

# St. Irene Church

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## Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time October 28, 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

Salvator Curcio – Memorial Mass  
Saturday, October 27 at 5:00 pm

Ted Graczyk – 16<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Mass  
Sunday, October 28 at 8:00 am

Donald Argersinger – Memorial Mass  
Sunday, October 28 at 11:00 am

Ed and Fran Kelly (Wedding Anniv.)  
Mass of Thanksgiving  
Wednesday, October 31 at 9:00 am

Daniel O'Brien – Memorial Mass  
Thursday, November 1 at 9:00 am

Albert Cabral – Memorial Mass  
Friday, November 2 at 9:00 am

#### Mass of Thanksgiving

Saturday, November 3 at 9:00 am

Rita Paquin – 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Mass  
Saturday, November 3 at 5:00 pm

Colleen Kelly – Memorial Mass  
Sunday, November 4 at 8:00 am

Mary & Robert Willis – Memorial Mass  
John & Dorothy Downing – Memorial Mass  
Sunday, November 4 at 11:00 am

### All Saints Day

The Feast of All Saints will be celebrated on Thursday, November 1. The feast is a Holy Day of Obligation and Mass will be celebrated at 9:00 am and 7:30 pm.

### The Pastor's Corner

The Archdiocese has released the time frame for the collaboration of Saint Irene Parish and Holy Family Parish, Concord. The date is June 1, 2019. The name of the new pastor will be announced by February 2019. To assist the personnel board in choosing the new pastor, our staff and Parish Pastoral and Finance Councils will meet in November with the staff and Councils of Holy Family Parish to offer insights to the personnel board as they appoint the new pastor.

~ Fr. Tom Donohoe

## Parish Book of Life

During the month of November we offer special prayers in remembrance of the faithful departed. The Parish Book of Life is at the front of the Church so that you may record the names of your family members who have died. We will offer Mass for them on All Souls Day and on other days in November. We will also pray for them at Mass daily in November.

## First Friday

November 2<sup>nd</sup> is the First Friday of November and Mass will be celebrated at 9:00 am. First Friday Devotions will follow and conclude with Benediction.

## 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.

## 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](mailto: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.

## Daily Bible Readings

Please visit [www.usccb.org/bible/readings/](http://www.usccb.org/bible/readings/) to find the daily bible readings and other information.

## Religious Education

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### Thank You

Thank you to the 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> grade students for hosting both the 8:00 & 11:00 am Masses last Sunday.

### Religious Education

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.

### Peer Leaders

In lieu of our November meeting the Peer Leaders will be selling their book "Food for Thought" after the Masses the weekend of November 3/4. All the profits will be donated to the Catholic Charities food pantry in Lowell. A copy of the book is priced at \$12 or three for \$30. They are bound to make unusual holiday gifts.

## Parish Happenings

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### St. Irene's Adult Faith Formation Presentation on Preparing a Catholic Funeral

Sunday, Oct. 28 from Noon-1:30 p.m.  
Light Luncheon Served

The planning of a Catholic funeral can be one of the most challenging things we will ever do. Decisions must be made quickly while sadness and grief weigh upon the family. Please come and join the discussion about the practical details that go into planning a Catholic funeral, enabling the family to plan a funeral liturgy in a way that respects the wishes of the deceased.

The presentation will be made by Fr. Tom, Ann Nicholson, Cypriana Coelho, and John Arena from Dee Funeral Home.

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

### Parish Pastoral Council

The Parish Pastoral Council will be meeting on Sunday, Nov. 4 at 7:00 pm in the rectory.

## **“IMMEDIATE NEEDS” Collection for Lazarus House in Lawrence**

**Monday, Oct. 29 – Sunday, Nov. 4**

As many of you know, St. Irene’s has had an ongoing connection supporting Lazarus House in Lawrence. The Knights of Columbus prepare and serve a meal once a month in Lazarus House’s Emergency Shelter. The Women’s Club organizes and donates a “truck full” of items in the spring. A number of our parishioners have volunteered at Lazarus House.

As you can imagine, Lazarus House has become a center of refuge and source of essentials for people in Lawrence who have been impacted by the gas explosions. They have reached out to members of St. Irene’s Social Justice Committee asking whether we could help with some of their “immediate needs.” Therefore, during the week of October 29 (from Monday, Oct. 29, through Sunday, Nov. 4), the Social Justice Committee will collect “immediate need” items in the rectory basement. You can drop off items at any time during that week. We will put together a group of parishioners to transport the goods to Lazarus House the following week.

**Immediate needs:** Size 5 and 6 diapers, diaper wipes, toothbrushes, deodorant, bar soap, razors, men’s gloves (desperate need), snacks (desperate need—Pepperidge Farm used to deliver but they stopped), winter jackets.

### **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](mailto:caring@StIrenes.org).

## **St. Irene Mystery Dinner Theater Saturday, November 17**

The St. Irene Players, with lead thespian Fr. Tom Donohoe, will present its latest production: “MURDER AT THE DRUNKIN’ MOSQUITO – or – The St. Irene’s Magical Misery Tour” on **Saturday, November 17, 2018.** Tickets will go on sale after all Masses on the week-ends of **November 3/4** and **November 10/11** at \$25 each for a 4-course catered meal AND a fun production—such a deal!

Come and see what Fr. Tom is up to this year—and enjoy good company, good food, and lots of laughs!!

### **Save the Dates**

*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*

### **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.

### **St. Irene Online**

For more information about St. Irene Parish, please visit our web site: [www.StIrenes.org](http://www.StIrenes.org) or **[www.facebook.com/StIrenes](https://www.facebook.com/StIrenes)**. You are invited to explore both and offer suggestions via email at [feedback@stirenes.org](mailto:feedback@stirenes.org). St. Irene’s online calendar can be found at [www.stirenes.org/quicklinks/calendar.html](http://www.stirenes.org/quicklinks/calendar.html).

## Area Events

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### **Five Glorious Mysteries of the Rosary** **Tuesday, October 30 - 7:00 pm**

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 five 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.

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

### **Bowling & Pizza for Kids with Disabilities** **Sunday, November 18**

On Sunday, Nov. 18, the Knights of Columbus Council will run their fall Bowling & Pizza Event. This Event is free to kids with disabilities and their families and is held at the Collins Bowladrome, (325 Boston Rd, Billerica), on Nov. 18 from 1:00 to 3:00 PM. The bowling lanes are wheelchair accessible and some have bumper guards for younger bowlers.

Families interested in attending need to register by contacting Ken Desilets (by Nov. 15) at [kgdesigned@gmail.com](mailto:kgdesigned@gmail.com) or (978) 692 6866.

## Financial Information

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### **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](http://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.

### **World Mission Sunday**

This week's second collection supports Catholic World Missions. By Baptism, all Catholics are called to participate in the mission of the

Church and share their faith as missionaries. World Mission Sunday gathers support for the pastoral and evangelization programs and need of more than 1,150 missions around the world. Please visit [www.propfaithboston.org](http://www.propfaithboston.org) for more information.

Last weekend the Monthly collection amounted to \$2,438.

### **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.