

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

THEN I HEARD THE VOICE OF THE LORD SAYING,  
**“Whom shall I send?  
Who will go for us?”**  
**“Here I am,” I said;**  
**“send me!”**

ISAIAH 6:8

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FEBRUARY 6  
**2022**

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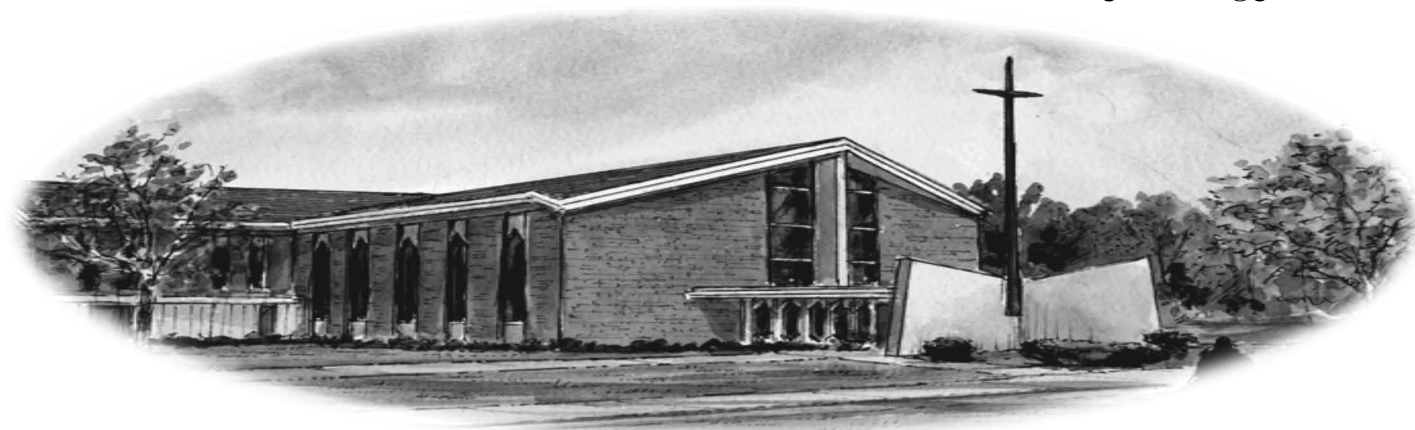
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## *Mass Schedule*

Confessions: Saturdays from 3:30 - 4:15pm  
in Father Crawford Hall

Vigil Mass: Saturday at 5:00pm

Sunday Masses: 8:30 & 10:30 am

Daily Mass: (Mon. - Fri.) 9:00 am

Recitation of the Rosary for Peace:  
prior to 9:00 am daily Mass

## *Sacrament of Baptism*

By previous appointment by calling the rectory.  
Sundays at 12:30 pm

## *Weddings*

Please contact a priest 6-10 months prior.

## *New Parishioner Religious Education Registration:*

The Church of the Incarnation  
welcomes new parishioners.

Forms are available at the  
main entrance of the church.

Please mail or drop off at the rectory.

You may also visit our website for printable forms at:  
www.thechurchoftheincarnation.com

## *Rectory Hours*

9:00 am - 4:30 pm

# MassSchedule



## Saturday, February 5th

5:00pm- Deceased members of the Martino & Bonaquisto Family & John & Terry Sansone

## Sunday, February 6th

8:30am- Rita A. Ware

10:30am- Patricia Pizzoferrato & the deceased members of the Pizzoferrato & Caruso families

## Monday, February 7th

9:00am—For all our deceased parishioners & benefactors

## Tuesday, February 8th

9:00am- Anthony & Gladys Gaspic

## Wednesday, February 9th

9:00am- Joan Marx

## Thursday, February 10th

9:00am- Welcome DiCicco

## Friday, February 11th

9:00am- For all our parishioners

## Saturday, February 12th

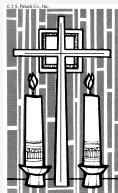
5:00pm— Deceased members of the John R. Skinner Family

## Sunday, February 13th

8:30am- Christopher Barnoski and Charlie & Millie Christadore

10:30am- Jack & Irene Cahill

**The Sanctuary Candle** will burn from 2/7/2022–2/13/2022 in memory of Antonio Arnone.



**The Blessed Virgin Mary Candle** will burn from 2/7/2022—2/13/2022 in memory of the deceased members of the John R. Skinner Family.

**The second collection next weekend** will be the monthly collection.

**We will not begin accepting any 2023 Masses, Sanctuary & Blessed Virgin Mary Candles until further notice.**

Please check the bulletin after Easter for details. Thank you for understanding. We still have some 2022 masses & candles. Please call Incarnation rectory to book.

**Novena to End Human Trafficking:** International Day of Prayer & Awareness Against Human Trafficking is observed annually on February 8, the Feast of Saint Josephine Bakhita, who was kidnapped as a child and sold into slavery in Sudan and Italy. St. Bakhita is the patroness of survivors of human trafficking. The Office for Catholic Social Justice Ministry invites you to invoke her intercession for all those involved in human trafficking and an end to this societal ill by participating in a novena. Beginning Feb. 8 the link to the daily prayer will be posted on OCSJM's Facebook channel, the Archdiocesan website, & Archdiocesan YouTube page. Please follow or subscribe. <https://www.facebook.com/ocsjm.hartford/events>, the Archdiocesan website <http://www.catholicsocialjustice.org>, and the Archdiocesan YouTube page <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCJkcbvw3C-leH3maqNOvYJA>. **Printed copies of the Novena are available this wk. February 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup>.** A written copy of the novena will also be available at OCSJM. **Contact the Office at <http://www.catholicsocialjustice.org> to receive a copy.**

**AOH February Food Drive:**

Ancient Order of Hibernians Htfd. Division 2 is sponsoring a Food Drive Sun., Feb., 13th -11:30am - 12:30pm in the Christ the King parking lot that's between the church & middle school. This drive is part of the regular CTK parish food collection. All food will be given to St. Augustine Church food pantry in Hartford. Non-perishable items requested; canned meats & soup, pinto & pink beans. cooking oil, spices & condiments. All who donate will receive a special St. Valentine's Day treat. Thank you for your generosity!

### **The Incarnation Men's Club wants YOU!**

Our Annual Membership drive is underway and renewal letters have been mailed to all current members. Applications are at the entrances. All men are invited to join especially members of Christ the King Parish. Dues—\$10 per year. Call Incarnation for more information (860) 529-2533.

### **Church of the Incarnation...MEN'S RETREAT**

The parish men's retreat at Holy Family Passionist Retreat Center in West Hartford will be February 25, 26, & 27, 2022. Join Holy Family's retreat team for a weekend of peace and reflection in an exploration of simplicity. In an age of stress, distraction, and technology, we'll explore the simple and transformative message at the heart of Jesus' teaching. Discover how simplicity can shine a light on what is really essential and important in our lives. We'll explore what it means to live a simple life so that we can discover true freedom and joy. Be renewed and inspired by the paradox of simplicity and the gift of faith. For information call John Ewaski at 860-563-3887 or Bill Carroll at 860-604-6793 or visit Holy Family's web site at: [www.holyfamilyretreat.org](http://www.holyfamilyretreat.org).

**Day 2:** May each person suffering from participation in abortion find forgiveness, hope & healing in Christ. Today's prayer & action: [www.respectlife.org/day-2](http://www.respectlife.org/day-2)

### **RACHEL'S VINEYARD RETREAT WEEKENDS FOR HEALING AFTER ABORTION**

If you are suffering from an abortion, experience the healing love of Jesus Christ on a Rachel's Vineyard Retreat weekend March 25-27, 2022 in Farmington, CT. The weekend healing process includes discussions, Living Scriptures with meditations, the Sacrament of Reconciliation, a Memorial Service and Mass of Entrustment. Participation is totally confidential and offers a beautiful opportunity to experience God's love, forgiveness and compassion. Both women and men have participated in past retreats and have ranged in age from teens to mid-eighties. The fee for the weekend is \$175.00 for meals, private room and all retreat materials. Scholarships are available for financial assistance. For more information contact Marie at 203-631-9030, email her at [mlaffin@prolifeministry.org](mailto:mlaffin@prolifeministry.org), or visit our website at [www.rachelsvineyard.org](http://www.rachelsvineyard.org).

### **Building a new Parish from Incarnation and Christ the King**

**Q: Where can I find updated merger information?**

A: The Transition Team has a Communication Committee. They will be sharing information via the bulletin, the websites, Facebook, ([facebook.com/ChristtheKingCT](https://facebook.com/ChristtheKingCT)), email, and announcements at Mass. If you have questions, send email to [incarnation.ctk@gmail.com](mailto:incarnation.ctk@gmail.com).

### **Blessing bags for the homeless:**

**Thank you! Thank you!** On January 30th in conjunction with the social action committee, the religious education students from Christ the King & Incarnation parishes assembled 400 bags for the homeless. These included food items, socks, hats, gloves & hand/toe warmers. What an outpouring of generosity from both parishes and the religious education parents that allowed us to have what was needed to assemble 400 bags! We also thank all the angels who volunteer to continually assist with the project. We are very grateful for your incredible generosity. These bags will be distributed to 4 agencies that provide services to the poor.

## Soup Sale

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12pm - 4pm

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## PRAYER CORNER

### THEOPHANIES

Today's readings recount three theophanies, or particular manifestations of God's presence. The prophet Isaiah is caught up in a dramatic scene of heavenly worship, with a royal throne, burning embers, and seraphim singing, "Holy, holy, holy." Isaiah is overwhelmed. In the responsorial psalm, the assembly adds its own worship to that of the seraphim: "In the sight of the angels, I will sing your praises, Lord" (Psalm 138:1).

Paul reminds the Corinthians of his own experience of a post-Resurrection appearance of the Lord, making him an apostle, but one "born abnormally" (1 Corinthians 15:8), since he had no acquaintance with the earthly Jesus. The first of those who did know the earthly Jesus were surprised by fishing advice from the teacher who had commandeered Simon's boat, resulting in an extraordinary catch. Although less colorful than those of Isaiah or Paul, this theophany was just as overwhelming.

### TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — In a vision Isaiah is called to be a messenger for the LORD of hosts. Isaiah responds, "Send me!" (Isaiah 6:1-2a, 3-8)

Psalm — In the sight of the angels I will sing your praises, Lord (Psalm 138).

Second Reading — Paul reminds us of the gospel he preached through which we are saved, if we believe it (1 Corinthians 15:1-11 [3-8, 11]).

Gospel — Jesus directs Simon to take his boat into deep water for a miraculous catch of fish. Simon and his partners leave all to follow Jesus (Luke 5:1-11).

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13; Ps 132:6-7, 8-10;  
Mk 6:53-56

Tuesday: 1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30; Ps 84:3-5, 10-11;  
Mk 7:1-13

Wednesday: 1 Kgs 10:1-10; Ps 37:5-6, 30-31, 39-40;  
Mk 7:14-23

Thursday: 1 Kgs 11:4-13; Ps 106:3-4, 35-37, 40;  
Mk 7:24-30

Friday: 1 Kgs 11:29-32, 12:19; Ps 81:10-15;  
Mk 7:31-37

Saturday: 1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34; Ps 106:6-7ab,  
19-22; Mk 8:1-10

Sunday: Jer 17:5-8; Ps 138: 1-5, 7-8;  
1 Cor 15:12, 16-20; Lk 6:17, 20-26

### SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time; Scouting Sunday

Tuesday: St. Jerome Emiliani; St. Josephine Bakhita;  
International Day of Prayer & Awareness against Human  
Trafficking

Thursday: St. Scholastica

Friday: Our Lady of Lourdes; World Day of the Sick;  
National Shut-in Visitation Day

Saturday: Lincoln's Birthday

### Reflection question:

How can I come to rely more on heavenly grace?

### PRAYER OF THE WEEK

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Keep your family safe, O Lord, with unfailing care,  
that, relying solely on the hope of heavenly grace,  
they may be defended always by your protection.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
God, for ever and ever.

### Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 6, 2022

I will give thanks to you, O LORD,  
with all my heart,  
for you have heard the words  
of my mouth. — Psalm 138:1

### STATIONS OF THE CROSS

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BENEDICTION WILL BE

OFFERED BY

DEACON

MICHAEL CASSELLA

FRIDAYS DURING LENT

AT 7PM



(NOT GOOD FRIDAY)

STATIONS WILL BE HELD AT  
**BOTH INCARNATION & CHRIST THE KING  
PARISHES**

### ON ALTERNATING WEEKS

HERE ARE THE FOLLOWING DATES  
& LOCATIONS:

**FRIDAY, MARCH 4TH...CHRIST THE KING**  
**FRIDAY, MARCH 11TH....INCARNATION**  
**FRIDAY, MARCH 18TH...CHRIST THE KING**  
**FRIDAY, MARCH 25TH...INCARNATION**  
**FRIDAY, APRIL 1ST....CHRIST THE KING**  
**FRIDAY, APRIL 8TH....INCARNATION**

**SAVE THE DATE!** The First CT March for Life! Spread the Word!!!! Let our CT legislators and governor know there are people in our state who value all human life. Watch for details. Organize a bus from your parish.

**Beyond Bible Study meets Wednesdays at 7pm via Zoom.**

Contact Deacon Michael Cassella for Zoom link - mecassella@gmail.com or call (860) 965-2526.

**Christ the King Parish (Corpus Christi Church),** Wethersfield has added a 5:15pm Mass the 1st Sunday of each month throughout the school year.

### **Pastor's Corner – February 6, 2022**

In our daily readings at Mass from the 2<sup>nd</sup> Book of Samuel a week or so ago, we heard these words from King David when he realized how the Lord was blessing him: ‘Who am I, Lord God, and who are the members of my house that you have brought me to this point?’

In my homily based on that reading I said it shows us the difference between cats and dogs. People who know me know that I **am** slightly prejudiced because I am a dog lover and definitely not a cat lover.

But, think what cats are like. When you feed a cat, pet a cat, care for a cat, and love a cat the cat concludes that it must be god.

Dogs on the other hand are different. When you feed a dog, pet a dog, care for a dog, and love a dog the dog concludes that **you** must be god. Am I right?

Now, whether or not you agree with this very researched, proven, and scientific data I just shared with you, there **is** a profound lesson in it. The Bible, from front to back, presents to us a view of man that is much more **cat-like** than **dog-like**.

By nature we tend to think like this, ‘God created the heavens and the earth just for me, all the stories in the Bible are just about me, Christ came to earth just for me, to suffer just for me, to die just for me, and has gone back to heaven to wait just for me.

Therefore, since God did all of this for me, God must love **me** more than He loves anything else, and since God loves me more than anything else I am going to love Him just because He loves me so much.’

What King David showed us, the conclusion **he** came to, is that when it comes to our relationship with God, **humility** must be front and center.

God **does** love each one of us – not more than anything else, but the **same** as everything else. **But**, we did nothing to earn this love.

It was simply freely and unconditionally given to us. And so our only response must be to love Him, and all of His creation, in the very same way – freely and unconditionally, whether anyone else deserves it or not, whether anyone else can repay it or not.

May we always and everywhere go about our days seeking ways to share that love with everyone whose path will cross ours, and thus help to build the Father's Kingdom of true and lasting peace.



## **Church of the Incarnation Faith Formation**

### **Elementary Faith Formation**

**Pflaum Family Gathering this Sunday**, February 6th, 11:30-12:30pm...Fr. Crawford Hall.

### **Mandatory parent meetings** (at least one parent must attend):

Reconciliation (Grade 2), February 7th at 6:30pm in Father Crawford Hall

First Holy Communion (Grade 3), February 8th at 6:30pm in Father Crawford Hall

### **Mandatory Sacramental Preparation Classes (children only):**

Saturday, February 12th in Father Crawford Hall

**Reconciliation** 8:30 – 9:30 am

**First Eucharist** 10:00-11:00 am

### **Middle School/High School**

Family Mass on Sunday, February 6th 5:15pm at Christ the King...All Families are most Welcome!!

## **SOUPER BOWL OF CARING**

*On February 13th, over 100 million Americans will tune in to the Super Bowl Football Game. There will be parties with abundant food and yet at the same time there will be people worrying about staying warm and having a hot meal to eat. On Super Bowl Sunday, young people all across the country, including our Religious Education Students, will demonstrate God's love by participating in the Souper Bowl of Caring Project. They will fill grocery bags with food and collected spare change to help those who don't even have a bowl of soup to eat. We hope you will be willing to donate when you see them at 10:30 Mass at Incarnation on Super Bowl Sunday.*

**Children's Liturgy of the Word:** Sunday, February 13th at the 10:30am Mass at Incarnation.

**Join Us! February 6th, directly following 5:15pm Mass at Corpus Christi Church, Youth Ministry will host a showing of "The Chosen", a television drama based on the life of Jesus of Nazareth. Pizza served.**

### **Christ The King Holy Family Women's Retreat March 4th-6th, 2022**

The holiday season is behind us and winter has come to stay for a while. So let's fast forward to the warmth of spring for a relaxing weekend of restoration and Rebirth. The theme is: **In the Spirit of Trust.....**To have a relationship with God, we need to be able to trust that God will provide for us and guide us on our journey through life. That kind of trust begins in our relationships with others. Let's join our fellow parishioners on a weekend retreat at Holy Family. Mark your calendars now! Contact: Mary Tyler (860) 202-9400.

### **EAST CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL**

Our enrollment process is in full swing. Accepted students will start scheduling classes for the next school year on February 8th. New students are still inquiring and filing applications. We are planning the entrance exam for them on Saturday, February 26th. Families interested in our school always have a chance to schedule a private tour. We also will have a Parent Preview Night (mini-open house) on Tuesday, March 1st. The pre-registration for this event becomes available on our website in the near future. Go Eagles!

**Xavier High School Open House will be held Feb. 8th from 6-7:30 p.m.** Come see our fabulous campus as well as meet faculty, staff & coaches. Our students are given the tools and resources to grow and take on whatever challenge is next. Academics. Athletics. Clubs. Activities. Faith. Friendship. This is what we're about. You can register at [xavierhighschool.org](http://xavierhighschool.org). Click on Admissions and then Open House. Director of Enrollment Management Matthew McCaffrey can be reached at (860) 346-7735 x743.

**Xavier High School \$25,000 School Cash Raffle is back and \$5K richer.**

- Tickets are \$100 each. Only 800 will be sold and it is winner takes all.
  - The drawing will be at 11 a.m. on April 1 at Xavier High School. You do not need to be present to win, but you must be at least 18 years old to purchase.
  - All tax liabilities are borne solely by the purchaser.
- Tickets may be purchased by mailing a check (no cash) to Xavier High School, 181 Randolph Road, Middletown CT 06457. For more information, call the advancement office at (860) 346-7735



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