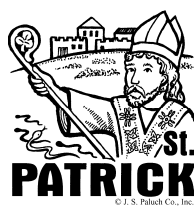


The Incarnation Women's Club cooking team will cook this Monday, February 6th from 1-3pm in the kitchen of Fr. Crawford Hall. These women cook meals for the residents of Tabor House and Mercy House.

The Church of the Incarnation Employment Support Group meets the 1st/3rd Tuesday of the month at 9:30am in Fr. Crawford Hall. If you or someone you know is in need of employment, attend a meeting. Please bring your resume. Next meeting Tues., Feb 7th.

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

The Second collection next weekend will be the monthly collection.



PATRICK
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St. Patrick's Dinner to be held on Monday, March 12th 2012, Fr. Crawford Hall – 6:30 p.m.

Get your family and friends together for a night of delicious food, fun and friends. You will not be disappointed. Home cooked Corned beef, cabbage, carrots & potatoes, Irish Soda Bread, Coffee and Dessert. \$13.00 per person. Limited seating so make your reservations early as this event sells out quickly. Call Michele Kalousdian at 563-0860 to reserve. Make checks payable to "The Church of the Incarnation" and mail to Michele at 154 Griswold Road, Wethersfield. Reservation deadline - February 29th.



We extend a warm welcome to a parent representative from Corpus Christi School who will speak to us after all of the Masses today.

Children's Liturgy of the Word will be held this Sunday at the 9:30am Mass. We thank our presiders Lisa Brady and Steve Ellis. A special thanks to the Bahouth Family for hosting the refreshments this weekend. Please join us for juice and munchkins in the Fr. Crawford Hall after the 9:30am Mass!

Young People of Faith will meet at the home of Mrs. Noranne Wamester on Sunday, February 5th 2012 at 12 noon. Our Theme is "A Wing and a Prayer." In celebration of Super Bowl Sunday we will be serving wings. All high school and college students are invited. Please call the Faith Formation Office for more information (860) 529-2533.

Faith Formation for Grades 7 & 8 will be held this week in Fr. Crawford Hall. Grade 8 will meet on Tuesday from 6:30-8pm. Grade 7 will meet on Wednesday from 6:30-8pm. The afternoon sessions will be held from 3-4:30pm in Fr. Crawford Hall.

Faith Formation for Grades K-6 will be held at Emerson-Williams on Sat., February 11th. Parish Family Home Communities will meet at their scheduled times.

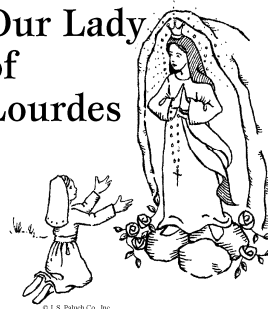
New Day a bereavement support program will begin once again on Monday, February 13th at 1pm in Fr. Crawford Hall. Please call Noranne Wamester at (860) 529-2533.

The Church of the Incarnation awards two scholarships annually for parishioners entering area Catholic High Schools. The deadline to submit applications is April 1st. Please call Noranne Wamester for more information or for an application at 529-6765.

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

We are still in need of Children's Liturgy of the Word refreshment hosts for the following Sundays; February 19th, April 29th and May 6th. If you would be willing to host the juice and munchkins please call Audrey at the rectory at (860) 529-2533 for complete and easy instructions. Thank you!!

Our Lady
of
Lourdes



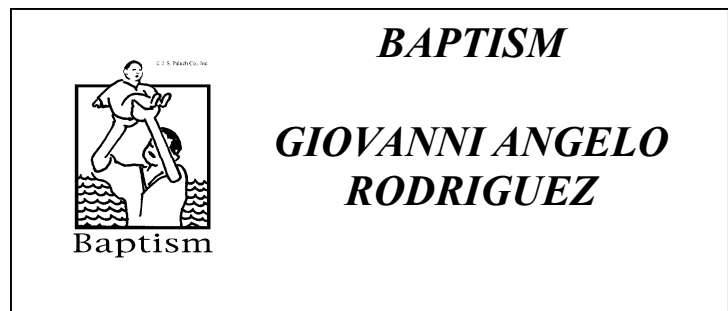
Stewardship Message: Like St. Paul in the second reading, the good steward can say, "I do all that I do for the sake of the Gospel in the hope of sharing in its blessings." See 1 Corinthians, 9:23.

Incarnation Men's Retreat, February 24-26th....Why go on retreat? To renew and re-charge our lives, to hope and to prepare for the future. This year's retreat theme The Courage to Hope: Finding God in All Things is about faith in the power of God and the courage to live that faith. Join us at the parish men's retreat at Holy Family Passionist Retreat Center in West Hartford. Rest, reflect on life, and renew your relationship with God, your family, and friends. Call John Ewaski at (860) 563-3887 or Bill Carroll at (860) 604-6793 or visit Holy Family's website at: <http://www.holyfamilyretreat.org>.

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
February 5, 2012
[The Lord] tells the number of the stars
and calls them by name.
— Psalm 147:4



We received this lovely thank you note from Chris Hinton MED ETT of the Us Air Force, Afghanistan.... His team received the care packages from Incarnation. "First off, I would like to thank everyone who sent packages to my team. The items were greatly appreciated and really provided us with a great Christmas. It's very heartwarming to know that folks back home care enough to take the time to send items to us. Especially during the holidays when everyone is focused on family. The items we received provided us with enough toiletries and snacks to keep us happy for awhile.. My team was very impressed with your efforts. It makes me proud to know that while we are out here doing the work we do, there are Americans thinking about us and taking the time to give!" Please see the narthex bulletin board for more heartfelt thank you notes from the soldiers.



“Project Baby Love” collection this weekend. Disposable diapers & wipes are requested. Thank you!

We continue our new Eucharistic Acclamation will be ‘We proclaim your death O Lord’ which can be found in your Missal. It is Hymn #912.

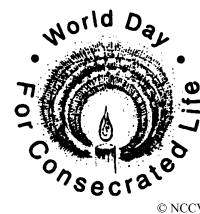
Thank you to the Grosso Family for their donation of the lovely statue of Mary, Our Lady of Grace. This Statue will be placed in the Butterfly Garden this Spring.

When visiting the rectory, there is a doorbell located on the brick wall. Please ring the bell so that we will hear you. Thank you!

Save the Date... Men’s Association Annual Baseball Trip to be held Sunday, June 3rd at 1pm. Cardinals vs. Mets at Citi Field. More details to follow on the Yankees trip. Call Antonio Colasacco at (860) 836-3064.

Wethersfield UNICO’s 33rd Annual World Famous Macaroni Dinner will be on Sunday, February 12th from 11:30am-4:30pm at the Wethersfield Community Center. Please join us for a delicious dinner of pasta with homemade sauce and meatballs, garlic bread, salad, soda, wine, coffee & ice cream. \$9.00 for adults and \$4 for children 12 & under. This is UNICO’S primary fundraiser for all their charitable activities. Call Morris at (860) 493-3546. See you there!

The 16th annual World Day for Consecrated Life will be observed this weekend in all parishes. This annual celebration was established by Pope John Paul II in 1997, to be marked each year on Feb. 2nd, the Feast of the Presentation. The U.S. Bishops voted to observe the occasion the weekend following the feast, to highlight men and women religious in consecrated life as part of weekend celebrations and to enable expressions of appreciation for the service of those who have chosen the consecrated life and to pray for an increase of vocations. Healing, reconciling and proclaiming good news: The tasks of Jesus, the tasks of the church. Does God call you to be a healer, reconciler, or proclaimer of good news? Consider a vocation to priesthood or religious life. Call Fr. Michael Dolan, Director of Vocations, Archdiocesan Center at St. Thomas Seminary, (860) 761-7456 or you may e-mail him at vocations@stseminary.org, or visit the web at www.vocationshartford.org.



The Blessing of the portrait of Reverend John F. Edwards will be rescheduled.



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THE GOOD NEWS

Today's readings begin with a few verses from the book of Job. First, Job complains that his nights drag on endlessly. Then, worse yet, "My days are swifter than a weaver's shuttle; / they come to an end without hope" (Job 7:6). Not exactly encouraging, these lamentations, not when taken alone.

Most of us have been there, though, and the antidote is the "good news" that Paul found so compelling that "an obligation has been imposed on me, and woe to me if I do not preach it!" (1 Corinthians 9:16). Paul felt driven to announce the gospel to as many people as possible, "to save at least some" (9:22).

This good news is the mystery of the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ, who lifted Simon Peter's mother-in-law from her sickbed with a mere touch of his hand. "The whole town was gathered at the door. He cured many who were sick with various diseases, and he drove out many demons" (Mark 1:33-34). Our woes and demons are as real as Job's, and Jesus is our savior.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Job spoke, saying: I have been assigned months of misery, and troubled nights have been allotted to me (Job 7:1-4, 6-7).

Psalms — Praise the Lord, who heals the broken-hearted (Psalm 147).

Second Reading — I have become all things to all, to save at least some (1 Corinthians 9:16-19, 22-23).

Gospel — Jesus cured many who were sick with various diseases (Mark 1:29-39).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13; Mk 6:53-56
 Tuesday: 1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30; Mk 7:1-13
 Wednesday: 1 Kgs 10:1-10; Mk 7:14-23
 Thursday: 1 Kgs 11:4-13; Mk 7:24-30
 Friday: 1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19; Mk 7:31-37
 Saturday: 1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34; Mk 8:1-10
 Sunday: Lv 13:1-2, 44-46; Ps 32;
 1 Cor 10:31 — 11:1; Mk 1:40-45

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time; World Day for Consecrated Life; Boy Scout Sunday

Monday: St. Paul Miki and Companions

Wednesday: St. Jerome Emiliani; St. Josephine Bakhita

Friday: St. Scholastica

Saturday: Our Lady of Lourdes; Blessed Virgin Mary; World Day of the Sick

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

The story of Job seems at first hearing to be an extension of February's gloom into the liturgy. The monumental suffering of a good man is so horrific that the laments of the front page of modern newspapers barely measure up. The whole story is not long to tell, but its resolution is of great comfort. We can trace in its plot the stirrings of a belief in an afterlife, and in God's great power to right every wrong and raise human beings from suffering.

In the Gospel, we see the fulfillment of these longings in the hand of Jesus, grasping an ill woman by the hand and raising her up to vibrant life. Peter's mother-in-law becomes her best self, attentive to her guests, providing hospitality, the warmth of her laughter, the delights of her kitchen. Last week, at Candlemas, candles were blessed, including baptismal candles for some not yet born. Today is a day to check the fragile flame of your own baptismal candle. Against February's customary lethargy, its background whines and ailments, the liturgy summons us to life, grasps us by the hand, and sends us to serve in Christ's name.

A BOOK TO READ

There is a great difference between the eager person who wants to read a book and the tired person who wants a book to read.

—G. K. Chesterton

HINDSIGHT

God's presence is not discerned at the time when it is upon us, but afterwards, when we look back.

—John Henry Newman