



St. Irene Church

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Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time **August 5, 2018**

Mass Schedule

Daily

Monday – Saturday 9:00 am

Saturday Vigil 5:00 pm

Sunday

8:00 am, 11:00 am

Confessions

Saturday 4:00 - 4:45 pm

Liturgical Events

Mass Intentions

Mark Rosinski – Memorial Mass
Saturday, August 4 at 5:00 pm

Colleen Kelly - Memorial Mass
Sunday, August 5 at 8:00 am

Maybeth Sonn - 9th Anniversary Mass
Sunday, August 5 at 11:00 am

Rodger Currie – Memorial Mass
Monday, August 6 at

Norman Edgerton – 2nd Anniversary Mass
Wednesday, August 8 at 9:00 am

Peter Sellow - 2nd Anniversary Mass
Thursday, August 9 at 9:00 am

Joyce Higgins – Memorial Mass
Saturday, August 11 at 5:00 pm

Robert and Louise Park - Memorial Mass
Sunday, August 12 at 8:00 am

Mary Poirier – 1st Anniversary Mass
Sunday, August 12 at 11:00 am

Cheryl E. Sullivan – Memorial Mass
Tuesday, August 14 at 9:00 am
Tuesday, August 28 at 9:00 am

Walden & Grace Ward - Memorial Mass
Thursday, August 16 at 9:00 am

Colleen Kelly - Memorial Mass
Friday, August 17 at 9:00 am

Spencer Ridick - Memorial Mass
Saturday, August 18 at 5:00 pm

Joseph, Alice & Rose Doherty
Memorial Mass
Sunday, August 19 at 8:00 am

Gloria Vegeto – Memorial Mass
Sunday, August 19 at 11:00 am

Claire Ward - Birthday Mass
Thursday, August 23 at 9:00 am

Matthew Caiazza – 1st Anniversary Mass
Sunday, August 26 at 11:00 am

Claire Mariano - Memorial Mass
Saturday, September 1 at 9:00 am
Thursday, September 6 at 9:00 am

Daniel P. McCarron - 27th Anniversary Mass
Saturday, September 1 at 5:00 pm

The Pastor's Corner

It's the first week in August and summer is passing quickly. In a few weeks our children and young adults return to school and the seasons will be changing. This is a good time for rest and relaxation for most of us.

A recent gospel story tells that even Jesus took his chosen friends aside to a deserted place for rest. We need to do the same from time to time. We need time for ourselves and our families for restoration of our bodies and spirits.

Fr. Tom Donohoe

Feast of the Assumption

Wednesday, August 15th is the Feast of the Assumption — a Holy Day of Obligation. Mass will be celebrated on Wednesday at 9:00 am and 7:30 pm.

USCCB Call to Prayer

Friday, Aug. 3 – Friday, Sept. 28

The U.S. bishops invite the faithful to join a movement of prayer and sacrifice for the protection of life, marriage, and religious liberty in our country. Serious threats to each of these have raised unprecedented challenges to the Church and the nation. Please visit: <http://www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/take-action-now/call-to-prayer/index.cfm> to learn more.

From Friday, Aug. 3 to Friday, Sept. 28, the weekly Call to Prayer will be adapted as a nine-week **Novena for the Legal Protection of Human Life**. In addition to the current invitation to fast on Fridays, participants are encouraged to pray one *Our Father*, *Hail Mary*, and *Glory Be* for the intention of the novena.

Mass Schedule

Effective June 24th the Mass schedule will be Saturday at 5:00 pm and Sunday at 8:00 am and 11:00 am. The Sunday 5:00 pm Mass will resume on September 9th.

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.

Religious Education

Religious Education and Confirmation Registration 2018/2019

Registrations for the 2018/2019 Religious Education and Confirmation Program are available now on the St. Irene website.

For grades K-8 please visit:

StIrenes.org/faithformation/youtheducation/

For Confirmation please visit:

StIrenes.org/faithformation/youtheducation/confirmation_prep.html

Parish Happenings

Ministry Weekend Coordinator Needed

St. Irene Parish has a long-standing reputation for welcoming volunteers to become involved in the various ministries of our parish. Each fall, we invite parishioners of all ages to come forward to help—by either “re-upping” in a current ministry or by offering to serve in a new way.

This year, Ministry Weekend will take place on October 13-14. If you believe that becoming involved with our parish is a wonderful way to share our faith, then we can use your help. We need someone to coordinate the

sign-up process. Give Wendy a call at the rectory (978-369-3940) for details. Your help will be greatly appreciated!!

St. Irene Parish Picnic – September 16

The Parish Picnic will be held on Sunday, September 16th after the 11:00 am Mass. This annual event will be held on the grounds of St. Irene Church. It is a great opportunity to enjoy good food, family, fun kid games and crafts, and to catch up with friends you may not have seen over the summer.

Save the Dates

We had our annual calendar meeting in June and here are a several dates to remember:

Sat., Oct. 20 – WC Ham & Bean Dinner

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

Sun., May 5 – Fashion Show & Tea

Sat., May 18 – First Communion

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.

Feedback

If you have the opportunity to attend Mass in other towns, states, or even countries, this summer, we want to ask a favor: Please send us your stories and observations from parishes you visit. If you or your young ones felt especially welcome, or touched by the Holy Spirit, or just observed something in a Mass that warmed your heart, what was it? Could we use the idea at St. Irene? Send us a word via feedback@stirenes.org and tell us the good you have seen in other parishes. We'll consider ideas for St Irene. Thank you.

Summer Bulletin Schedule

We will publish the bulletin two times during the summer. The final summer bulletin is August 5th. Please have information for print to the rectory by the prior Monday.

Parish Library

The parish library has books for summer reading on the table at the back of the church. Registered library users may borrow books for three weeks. If you are not registered, you may do so at the table. There are a number of overdue books out. Please return them as soon as possible. Thank you.

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.

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>. St. Irene's is offering a class in the parish hall on:

Friday, September 14 at 9:30 am

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 (17 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.

Area Events

Silver and Golden Anniversary Mass

Cardinal Sean O'Malley invites all couples celebrating their 25th or 50th wedding anniversary in 2018 to the Silver and Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass at St. Mary Parish, 133 School Street Waltham, MA.

The Mass will be celebrated on Sunday, October 28 at 4:00 pm and will include a renewal

of vows. To register, please visit: BostonCatholic.org/WeddingAnniversaryMass. For more information contact Kelly Tolman at ktolman@rcab.org or 617-746-5803.

Financial Information

Grand Annual Collection

Good news! We have surpassed our goal of \$125,000 for the Grand Annual Collection and collected **\$125,594**. We are most grateful for your continued support to our parish.

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.

2018 Catholic Appeal – Updated July 27

We are happy to report that our generous parishioners have contributed **\$25,370** to date to the 2018 Catholic Appeal. The proceeds of this fundraising are used to support diocesan ministries. For example, St. Irene's has taken advantage of the Archdiocesan Safety Training Program which was presented at St. Irene's on June 9 and an Archdiocesan program on palliative care which will be presented on October 14.

Our parish assessment for contributions to the Catholic Appeal is \$37,577. With contributions to date, this means that we need **\$12,207** to meet our goal. If you have not already had a chance to contribute, we would like to ask you to think about it today so that we can finish up the Catholic Appeal for this year before summer. Please visit www.bostoncatholicappeal.org to make a donation.

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.

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.

Financial Details	Weekly	Monthly	Gifts
July 2018	\$28,340	\$3163	\$150
Year to Date 2018	\$178,697	\$21,149	\$57,200*
Year to Date 2017	\$183,558	\$19,354	\$61,599**

*Includes a one-time gift of \$50,000

**Includes a one-time bequest of \$42,751