

# The Church of the Incarnation

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Toni Munoz  
**Sacristan**

## Mass Schedule

Confessions on Saturdays from 3:45 - 4:30p.m.  
Vigil Mass: Saturday at 5:00p.m.  
Sunday Masses: 8:30 & 10:30 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 12:30 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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(860) 721-6595

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[www.thechurchoftheincarnation.com](http://www.thechurchoftheincarnation.com)

**SATURDAY,  
OCTOBER 18TH**

5:00pm— Francesca  
Maccarone, Corrado  
Carlone & Gisele Cyr



**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19TH**

8:30am— Dolly LaCava  
10:30am— Roger Leardi & Katherine

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 20TH**

9:00am— Ozzie LaCava

**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 21ST**

9:00am— For all our parishioners

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 22ND**

9:00am— John Carpino

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 23RD**

9:00am— Della Moser

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 24TH**

9:00am— Carmela Dannahey

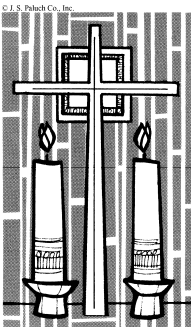
**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 25TH**

5:00pm— Joseph & Rose Coffey

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 26TH**

8:30am— Reverend John F. Edwards  
10:30am— Deceased members of the Murphy  
& Lawlor Families

**The Sanctuary Candle** will  
burn from 10/20/2014—  
10/26/2014 in memory of  
Marie B. Lenz & Les  
Eslinger.



**The Blessed Virgin Mary  
Candle** will burn from 10/20/2014—  
10/26/2014 in memory of John Carpino.



**Incarnation Parish Family Italian Pasta  
Dinner: Sat., October 18th, 6pm Fr.  
Crawford Hall.** Sponsored by our Incarna-  
tion Women's Club & Men's Association.

**There is a House of Bread collection** this  
weekend coffee & sugar are requested.



**This is World Mission Sun-  
day Weekend. The Second  
Collection this weekend** is  
the Mission Collection bene-  
fitting the Society for the Prop-  
agation of the Faith.

**Thank you to all who have recently donat-  
ed to the Annual Collection.** This is a spe-  
cial appeal we make each year to our parish-  
ioners for our own parish. Numerous repairs  
and improvements anticipated in the near fu-  
ture necessitate rebuilding our contingency  
fund. Our annual collection enables us to do  
this. Please write down your four-digit enve-  
lope # (found to the left of your name on  
your church envelopes) - example #1234.  
Goal \$100,000. Your generosity to this im-  
portant collection is appreciated. There are  
letters/envelopes at the entrances. So far we  
have collected \$64,000.00 towards our goal.

**Incarnation Parish Council meeting on  
Sun., October 19th, 7pm in the Chapel.**

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

**40 Days For Life Prayer Vigil** will be held every Wednesday, at Incarnation Church from September 24th thru November 2nd after the 9am Mass in our Blessed Sacrament Chapel.

**ROSARY FOR PEACE....**Corpus Christi parish is offering the chance to join with others to pray for peace. In honor of Mary, Queen of Peace, the rosary will be prayed every Monday at 12 Noon. If you can't join us in church, please consider praying the rosary at home or maybe during your lunch break at work. Our Lady, Queen of peace, pray for us!!!

**October is Respect Life Month**, we pray for all who work to defend life, that God might reward them for their faithfulness. Amen.

**During the last two weeks of October** the ushers take count at the Sunday Masses of the number of persons present and the number receiving Communion. Thank you.

**7<sup>th</sup> Annual CT Catholic Men's Conference: Saturday, October 25<sup>th</sup>.** Goodwin College, 1 Riverside Drive, East Hartford, CT, 8AM until 5PM. Cost is \$40/per person (which includes lunch). This will be a day of spiritual enrichment, featuring motivation speakers. Adoration, Reconciliation, Music & Vigil Mass will also be part of the day. To Purchase tickets, go to: [www.ctcatholicmen.org](http://www.ctcatholicmen.org), click on the "Registration" tab. Questions, call: 860-484-7950. Join the 400 – 800 men that come every year!

**The Church of  
the Incarnation  
Women's Club  
Christmas Party**



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**To be held on:**

Tuesday, December 9, 2014 at:  
The Wethersfield Country Club  
6pm Social, 7pm Dinner, \$34.00 per person  
**Entrée Choices:** Chicken Francaise,  
Broiled Salmon, or Petite Filet Mignon

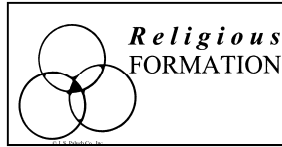
Reservations will be taken at the General Meetings or by calling reservations chairwoman Rita Sulick 860-563-7639.

Deadline for reservations & payment is December 1st. Please make checks payable to "Incarnation Church".

The Past Presidents look forward to hosting this wonderful tradition as we celebrate our 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

**There will be a Senior Fair at Incarnation Church on Thursday, October 23rd** from 11:30-2:30pm in Fr. Crawford Hall. Boxed lunches will be provided, and information will be given regarding senior safety.

**ABC's of Catholic Relief Services:** Your agency does not quit tough places. American Catholics via CRS help those in need when they need help most.. The absolute poorest of the poor and those driven from their homes without water or food. Victims of war disease and natural disaster.



**Youth Ministry:** Youth Ministry will gather this Sun., Oct. 19th from 6:30 - 8:00 pm in Fr. Crawford Hall. We welcome all high school aged students!

**There will be a Confirmation Penance Service at 7pm in the Church on Monday, October 20th for those receiving their Confirmation on Nov., 23rd.**

**Middle School Faith Formation:**  
Grade 8: Tues. Oct. 21st & Grade 7:  
Wed. Oct. 22nd. Classes begin at 6:30pm & end at 8pm. Students should arrive in Fr. Crawford Hall by 6:20pm.

**Incarnation C.Y.O. Basketball:** Girls & Boys in Grades 5-8 who have been registered parishioners of Incarnation for at least 2 years and who are attending Faith Formation classes may register for the 2014-2015 season. Registration will be on Thurs., Oct., 23rd at 7pm in Fr. Crawford Hall. Bring a copy of birth certificate. E-mail Director Craig Saharek at [csaharek@cox.net](mailto:csaharek@cox.net) with questions.

**Faith Formation:** Grades 1-6 will meet at Emerson Williams on Saturday, 10/25 at 9am. **Parish Family Home** communities will meet at their scheduled times.

**Faith Formation for Kindergarten** is optional and begins Saturday, November 1st at Emerson-Williams at 9am. Children must be registered to begin on the first day. Last day to register is Friday, October 24th.

**Grade Nine** will receive a special invitation to begin their Confirmation journey, if they so choose, in the mail.

**A reflection to pray on:** Consider being a mentor for our Middle School youth and our high school youth Confirmation community for 2014-2015. Our program is gender based and we are in need of faithful men and women to be a part of our team. All members of our team undergo a background check and attend a Protecting of God's Workshop so that we can be in compliance with the Archdiocese of Hartford. Let us take a stand and bring the Good News to our young people who indeed need models of faith. Our program is innovative and our youth need your faith to encourage them to live the Catholic Christian life.



## A Weekly Bible Study



29<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Isaiah 45:1, 4-6

In the Hebrew Scriptures it was not unusual for God to anoint a king to prepare him to bring about His divine plan. Today we read of the anointing of King Cyrus. What makes this scenario significant is that Cyrus is a pagan king. We might wonder: has God run out of other options; are there no Israelites faithful enough to be chosen? “I am the Lord, there is no other” God tells us. His message is essentially “I can bring about my plan of salvation however I choose!”

The 8<sup>th</sup> century king Cyrus the Great, founder of the Persian Empire (modern day Iran), is called by God for a more noble task. “Though he knows God not,” Cyrus will become the Lord’s instrument for resettling the exiled Israelites, rebuilding their Temple and restoring their hope. God does indeed work in strange ways, choosing the unlikely of individuals. What God is saying to Cyrus is “Yes, you are a mighty and benevolent ruler, but it is all because of me. You will use your power and your influence for my sake, not yours!”

The Lord not only chose Cyrus for an important role in his plan, he touched his heart with great compassion for the downtrodden people. In the Second Book of Chronicles we read: “The LORD stirred up the spirit of King Cyrus of Persia so that he sent a herald throughout all his kingdom and declared in a written edict: *The LORD, the God of heaven, has given me all the kingdoms of the earth, and he has charged me to build him a house at Jerusalem, which is in Judah. Whoever is among you of all his people, may the LORD his God be with him! Let him go up.*” Such humility and compassion from one who didn’t even know the Lord! What does that say to us?!

God can stir up the heart of any one of us for a unique role in his plan of salvation. We may not know God as fully as we’d like or feel worthy of a noble calling, but God looks deeply into our hearts and sees one who can achieve great things for the sake of His kingdom.

**WORDS AND ACTIONS**

When people hear us speak God’s word, they marvel at its beauty and power; when they see what little impact it has on our daily lives, they laugh and poke fun at what we say. —Anonymous second-century Christian

**FAMILY**

As the family goes, so goes the nation and so goes the whole world in which we live. —Bl. John Paul II

**The Knights of Columbus annual Tootsie Roll Fundraising Campaign is October 25th & 26th at all masses.** This drive helps fund activities such as the Special Olympics.

## EVERYTHING BELONGS TO GOD

The first reading from the prophet Isaiah concerns the Persian King Cyrus, called the Lord's "anointed." Cyrus deserves this title because he ended the Babylonian captivity of the Jews. However, Isaiah reminds us that it was God who gave Cyrus his power. He may be a great king, but "I am the LORD and there is no other," says God (Isaiah 45:5).

Today's Gospel is also concerned with worldly power. In the passage from Matthew, the Pharisees try to trick Jesus into speaking against the emperor. His famous answer is the perfect reply. Like the kings of old, Caesar can be given the respect due his position, but everything belongs to God.

In the second reading, Paul gives thanks for all who are faithful to Jesus Christ and his gospel. He, too, reminds us that our call and the power to be faithful come from God.

## TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — The LORD said to Cyrus, his anointed, "I am the LORD, there is no other" (Isaiah 45:1, 4-6).

**Psalms** — Give the Lord glory and honor (Psalm 96).

**Second Reading** — Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy to the church of the Thessalonians: We thank God always for all of you (1 Thessalonians 1:1-5b).

**Gospel** — Give to Caesar what is Caesar's, and to God what is God's

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Eph 2:1-10; Ps 100:1b-5; Lk 12:13-21  
 Tuesday: Eph 2:12-22; Ps 85:9ab-14; Lk 12:35-38  
 Wednesday: Eph 3:2-12; Is 12:2-3, 4bcd-6; Lk 12:39-48  
 Thursday: Eph 3:14-21; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 11-12, 18-19; Lk 12:49-53  
 Friday: Eph 4:1-6; Ps 24:1-4ab, 5-6; Lk 12:54-59  
 Saturday: Eph 4:7-16; Ps 122:1-5; Lk 13:1-9  
 Sunday: Ex 22:20-26; Ps 18:2-4, 47, 51; 1 Thes 1:5c-10; Mt 22:34-40

## SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time; World Mission Sunday  
 Monday: St. Paul of the Cross  
 Wednesday: Blessed John Paul II  
 Thursday: St. John of Capistrano  
 Friday: St. Anthony Mary Claret  
 Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary

## TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

When the fathers of the Second Vatican Council met to discuss the sacrament of penance, they were required to draw up a new rite, including several forms. The hot button for debate was so-called "general absolution," by which a penitent could be absolved of sin without confessing to a priest. This was a difficult debate, compounded by widely varying traditions in both East and West. Some were surprised to learn that the Holy See had already given permission, during the First and Second World Wars, for this form. In 1944 the Vatican issued a decree saying this form was valid under extreme conditions, which bishops in mission lands and Latin America took as a kind of "blanket permission."

Thus, the fathers of the Council were alarmed to find this practice fairly widespread, not only in war, but in peaceful places with huge numbers of faithful and few priests. Although they eventually produced a ritual with three different forms, the forms are not considered equal, and the enriched and revised individual form is preferred. The enrichments include a welcome of the penitent, a sign of the cross with an encouragement to trust in God's compassion, new texts rich in the Word of God, praise for God's mercy, and a dismissal.



## Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time October 19, 2014

"Repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar,  
and to God what belongs to God."

— *Matthew 22:21*

**Thank you to the Incarnation Women's Club** for their donation to Incarnation Parish in the amount of \$766.35 which are the proceeds of their fundraising for the 2013-2014 program year. Great job! Thank you for the flower donation for Confirmation as well!





**Incarnation Women's Club  
Celebrating 50 Years  
1964 – 2014**

The Women's Club 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary book of history and highlights of the *Spiritual, Social and Charitable* projects accomplished throughout the years will be available for purchase after all Masses on October 18 and 19. The book is a beautiful tribute to the women of our parish who have generously given their time, talent and energy in support of Incarnation Church, the Catholic community and people in need of our help. The cost of this commemorative book is \$5.00.



**The Sacrament of Confirmation will be administered at Incarnation on November 23rd at 2pm with a Mass.** The Most Reverend Christie A. Macaluso, Auxiliary Bishop will be the celebrant.

**The Incarnation Women's Club Membership Drive continues.** Letters were mailed this year only to those women who were members last year. If you did not receive a letter and would like to become a member we would love to have you join! Membership letters can be found at the church entrances or call Judi Farinella (563-0083) or Ann Hock (563-0728) to join.

*We continue to Pray for Vocations to the Priesthood in our parish. Please join us each first Friday of the month in our Blessed Sacrament Chapel at 9:30am for our Vocations Holy Hour.*

*If the Lord is directing your heart to a vocation call Fr. Anthony Smith, 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).*



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**Mercy High School Open House,**

Middletown Ct., Sunday, Nov., 2nd at 1pm. Entrance Exam for the Class of 2019 is on Sat., November 15th from 8am –11:15am. Pre-register at [www.mercyhigh.com](http://www.mercyhigh.com).

Come visit **East Catholic High School** during our **Open House on Thursday, November 6, 2014 at 6:45 p.m.** The entrance exam for eighth graders will be given on **Saturday, November 15, 2014 at 8 a.m.** at East Catholic High School. Pre-registration for the exam is advised but not required. Please visit [www.echs.com](http://www.echs.com) or call our Admissions office at 860-649-5336 x6456 for information!

**SAVE THE DATE:** The men's retreat for all men of the parish will be FEB 20 - 22, 2015 at the Holy Family Retreat Center in West Hartford. This year's theme will be KNOW GREATER JOY. Please visit their web site at; [www.holyfamilyretreat.org](http://www.holyfamilyretreat.org) to register or for more information.

## ***Church of the Incarnation***

### **Sponsor Essay**

#### **Confirmation Name: *Michael***

The confirmation name that I am taking is *Michael*, after Saint Michael the Archangel (one of the seven Archangels). The name Michael signifies “*Who is like to God*” and was the war cry of the good angels in the battle fought in heaven against Satan and his followers. Holy Scripture says that St. Michael was one of the chief princes and leader of the forces in heaven in their triumph over Hell. St. Michael has appeared to Moses, Jacob, Abraham, Mary and many others in the bible and in history. Because of his victory over Hell, he is considered the Protector of the Church and the most powerful of all the Archangels. St. Michael has four duties: he fights against evil and hell; he rescues souls of the faithful; he transports souls to Heaven for judgment and protects the church. Many believe that he is the chief or head angel over all of the other legions of angels in heaven. St. Michael is usually shown as a warrior holding a powerful sword; the sword is double edged to show truth and justice. He is the patron saint of police, paratroopers, sickness, mariners and grocers. His Feast day is September 29<sup>th</sup>.

I choose the confirmation name Michael because it is my Father’s name and because St. Michael is the strongest and most courageous of all the archangels (and angels). He is a defender of God’s church, God’s people and our faith. I like knowing that St. Michael is always with me and when I’m feeling weak or in need of his courage that I can call upon him for strength and help. My family has always believed in angels and the power of the Archangels and in all of the help that they provide us with in our lifetime. St. Michael is strong and powerful and is a good example of how God wants us to live our life. He reminds us that good will always win over evil and that God and the angels are always with us, everyday. We are not alone in our life. I hope that by modeling myself after St. Michael, I will always be in his care and protected by his power and guidance. That I will always stand up for truth and justice and find the courage to do what is right. That I will get closer to God through my faith and through St. Michael. And that St. Michael will lead me to God and all of God’s blessings.