Pentecost Sunday May 15, 2016

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

Phil Phalon - Memorial Mass Saturday, May 14 at 5:00 pm

Layne DiGuglielmo - Birthday Mass Sunday, May 15 at 8:00 am

Nhan Pham - Memorial Mass Sunday, May 15 at 11:00 am

Scott Whalen - 4th Anniversary Mass Sunday, May 15 at 5:00 pm

James Devlin - 8th Anniversary Mass Tuesday, May 17 at 9:00 am

Mitchell Daehling — 3rd Anniversary Mass Wednesday, May 18 at 9:00 am

> Ann Canzano - Memorial Mass Thursday, May 19 at 9:00 am

Karin Ward - Birthday Mass Friday, May 20 at 9:00 am Henry, Ellen & Kathleen Cormier Memorial Mass Saturday, May 21 at 9:00 am Khanh-Binh Tu - Memorial Mass Sunday, May 22 at 11:00 am Baccalaureate Mass Sunday, May 22 at 5:00 pm

The Pastor's Corner

On Monday, May 23 Lazarus House in Lawrence is sponsoring a charity golf tournament at the Andover Country Club to support their wonderful work. We have been inspired by the scope of the services offered to the people of Lawrence. We have been pleased to assist them by our donations of food, clothing and service. Lazarus House not only offers temporary food and shelter to people in need but also long term assistance which includes housing, food and education. I have formed a formidable golf team to take part in this tournament which includes myself, Deacon Charlie, Jim Marchant and Jim Reynolds. We shall represent our parish proudly and hope to bring home some prizes at the end of the day. For us it will be an enjoyable day that supports a deserving work — Lazarus House.

~ Fr. Tom Donohoe

First Communion

We congratulate the following children in our second grade class who received their First Holy Communion this weekend:

Samuel Ascolillo

Brendan Barth

Nicholas Bonenfant

Thomas Bonenfant

Sofie Cotter

Anthony DiGiovanni

Matthew Evans

Joseph Ferrari

Edward Gillick

Kian Haeffner

Michael Haley

Rebecca Hillman

Avery Keller

Mac Keller

Thomas Knight

Ethan McCafferty

Gabrielle Monagle-Fleming

Benjamin Murphy

Finn O'Connor

Alexander Pray

Hailey Roy

Olivia Scaduto

Kaja Triola

We would also like to extend our deep appreciation to the second grade teachers for their time to prepare our students. Thank you Joy Bonenfant, Maggie Ascolillo, Lorna Phillips, Stephanie Haley, Linda Murphy and Anna Diaz Triola.

Low-Gluten Altar Bread is Available

If you have Celiac Disease and wish to receive Communion, please see the celebrant priest prior to Mass so he can consecrate the low-gluten hosts during the Mass.

Tuesday Evening Adoration & Benediction

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@Stlrenes.org for more information.

Religious Education

Religious Ed. Registration 2016-2017

Forms are available on our parish website at: http://www.stirenes.org/faithformation/yout heducation/. The deadline for registration is June 1, 2016.

Confirmation

Registration forms for Confirmation are due both Level 1 and 2 by June 1.

Mary's Meals-Lenten Work of Mercy

Thank you to the level 1 and 2 Confirmation candidates for their Work of Mercy Lenten contributions to Mary's Meals. Along with the 7th grade students who gave their breakfast donations to Mary's Meals and some parishioner contributions, our total came to \$2,800. This money will be used to feed 144 children with one meal every school day for a year.

"These life-changing meals attract hungry children into the classroom. The food fills their empty bellies so they have the energy and opportunity to learn, giving them the chance of a brighter future."

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Parish Happenings

2016 Baccalaureate Mass

St. Irene Parish will be hosting a Baccalaureate Mass for graduates, their parents, family and friends on Sunday, May 22 at 5:00 PM with special musical accompaniment to be led by Cypriana Coelho, our music director. Anne Gennaro, a recent college graduate will speak about the challenges to one's faith during the college years.

Graduates of 8th grade, high school, and college and their families are cordially invited to attend this special occasion as we celebrate and offer thanksgiving for their academic accomplishments with the Most Holy Sacrament of the Mass.

A reception will follow afterwards with dinner and a chance to renew acquaintances for families and young adults and their guests. Please RSVP by calling the rectory or emailing DeaconCharlie@stirenes.org with your name and a count of how many from your family will be attending. Your early response will assist us with proper planning. We look forward to celebrating this special day with you.

Going Away Reception for Deacon Charlie Sunday, June 5

We are sad to report that Deacon Charlie Ferraro and his wife Nancy will be moving to New Hampshire/Florida in June. On <u>Sunday</u>, June 5, after the 5:00 pm. Mass, we will hold a reception in the church hall to thank him for all his services to St. Irene's. The reception will begin at 6:00 pm and will include light hors d'oeuvres.

The Ferraros have been parishioners for 35 years and Deacon Charlie has served as our Deacon for the past 8 years, after having spent 4 years of coursework in order to become a deacon. Deacon Charlie has been an integral part of our parish.

Please come to the reception on June 5 to help thank him for all he has done and wish him Godspeed in his new work.

Parish Pastoral Council

The Parish Pastoral Council will be meeting on Sunday, May 15 at 7:00 pm in the rectory.

Women's Club Banquet

The Women's Club Banquet will be held on Thursday, May 19th at 6:00 pm at Rufinos in Chelmsford. Please call Jan Brown to RSVP no later than **Monday, May 16th**. Thank you.

50th Anniversary Celebration

The Women's Club is in the preliminary stages of organizing a 50th Anniversary Luncheon in the fall. If anyone has information, or whereabouts, of past members (i.e. names, address, etc.) please contact Barbara O'Rourke, Priscilla Booth or the rectory office (978)369-3940 so that we can begin an invitation list. Thank you.

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@Stlrenes.org.

Protecting God's Children / CORI Checks

All clergy, Parish staff, and volunteers who minister, work, or serve in a capacity involving contact with children under eighteen must complete the prevention and education programs mandated by the Archdiocese of Boston (Virtus/Protecting God's Children). Dates and locations for training are listed at the Archdiocese website: http://www.bostoncatholic.org/Offices-And-Services/Office-Detail.aspx?id=4970&pid=460.

The Archdiocese also requires a criminal offender record information (CORI) check for all full and part-time paid staff members, all clergy and all volunteers (17 years and older) who minister to or have access to children, youth, elderly or the disabled. CORI forms are due. Please contact Wendy Krugh at (978) 369-3940 if you need a form or have any questions.

Area Events

Volunteers Needed

Care Dimensions is in need of volunteers for our Hospice patients! Volunteers are ordinary people making extraordinary differences in the lives of our patients. No matter what your skills, talents, or motivation, we have a volunteer opportunity for you! Our next training starts soon so please contact Sr. Volunteer Coordinator, Jane Corrigan at 781-373-6574 or jcorrigan@caredimensions.org for more information

Financial Information

Increased Giving Campaign

We have launched our Increased Giving Campaign with the goal of increasing our offertory income by 20%. Please donate if you are able. More information can be found on our website: www.stirenes.org

Priests from Boston College

We thank our parishioners who have given to the "Restricted Gift to Support Student Priests" fund. As you may have noticed, we have 2 new priests at St. Irene's who are currently studying at Boston College. We are delighted to have them to assist us. As they are foreign priests, they are not employees nor can they be paid as employees of the parish.

Your donations will help to reimburse their travel expenses and to show appreciation for taking time from their studies. We have raised \$5,540 to cover the next 12 months to maintain their assistance. Your generosity, as always, is greatly appreciated.

Catholic Appeal 2016

Catholics across the Archdiocese are invited to pledge their support to the ministries funded by the Catholic Appeal. If you were unable to make your pledge at Mass, please take a pledge form from the back of the church or pledge online at http://www.bostoncatholicappeal.org/. St. Irene Parish has raised \$17,300 towards our goal of \$37,646. Thank you to all who have participated.

St. Irene Staff:

Pastor:

Reverend Thomas P. Donohoe

Parochial Vicar:

Reverend Romain Rurangirwa

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, 1st of month 3:30 - 6:00 pm Please contact Deacon Charles Ferraro

Baptism Catechesis

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

Baptisms

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

Weddings

Please contact Pastor 6 months in advance.

Financial Details

	Total Offertory	Budgeted Expenses	Surplus / Deficit
April	\$28,998	\$52,752	\$ - 23,754
Year to Date	\$131,528	\$192,243	\$ - 60,715

Number of parishioners participating in On-line Giving: 9 families

Last week the second collection for Communications amounted to \$887.

The second collection this week will be the Monthly Collection.

Next week the second collection will be the Seminarians Collection.