

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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(860) 529-2533

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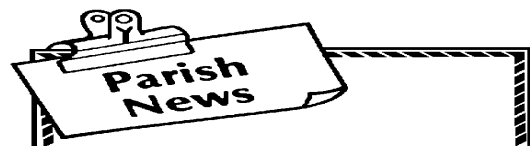
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**SATURDAY,
AUGUST 18TH**
5pm- Shirley Graham
SUNDAY,



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AUGUST 19TH

8:00 am-Eleanor Mazzarella
9:30am-Anthony & Emelia Camilliere
11:00am—Dr. John Arcari

MONDAY, AUGUST 20TH

9:00am- David Dolge

TUESDAY, AUGUST 21ST

9:00am- Deceased members of the Spellacy
and Prout Families

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 22ND

9:00am—Shirley Carrier

THURSDAY, AUGUST 23RD

9:00am—Mark Rioux and Robert Ensign Sr.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 24TH

9:00am- For all our parishioners

SATURDAY, AUGUST 25TH

5:00pm - George & Sally D'Esopo

SUNDAY, AUGUST 26TH

8:00am- Thomas Sullivan
9:30 am-Cosimo, Jennie & Joseph Rizzo
11:00am—Maurice Bottum

The Sanctuary Candle will
burn from 8/20/2012—
8/26/2012 in memory of
Wladyslawa Skrzyaniarz.



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**The Blessed Virgin Mary
Candle** will burn from 8/20/2012—
8/26/2012 in memory of Helen, Anna &
Jacob Kutyla.

There is a House of Bread collection this weekend. Coffee & sugar are requested, as well as powdered drink mixes. Thank you.

Employment Support Group will meet on Tuesday, August 21st at 9:30am in Fr. Crawford Hall.

The Men's Association will sponsor the Incarnation Parish Family Picnic next Sunday, August 26th, from 1 - 4 p.m. Come enjoy hot dogs, hamburgers, cheeseburgers and grilled onions & peppers. An array of summer salads will be provided thanks to the women of Incarnation parish. Pony rides and a moon bounce will be available for the kids. Seating will be outdoors and in the air-conditioned Father Crawford Hall. Around 3:00 p.m. home made desserts, also from the women of the parish, and a make your own ice cream sundae bar will be offered. Tickets will be on sale the day of the event at the door only. Volunteers needed to set up/clean up. Call Audrey at the rectory at (860) 529-2533 to volunteer.

The Sacrament of Confirmation will be administered at Incarnation on Tuesday, October 30th at 7pm with a Mass. Archbishop Henry J. Mansell will preside.



There are still many families that have not registered for Faith Formation for the 2012-2013 season. We must assume that your child/(ren) will not return. Class lists will not include your child's name unless you are registered.

It is not too early to pray about becoming a catechist for our elementary/middle school program. Sharing our faith with our children and teens is indeed a wonderful ministry. Please call Noranne Wamester for information at (860) 529-6765. The Kindergarten program "Little Lambs" begins the last Saturday in October at Emerson-Williams School and is optional.

A Vision for Confirmation 2013

"Since the days of the early church, Christians have realized that the spiritual journey is not meant to be walked alone. We find our way by walking with others who are guided by the same vision. A person who has a sense of direction and who can assist others in learning how to incorporate spiritual practices into daily life is called a mentor. Spiritual mentors can walk with others on the journey whether informally or as a sponsor in the RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) or for someone preparing for Confirmation. Just as a carpenter or a chef guides an apprentice into the craft, a spiritual mentor can guide others into the way of life known as Catholicism." (Practice Makes Catholic, Moving from a Learned Faith to a Lived Faith. Joe Paprocki)

The process of preparing for Confirmation begins in 7th and 8th grades and culminates in the fall of 10th grade. The Confirmandi are then welcomed into the fuller membership of the Church. The model for this preparation at the Church of the Incarnation has not changed in many years and it is now ready to launch a new vision for our youth entering the 9th grade.

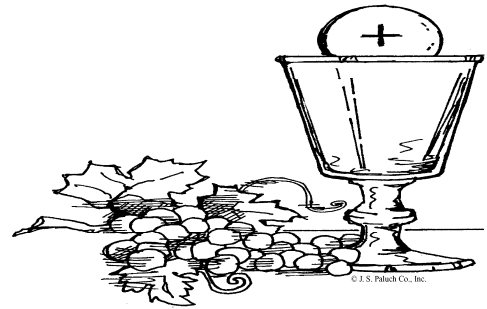
I am inviting you to pray about becoming a spiritual mentor for our Confirmation Community. I am seeking 12 mentors to walk with 7 candidates. We would gather monthly for the 11:00am Mass and then meet in Father Crawford Hall for refreshments. A teaching would follow and each mentor would meet with your seven young people. The session would end at 2:00pm. The twelve disciples and the seven gifts of the Holy Spirit inspired the numbers. All mentors will receive a background check and will be required to attend a Virtus training course, as we are in compliance with the Archdiocese of Hartford for the protection of God's children. College age students are welcome, and parishioners of all ages who share this vision and desire to be a mentor are welcome. There will be a period of training before we begin in November. Please pray about this vision and seek the Lord's guidance in answering this call.

Please contact Noranne Wamester at (860) 529-6765.

Defending our Religious LibertyReligious freedom will depend on how deeply we believe in it and our willingness to fight for it. We must be continually reminded that religious freedom is an empty shell if the spiritual core of a people is weak. If people don't believe in God, religious liberty isn't a value. We must express and act on our religious convictions. If you haven't already, please contact the office of your Congressional Representatives and United States Senators to express your opposition to the federal healthcare mandate. For addresses and phone numbers, please visit www.ctcatholic.org or www.archdioceseofhartford.org.

**Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 19, 2012**

Unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man
and drink his blood, you do not have life within you.
— *John 6:53*



**The Archdiocese of Hartford is participating in the
40 Days for Life campaign from:
September 28th - November 6th.**

Our community is part of the largest and longest coordinated pro-life mobilization in history -- the 40 Days for Life campaign. We are blessed to begin our fourth year in the campaign. **All denominations** are welcome to join the prayerful vigil in Hartford. *40 Days for Life* is a focused pro-life effort that consists of:

- 40 days of prayer and fasting
- 40 days of peaceful vigil
- 40 days of community outreach

We are praying that, with God's help, this groundbreaking effort will mark the beginning of the end of abortion in our city -- and throughout America.

Corpus Christi Women's Club invites you to New York City for the Radio City Christmas Spectacular, Thursday, December 6th. \$110.00 p.p. includes round trip transportation and ticket to the 2pm show. See flyers in the Narthex. This bus trip is not a fundraiser. The Women's Club bus trips are meant to build community amongst parishes.

BAPTISMS



**JULIANA CATHERINE
KARWIC**

**ANTHONY NAVARRO
GARRITY JR.**

The Social Action Committee of The Church of the Incarnation is sponsoring a collection of personal items for the Town of Wethersfield Social & Youth Services the weekend of September 8th & 9th after all the masses. Requested items are shampoo, conditioner, bar soap, toothpaste, mouthwash, toilet paper, Kleenex and laundry detergent (small bottles). Please return your items to Fr. Crawford Hall in bags. Thank you kindly in advance for helping those less fortunate in our community!

The Lay Ministry Program begins on September 5th 2012. There is still time to register. Contact Mary at the Office of Religious Education at (860) 243-9465. Catholic lay men and women over the age of 21 with leadership potential who want to broaden their theological knowledge, train for various ministries, improve their ministerial skills are invited to apply. The candidate is asked to make an 18 month commitment which includes: 2 weekend retreats, evenings of reflection, 1 class night per week and a parish project. Classes meet on Wednesday evenings at the Archdiocesan Center at St. Thomas Seminary in Bloomfield.

Register today for An Afternoon of Reflection Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, sponsored by The Office of Divine Worship on Sunday, September 9th from 1:30-5pm at the Archdiocesan Center at St. Thomas Seminary, 467 Bloomfield Avenue, Bloomfield, CT. Monsignor Gerard Schmitz will be the presenter. Fee is \$10. Call (860) 761-7442 for information.

Give thanks to God the Father always and for everything in the name of the Lord Jesus. What gifts have you received? How does God ask you to use them? If you feel He is asking you to use them by serving 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.

WEDDINGS



**JOSEPH ANTHONY
RUGGIERI
&
SABRINA MARIA
SANTANGELO**

**JAMES SKLADNOWSKI
&
KYLIE PARSONS**

WE SHARE GOD'S LIFE NOW

Over the past few weeks, second readings at Sunday Mass have been taken from Paul's letter to the Ephesians. Paul has been providing an ongoing instruction on what it means to live and share God's life now. Paul was writing to people who lived in the midst of pagan activity. That is why Paul's words are still applicable to us. This is not to say that our world is monstrously evil, that nastiness surrounds us, or that everyone is out to get us. That's not true. What is true, however, is that times are tough. Our society pressures us to look out for ourselves, to take the best advantage we can, often without giving much thought to the other person. Paul also urges us to take the best advantage we can, but with constant regard for the other person. And the best advantage we can take is to remember that Christ is with us—is in us—now.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Wisdom has built her house; she has dressed her meat, mixed her wine, yes, she has spread her table (Proverbs 9:1-6).

Psalm — Taste and see the goodness of the Lord (Psalm 34).

Second Reading — Be filled with the Spirit, giving thanks always and for everything (Ephesians 5:15-20).

Gospel — I am the living bread that came down from heaven (John 6:51-58).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Ez 24:15-24; Mt 19:16-22
 Tuesday: Ez 28:1-10; Mt 19:23-30
 Wednesday: Ez 34:1-11; Mt 20:1-16
 Thursday: Ez 36:23-28; Mt 22:1-14
 Friday: Rv 21:9b-14; Jn 1:45-51
 Saturday: Ez 43:1-7b; Mt 23:1-12
 Sunday: Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b; Ps 34;
 Eph 5:21-32 [2a, 25-32]; Jn 6:60-69

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
 Monday: St. Bernard
 Tuesday: St. Pius X
 Wednesday: The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary
 Thursday: St. Rose of Lima
 Friday: St. Bartholomew
 Saturday: St. Louis; St. Joseph Calasanz; Blessed Virgin Mary

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

This week we observe another Marian celebration, the Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Its original date was May 31, when it was instituted by Pius XII in 1954, but it was eventually moved to August 22 so that its close relationship with the Assumption might be made clear. Mary's queenship is multi-dimensional: she reigns gloriously in heaven as queen and mother; she is the queen who intercedes; she is the sign of the Church in its future glory.

Of course, the traditions surrounding the Blessed Mother's queenship extend much further back than the establishment of this feast. In the eighth century St. John Damascene could write, "When she became Mother of the Creator, she truly became Queen of every creature." According to Jewish tradition, the mother of the king was accorded a seat of honor at the right of the king. With Jesus' royal heritage as a descendant and member of the house of David, Mary quite naturally takes her proper place as the queen mother. Pius XII simply recalled these traditions and gave us a day to remind us of how we can direct our prayers to Mary, our Queen.

