

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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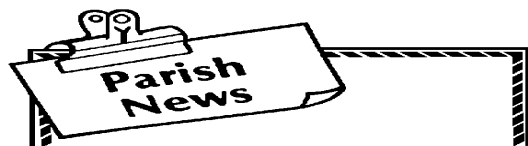
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**SATURDAY,
SEPTEMBER 22ND**

5pm-Mass of Thanks-
giving, 65th Wedding
Anniversary for Joseph & Lucy Amato

**MASS
INTENTIONS**
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SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 23RD

8:00 am-Lillian Vasquez
9:30am-Flora Colasacco
11:00am—Millie Christadore

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 24TH

9:00am– Walter Easinsky

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25TH

9:00am– Salvatore & Rose DiCioccio &
Atilio & Livia Popalardo

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26TH

9:00am—For all our parishioners

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 27TH

9:00am—Waldemar Podolski

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 28TH

9:00am- Sebastian Gianni

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 29TH

5:00pm - Luigi Menta

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 30TH

8:00am- Lucienne & Aime Ruel
9:30 am- Julie & Luddy Coiro Jr.
11:00am— Antonio Santini

The Sanctuary Candle will burn
from 9/24/2012– 9/30/2012 in
memory of John J. Fornino.



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**The Blessed Virgin Mary
Candle** will burn from

9/24/2012—9/30/2012 in memory of John J.
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**The Second collection this weekend is for
the Catholic Elementary Schools....**

HOPES Collection. Every year, parishes throughout the Archdiocese of Hartford support this collection (Help Our Parish Elementary Schools) and as a result of their generosity, lives are changed and dreams are fulfilled. Please help us enable Catholic elementary school students by participating in the HOPES Collection. Thank you.

New Day, our bereavement support group for all those who have lost a loved one through death continues on Monday, September 24th at 1pm in Fr. Crawford Hall. You are encouraged to attend so as to start your healing process. Call Noranne at (860) 529-6765.

Red Cross Blood Drive held in Fr. Crawford Hall on Friday September 28th from 1:30-6:15pm.

Members of our Finance Council will speak at all the masses next weekend and will present the Semi-Annual Financial Report. Copies will be available. Our Annual Collection will be held October 6th & 7th.

Incarnation Parish Council meeting on Sun., October 14th, 7pm, Fr. Crawford Hall.

The Knights of Columbus will host their annual Tootsie Roll Fundraising Campaign the weekend of October 13th & 14th at all masses. This drive helps fund activities such as the Special Olympics.

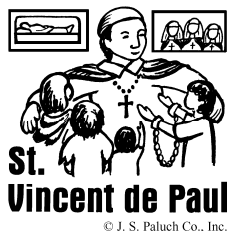


Children's Liturgy of the Word begins this Sunday 9/23 at the 9:30am Mass. Presiders are Anne Camilliere and Maura Buyak. Thank you to the Camilliere Family for hosting the refreshments.

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 optional Kindergarten Faith Formation program “Little Lambs” begins the last Saturday in October at Emerson-Williams. Call Noranne at (860) 529-6765 for info.



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 is now ready to launch a new vision for our youth entering 9th grade. Letters will be going out to all Confirmation 2013 candidates in mid October.

I invite you to pray about becoming a spiritual mentor for our Confirmation Community.

I am seeking 6 more mentors to walk with a group of 7 candidates. We would gather monthly for the 11am 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 2pm. 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 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. Call Noranne Wamester at (860)529-6765.



There is a need for Middle school catechists. Grade 8 meets every other Tues. evening beginning at the end of September. We have 42 students in grade 8. Gr. 7 meets on Wed. evenings every other week beginning at the end of September. There are 64 students in grade 7. The middle school

Faith formation program is gender based, We have a need for 2 men college age and up to teach grade 7 and 3 women college age to teach grade 8. The communities are very small. It is a wonderful program and is very well received by the students. Please pray about joining our team of believers. Call the Faith Formation Office at (860) 529-6765.

The Incarnation Men's Association Annual Membership Renewal has begun. Letters were mailed. Dues is \$10.00. New members always welcome call Mike White at (860) 667-2099.

The Archdiocese of Hartford is participating in the 40 Days for Life campaign from: Sept. 28th - Nov. 6th. *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. **Incarnation will participate again this year by saying the rosary in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel on Wednesday mornings after 9am daily mass. Everyone is welcome to join us.** You may also go to prolifeministry.org for additional information.

Incarnation Parish Family Italian Pasta Dinner to be held on Saturday, October 20th, at 6pm Fr. Crawford Hall. Join us for an evening of friendship, food and fun after the 5:00 p.m. Mass in Fr. Crawford Hall. This event is sponsored by our Men's Association & Women's Club. MENU: ziti, meatballs/sausage, salad, rolls, dessert, coffee/ tea. Cost \$10 p.p., \$5 for children under 10. seating is limited - advance purchase only. Reservation deadline is October 15th, (if seats still available). Call Laura Decker (860) 721-8284.

Defending Our Religious Liberty.....As stated on the website for the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB), beware of the claims, especially by partisans, that bishops are partisan. Bishops have formed their position opposing the federal healthcare mandate based on principles-in this case, religious liberty for all and for the life and dignity of every human person. They did not base their decision on polls, personalities or political parties. Please call your Congressional Representatives and U. S. Senators to express your opposition to the federal healthcare mandate. Please visit www.archdioceseofhartford.org.

SAVE THE DATE: The Incarnation Parish Men's Retreat at Holy Family Passionist Retreat Center in West Hartford will be held February 15, 16 & 17, 2013.. More information to follow.

The Archdiocese of Hartford is participating in a national movement, Family Day - A Day to Eat Dinner with Your Children. Launched by The National Center on Addiction & Substance Abuse at Columbia University in 2001. This program reminds parents that what your kids really want at the dinner table is YOU! Sample prayer flyers at entrances.

FALL MUM SALE ... Order Deadline: Wednesday, Sept., 26th.** Plants will be available for pick-up on 9/28. Order forms at exits. To benefit charitable works. Call Michele Kalousdian at (860) 563-0860.

The Incarnation Women's Club Annual Membership Renewal Campaign has begun. Letters were mailed. Dues for the 2012-2013 year remains at \$5.00. New members are welcome to join, call Judi Farinella at (860) 563-0083 or Kirsten Sheehan at (860) 529-3671. There are extra letters at entrances.

Wedding Anniversary Celebration:

Reminder...Sunday, 10/14th at 2pm. Archbishop Mansell will celebrate the Liturgy at the Cathedral of St. Joseph in Hartford. Family, friends, and all married couples are welcome to attend. Reception to follow.

East Catholic High School Open House on Thursday, November 8, 2012 at 6:45

p.m. Entrance exam for eighth graders is on Saturday, December 1, 2012 at 8 a.m. at East Catholic High School. Pre-registration for the exam advised. Call (860) 649-5336 x456.

BAPTISMS



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VALENTUKONIS**

Jesus made himself the servant of all. Am I willing to be a servant for Jesus' people? If you think you are being called, call Fr. Michael Dolan, Director of Vocations, Archdiocesan Center at St. Thomas Seminary, (860) 761-7456 or e-mail at: vocations@stseminary.org.

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. Flyers in the Narthex. This bus trip is not a fundraiser. The Women's Club bus trips are meant to build community.

Xavier High School Open House for 6th, 7th & 8th grade young men and their parents is on Sunday, October 21st, from 1-4pm at the school. **Entrance exam** Nov. 17th 8am at the school. Call (860) 364-7735, ext. 702.

**WEDDING
BANNERS**



**PETER KORTA &
RACHEL
KROSTOSKI**

**MARK ROSSI &
JENNIE CROWLEY**

**TERRY C. LEWIS &
CAMILLA MASTRANGELO**

THE MEANING OF DISCIPLESHIP

The geography of today's Gospel is significant. Jesus is completing his ministry in Galilee and beginning his journey to Jerusalem, where he will meet both death and resurrection. The prediction of his death placed here is the second of three in Mark's Gospel, and as usual it is the occasion for an important teaching on the part of Jesus. Today that lesson is tied to the need for his disciples to embrace a ministry of service. A play on words in Aramaic would have linked the words "child" and "servant," thus turning Jesus' gesture of placing a child in their midst into an illustration of his understanding of himself as the Servant of the Lord. It is that same awareness of the meaning of their ministry that Jesus (and Mark) wishes to instill in the disciples. Theirs must be a ministry of service if they are to follow in the footsteps of Jesus. And that service might even require of them that they be "handed over" to death. What would have been—in the culture of Jesus' day—an ordinary discussion of social status ("who is the greatest") becomes in Mark's context a key insight into the meaning of discipleship for the disciples and for us.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The wicked say: With revilement and torture let us put the just one to the test (Wisdom 2:12, 17-20).

Psalm — The Lord upholds my life (Psalm 54).

Second Reading — The wisdom from above is full of mercy and good fruits (James 3:16 — 4:3).

Gospel — Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me (Mark 9:30-37).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Prv 3:27-34; Lk 8:16-18
 Tuesday: Prv 21:1-6, 10-13; Lk 8:19-21
 Wednesday: Prv 30:5-9; Lk 9:1-6
 Thursday: Eccl 1:2-11; Lk 9:7-9
 Friday: Eccl 3:1-11; Lk 9:18-22
 Saturday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a;
 Jn 1:47-51 Sunday: Nm 11:25-19; Ps 19; Jas 5:1-6; Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

Ss. Michael



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SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
 Wednesday: Ss. Cosmas and Damian;
 Thursday: St. Vincent de Paul
 Friday: St. Lawrence Ruiz and Companions;
 St. Wenceslaus
 Saturday: Ss. Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

On the Byzantine calendar, September 23 is the feast of the Conception of John the Baptist. The Roman and Byzantine calendars have in common the other equinox- or solstice-derived dates of solemnities: December 25, March 25, and June 24. Scholars see strong evidence in the writings of the early Church Fathers for the fixing of these dates from the "anniversary" of Gabriel's appearance to Zechariah at Yom Kippur, which was thought to have coincided with the equinox as a day of "at-onement" between light and darkness. The spiritual writer Origen held to this date.

The annunciation to Zechariah then set the date six months later for Mary's conception of Jesus (March 25), and then, of course, for the dates of the births of John (June 24) and Jesus (December 25). Is this "liturgical trivia?" Perhaps. But it's also the best explanation we have for the dating of some of the most important festivals on our calendar. So even though the Roman Church doesn't observe the Conception of John the Baptist, yesterday's equinox can remind us of how our salvation history is closely attuned to God's creation.

AUTUMN DAYS

Autumn days come swift like the running of a hound upon the moor. —Seumas MacManus

EXAMPLE

Children, especially, set their watches by our clock. —Anonymous



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