

# St. Irene Church

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## Seventh Sunday of Easter June 2, 2019

### Mass Schedule

#### Daily

Monday – Saturday 9:00 am

Saturday Vigil 5:00 pm

#### Sunday

8:00 am and 11:00 am

#### Confessions

Saturday 4:00 - 4:45 pm

### Liturgical Events

#### Mass Intentions

Colleen Kelly

Memorial Mass

Sunday, June 2 at 8:00 am

Evan Sullivan

Birthday Mass

Saturday, June 8 at 9:00 am

### Mass Schedule Change

Effective the weekend of June 1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup> the Mass schedule will be Saturday at 5:00 pm and Sunday at 8:00 am and 11:00 am. Please check the bulletin for further Mass updates.

### Banns of Marriage

1<sup>st</sup> Publication

James Gutierrez and Jennifer Zuk

### The Pastor's Corner

It is a joy to offer this message of greeting to you as the recently appointed Pastor of the Holy Family and St. Irene Parish Collaborative. My joy is made even more special in that I share this greeting with our collaborative's new Parochial Vicar, Father William Robinson – a fine young man who was ordained to the priesthood only two weeks ago! Both of us look forward to our ministry with and among you as we seek to further the mission of Christ and his Church in the communities we have been called to serve.

I take this initial message to acknowledge and offer appreciation to Fathers Tom Donohoe and Austin Fleming for their ministry to the individuals and families of St. Irene's and Holy Family Parishes. I have been privileged to have known these priests for a number of years. Countless people have been drawn closer to the Lord by their dedicated service which, together, spans more than a century of dedicated priestly service. I know you join with me in keeping them in prayer that they will be granted good health and blessings as

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they begin new chapters in their lives.

While there will be much more to share with you about the structure and workings of a parish collaborative, I simply ask at this time that you provide Father Bill and me the opportunity to get settled in town as we become familiar with you and with our new responsibilities. We beg your patience as we 'learn the ropes' and, of course, ask for your prayers. In turn, know that you and your intentions will hold a daily mention in our prayers, too.

God bless!

Fr. Frank Silva

### **First Communion**

We congratulate the following children in our second grade class who received their First Holy Communion May 18.

Nolan Asciolillo

Theodore Bielat

Maya Costa

Leah Famiglietti

William Fardig

Max Frevold

Andrew Halej

Victoria Hillman

Logan Keene

Stephen Knight

Maria Lewtas

Connor Milliken

Nina Murphg

Gavin Monagle-Fleming

Sofie Olsen

### **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/](http://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](mailto:adoration@Stlrenes.org) for more information.

### **Religious Education**

#### **With Heartfelt Gratitude and Thanks**

Our sincere thanks and appreciation to all the parishioners who gave so generously to support the young adults in our parish who attended Abide Boston 2019 and those going on the Mission Trip with Catholic Work Camps to NJ in July. The generosity of our parishioners is incredible! On the weekend of March 30/31 the collection for the 11 teenagers attending Abide Boston amounted to \$1,149 and on the weekend of May 4/5 the collection for the Mission Trip amounted to \$2,285.

The young adults who attended the Abide fasted from food and technology for 24 hours and on March 31 they spent the day at the Pine Knoll Nursing Home in Lexington interacting with the residents, playing board games, helping to serve and clean up from lunch and they ended with a much appreciated sing song! The monies raised at Abide will go to support local Catholic Charities.

When Katie Faber and Hannah Yelle return from their Mission trip they will give us an update on their experience and will share how they helped a community in need.

Thank you to the adults who chaperoned at Abide: Eileen Faber, Jim Crowley and Linda Tonies and to our teenagers Katie Faber, Cole Hamilton, Geraldine Paglia, Liam McCafferty who were on the Leadership team and to Dominique Paglia, Ally Flavin, Emma Tonies, Patrick Ford, Grace Corfield, Hannah Yelle and Maggie Blake who also attended.

We are blessed to have such wonderful parishioners who support the youth in our parish.

*God Bless, Sheila Zacharchuk*

# Parish Happenings

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## An Update from Father Romain

Father Romain sends his appreciation to all who have supported him while he has been here at St. Irene's. He would like everyone to know that he will be working as a chaplain at the VA Hospital in Bedford and will reside at St. Theresa's rectory in Billerica. Thankfully he will be living close by and will keep in touch. Blessings to all ~ from Fr. Romain.

## Respect Life News ~Tuesday, June 4

The next meeting of the Respect Life Committee will be Tuesday, June 4 at 6:30 pm in the parish hall. Following the meeting we will have a Holy Hour for Life at 7:30 pm. All are invited to attend. If you would like more information, please contact Amy or Cindy at [respectlife@stirenes.org](mailto:respectlife@stirenes.org).

## Parish Calendar Meeting ~ June 6

The parish will have the annual calendar meeting Thursday, June 6 at 6:30 pm in the parish hall.

## Red Cross Blood Drive ~ Thursday, June 13

On Thursday, June 13 from 11:00 am – 4:00 pm St. Irene's is sponsoring a blood drive for the American Red Cross. You must be at least 17 years of age and in good general health to donate. To schedule an appointment either call (800) Red-Cross or visit [red-crossblood.org](http://red-crossblood.org) and enter "SaintIrene." Please donate if you are able. Thank You.

## 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 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 e-mail 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).

## 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/faithfor-education/catholiceducation/colleges.html](http://www.stirenes.org/faithfor-education/catholiceducation/colleges.html).

## Area Events

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### Summer Family Festival

Holy Family Parish, Concord  
Sunday, June 2 ~ 11:30 am – 2:30 pm

Holy Family Youth Ministry invites you to join them in an opportunity to say hello to our new pastor and parochial vicar. The festival will include: face painting, a bouncy house, goodie bags, music, hotdogs and chips, and more. The cost is \$10/per family. Holy Family Parish is located at 62 Monument Square, Concord.

### Vacation Bible School

Holy Family Parish, Concord  
August 5 – 9, 9:00 am – 12:00 noon

Our 2019 VBS theme is ROAR: Life is wild; God is good. Cost: \$40 for campers and free for volunteers. Includes: All activities, crafts, T-shirt and the best week you'll have all summer! For more information, please visit: <https://www.holyfamilyconcord.org/faith-formation/programs-for-youth/vacation-bible-school/>.

### Summer Adventure Week

Catholic Community of Billerica

The Catholic Community of Billerica is hosting their annual Summer Adventure Week (formally Vacation Bible School). There are 2 sessions this year. Choice #1: June 24-28, from 8:45 am-12 pm Monday thru Friday *and*

Choice #2: June 23-27 from 6-8:00 pm Sunday thru Thursday. The theme this year will be *Athens - Paul's Dangerous Journey to Share the Truth*.

Registrations for participants (*current* K-5 students) is open until **June 10**. For more information, to download registration forms, or to register online, please visit our website: **reled.billericacatholic.org/saw** or call (978) 667-3733.

### **Race Amity Day ~ June 9**

Carlisle will be hosting a celebration of Race Amity Day on the Town Green Sunday, June 9, from 1-4 pm. This promises to be a fun day of community, family, and the ideals of harmony. Race Amity Day is a time when we can come together as neighbors and enjoy the wide diversity of our community. A picnic on the Green is planned with food, music, and games for children. There will be musical performances from the Acapella Singers from CCHS and from members of the Carlisle Middle School Choir.

### **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**.

## **Financial Information**

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### **Catholic Appeal 2019 Update**

We are happy to report that our generous parishioners have **contributed and/or pledged \$41,100** to date to the 2019 Catholic Appeal. The proceeds of this fundraising are used to support diocesan ministries on the central level and at the parish level.

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.

## **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.

### **St. Irene Staff:**

#### **Pastor:**

Reverend Frank Silva

#### **Parochial Vicar:**

Reverend William Robinson

#### **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.