

# The Church of the Incarnation

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Lorissa Heath  
Rosanne Sweeney Gowdy  
Andrew Russo  
Heather Picard Bonney  
**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](http://www.thechurchoftheincarnation.com)

## Rectory Hours

9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

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# MASS INTENTIONS



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**SAT., MAY 12TH**

5pm- Joseph & Amelia  
Massed

**SUNDAY, MAY 13TH**

8:00 am-Maria Dias Silva & Maria Loura  
9:30am-In memory of Sophie, Carl & Tom  
Marinelli  
11:00am—Peter LaCava

**MONDAY, MAY 14TH**

9:00am—Deceased members of the Lepore  
Family

**TUESDAY, MAY 15TH**

9:00am—Deceased members of the Senatro &  
Karangekis Families

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 16TH**

9:00am—For all our parishioners

**ASCENSION THURSDAY, MAY 17TH**

9:00am—For all our parishioners

5:00 pm-Molly Camilleri

**FRIDAY, MAY 18TH**

9:00am-Vincenza Uccello

**SATURDAY, MAY 19TH**

5:00pm - Deceased members of the Hickey &  
Shea Families

**SUNDAY, MAY 20TH**

8:00am-Maria & Silvino Chuilli

9:30 am-Salvatore Genovese

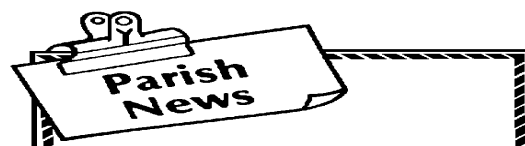
11:00am—Brian Heffernan

**The Sanctuary Candle** will  
burn from 5/14/2012—  
5/20/2012 in memory of  
Lillian Gogulski.



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**The Blessed Virgin Mary  
Candle** will burn from 5/14/2012—  
5/20/2012 in memory of Rose & Armando  
Barbieri.



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ANY E-MAILS FORWARDED FROM  
FR. MORAN.....THEY ARE A SCAM!**

**We gather together to  
honor all mothers,  
but most especially ours,  
on this Mother's Day...**

We will pray for her, pay  
tribute to her, spend time  
with her, or reflect on her  
life in heaven. Whether she  
was a birth mother, an adoptive mother,  
grandmother, aunt, cousin, or friend to us,  
this is the day we call to mind the gifts she  
has or had, that made her a woman who  
shared “unconditional love” as all mothers  
do. Wishing all moms a Blessed and Peace  
Filled Day!! Teach us to love as they have  
loved: with open arms, full hearts and unself-  
ish generosity. Sister Mauryeen O'Brien,  
O.P. From the Book Gentle Keeping  
The Second Collection this weekend is the  
monthly collection.



**Employment Support Group Tuesday,  
May 15th, 9:30am in Fr. Crawford Hall.**

**Men's Assoc. STEAK NIGHT Tuesday,  
May 15th.** Refreshments - 6pm, dinner at  
6:30pm, Fr. Crawford Hall. Guest Speaker is  
Jean Berquist from Jefferson House in New-  
ington, who will discuss building a healthy  
plate. For Men's Assoc. members & prospec-  
tive members. Call Bill Carroll (860) 667-  
4947 by 5/14. \$25.00 p.p. Pay at the door.



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**Thank you** to Maura Buyak and Anne Camilliere for facilitating such a beautiful First Communion Celebration last Saturday.

**Thank you for Homefront Day.....**On May 5th, about 40 parishioners from The Church of the Incarnation, Sacred heart, and Corpus Christi came together to participate in HomeFront Day. HomeFront, Inc. sponsors this project, where parishioners from all over the state participate to repair and fix up the home of a needy family. This year, we worked on a house in Glastonbury for a family of 10, to apply a new roof, paint several rooms, do carpentry and tile repairs, provide much needed electrical work, and other tasks. It was a huge undertaking, but thanks to the many wonderful, hard working volunteers from all 3 parishes, the job got done. Many thanks to those who provided the food and drinks for all of the volunteers. Special thanks to Gerry Gingras and Steve Coates who coordinated this project, to Sonny Senatro who assisted them, and to everyone who helped in any way. Your time and talents are very much appreciated for this very worthwhile project. God Bless you all!



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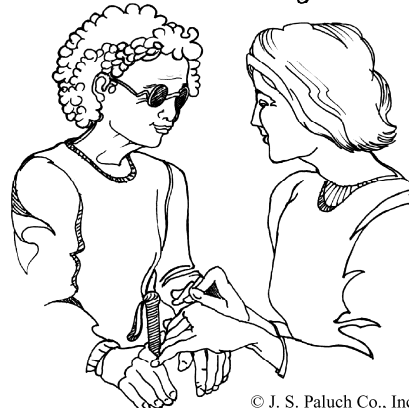
**This Thursday 5/17, is The Ascension of the Lord, a Holy Day of Obligation.** Our masses will be held at 9am and 5:30pm.

**We thank all the Faith Formation Communities** and parishioners who donated to our Congo outreach. We have collected \$2,158. which will guarantee 21 children the ability to attend Catholic School for one year in the Diocese of Kikwit in the Congo.

**Registration letters have been mailed out.** Extra forms may be downloaded from our website. One registration form per child. Any new child not baptized at the Church of the Incarnation must include a copy of their baptismal certificate with their application. Please highlight your form if there has been a change of address or any change.

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**Love one another  
as I love you**



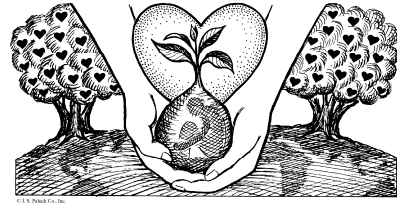
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**There will be a House of Bread collection next weekend. Coffee & sugar are needed. Thank you.**

**Sixth Sunday of Easter  
May 13, 2012**

It was not you who chose me, but I who chose you  
and appointed you to go and bear fruit.

— *John 15:16*



**You are invited!! 50th Anniversary Mass for the consecration of the Cathedral of St. Joseph. May 20th at 3pm 140 Farmington Avenue.....in Hartford. Join Archbishop Henry J. Mansell as he celebrates the Golden Anniversary of our Mother Church. Reception to follow.**

**The Knights of Columbus will sponsor an Evening of Enrichment on Wednesday, May 23rd from 7:30-9pm in Fr. Crawford Hall. Peter Wolfgang, Executive Director of Family Institute of Connecticut will speak about the H.H.S. Mandate and what Catholics can do. Everyone is invited. More information to follow.**

**Defending Our Religious Liberty #11....**The Ad Hoc Committee on Religious Liberty of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) has published a document, "Our First, Most Cherished Freedom," urging the clergy and laity to work to protect the First Freedom in our Bill of Rights. The document can be found at: [usccb.org/issues-and-action/religious-liberty/our-first-most-cherished-liberty.cfm](http://usccb.org/issues-and-action/religious-liberty/our-first-most-cherished-liberty.cfm). Please contact the offices of your Congressional Representatives and U.S. Senators to express your opposition to the federal healthcare mandate. For addresses and phone numbers, please visit:

[www.ctcatholic.org](http://www.ctcatholic.org) or [www.archdioceseofhartford.org](http://www.archdioceseofhartford.org).

**Thank you to our parish families who have made a gift or pledge commitment to the 2012 Archbishop's Annual Appeal.** Next weekend is Commitment Weekend! All parishioners will have the opportunity to make a pledge to the A.A.A. Visit [www.archdioceseofhartford.org](http://www.archdioceseofhartford.org). for more information. There are extra letters at all entrances of the church. Thank you!



**The Second Collection next weekend will be the Catholic Communications Campaign.** This Collection communicates the Good News through Catholic social media activities and enriches our faith through podcasts, television, radio, and print media. Half of all proceeds remain in our (arch) diocese, so please be generous to this Collection. CCC is how the Good News gets around to you.

**There will be a Parish Council meeting next Sunday, May 20th at 7pm in Fr. Crawford Hall.**

**Men's Association Annual Baseball Trip:** Sunday June 3rd 2012, Cardinals vs. Mets at Citi field - Price \$80 p.p. includes luxury bus, food, beverages, movie, game ticket. Call Tony Colasacco (860) 836-3064 to reserve. We were unable to secure Yankees tickets this year, therefore the Mets Game will be the only baseball outing this year. Thank you.

**The Catholic Cemeteries Association of the Archdiocese of Hartford...** Choosing a family cemetery lot is inevitable. Instead of leaving this decision to a loved one, a friend or perhaps even a stranger, why not make this a family decision now? For a limited time all Catholic families have the opportunity to purchase pre-need graves with upright monument rights or shrine graves with interest-free installment payments up to 4 years at Holy Cross Cemetery in Glastonbury, St. Mary Cemetery in East Hartford and St. James & St. Bridget Cemeteries in Manchester. Please call St. James Cemetery in Manchester at (860) 646-3772 until May 15th.

**As the Father has loved me so I have loved you. Live on in my love. Bask in the love of God: ask how to respond. Pray for an increase in vocations to priesthood and religious life. To discern a vocation to priesthood or religious life, as a priest or religious, call Fr. Michael Dolan, Director of Vocations, Archdiocesan Center at St. Thomas Seminary, (860) 761-7456 or e-mail him at vocations@stseminary.org, or visit the web at [www.vocationshartford.org](http://www.vocationshartford.org).**

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

#### **DEEP DEBT**

All that I am or hope to be, I owe to my angel mother. Attributed to Abraham Lincoln

#### **MOTHER**

Mother is the name for God in the lips and hearts of little children.

—William Makepeace Thackeray



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## THE PRESENCE OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

We have a unique episode in the Acts of the Apostles today. A whole roomful of people are baptized with the Holy Spirit before they are baptized with water! The verb used—"the Holy Spirit 'fell' on them" (Acts 10:44)—is characteristic of the way the Spirit works throughout the book of Acts: powerful and surprising. Though this "baptism" is not the normative way the New Testament describes baptism, it is still a good reminder today that the Holy Spirit is not controlled by whether or not we pour water, but rather that our sacramental signs reveal the presence of the Spirit at work among us. And we have a double reinforcement of how this work is accomplished from a Letter and a Gospel bearing John's name. It is love, self-sacrificing and self-giving love, that manifests the Spirit of Jesus in our midst. It is love that is the greatest of commandments. The Spirit is manifested equally through those who live in that love.

## TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — The gift of the Holy Spirit was poured out on the Gentiles also (Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48).

**Psalm** — The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power (Psalm 98).

**Second Reading** — Let us love one another, because love is of God (1 John 4:7-10) *or* 1 John 4:11-16.

**Gospel** — This is my commandment: love one another as I love you (John 15:9-17) *or* Jn 17:11b-19.

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 1:15-17, 20-26; Jn 15:9-17

Tuesday: Acts 16:22-34; Jn 16:5-11

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

Thursday: Acts 1:1-11; Eph 1:17-23 *or* Eph 4:1-13 [1-7, 11-13]; Mk 16:15-20 (for Ascension);  
or 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 1:15-17, 20a, 20c-26; Ps 103;  
1 Jn 4:11-16; Jn 17:11b-19 *or* for Ascension  
Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47; Eph 1:17-23 *or*  
Eph 4:1-13 [1-7, 11-13]; Mk 16:15-20

## SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: 6th Sunday of Easter; Mother's Day

Monday: St. Matthias

Tuesday: St. Isidore

Thursday: The Ascension of the Lord  
(unless transferred to Sunday)

Friday: St. John I

Saturday: Armed Forces Day

## TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Just as the origins of Lent have to do with accompanying people in the final stages of preparation for baptism at Eastertime, so does the structure of the Easter season help the newly received Catholics take root in the community. This is the season of "mystagogy," which means "reflection on the mysteries." This means that new Catholics are remembering the sacraments by which they become one with us, and are sorting out the implications for their everyday life. They can understand the excitement of Cornelius and his family in the first reading, filled with the Holy Spirit, and so eager to begin their new life that they overwhelm St. Peter. The second reading and the Gospel today likewise help our new brothers and sisters explore their new life as an experience of God's tender love.

Long ago, our tradition named these newly baptized adults and children the "neophytes," from Greek words meaning "newly planted." Newly planted in the garden of faith, they look to us to provide the fertile soil in which their new life can take root and grow. You can help. If you have "neophytes" in your parish, a card or note of welcome, or warm words of congratulation, are still timely. It's Easter!