



# St. Irene Church

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**Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**September 7, 2014**

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## Mass Schedule

### Daily

Monday – Saturday 9:00 am

### Saturday Vigil

5:00 pm

### Sunday

8:00 am, 11:00 am, 5:00 pm

### Confessions

Saturday 4:00 - 4:45 pm

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## Liturgical Events

### Mass Intentions

Mary Gardetto

Memorial Mass

Saturday, September 6 at 5 pm

The Tranfaglia Family

Memorial Mass

Sunday, September 7 at 11 am

Jose Henriques

Months Mind Mass

Sunday, September 7 at 5 pm

Avery Sullivan

2<sup>nd</sup> Birthday Mass

Monday, September 8 at 9 am

Martin Curran

20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Mass

Thursday, September 11 at 9 am

Jack Caires

Birthday Mass

Saturday, September 13 at 9 am

Etalo Moschini

14<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Mass

Sunday, September 14 at 8 am

Daniel McCarron

23<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary Mass

Sunday, September 14 at 11 am

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## The Pastor's Corner

This Sunday is Welcome Sunday. It has been a custom at St. Irene's for over thirty years to welcome back our parishioners who have been away on vacation. It is also the opportunity for us to meet new people in the parish and welcome them to St. Irene's. This is also a time of change for our families. The young children return to school. Our young adults go off to high school and college. Life changes even in the parish. After a quieter time in the summer, our parish spiritual and social activities begin again. Our religious education programs will begin later this month. It reminds us that life never remains the same; life always changes.

*- Fr. Tom Donohoe*

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## Mass Schedule

We return to our regular weekend Mass schedule this weekend. Masses are Saturday at 5:00 pm and Sunday at 8:00 am, 11:00 am and 5:00 pm.

## Banns of Marriage

1<sup>st</sup> Publication

Matthew Lauro and Susanna Mackey

3<sup>rd</sup> Publication

Keith Howcroft and Meg Mondello

## Congratulations

Addyson Leigh Marion, Olivia Marie Brown, Brenna Avery Porter and Cameron Alfred Seldon were recently baptized at St. Irene Church. Congratulations to Addyson, Olivia, Brenna, Cameron and their families. Welcome to St. Irene Parish.

## Religious Education

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On Sunday, September 21<sup>st</sup> we observe Catechetical Sunday with a Commissioning Ceremony for the Religious Education teachers at the 8:00 and 11:00 am Masses.

*We are in need of a teacher for grade 8. Please email Eileen Faber at: [reled@StIrenes.org](mailto:reled@StIrenes.org) if you can volunteer.*

Religious Education Classes for grades K-5 will begin on Sunday, September 21<sup>st</sup>. Session I is from 9:00-9:50 am and session II is from 10:00-10:50 am. Grades 6-8 will begin classes on Monday, September 22<sup>nd</sup> from 7:00-8:00 pm.

## Teacher Orientation

The Religious Education Teacher Orientations will be held in the Parish Hall at 7:00 pm. The schedule is as follows:

Monday, September 8<sup>th</sup>

Teachers for grades K-2

Monday, September 15<sup>th</sup>

Teachers for grades 6-8

Wednesday, September 17<sup>th</sup>

Teachers for grades 3-5

ALL teachers are required to take the one time VIRTUS training course and to fill out a yearly CORI form. Please see the schedule listed under VIRTUS/Protecting God's Children Training in this bulletin.

## Confirmation Meeting September 7<sup>th</sup>

There is a mandatory parents meeting for both Confirmation levels on Sunday, September 7<sup>th</sup> after the 5:00 pm Mass.

## Confirmation Classes

Classes for Level 1 begin on Sunday, Sept. 14<sup>th</sup> and Level 2 begins on Sunday, Sept. 21<sup>st</sup>. The full calendar as well as registration forms are available on the Confirmation Preparation page on the St. Irene Website [www.stirenes.org/faithformation/youtheducation/confirmation\\_prep.html](http://www.stirenes.org/faithformation/youtheducation/confirmation_prep.html). Forms can also be found at the back of the church. Questions regarding the program should be directed to Sheila Zacharchuk at [confirmation@StIrenes.org](mailto:confirmation@StIrenes.org).

## Parish Happenings

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### Welcome Sunday

This Sunday we observe Welcome Sunday. Coffee and refreshments will be served in the Parish Hall after the 8:00 and 11:00 am Masses. Please join us.

### Parish Council Meeting

There will be a Parish Council Meeting on September 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm in the rectory.

### Finance Note

As of July 1, 2014 and going forward, the monthly collection will now be dedicated specifically to the maintenance, improvement and running of our parish plant, evangelization and education programs.

### Women's Club

The Women's Club of the parish will have their "Welcome Back" pot luck dinner on Thursday, September 19<sup>th</sup> beginning at 6:30 pm. If you are new to the parish, please come join us and learn about the club - a good way to meet some ladies of the parish! We ask that you bring either a salad, vegetable or dessert - the Board will provide the main meal. Dues are \$10 and will be collected at this meeting. We look forward to seeing all returning members and meeting new ones. Any questions, please see Jan Brown or Judy Andrews.

### Thank You

We would like to thank Meg McCafferty for her time and assistance in designing the new Calendar of Events 2014-2015 booklet

for St. Irene's. We truly appreciate Meg's help during her busy summer. Thank you.

## St. Irene Photo Directory

If there are any parishioners who did not get their picture taken by Lifetouch Photography but would like their name and contact information listed in the back of the directory, please contact Wendy Krugh in the rectory office at (978)369-3940 or email [stirene@comcast.net](mailto:stirene@comcast.net). Please let us know what you would like listed (i.e. address, phone number). Thank you.

## St. Irene Parish Picnic

The Parish Picnic will be held on Sunday, September 21<sup>st</sup> right after the 11:00 am Mass. This annual event will be held on the grounds of St. Irene Church. It is a great opportunity to enjoy good food, family, fun kid games and crafts, and to catch up with friends you may not have seen over the summer. Tickets are \$8 for adults, \$5 for kids 5-12, and under 5 are free.

## Theater News

Irving Berlin's **White Christmas** is coming to Boston in December. If you are interested in going, please call the rectory (978) 369-3940, email [info@StIrenes.org](mailto:info@StIrenes.org) or see Judy Andrews. Date and time to be determined. No payment is required until November.

## Save the Dates

The following are some of the events scheduled for 2014/2015:

*Sunday, Sept. 21 – St. Irene Parish Picnic*

*Saturday, Nov. 22 – Mystery Dinner*

*Thursday, Jan. 15 – W.C. Pizza & Bingo*

*Saturday, Jan. 24 – Trivia Night*

Please mark your calendars now and plan to come to these wonderful events.

## Tuesday Evening Adoration & Benediction

Take a break from the world's demands and rest in the Lord! All are invited every Tuesday at 7:30 pm to Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, followed by Benediction. First Tuesdays of the month include periods for silent prayer, recitation of the Rosary and Chaplet of Divine Mercy and finish at 9:00

pm. All other Tuesdays include the Liturgy of the Hours, silent prayer, the Litany of the Blessed Sacrament, and conclude at 8:30 pm. Please email Mary Ellen Bakken at [adoration@StIrenes.org](mailto:adoration@StIrenes.org) for more information.

## 2014 Catholic Appeal Update

Thank you to all the supporters of the 2014 Catholic Appeal. St. Irene Parish has raised \$21,470 towards our goal of \$33,894 from 77 donors and families.

If you have not yet contributed please consider a donation to the Catholic Appeal. Donation envelopes are at the back of the Church. For more information, please visit [www.BostonCatholicAppeal.com](http://www.BostonCatholicAppeal.com). Thank you.

## Virtus/Protecting God's Children Training

All teachers and volunteers need to take a one-time VIRTUS training course. If you have already taken it at St. Irene's or any other parish you do NOT need to retake the class. However, if you have not had this training you will need to take it. St. Irene's is offering classes in the parish hall on:

*Tuesday, September 16 at 7:30 pm*

*Friday, September 19 at 9:30 am*

Please call Wendy Krugh at (978)369-3940 or email [stirene@comcast.net](mailto:stirene@comcast.net) to register for a class. Additional dates and locations for area classes are listed on the Archdiocese of Boston website at [www.bostoncatholic.org/Offices-And-Services/Office-](http://www.bostoncatholic.org/Offices-And-Services/Office-Detail.aspx?id=4986&pid=1472)

[Detail.aspx?id=4986&pid=1472](http://www.bostoncatholic.org/Offices-And-Services/Office-Detail.aspx?id=4986&pid=1472). Please call the rectory if you have taken VIRTUS training at another parish, so we can update our records. Thank you.

## Wednesday Morning Adoration

Every Wednesday morning, the Holy Mass is followed by the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament for Adoration until 12 noon. During this time Fr. Romain is available for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. The Adoration is concluded by the Divine Mercy Chaplet and the Benediction. Come by anytime and spend some time with Jesus.

## Caring Friends Network

If you know of a parishioner who is in need of a meal, a ride to church or a Get Well or

Sympathy card, let us know. We have volunteers who have signed on to help a fellow parishioner in need. Please contact: [caring@StIrenes.org](mailto:caring@StIrenes.org)

### Offertory Report

The weekly offertory last Sunday was 9.7% less than last year. Thank you for your continuing support of our parish.

### The Catholic University of America Collection

The second collection this week supports the Catholic University of America (CUA) and its scholarship fund for needy students. CUA, located in Washing, D.C., is the national university of the Catholic Church. Many priests and professional lay ministers throughout the US obtain their education from CUA. For more information, please visit [www.cua.edu](http://www.cua.edu). Thank you.

### Special Catholic Relief Services Collection

Cardinal Sean has authorized a special collection for the weekend of September 13/14 to provide humanitarian relief and pastoral support for our affected brothers and sisters in the Middle East. Funds will be used to support Church programs to aid persecuted Christians. Baskets will be located at the back of the church for your donations. Thank you.

## Area Events

### Ignatian Volunteer Corps – Boston Area Openings

The Ignatian Volunteer Corps invites active adults in the second half of life to experience its unique combination of service and spirituality. Share your talents and life experience with the materially poor while reflecting with guidance in the Jesuit tradition. Ignatian Volunteers donate two days per week of service from September to June and engage in monthly spiritual reflection with other volunteers and with a spiritual reflector. For more information contact Dave Hinchey, IVC New England Regional Director at 617-571-3838, email [newengland@ivcnewengland.org](mailto:newengland@ivcnewengland.org) or online at [www.ivcusa.org/new-england](http://www.ivcusa.org/new-england).

## Financial Information

Offertory \$5243  
Offertory YTD \$205,628

Offertory was down over the summer months while parishioners were away on vacation, please consider this when planning your offertory giving. Thank you.

The second collection this week is for the Catholic University of America Collection.

Next week there will be a special collection for the Catholic Relief Services for the Middle East.

### St. Irene Staff:

#### Pastor:

Reverend Thomas P. Donohoe

#### Parochial Vicar:

Reverend Romain Rurangirwa

#### Resident:

Reverend Augustin Vondou

#### Permanent Deacons:

Deacon Dean Bulpett  
Deacon Charles Ferraro

#### Music Director:

Cypriana Coelho

#### Religious Education Coordinator:

Eileen Faber

#### Confirmation Coordinator:

Sheila Zacharchuk

#### Religious Education

Grades K-5: Sunday 9:00 – 9:50 am  
Sunday 10:00 – 10:50 am  
Grades 6-8: Monday 7:00 – 8:00 pm

#### Youth Ministry

Sundays, 1<sup>st</sup> of month 3:30 – 6:00 pm

#### Baptism Catechesis

Last Wednesday of the month at 7:00 pm. Please call the rectory to register.

#### Baptisms

Sundays, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> of each month at 1:00 pm.

#### Weddings

Contact Pastor 6 months in advance.