

Solemnity: Body and Blood of Christ June 18, 2017

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We express our best wishes to all the fathers of our parish on their special day. Happy Father's Day!

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

Albie Jarvis - 2nd Anniversary Mass Debra Jarvis - Months Mind Mass Saturday, June 17 at 5:00 pm

Tuy Vu - Memorial Mass Sunday, June 18 at 11:00 am

Noelia Morales - Memorial Mass Sunday, June 18 at 5:00 pm

Virginia DeMont - 4th Anniversary Mass Saturday, June 24 at 5:00 pm Alice Doherty - Memorial Mass Sunday, June 25 at 8:00 am

Maybeth Sonn - Memorial Mass Sunday, June 25 at 11:00 am

Alice Shahinian - 32nd Anniversary Mass Wednesday, June 28 at 9:00 am

> Deb Troutman - Birthday Mass Saturday, July 1 at 9:00 am

Fran Kaduboski - Memorial Mass Saturday, July 1 at 5:00 pm

Colleen Kelly - Memorial Mass Sunday, July 2 at 8:00 am

Phuc Tu - Memorial Mass Sunday, July 2 at 11:00 am

Irene Kellish — Memorial Mass Wednesday, July 5 at 9:00 am

Lois Curcio - Memorial Mass Saturday, July 8 at 5:00 pm

Stasia Wojtas - 1st Anniversary Mass Sunday, July 9 at 8:00 am

Domenic Caruso — 1st Anniversary Mass Marie Caruso — 15th Anniversary Mass Sunday, July 9 at 11:00 am

The Pastor's Corner

Once again, the summer season begins. This weekend is the last Sunday 5:00 pm Mass for the summer. The children will soon be on vacation from school. Many families are preparing to travel or to spend time at a vacation house on a lake or at the seashore. Take time to enjoy these days. They are very precious. Remember too this Sunday is Father's Day—the day to honor our dads and recognize the important role they have in our families. Their example has a powerful influence on us in our own lives. Happy Father's Day to all our dads.

Fr. Tom Donohoe

Mass Schedule

The last 5:00 pm Mass on Sunday will be celebrated on June 18th. Effective the weekend of June 24th/25th the Mass schedule will be Saturday at 5:00 pm and Sunday at 8:00 am and 11:00 am. The Sunday 5:00 pm Mass will resume on September 10th.

Mission Appeal Weekend

Father Chika Kamalu from the Congregation of the Holy Spirit Province of Nigeria (the Zambian Spiritans) will be visiting St. Irene Parish the weekend of July 1/2. A second collection will be taken for the mission appeal.

June Baptisms

William David Curran, James Frederick Bourgeois, Brinley Marie Desrosiers, Tiana Kamila Lopez, and Joseph Christoper O'Brien were baptized recently at St. Irene Church. Congratulations to William, James, Brinley, Tiana and Joseph and their families. Welcome to St. Irene Parish.

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.

Daily Bible Readings

Please visit **www.usccb.org/bible/read-ings/** to find the daily bible readings and other information.

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.

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

First Communion Banners

The beautiful banners that were decorated by our second grade students are available to take home. They are in a basket at the back of the church arranged alphabetically.

Religious Ed. Registration 2017-2018

Religious Education registration forms are due by June 30. **There is a late fee of \$100 for registrations after June 30.** Forms can be found at: stirenes.org/docs/2017-2018_registration_form_rel_ed.pdf.

Confirmation Registration 2017-2018

Registration forms for Confirmation are due both Level 1 and 2 by June 30. **There is a late fee of \$100 for registrations after June 30.** Forms can be found on St. Irene's website at: www.stirenes.org/faithformation/youtheducation/confirmation_prep.html.

Parish Happenings

Save the Dates

We had our annual calendar meeting last week and here are a few dates to remember:

Sunday, Sept. 17 — Parish Picnic Saturday, Oct. 21 — Ham & Bean Dinner Saturday, Nov. 18 — Mystery Dinner Sunday, Dec. 3 — Parish Christmas Party Saturday, May 5 — Confirmation Saturday, May 12 — First Communion

New Wheelchair from the Knights

Your Saint Irene Knights of Columbus have recently received a new wheelchair as part of a K of C international program that encourages Councils to provide these types of items to our parishes, to ensure their availability when needed. The chair can be found in the right side closet of the main church entrance. If you have occasion to use it, please ensure that it is returned to this location. Thank you.

Summer Bulletin Schedule

The last weekly bulletin before the summer schedule begins is June 19th. We will publish the bulletin three times during the summer. Publication dates are July 9th, August 6th, and September 3rd.

Please have information for print to the rectory by the prior Monday at 5:00 pm. The rectory office is usually open Monday through Friday from 9:00 am until 2:00 pm.

Parish Library

Please return all Advent and Lenten books. The library is open whenever the church is open but not during religious education classes.

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.

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.

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.

St. Irene Online

For more information about St. Irene Parish, please visit our web site: www.Stlrenes.org or www.facebook.com/Stlrenes. You are invited to explore both and offer suggestions via e-mail at feedback@stirenes.org. St. Irene's online calendar can be found at www.stirenes.org/quicklinks/calendar.html.

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.

Area Events

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

"I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever." Let the Lord feed and support your marriage by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next WWME Weekends are Sep 16-17, 2017 in Medway, MA and Oct 21-22, 2017 in Contoocook, NH. For more information, call Stephen & Michelle O'Leary at 800-710-9963 or visit us at https://wwmema.org/.

Catholic Television

Catholic TV is available on Comcast Cable channel 238, Verizon FiOS channel 271, Sky Angel IPTV channel 142, RCN channel 85, EWTN channel 56 and streaming on www.CatholicTV.com.

Financial Information

Increased Offertory Campaign

As of May 19 families have increased their offertory to St. Irene Parish. We sincerely thank those who have participated in the increased offertory campaign. Your generosity is greatly appreciated. Our goal is to appeal to the generous support of our community and increase the offertory by 20% from parishioners to cover our operating expenses.

We are asking each of you who currently support our parish to prayerfully review your commitment and consider an increase in your continuing offertory contributions consistent with your means. The parish needs the support of every parishioner to have a vibrant, long-term community where all are welcome to share in the light of Jesus Christ and each other. Thank you.

2017 Catholic Appeal Update

St. Irene Parish has surpassed its 2017 Catholic Appeal assessment of \$37,349, collecting \$38,820. The Archdiocese would like us to reach a goal of \$40,678. We are truly grateful to the 56 parishioners and families that helped us reach our assessment. The Catholic Appeal provides critical funding to hundreds of pastoral, charitable, and educational programs that impact tens of thousands throughout our Archdiocese.

On behalf of Cardinal Seán O'Malley and all who will benefit from your generosity, thank you for your support.

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, 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 of St. Irene Parish.

- This weekend the second collection is the monthly collection.
- Next week the second collection is the Holy Father Peter's Pence collection.

St. Irene Staff:

Pastor:

Reverend Thomas P. Donohoe

Parochial Vicar:

Reverend Romain Rurangirwa

Permanent Deacons:

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

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.