



# St. Irene Church

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**The 28<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**October 12, 2014**

## 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

## Liturgical Events

### Mass Intentions

Ursula Kocemba-Slosky  
Memorial Mass

Saturday, October 11 at 5 pm

Barbara Graczyk  
21<sup>st</sup> Anniversary Mass

Sunday, October 12 at 8 am

Phuc Tu  
Memorial Mass

Sunday, October 12 at 11 am

George MacCormack  
Memorial Mass

Sunday, October 12 at 5 pm

Leanne and Jon DiGuglielmo  
Mass of Thanksgiving

Wednesday, October 15 at 9 am

Anthony Furnari  
Memorial Mass

Saturday, October 18 at 9 am

Albert and Lorraine Rotoundo  
Memorial Mass

Saturday, October 18 at 5 pm

## The Pastor's Corner

Last Sunday the Extraordinary General Assembly of Bishops met in Rome to discuss the pastoral challenges of the family in the context of evangelization. The Synod will discuss the topic of family, urging guidelines for the present time and for the good of the entire church. This two week synod will precede the Ordinary Synod on the family which will take place in October 2015. Pope Francis wants the people taking part to express themselves freely. While the bishops state that the Church remains faithful to the teaching of Christ on marriage, Pope Francis realizes the need to reach out in a pastoral way to those separated from the church because of divorce and remarriage and also the need to address the teachings on marriage and family life. We are grateful that Pope Francis wishes to emphasize the pastoral outreach of the Church and reach out to all people.

*- Fr. Tom Donohoe*

## Banns of Marriage

3<sup>rd</sup> Publication

Ryan Burns and Danielle Poulin

## Welcome to All of the New Music Ministry Members!

I heard from Pat Barry that several parishioners signed up to join the Music Ministry, and I am very excited to meet you! Please take a look our rehearsal schedule below and come join us at our next rehearsal!

### Children's Choir

Rehearsals are every Thursday in the church from 6:20-7:00 pm.

### Young Adult Contemporary Group

We meet in the church on the first Sunday of every month to rehearse and sing at the 5:00 pm Sunday Mass. Our next meeting is Sunday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> at 4:00 pm.

### Adult Choir

Rehearsals are every Thursday in the church from 7:15-8:30 pm.

If you are an instrumentalist, please contact me directly at: [music@StIrenes.org](mailto:music@StIrenes.org) so we can set up a time to meet and plan how best to use your talents.

Fondly, Cypriana

## Religious Education

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### Columbus Day Weekend

There will be NO CLASSES for grades K-5 on Sunday, October 12<sup>th</sup> and Monday, October 13<sup>th</sup> for grades 6-8 due to the Columbus Day Weekend. Classes will resume on October 19 and 20.

### Safety Sessions

Safety Sessions for grades K-4 will conclude on October 19<sup>th</sup>. Parents are strongly encouraged to attend. Safety Part I for grade 5 will begin on October 19<sup>th</sup> and will conclude on October 26<sup>th</sup>. Safety Part I for grade 6 will begin on Monday, October 27<sup>th</sup> and conclude on November 3<sup>rd</sup>. The 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade Healthy Choices/Safe Kids Parent-Teen Retreat will be held in the Parish Hall from 11:30-4 pm on Sunday, October 19<sup>th</sup>. Please email Eileen Faber at [reled@StIrenes.org](mailto:reled@StIrenes.org) **whether or not you will be able to attend.**

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Parent's Meeting

There will be a 2<sup>nd</sup> grade parents First Reconciliation meeting on Wednesday, Nov. 5 at 7:30 pm in the Parish Hall.

### Confirmation Classes

There are NO CLASSES this Sunday. Please remember to bring your Confirmation Commitment and Sponsor Forms with you next time. If you have any questions, please email Sheila Zacharchuk at [confirmation@StIrenes.org](mailto:confirmation@StIrenes.org).

## Parish Happenings

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### St. Irene Parish Award for Christian Ministry

On Sunday, October 5, Valerie Dulac was presented with the St. Irene Parish Award for Christian Ministry at the 11 am Mass. A parishioner since 1969, Valerie has worked quietly "behind the scenes" to support the parish, generously lending her time and talent in many capacities to care for and build the parish. Thank you and congratulations, Val!

### Ministry Weekend

Many thanks to all of you who filled out a Ministry form last weekend! 69 adults and 30 children completed forms—and they volunteered to help in 299 ways in the parish!! If you did not get a chance to complete a form last weekend, there are extra blank copies at the rear of the church. Stay tuned—someone will be in touch with you within the next month if you have signed up for a new ministry.

### Women's Club Movie Night

The Women's Club October meeting will be on Thursday, the 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm. It will be "Movie Night" with all the normal movie treats, plus some surprises!! Ballots will be given upon entrance to determine which movie will be shown; so come enjoy an entertaining evening. Meeting is open to all ladies of the parish...members or non-members; remember 6:30 pm on the 16<sup>th</sup>!!

### Parish Pastoral Council

The Parish Pastoral Council will meet on Sunday, October 19<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm in the rectory.

## **St Irene Peer Leaders Organize to Help Stamp out Hunger in Massachusetts**

One of every five children is at risk of hunger in America today! 16 million children live in households without consistent access to adequate food. Walmart has challenged us to end hunger and will match every pound of food collected, with a donation of the same amount to the four regional food banks in Massachusetts. We have an opportunity to do our part to end hunger and double the number of families and children we impact. In the upcoming weeks, the Peer Leaders will be organizing a food drive involving the St. Irene's Religious Ed classes to compete against each other to see which class can donate the largest amount by weight of non-perishable food items. A list of food items will be distributed in classes along with a bin for each class to store their donations. Food items will be collected over 2 consecutive weekends: October 18-19 and 24-25. Prizes will be awarded to the class that collects the most food items. Watch for posters in the church for further information.

## **Update on Fund Raising Efforts for Fr. Augustin's Mother**

Through the power of the Holy Spirit and your generosity, we have collected a total of \$11,221 for Father Augustin's Mother's house! This new total will allow Marcella (Father's Mother) to enclose the pit toilet/outhouse and add a small enclosed cooking area behind her new, sturdy house. At the back of the church there are pictures of the house that you are helping to build. Please take a minute to take a look. Thank you so very much for your unbelievable generosity.

## **SAVE THE DATE!! Saturday, Nov. 22 St. Irene Mystery Dinner Theater**

Mark your calendar now! The St. Irene Players, with lead thespian Fr. Tom Donohoe, will present its latest production: "Demise in Paradise – or – Koo-koo Nuts on a Deserted Island" on Saturday, November 22, 2014. Fr. Tom has been the hit of the show for the last 17 productions, and

you will surely want to see what he is up to this year! Come and enjoy good company, good food, and lots of laughs!!

## **Theater News**

### **White Christmas - Tuesday, Dec. 16**

Judy Andrews has ordered 10 more tickets for **White Christmas**. The performance is on Tuesday, Dec. 16 at 7:30 pm and tickets are \$58 per person. If you are interested in going, please contact Judy as soon as possible or call the rectory (978)369-3940.

## **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.

## **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.

## **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. Dates and locations are listed at [www.bostoncatholic.org/Offices-And-Services/Office-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.

## 2014 Catholic Appeal Update

Thank you to all the supporters of the 2014 Catholic Appeal. St. Irene Parish has raised \$21,970 towards our goal of \$33,894 from 78 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.

## Offertory Report

The weekly offertory last Sunday was 36.4% more than last year. Thank you for your continuing support of our parish.

## World Mission Sunday

This week's second collection supports Catholic World Missions. World Mission gathers support for the pastoral and evangelizing programs and needs of more than 1,150 mission dioceses in Africa, Asia, the Pacific Islands, and remote regions of Latin America. For more information please visit [www.propfaithboston.org/](http://www.propfaithboston.org/).

## Area Events

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### Bowling / Pizza Event – November 2<sup>nd</sup>

On Sunday, Nov. 2, the Knights of Columbus will sponsor their Fall Bowling / Pizza Event for children with disabilities and their families. It will be held at Collins Bowladrome in Billerica from 1-3 pm. The event includes Duckpin bowling, followed by pizza. Interested families are asked to register for this **free event** by contacting Ken Desilets (Phone: 978-692-6866 or email: [kgdesigned@gmail.com](mailto:kgdesigned@gmail.com)) before Oct. 29<sup>th</sup>.

### Cub Scout Religious Emblems Program

An introductory meeting for the Light of Christ and Parvuli Dei Emblems, Catholic Religious Program, will be held on Sunday, November 9<sup>th</sup>. We invite you and your son to join us at 6:00 pm at St. Rita Parish Hall, 158 Mammoth Rd, Lowell. All information for completion of these two emblems will be discussed at this meeting. If you will be attending or have any questions, please

contact Roy or Lorraine Corbeil at [roy-corb@comcast.net](mailto:roy-corb@comcast.net) or call 978-458-0039.

## Financial Information

Offertory	\$9486
Offertory YTD	\$240,855

The second collection this week will be for World Mission Sunday. Next week's second collection is for the Dedicated Parish Maintenance and Upkeep Fund.

## 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.