



St. Irene Church

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Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time October 14, 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

Barbara Graczyk - 25th Anniversary Mass
Saturday, October 13 at 5:00 pm

James Duff - Memorial Mass
Sunday, October 14 at 8:00 am

Phuc K. Tu - Memorial Mass
Sunday, October 14 at 11:00 am

Diane Moccia - Memorial Mass
Sunday, October 14 at 5:00 pm

Emmet Kennelly - Memorial Mass
Monday, October 15 at 9:00 am

Lou LeBlanc - Memorial Mass
Tuesday, October 16 at 9:00 am

Richard & Jeanne Lemieux

Healing Mass

Wednesday, October 17 at 9:00 am

Jimmy Robichaud – Memorial Mass

Robichaud Family – Healing Mass

Thursday, October 18 at 9:00 am

David McIlhenny - 17th Anniversary Mass

Saturday, October 20 at 5:00 pm

Thien C. Pham - Memorial Mass

Sunday, October 21 at 11:00 am

Colleen Nesbit - Memorial Mass

Sunday, October 21 at 5:00 pm

The Pastor's Corner

The process of collaboration has begun for St. Irene Parish and Holy Family Parish, Concord. The formal announcement was made a few weeks ago and will take place next June. At that time, a new pastor will be appointed to serve both parishes. That will mean changes for both St. Irene's and Holy Family. We are already making plans for the meetings that will assist the Personnel Office in appointing the new pastor.

~ Fr. Tom Donohoe

Children's Liturgy

Our next Children's Liturgy will take place on Sunday, Oct. 21 at the 8 and 11 am Masses. Grade 6 and 7 students will host both Masses.

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/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 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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Session I is from 9:00-9:50 am and Session II is from 10:00-10:50 am. Classes for grades 6-8 are held on Monday nights from 7 - 8 pm.

Safety Sessions

Safety Sessions for grades K-5 and will conclude on Oct. 14. Safety sessions for grades 6-8 are now part of the regular classroom curriculum.

Peer Leaders

The Peer Leadership meeting will be on Sunday October 14th at 3:30. Our theme will be Money Management after high school. If you have any queries please send an email to peerleaders@stirenes.org.

We will be having our book launch on Thursday Oct. 25th at 7pm in the parish hall. Parishioners are welcome but please RSVP us at peerleaders@st.irenes.org. The title of the book is *Food for Thought: Recipes and Reflections from St. Irene's Peer Leaders*.

Parish Happenings

Ministry Weekend October 13/14

It's fall! Back to school, cooler days, and time to think about how each of us can contribute to the life of our parish. How can each of us help to make our St. Irene's the parish we want it to be? We will be filling out sign-up forms on Saturday and Sunday, October 13/14. Plan to become an active member of our parish!

St. Irene's Adult Faith Formation Presentation on Palliative Care Sunday, Oct. 14, Noon - 1:30 p.m.

Are you concerned about aging relatives? Have you or someone you know been diagnosed with a serious illness? Come hear a presentation and join in discussion about palliative care, a way for people to live better with serious illness that offers support for loved ones as well. Palliative care is often confused with hospice care, which is different. Presented by Diane McCarthy, Coordinator for the Archdiocesan *Initiative for Palliative Care and Advance Care Planning*.

A light luncheon will be served at noon in the church hall, followed by the presentation and discussion.

Tootsie Roll Drive – October 20/21

The Saint Irene Knights of Columbus will be conducting their annual Tootsie Roll drive after Masses the weekend of October 20/21. All proceeds will go to help children with special needs. Thank you for your generosity towards this great cause.

Catholic Charities Night - October 24

Please join the Merrimack Valley Catholic Charities Advisory Board for our Fall Dinner on Wednesday, Oct. 24 at 6:00 pm at the Tewksbury Country Club for an evening honoring the partner parishes in our community.

St. Irene Parish, Carlisle

Chelmsford Catholic Collaborative

St. Marguerite D'Youville Parish, Dracut

For more info please visit: www.ccab.org.

Ham and Bean Dinner – October 27

A harvest Ham & Bean Dinner, sponsored by the Women's Club, will be held in the parish hall on Saturday, October 27 at 6:30 pm. Tickets will go on sale the weekend of October 13/14 after Mass. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for children. Come gather with family and friends for a nice warm comfort meal. Seating is limited so we encourage you to get your tickets early.

Save the Dates

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

Sat., May 4 – Confirmation

Sun., May 5 – Fashion Show & Tea

Sat., May 18 – First Communion

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.

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.

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).

The Archdiocese also requires a criminal offender record information (CORI) check for all paid staff members, all clergy and **all volunteers (18 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 need a form or have any questions.

Try Something New This Fall and Join

St. Irene's Music Ministry

Now that we are all settling into our Fall routines, there are many ways to add your talents to St. Irene's Music Ministry and have some fun while doing it! Please contact Cypriana Coelho at music@stirenes.org for more information.

Children's Choir

We welcome children in grades K - 5 to come and sing with the Children's Choir. Rehearsals are every other Thursday in the church from 6:15-7:00. The choir sings at the Children's Liturgies, as well as at Christmas and Easter. No experience is needed.

Adult Choir

We welcome adults of any age to come and sing with the Adult Choir. Rehearsals are every other Thursday in the church from 7:15-8:30. The choir sings at the 11:00 Mass every Sunday, as well as on Christmas Eve, Holy Week, Easter, and other important occasions. No experience or audition is required, just a love for singing!

We would also love to have instrumentalists join the Music Ministry as well, so please don't hesitate to come and find me after Mass or email me at: music@stirenes.org.

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

Area Events

5 Glorious Mysteries of the Rosary

You are cordially invited to enjoy an evening of musical meditations at the Church of St. Michael, 90 Concord Rd, Bedford.

We will be performing the 5 Glorious Mysteries of the Rosary. This is the third of a trilogy explaining what might have crossed the mind of Mary as she witnessed these events in the life of her Son, the first two Mysteries, (the Joyful and Sorrowful), having been performed there several years ago.

This will take place on **Tuesday, Oct. 30**, at 7:00 PM. The performers will be: Mezzo-Soprano Maria McInnis, and Pianist James Giacinto. The composer is Henry Miranda. All are parishioners.

Admission is FREE; refreshments will be served in the Parish Center afterward.

Pastoral Associate's Lecture Series

Please Join Dr. Elizabeth Smith, Ph.D., Pastoral Associate, after the 5pm Mass for adult faith formation & discussions about how Catholics can engage today's world.

All lectures will be at Holy Family Parish 12 Monument Square, Concord at 6:00 pm
Wine and cheese will be served!

Oct. 21: *How can our Faith be a Resource to Help People Escape Domestic Violence?*

Special 2 ½ hour interactive workshop by Alyson Katzman, associate dir., Safe Havens

Nov. 18: *Devotional Practices:*

Adoration and Other Ways to Encounter God
Talk by Dr. Elizabeth Smith & Barbara Green

Financial Information

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.

Holy Father Collection

This weekend's second collection will support the Holy Father's "Peter's Pence" collection that provides funds for emergency and disaster relief. This collection will also provide support to the Catholic Univ. of America that educates priests and lay people for ministry and for the city parishes of the Arch. of Boston.

Next weekend the second collection is the Monthly collection.

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.