

St. Irene Church

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Eighteenth Sunday
August 4, 2019

Mass Schedule

Daily

Tuesday, Thursday, & Saturday 9:00 am

Saturday Vigil 5:00 pm

Sunday

8:00 am and 11:00 am

Confessions

Saturday 9:30 – 10:30 am

Liturgical Events

Mass Intentions

John Dulczewski

Memorial Mass

Saturday, August 3 at 5:00 pm

Denise Bowen

Memorial Mass

Sunday, August 4 at 8:00 am

Maybeth Sonn

10th Anniversary Mass

Sunday, August 4 at 11:00 am

Peter Sellow

3rd Anniversary Mass

Tuesday, August 6 at 9:00 am

Rosemary Lewis

5th Anniversary Mass

Saturday, August 10 at 9:00 am

Sean Kurzweil
Memorial Mass

Sunday, August 11 at 11:00 am

Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Thursday, August 15

Holy Day of Obligation

Masses will be offered at:

9:00 am – St. Irene's Parish, Carlisle

7:00 pm – Holy Family Parish, Concord

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.

As of July 1, there will be a new daily Mass schedule. St. Irene's will have 9:00 am Mass on **Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays**. Holy Family will have 9:00 am Mass on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

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.

The Pastor's Corner

In a letter I received recently from Cardinal O'Malley, he asked me to express his "heartfelt gratitude and congratulations" to the community of St Irene's Parish of Carlisle in reaching its goal for the 2019 Catholic Appeal. I include my personal appreciation to all whose sacrifices and contributions made this possible.

The Cardinal noted in his letter that "the Catholic Appeal provides nearly half the funding for critical ministries that serve our parishes, schools, and all those who turn to the Archdiocese for assistance." Having served for a number of years as a pastor or administrator of several parishes and archdiocesan offices, I can attest that the support provided by the Catholic Appeal is critical to the furthering of the mission of the Church in our parish communities and beyond.

Again, thank you to all who supported this year's effort!

Fr. Frank Silva

Daily Bible Readings

Please visit www.usccb.org/bible/readings/ to find the daily bible readings and other information.

Tuesday Evening Adoration

Please note there is no Adoration on July 30 or August 6.

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.

Religious Education

Religious Education and Confirmation Registration 2019/2020

The registration forms for the 2019/2020 Religious Education and the Confirmation Programs are posted on St. Irene's website.

Please note the new class time (**9:45 – one session**) for grades K through 5 on Sunday mornings. Classes will begin on Sunday, September 22. Classes for grades 6-8 begin on Monday, September 23.

For grades K-8 please visit:

StIrenes.org/faithformation/youtheducation/

For Confirmation please visit:

StIrenes.org/faithformation/youtheducation/confirmation_prep.html

Parish Happenings

Show Your St. Irene Spirit!

The parish is looking for your artistic flair and creative design for a St. Irene Parish t-shirt!

The t-shirts would be worn at St. Irene events and service projects throughout the year, starting with the Parish Picnic and the Hike for Hope in September. Use St Irene or Catholic symbols, or whatever ideas you have which show our unique St. Irene spirit. This will also be a good evangelization tool as we serve within our Church and as we go out into the community.

Parishioners of ALL AGES are encouraged to submit a design by Friday, Aug. 30. Use plain white 8x11 1/2" paper and color or black ink. Please scan and save to JPEG format, then email the entry to Wendy at stirene@comcast.net. Please include your name, address, phone# and grade (if applicable). You may also submit your entry to a box which will be placed in the church entry.

The winning design will be introduced the weekend of Sept 21/22, with t-shirts being sold after Masses and at the Parish Picnic.

St. Irene Walking Team Needed

St Irene is putting together a walking team for the Hike for Hope to support Lazarus House on Sunday, Sept. 29 from 1-5pm.

Our parish sent a team a few years ago and a great time was had by all. Walkers of all ages are invited. This is a mellow 3 mile hike at The Park on Bartlet Street in Andover. Wear your new St. Irene t-shirt (which will be sold at the Parish Picnic) and support a great cause!

For those who would like to carpool, we will meet in the upper parking lot following the 11am Mass. To add your name to the roster, please contact Ken at SocialJustice@stirenes.org and then register online at lazarushouse.org/events.

Walkers are encouraged to solicit donations for Lazarus House; we will also have a donation basket at the back of church after the Sept. 29 11am Mass if you would like to support in this way.

Save the Dates

Mon., Sept. 16 – Lector Meeting & Training

Sun., Sept. 22 – Parish Picnic

Sat., Oct. 19 – WC Ham & Bean Dinner

Sun., Dec. 8 – Parish Christmas Party

Sat., Jan. 25 – Trivia Night

Sat., Mar. 14 – Corned Beef & Cabbage Dinner

Sat., Apr. 25 – Italian Night

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.

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.

Lector Meeting and Training Session

This is a special opportunity to join one of the most important ministries at Saint Irene.

Our Lectors:

- Vocalize the sacred scripture of the Old and New Testament.
- Should have a strong, clear speaking voice and the ability read well aloud.
- Will have a mutually agreed upon schedule for reading at Mass, with a new schedule every six to eight weeks.
- Are a group of wonderful volunteers who love to socialize as much as they love to proclaim the scripture.
- Will be required to attend a short training session; experience is appreciated but not required.

We will have an important meeting and training session on **Monday, September 16** at St. Irene Church. Please plan to join us from 7 to 9 PM in the church.

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. Please return all overdue books, especially Lenten books.

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**. This includes all teachers, lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, adult choir members and ushers. Please contact Wendy Krugh at (978)369-3940 if you need a form or have any questions.

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.

Area Events/ Programs

Silver and Golden Anniversary Mass

Cardinal Sean O'Malley invites all couples celebrating their 25th or 50th wedding anniversary in 2019 to the Silver and Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass at the Cathedral of the Holy Cross in Boston.

The Mass will be celebrated on Sunday, October 6 at 3:00 pm and will include a renewal of vows. To register, please visit: bit.ly/WeddingAnniversaryMass19 or by visiting the Family Life Page at BostonCatholic.org. For more information, contact Emily Elliott at eelliott@rcab.org.

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.

Financial Information

Catholic Appeal 2019 ~ Update July 29

We are happy to report that our generous parishioners have **contributed and/or pledged \$41,500** 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:

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.