

St. Irene Church

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Pentecost
June 9, 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

Stacy Conty

Special Intention

Monday, June 10 at 9:00 am

Alexandra Cooney

Memorial Mass

Tuesday, June 11 at 9:00 am

June Puffer

Memorial Mass (Birthday Remembrance)

Wednesday, June 12 at 9:00 am

Carol Lencki

13th Anniversary Mass

Thursday, June 13 at 9:00 am

Paula Macione

Memorial Mass

Friday, June 14 at 9:00 am

Robert, Louise & Charles Park

Memorial Mass

Wednesday, June 19 at 9:00 am

Mass Schedule Change

Effective the weekend of June 1st/2nd 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

2nd Publication

James Gutierrez and Jennifer Zuk

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.

The Pastor's Corner

This past week has been a very special one for Father Bill Robinson and me. In the middle of the chaos often associated with settling into new surroundings – let alone, two parishes! – both of us have been greatly touched by the warm, sincere, and heartfelt welcome we have received from the people of Holy Family and St. Irene Parishes. Has it been exhausting? Yes. Has it been confusing? Somewhat. But, despite the exhaustion and confusion, it has all most definitely been uplifting and affirming to us as priests who have found ourselves on the receiving end of many joyful greetings, best wishes and surprises.

In recent days we have had meetings with the pastoral councils and individuals from both parishes in the Concord-Carlisle collaborative. These discussions have been most helpful in providing us with some sense of the customs and traditions that have made the two parishes the strong faith-filled communities that they are. While we know there is much more to learn and, most importantly, more individuals to meet and hear from, Father Bill and I have quickly come to see that we have been blessed to have received our appointments to Holy Family and St. Irene Parishes.

With this weekend's observance of Pentecost, "the birthday of the Church," Father Bill and I pray that the Holy Spirit will touch the heart and soul of each of you with the fullness of God's love and mercy. We also pray that God's Spirit will help guide and direct our efforts in moving forward with our new parish collaborative, granting us the wisdom, understanding and patience necessary for all of us to be true "disciples in mission" seeking to make Christ present in our homes, communities, and world.

God bless!

Fr. Frank Silva

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.

Parish Happenings

New Flags in Vestibule

Please take a moment to view the two new flags hanging on the wall in the vestibule of the church. The flags were presented to St. Irene's as a thank you by the commanders of the Kuwait and Guantanamo Bay, Cuban companies who received gifts for the troops this past December. The gifts were provided by the parishioners of St. Irene's and packaged by members of the Women's Club under the direction of Jean Morin.

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 redcrossblood.org and enter "SaintIrene." Please donate if you are able. Thank You.

Summer Bulletin Schedule

Due to the changes happening at St. Irene Parish, we will continue to publish the bulletin over the summer months. If you are traveling, the bulletin can be found on our website: stirenes.org/about/bulletin.html.

Please have information for print to the rectory by the prior Monday at 5:00 pm. The rectory office is usually open Monday through Friday from 9:00 am until 2:00 pm.

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). 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 (18 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.

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 e-mail at feedback@stirenes.org. St. Irene's online calendar can be found at 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/faithformation/catholiceducation/colleges.html.

Area Events

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/faithformation/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.

Project Rachel

Confidential Catholic outreach to women and men offering hope and healing after abortion. Project Rachel's name and mission come from the Old Testament figure Rachel, who weeps inconsolably for her children "who are no more" until God came with his unconditional love and hope for her future. For more information: help@projectrachel-boston.com, 61 South Ave., Natick MA.

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

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.

Seminarians Collection ~ June 8/9

This week's second collection supports the formation and training of seminarians in the Archdiocese of Boston for future service as priests. We are blessed that many are responding to the call to serve as priests. Please be generous and support these seminarians on their journey toward their ordination to priesthood. For more information please visit www.VocationsBoston.org.

Next weekend the second collection will be the monthly collection.

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:

Sr. 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.