

St. Irene Church

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Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
June 5, 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

Ben Bakken - Birthday Mass
Saturday, June 4 at 5:00 pm

Colleen Kelly - Memorial Mass
Sunday, June 5 at 8:00 am

Debbie and Rich Boule
40th Wedding Anniversary Mass
Sunday, June 5 at 11:00 am

Gerard Lobo - Memorial Mass
Sunday, June 5 at 5:00 pm

Bill and Dot Riley - Memorial Mass
Monday, June 6 at 9:00 am

Kelly Faber - Birthday Mass
Friday, June 10 at 9:00 am

Evan Sullivan - 1st Birthday Mass
Saturday, June 11 at 9:00 am

Tracy Clifford - Memorial Mass
Sunday, June 12 at 5:00 pm

The Pastor's Corner

This Sunday we are having a reception for Deacon Charlie Ferraro from 6:00 – 7:00 pm in the Parish Hall. Deacon Charlie will be leaving us this month. I think that we all have mixed feelings this weekend. We are happy for Charlie and Nancy as they prepare for their new life in retirement. At the same time, we are saddened to lose Deacon Charlie. He has been a great asset to our parish in his Deaconate ministry. He has assisted us in performing baptisms, conducting baptism classes along with Deacon Dean, preached and assisted at Sunday and weekend Masses, working with our parish pastoral council and developed our programs of Peer Ministry for our young adults. We wish Deacon Charlie and Nancy much happiness in this new phase of their lives and success to Deacon Charlie in his ministry in other parishes. We offer Charlie our profound thanks for his wonderful Deaconate ministry at Saint Irene's.

~ Fr. Tom Donohoe

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.

Mass Schedule

The last 5:00 pm Mass on Sunday will be celebrated on June 19th. Effective the weekend of June 25th /26th 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 11th.

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@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

Religious Ed. Registration 2016-2017

Forms are available on our parish website at: <http://www.stirenes.org/faithformation/youtheducation/>. The deadline for registration was June 1, 2016.

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.

Confirmation

Registration forms for Confirmation were due for both Level 1 and 2 by June 1. If you have any questions, please contact Sheila Zacharchuk at Confirmation@Stirenes.org.

Parish Happenings

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 Sunday, June 5, after the 5:00 pm Mass, we will hold a reception in the parish 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.

St. Irene's Golf Team Excels at Lazarus House Golf Tournament

The St. Irene's Golf Team, led by Captain Fr. Tom Donohoe, "did us proud" at the Lazarus House Charity Golf Tournament held at the Andover Country Club on May 25. Fr. Tom's "pitch" to the green—within a foot of the hole—led to one of three birdies that the team had on the back nine holes. Team member Jim Reynolds was recognized for getting his tee shot closest to a tape marker set midway on the 393-yard first hole. In fact, Jim's ball landed ON the tape! Many thanks to the entire team—including Deacon Charlie and Jim Marchant—for their solid team play and for supporting Lazarus House's goal of giving thousands of people a new hope, a new start, and a new life for themselves and their families.

Parish Pastoral Council

The Parish Pastoral Council will be meeting on Sunday, June 12 at 7 pm in the rectory.

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.

Interested in Becoming a Deacon?

Have you ever considered serving the Church as a Deacon? Would you be interested in exploring what the role of a Deacon consists of? Find out more about the responsibilities and requirements associated with the Diaconate by visiting: www.bostoncatholic.org/deacon.aspx and www.bostondiaconate.org.

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 10th, August 7th, and September 4th. Please have information for print to the rectory by the prior Monday at 5:00 pm.

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@StIrenes.org.

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.

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.

St. Irene Online

For more information about St. Irene Parish, please visit our web site: www.StIrenes.org or www.facebook.com/StIrenes. 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.

Area Events

LIFT Worship Night

Join LIFT Ministries on Tuesday, June 21st @ 7pm for an inspiring night of worship at St. William Church in Tewksbury with speaker Dave VanVickle. The night will include uplifting music, a relevant talk, confessions, Eucharistic Adoration, and is FREE to attend and open to ALL AGES. A downloadable flyer, along with more information about LIFT, can be found on their website at www.liftedhigher.com. Come and worship with hundreds of Catholics from around the Boston area!

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.

Help Wanted - Grade 1-2 Coordinator for Billerica Catholic Religious Education

We are actively seeking to fill an opening in Billerica Catholic Religious Education for a Coordinator for Grades 1-2. This is a paid part-time position in our exciting new program. We have even been commended for our approach by the Archdiocese!

As you may know, this year we combined our 3 separate programs into one, in which we are teaching a unified curriculum in each of our three locations; one lesson plan is prepared for each class. We are also including the parents of our elementary students in the classroom. If you, or someone you know, might be interested, Deacon Phil would be happy to chat. Feel free to contact him at deacon.phil.dibello@gmail.com or 978-857-0369.

Financial Information

On-Line Giving at St. Irene's

St. Irene Parish now 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.

11 parishioners/families have enrolled in the on-line giving program, 17 parishioners are now using EBP (Electronic Bill Pay) We thank you for your continued support of St. Irene Parish.

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 \$18,550 towards our goal of \$37,646. Thank you to all who have participated.

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St. Irene Staff:

Pastor:

Reverend Thomas P. Donohoe

Parochial Vicar:

Reverend Romain Rurangirwa

Permanent Deacons:

Deacon Dean Bulpett
Deacon Charles Ferraro

Music Director:

Cypriana Coelwo

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.

The rectory office is usually open Monday through Friday from 9:00 am until 2:00 pm.