

# St. Irene Church

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**Trinity Sunday**  
**May 27, 2018**

## 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

Daniel O'Brien  
Memorial Mass  
Wednesday, May 30 at 9:00 am

Mass of Thanksgiving  
Thursday, May 31 at 9:00 am

Albert Cabral  
Memorial Mass  
Saturday, June 2 at 5:00 pm

Colleen Kelly  
Memorial Mass  
Sunday, June 3 at 8:00 am

George & Ernestine Secovich  
Memorial Mass  
Wednesday, June 6 at 9:00 am

## The Pastor's Corner

We are preparing for the collaboration which will take place next June. At that time a pastor will be appointed for Saint Irene Parish and Holy Family Parish, Concord. Both Father Austin Fleming and I will be asked to retire. Our Parish Councils and parish staffs both met recently to prepare for this collaboration. We want to make this transition as easy as possible. We will continue to work together during this coming year to expedite the collaboration.

Fr. Tom Donohoe

## First Friday

Next Friday, June 1 is the First Friday of June. Mass will be celebrated at 9:00 am. First Friday Devotions will follow and conclude with Benediction.

## 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.

## March, April and May Baptisms

St. Irene Parish would like to congratulate the following children and their families. Welcome to St. Irene's.

### March

Avery Susan O'Keefe  
Remington Robert Ross  
Harrison Lee Jacobellis  
Lucia Helena Lampron  
Cody Michael Thomas

### April

Ronan James Clemens

### May

Eugene Henry Clark VI  
Sean Matthew Cleary  
Luca Russ Jacobellis

## Daily Bible Readings

Please visit [www.usccb.org/bible/readings/](http://www.usccb.org/bible/readings/) to find the daily bible readings and other information.

## Tuesday Evening Adoration

All are invited every Tuesday at 7:30 pm to Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. 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.

## Religious Education

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### Religious Education and Confirmation Registration 2018/2019

Registrations for the 2018/2019 Religious Education and Confirmation Program are available now on the St. Irene website.

*For grades K-8 please visit:*

**[Stirenes.org/faithformation/youtheducation/](http://Stirenes.org/faithformation/youtheducation/)**

*For Confirmation please visit:*

**[Stirenes.org/faithformation/youtheducation/confirmation\\_prep.html](http://Stirenes.org/faithformation/youtheducation/confirmation_prep.html)**

Please make sure to return the form with payment by June 30 in order to receive discounted price. Thank you.

### Peer Leaders

Peer Leaders are organizing a Pizza and Game night on Sunday June 3rd after the 5pm Mass. This will be a fun filled night of jesting but no jousting. The invitation is extended to all high school students. Please consider joining us to make this a successful event. Bring a friend to keep you company. We will be asking for a small donation at the door of \$4 to cover the cost of the food. RSVP to [peerleaders@stirenes.org](mailto:peerleaders@stirenes.org).

## Parish Happenings

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### Communications Committee Invitation

Saint Irene's web committee will start a collaboration with Holy Family Concord's web committee, focusing on how we can engage not only parishioners but also the community around us, how we communicate who we are as Catholics, and also how our two web sites connect. We will target the web, social media, and other forms of outreach.

We're looking to schedule a one-time brainstorm in June and to start regular, monthly meetings in the fall. If you'd like to join this effort, contact [feedback@stirenes.org](mailto:feedback@stirenes.org) - thank you.

## Parish Pastoral Council

The Parish Pastoral Council will meet on Sunday, June 3 at 7:00 pm in the rectory.

## Red Cross Blood Drive – June 7

On Thursday, June 7 from 11:00 am – 4:00 pm St. Irene's is sponsoring a blood drive for the American Red Cross. You must be at least 17 years of age and in good general health to donate.

To schedule an appointment either call (800) Red-Cross or visit [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org)/ and enter "SaintIrene."

The Red Cross offers RapidPass®- a way to complete your pre-reading and health history questions online to help reduce the time you spend at blood drives by up to 15 minutes - visit [redcrossblood.org/Rapid-Pass](http://redcrossblood.org/Rapid-Pass). You must be 19 years old to use this tool.

Please donate if you are able. Thank You.

## Parish Calendar Meeting

The parish will have the annual calendar meeting Thursday, June 7 at 7:00 pm in the parish hall.

## 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).

## Parish Library

Register now and enjoy the many wonderful books in our parish library which is located in Room 6 of the parish hall. The library is open whenever the church is open but not during religious education classes.

## College Planning

If you and your family are starting a college search please check St. Irene's website for a list of many Catholic colleges in the US at [www.stirenes.org/faithformation/catholiceducation/colleges.html](http://www.stirenes.org/faithformation/catholiceducation/colleges.html).

## All CORI forms are due!

The Archdiocese requires a **yearly** 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**. Please contact Wendy Krugh at (978)369-3940 if you have any questions. Please return to the rectory office as soon as possible. Thank you.

## St. Irene Online

For more information about St. Irene Parish, please visit our web site: [www.StIrenes.org](http://www.StIrenes.org) or [www.facebook.com/StIrenes](http://www.facebook.com/StIrenes). You are invited to explore both and offer suggestions via email at [feedback@stirenes.org](mailto:feedback@stirenes.org). St. Irene's online calendar can be found at [www.stirenes.org/quicklinks/calendar.html](http://www.stirenes.org/quicklinks/calendar.html).

## Area Events

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### Blessing of the Bikes - June 2 10:00 am St. John the Evangelist, N. Chelmsford

This is a popular tradition in which riders of motorcycles receive a blessing for safety throughout the coming season.

ALL MOTORCYCLE OPERATORS AND THEIR 'BIKES' are invited for a blessing by Fr. Brian Mahoney on Saturday, June 2nd at 10 am in the St. John Parking Lot, 115 Middlesex St., N. Chelmsford.

### Vacation Bible School Billerica Catholic

The Catholic Community of Billerica is hosting their annual Vacation Bible School (VBS) June 25-29, 2018, from 8:45 am-12 pm Monday - Friday. The theme this year will be *Set Sail with the Holy Trinity, featuring St. Patrick*. Registrations for participants (current K-5 students) is open until June 11. For more information, to download registration forms, or to register online, please visit our website: [reled.billericacatholic.org/vbs](http://reled.billericacatholic.org/vbs) or call (978) 667-3733.

## Financial Information

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### On-Line Giving at St. Irene's

St. Irene Parish provides Online Giving – a convenient and safe way to make a one-time or recurring donations. Getting started is easy – just visit our website, [www.stirenes.org](http://www.stirenes.org), and click our **E-Giving** link. When you participate, your gift will be securely transferred directly to the parish. We thank you for your continued support.

### Seminarians Collection

This week's second collection supports the formation and training of seminarians in the Archdiocese for future service as priests. Please be generous and support these seminarians on their journey toward their ordination to priesthood. For more information please visit [www.VocationsBoston.org](http://www.VocationsBoston.org).

### 2018 Catholic Appeal – Updated May 22

We are happy to report that our generous parishioners have contributed **\$23,620** to date to the 2018 Catholic Appeal. The proceeds of this fundraising are used to support diocesan ministries on the central level and at the parish level. For example, St. Irene's will be taking advantage of the Archdiocesan Safety Training Program which will be presented at St. Irene's on June 9 and an Archdiocesan program on palliative care which will be presented on October 14.

Our parish assessment for contributions to the Catholic Appeal is \$37,577. With contributions to date, this means that we need **\$13,957** to meet our goal. If you have not already had a chance to contribute, we would like to ask you to think about it today so that we can finish up the Catholic Appeal for this year before summer. Two ways to help:

1) Make an online contribution by going to [www.bostoncatholicappeal.org](http://www.bostoncatholicappeal.org). Using your credit card, you can make a one-time contribution or elect a 10-month contribution schedule of smaller amounts.

2) Make a check payable to "Boston Catholic Appeal" and drop it in the collection basket. We will forward your check to the Catholic Appeal office.

In each instance, be sure to indicate that you are a parishioner of St. Irene's.

We want to thank everyone for your generosity in supporting not only our own parish, but also in providing the necessary support for the Archdiocesan ministries which, in turn, support us all. God bless.

Last week the monthly collection amounted to \$2019.

### St. Irene Staff:

#### Pastor:

Reverend Thomas P. Donohoe

#### Parochial Vicar:

Reverend Romain Rurangirwa

#### Permanent Deacon:

Deacon Dean Bulpett

#### 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/Peer Leaders

Sundays, 1st of month 3:30 – 6:00 pm

Please contact the rectory.

#### 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.