



St. Irene Church

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Easter Sunday

April 20, 2014

Happy Easter

This is the day the Lord had made. Today we celebrate the Resurrection of the Lord Jesus Christ. Today we sing Alleluia. Praise the Lord. We extend to all of you our best wishes for a happy and blessed Easter. May the peace, love, and joy of Easter be your today and throughout the year.

Mass Schedule

Daily

Monday – Saturday 9:00 am

Saturday Vigil

5:00 pm

Sunday

8:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 5:00 pm

Confessions

Saturday 4:00 - 4:45 pm

Liturgical Events

Mass Intentions

Roland Isabelle

8th Anniversary Mass

Sunday, April 20 at 11 am

William Burns

Funeral Mass

Tuesday, April 22 at 11 am

Chucky Milot

Memorial Mass

Wednesday, April 23 at 9 am

John T. Cooney

1st Anniversary Mass

Saturday, April 26 at 5 pm

Helen and Raymond Critch

Memorial Mass

Sunday, April 27 at 8 am

The Pastor's Corner

This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad. Alleluia. Today we celebrate our greatest feast, Easter Sunday. This is the day the Lord has made by raising His Son Jesus Christ from death to life. The same Jesus who was nailed to a cross on Good Friday and buried in another man's tomb rose to life and became our Risen Lord. One preacher tells about a devastating earthquake that took place in the 1950's in China. As a result of this earthquake, a huge boulder was dislodged from the mountain. It exposed a large opening that revealed wonderful artifacts from a thousand years ago. A whole new world became visible. Then the preacher added this thought about the first Easter, "When the stone was rolled away, we get our first glimpse of a new world, a world where death doesn't have the last word." That is our hope today. Jesus is the Resurrection and the Life and promises to us, who believe, a share in his victory. One day we too will be with the Risen Lord and our families and friends in His Kingdom. That is our hope and joy today. Christ has risen. Alleluia!

— Fr. Tom Donohoe

Easter Flowers

The Easter flowers decorating our church were donated in memory of or in honor of:

Paul and Loretta Bolduc
Fran and Rita Booth
Raymond Briere
C. Thi Bui
Marie Casserly
Paul P. Casserly
Yolanda Coppola
Tristao and Leonora Correia
Raymond and Helen Critch
T. Hue Dinh
Barbara Doucette
Eugene L. and Rita C. Duggan, Sr.
Mary Duggan
Cecila Frazier
Mark Frazier
T. Que Hoang
Robert Hommel
Martha Huber
Duane Edward Irmen
David J. Isabelle
Roland A. Isabelle
Lorraine Kane
James and Helen Lee
Emery and Mary Macumber
Thomas Manning
Mary O'Donnell
Phu Pham
T. Ngan Pham
T. Nhan Pham
Papa Pietropaolo
Grandpa Poirier
John and Beverly Schirmer
Ted Semrad
Nicholas and Louise Sherman
Sebastian Slosky
Ursula Kocemba-Slosky
Mary D. Stenrose
Kenneth and Sarah Trickett
K. Phuc Tu
K. Binh Tu
Theresa Tu
Gioi Vu
Hoang Vu
K. Tuong Vu
N. Phung Vu
Q. Tuy Vu
T. Diem Vu
Tuy Vu
Thomas Walsh
The Agostino Family
The Branco Family
The Bulpett – McDermott Family
The Caiazza Family

The Clericuzio Family
The Dagg Family
The Ferreira Family
The Gregory Family
The Guardino Family
The Hamilton Family
The Murphy Family
The Ponte Family
The Silva Family
The Sullivan Family
The Tranfaglia Family
The Trottier Family

Divine Mercy Sunday

There will be a special Prayer Service at St. Irene Church on Sunday, April 27th at 2:30 pm. There will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Divine Mercy Chaplet and a Litany in Praise of the Divine Mercy. Come and celebrate the beautiful gift of God's Mercy communicated to us through the Apostle of Divine Mercy, St. Faustina.

Religious Education

There will be NO CLASSES on Sunday, April 20th and Monday, April 21st due to spring vacation. PLEASE NOTE classes will resume on April 27th for Grades 1-5.

Our last class for grades 6-8 will be held on Monday, April 28 at 7:00 pm with a special end time of 8:15 pm. The year will close with Mass followed by a Sundae Party.

Our last class from K-5 will be held on Sunday, May 4th. In addition to class, both the 9:00 am and 10:00 am sessions will celebrate the May Crowning in the Church. All families/parishioners are invited. Both sessions will line up in the Parish Hall at 9:15 am the May Crowning will begin at 9:30 am.

2nd Grade First Communion Items

Folders, Workbooks and Banners are due on Sunday, May 4th, 2014 as well as donations for First Communion Flowers.

2nd Grade First Communion/Rehearsals

The 2nd grade classes will have their final rehearsal on April 27. The *special rehearsal time* is: 9:30-10:30 am for both Sessions I and II. Second grade students will receive their First Communion on Saturday, May

17th at 10:00 am. Students will begin lining up in the Parish Hall at 9:30 am.

Thank You Religious Education Teachers

Thank you to all the teachers, students and parents for a wonderful year! A special thank you to the teachers for their time, talent and service!

Religious Ed Registration 2014-2015

Forms are available on our parish website at www.stirenes.org. The deadline for registration is July 15th.

Parish Happenings

25th & 50th Wedding Anniversary Mass

His Eminence, Sean Cardinal O'Malley, O.F.M. Cap. Invites all couples celebrating their 25th or 50th wedding anniversary in 2014 to the Wedding Anniversary Mass at the Cathedral of the Holy Cross, Sunday, May 4th at 11:30 am. Mass will include a renewal of vows. Family members and friends are welcome to attend. Go to: www.BostonCatholic.org/WeddingAnniversaryMass or with your parish office to register. *Those registered by April 21* will have their names included in the printed list of Anniversary Couples. A formal invitation and more information will be sent from the Archdiocese to anniversary couples. Congratulations on your anniversary!

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: www.bostoncatholic.org/PGCTrainingSchedule.aspx?pid=1472.

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 the potential for unmonitored access to children, youth, elderly and the disabled* once a

conditional offer of employment or volunteer assignment has been extended. **CORI forms are due by April 21st**. Please contact Wendy Krugh at (978)369-3940 if you need a form or have any questions. Thank you for your understanding.

Parish Photos Needed

Don Eckelkamp is designing our new Parish Photo Directory. He is requesting current photos from parish events – Parish Picnic, Mystery Dinner, Trivia Night, Stations of the Cross, etc. Please email Don at ParishPhotos@StIrenes.org with your pictures or drop them off at the rectory office. Please remember that due to space constraints some photos may not be used. Thank you.

New Parish Directory – Please sign up!

St. Irene Church along with Lifetouch Photography will be creating a new photo directory this spring. Each family will receive a free 8 x 10 photo and a photo directory. Parishioner photos will be taken in the parish hall on:

Friday, May 9th from 2-9 pm

Saturday, May 10th from 10 am - 5 pm

Signups for picture appointments will be available through the St. Irene website at www.stirenes.org/. You may also call the Rectory (978) 369-3940 to set up an appointment.

Women's Club Meeting

The annual Women's Club business planning meeting (with a light supper) will be on April 24th at 6:30 pm. We encourage all members to attend as there are important issues to be discussed and voted upon. We will also be putting together our calendar for next year. Please RSVP by emailing womensclub@StIrenes.org. Thank you.

Women's Club – Trash to Treasure

The Women's Club will have their Trash to Treasure Day on Saturday, May 10th from 8:00 am – 1:00 pm. You can begin leaving your treasures in the rectory garage on April 21st. Please remember we cannot accept electronics, clothes or large items like furniture. If you have any questions please email womensclub@StIrenes.org.

Tuesday Adoration & Benediction

Take a break from the world's demands and rest in the Lord! 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.

2014 Catholic Appeal Update

Thank you to all the supporters of the 2014 Catholic Appeal. St. Irene Parish has raised \$11,315 towards our goal of \$33,894. If you have not yet contributed please consider a donation to the Catholic Appeal. There are donation envelopes at the back of the Church. For more information visit www.BostonCatholicAppeal.com. Thank you.

Offertory Report

The weekly offertory (for Palm Sunday) increased by 51.8% from last year. The total weekly and monthly offertory since May 12, 2013 has increased by 24.9%. Thank you for your continuing support.

Easter Collection

This week's diocesan-wide Easter collection is for our active and senior diocesan priests. Your gift to the Clergy Funds has a significant impact on our ability to provide for the health, well-being, and retirement needs of the priests who have devoted their lives to serving us and our Church.

Area Events

Walk for Hunger

Project Bread's Walk for Hunger will be held on Sunday, May 4th in Boston. Your support will provide nutritious meals to hungry families. Information and sponsor sheets are available at the back of the Church or visit www.projectbread.org/.

Financial Information

Offertory	\$7847
Offertory YTD	\$95,572
Monthly	\$2736
Monthly YTD	\$7306

This week's collection is the Easter Collection for the Clergy Funds.

St. Irene Staff:

Pastor:

Reverend Thomas P. Donohoe

Parochial Vicar:

Reverend Romain Rurangirwa

Resident:

Reverend Augustin Vondou

Permanent Deacons:

Deacon Dean Bulpett
Deacon Charles Ferraro

Music Director:

Cypriana Coelho

Religious Education Coordinator:

Eileen Faber

Confirmation Coordinator:

Frank de Alderete

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

Sunday 6:00 – 8:15 pm

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

Contact Pastor 6 months in advance.