

# Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time July 15, 2018

# **Mass Schedule**

#### Daily

Monday — Saturday 9:00 am Saturday Vigil 5:00 pm

# Sunday

8:00 am, 11:00 am

#### Confessions

Saturday 4:00 - 4:45 pm

# **Liturgical Events**

#### **Mass Intentions**

Orlando Magistrado 3<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary Mass Saturday, July 14 at 5:00 pm

Thanh Pham Memorial Mass Sunday, July 15 at 11:00 am

Dr. Garth F. Tagge Memorial Mass Monday, July 16 at 9:00 am

Ashley G. Bergeron Memorial Mass Thursday, July 19 at 9:00 am

Paula Macione Memorial Mass Friday, July 20 at 9:00 am Christine Beattie Memorial Mass Saturday, July 21 at 5:00 pm

Paul Cox 8<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Mass Sunday, July 22 at 11:00 am

Ray St. Germain 3<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary Mass Saturday, July 28 at 5:00 pm

Maybeth Sonn Memorial Mass Sunday, July 29 at 11:00 am

Thomas & Linda Doherty Memorial Mass Tuesday, July 31 at 9:00 am

Albert Cabral Memorial Mass Thursday, August 2 at 9:00 am

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

Maybeth Sonn 9<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Mass Sunday, August 5 at 11:00 am

Peter Sellew 2<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary Mass Thursday, August 9 at 9:00 am

#### The Pastor's Corner

Summer had arrived suddenly and brought us 90° temperatures. For many families, this is a time for vacation. Summer should be the opportunity for relaxation with our families and friends. In spite of our problems and disagreements, we live in a wonderful country, enjoying freedom and a comfortable life. Last Wednesday, we celebrated our national holiday — Independence Day. It has a special meaning in the Boston area where it all began. The Pops Concert and the Fireworks are a fitting celebration of the birth of our nation. Let us be grateful to God for all our blessings.

Fr. Tom Donohoe

#### Mass Schedule

Effective June 24<sup>th</sup> 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 9<sup>th</sup>.

## **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 lowgluten hosts during the Mass.

## **Daily Bible Readings**

Please visit 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@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**

# 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/

#### For Confirmation please visit:

Stirenes.org/faithformation/youtheducation/confirmation\_prep.html

#### **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.

# **Parish Happenings**

## **Ministry Weekend Coordinator Needed**

St. Irene Parish has a long-standing reputation for welcoming volunteers to become involved in the various ministries of our parish. Each fall, we invite parishioners of all ages to come forward to help—by either "re-upping" in a current ministry or by offering to serve in a new way.

This year, Ministry Weekend will take place on October 13-14. If you believe that becoming involved with our parish is a wonderful way to share our faith, then we can use your help. We need someone to coordinate the sign-up process. Give Wendy a call at the rectory (978-369-3940) for details. Your help will be greatly appreciated!!

#### Save the Dates

We had our annual calendar meeting in June and here are a several dates to remember:

Sun., Sept. 16 – Parish Picnic

Sat., Oct. 20 – WC Ham & Bean Dinner

*Sat., Nov. 17 – Mystery Dinner* 

Sun., Dec. 9 – Parish Christmas Party

Sat., Jan. 26 - Trivia Night

Sat., Mar. 16 – K of C Corned Beef & Cabbage Dinner

Sun., May 5 — Fashion Show & Tea

Sat., May 18 – First Communion

#### Summer Bulletin Schedule

We will publish the bulletin two times during the summer. Publication dates are July 8<sup>th</sup> and August 5<sup>th</sup>. Please have information for print to the rectory by the prior Monday.

#### 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 email at feedback@stirenes.org. St. Irene's online calendar can be found at www.stirenes.org/guicklinks/calendar.html.

#### **Parish Library**

The parish library has books for summer reading on the table at the back of the church. Registered library users may borrow books for three weeks. If you are not registered, you may do so at the table. There are a number of overdue books out. Please return them as soon as possible. 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.

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**

# Summer Fair for Kids with Disabilities -Sunday, August 12

Bishop Ruocco, is a local Knights of Columbus Council running their annual Summer Fair. The Fair is free to kids with disabilities and their families. It is held at The Paul Center, (39 Concord Rd, Chelmsford), on August 12 from 9:30 to 11:30 AM. Rain or shine. The grounds are wheelchair accessible. The Fair includes 16 fun games, craft making, parachute activity and prizes for all. Come and enjoy this great event. Please register by contacting Ken Desilets at (978) 692 6866 or kgdesigned@gmail.com on by Aug. 1.

# **Silver and Golden Anniversary Mass**

Cardinal Sean O'Malley invites all couples celebrating their 25th or 50th wedding anniversary in 2018 to the Silver and Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass at St. Mary Parish, 133 School Street Waltham, MA.

The Mass will be celebrated on Sunday, October 28 at 4:00 pm and will include a renewal of vows. To register, please visit: *BostonCatholic.org/WeddingAnniversaryMass*. For more information contact Kelly Tolman at ktolman@rcab.org or 617-746-5803.

# **Financial Information**

## **Grand Annual Collection – Updated July 9**

Good news! We have surpassed our goal of \$125,000 for the Grand Annual Collection and collected **\$125,594**. We are most grateful for your continued support to our parish. Thank you.

## 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.

## 2018 Catholic Appeal – Updated July 6

We are happy to report that our generous parishioners have contributed **\$25,370** 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 has taken advantage of the Archdiocesan Safety Training Program which was 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 \$12,207 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. Please visit www.bostoncatholicappeal.org to make a donation.

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.

The missionary collection last weekend amounted to \$3145.

#### 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.

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

Financial Details	Weekly	Monthly	Gifts
June 2018	\$21,932	\$2812	\$850
Year to Date 2018	\$150,357	\$17,986	\$57,050*
Year to Date 2017	\$156,540	\$17,171	\$54,574**

<sup>\*</sup>Includes a one-time gift of \$50,000

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