

February  
15  
2026



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**Regular Hours:** Monday-Thursday 8:30am-4:00pm  
Friday 8:30am-3:00pm



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# Welcome!

## Join us for Mass!

### Weekday Mass

Monday, Tuesday | 8:00am  
Wednesday | 12:00pm  
Thursday, Friday | 7:00am

### Weekend Mass

Saturday | Vigil 4:30pm  
Sunday | 8:00am, 10:00am

### Confessions

Every Saturday at 3:30pm

### Church Open for Prayer:

Mon., Tue. & Wed. 8:30am-4:00pm, Thu.  
7:30am-4:00pm, Fri. 7:30am-3:00pm

## STAFF DIRECTORY

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Maggie Detwiler x122 - [maggie@st-irene.org](mailto:maggie@st-irene.org)

**MAINTENANCE:** call Parish Office

## MASS INTENTIONS

**Saturday, February 14, 4:30PM**

†Maxwell Malesh / Mom & Dad

†Rick Lovelace / Judi Lovelace

**Sunday, February 15, 8:00AM**

St. Irene Parish Family

**Sunday, February 15, 10:00AM**

†Tommaso Siele/Berning & Siele Families

†Joan Nowak / Constance Krajeckr

**Monday, February 16, 8:00AM**

†Adelaide Thulin / Kristin Kocan

**Tuesday, February 17, 8:00AM**

†Robert Jurkowski / Kristin Kocan

**Wednesday, February 18, 7:00AM, 12:00PM, 7:00PM**

Ash Wednesday – St. Irene Parish Family

*Contact the Parish Office for submitting Mass intentions.*

† = Deceased

**Thursday, February 19, 7:00AM**

†Margaret Hatzel / Marty & Susan Kometz

**Friday, February 20, 7:00AM**

†William Baker / Family

**Saturday, February 21, 4:30PM**

†James Jennings / Maureen Mitman

†Aurora Sanchez / Allison & Kevin Looby

**Sunday, February 22, 8:00AM**

St. Irene Parish Family

**Sunday, February 22, 10:00AM**

†Helen Palys / Berning & Siele Families

†Stephanie Palys/Berning & Siele Families



## WEEKLY READINGS

[bible.usccb.org](http://bible.usccb.org)

**Monday:** Jas 1:1-11/Ps

119:67, 68, 71, 72, 75, 76/

Mk 8:11-13

**Tuesday:** Jas 1:12-18/Ps

94:12-13a, 14-15, 18-19/

Mk 8:14-21

**Wednesday:** Jl 2:12-18/

Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 12-13, 14

and 17/2 Cor 5:20-6:2/

Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

**Thursday:** Dt 30:15-20/

Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/

Lk 9:22-25

**Friday:** Is 58:1-9a/Ps 51:3-4,

5-6ab, 18-19/Mt 9:14-15

**Saturday:** Is 58:9b-14/

Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/

Lk 5:27-32

**Sunday:** Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7/

Ps 51:3-4, 5-6, 12-13,

17/Rom 5:12-19 or 5:12,

17-19/Mt 4:1-11

## HEAVENLY FATHER, WE PRAY FOR...

Chuck Dutton

Katie Stanutz

Tom McNelis

Kelsey Woods

Dennis Knell

Joan Moran

Rachel Jarasius

Hannah Kelley

Don Clevenger Sr.

Ron Dieter

Doreene Camardo

Kathy Aranda

Rich Planek

Fr. Gerald Riva

Bev Murphy

Brad George

Mary Hefertepe

Ken Intihar

Mary Kay Colgan

Gary Naberhaus

Karen Udell

William Hawkins

Jennifer Tomashek

Rob Siebert

Donna Bernstein

Paula Peterson

Jim McDermott

Christopher Kennedy

Leonardo Przybylek

David Peterson

Theo Reed

Fr. John Ouper

**\*\*Names will remain on the list for 3 months, please notify the parish office to add or remove names.**

## OBSERVANCES for the Week of Feb 15

**Monday:** Presidents' Day

**Tuesday:** The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order

**Wednesday:** Ash Wednesday

**Saturday:** St. Peter Damian, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

**Sunday:** 1st Sunday of Lent







**WELCOME to the St. Irene Family!**  
**Kamila Marie Kaczmarczyk**  
 To be Baptized February 15, 2026

Kamila, may God bless you on your special day and may He guide your family through the years as they share His love with you.



We will be recycling palms from  
**February 1-15.**

Please deposit your palms in  
 the baskets by the doors.

**The Parish Offices will be closed for the  
 Presidents Day Holiday on February 16.**



Be a part of this new chapter!

See how the renovations are going  
 on the St. Irene  
 Facebook page -

<https://www.facebook.com/StIreneChurch/>

### NEW PARISHIONERS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME!

Call the Parish Office or register on-line on our web site.

**BAPTISMS:** Call Maggie Detwiler on x122.

**MARRIAGES:** Call Pamela Keating on x120 to arrange preparation at least 6 months in advance.

**RECONCILIATION:** Saturdays at 3:30pm.

**FUNERALS:** The Pastoral Staff works with families to plan the Funeral Mass, call the Parish Office.

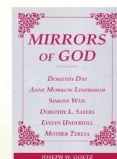
**CRISIS PRAYER CHAIN:** Contact Deacon Joe Urso at 630-853-2070, or at [joe.urso@outlook.com](mailto:joe.urso@outlook.com).

**SICK CALLS:** Call the Parish Office.

## Parish Community

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### Women's Book Study



**Mirrors of God by Joseph W. Goetz**

**Dates:** Feb. 16<sup>th</sup> and March 2<sup>nd</sup>

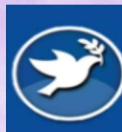
**Time:** 7:00-8:00 pm

**Location:** St. Irene School Building Room 202

**Lead by:** Shannon M Burns

To sign up or learn more:

Contact: Maggie Detwiler - [maggie@st-irene.org](mailto:maggie@st-irene.org)



### Join Father Greg for an evening All About Prayer

**Father Greg will speak about:**

- How to increase your prayer life
- The basis for prayer in the Bible
- Different prayer forms



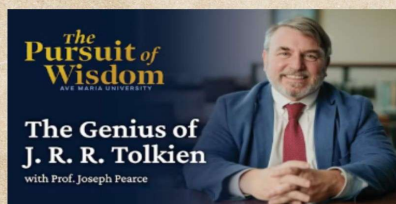
**This is a great way to start your  
 Lenten Journey this year!**

**When:** February 19, 2026

**6:30 - 8:00pm**

**Where:** St. Irene ACL

### Come Join Us as We Discuss "The Genius of J.R.R. Tolkien"



**Where:** St. Irene School Building (Room 202)

**When:** Every other Monday

(2/23/26, 3/9/26, 3/23/26)

**Time:** 7:00pm-8:30pm

**RSVP:** [maggie@st-irene.org](mailto:maggie@st-irene.org)



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## Parish Community

For children and youth ages 5+  
and their musical family members  
of all ages.

### Join the Easter 8:00 AM Mass Family Choir



Rehearsals:  
Tuesdays 5:00-5:30 PM | March 3, 10, 17, 24

contact  
ellen@st-irene.org



On behalf of the St. Irene Women of Faith, we extend our sincerest gratitude for your ongoing support of our mission and activities. Whether you have contributed through donations, volunteered your time, or shared our endeavors with others, your involvement is deeply appreciated. Your generosity and kindness are instrumental in helping us serve our parish community and promote faith, fellowship, and service. Your contributions truly make a difference!

Eloisa Cerati	Sharon Clevenger
Mary Sue Cramer	John Dichtl
Kathy Grzybek	Brian Lynch
Marcus Malesh	Mark Piper
John Shaw	Janet Sherman
Dana Wolze	Johathan Zalokar

Happy  
Birthday  
To You

Happy Anniversary!

Bob & Kim LaDeur  
Dominic & Diane Lynch



JOIN ST. IRENE'S LUNCH BUNCH MINISTRY  
AS WE CELEBRATE ST. JOSEPH  
WITH A TRADITIONAL  
ST. JOSEPH ALTAR and LUNCH  
THURSDAY, MARCH 5  
11:30 - 2:00PM in the ACL

Father Clive will return to present  
"St. Joseph Speaks Enough!"

Visit the St. Joseph Altar and enjoy a traditional meatless meal featuring salad, stuffed shells, eggplant parm, and baked salmon with cookies for dessert. Water, lemonade, coffee and hot tea.

RSVP by February 27 to:  
Pam Dolan-Muhlenfeld  
call, text, or email  
pameladm25@yahoo.com or 630-696-6321

SEE YOU THERE!  
Free Will Donation



### March for Kids March 14-15

Mercy Home is a Chicago-based, Catholic-founded refuge for vulnerable children and young adults. The St. Irene Knights of Columbus Council is participating in this year's annual Mercy Home fundraiser, *March for Kids*.

Knights will be collecting donations after Masses downstairs in the "old" church during the St. Patrick's Day weekend. If you can, please be generous to this worthy charitable organization. Feel free to contact Joe at [jdrk4715@aol.com](mailto:jdrk4715@aol.com) if you need additional information.



### Johnson Family Connection Meal and Kitchen and Bath Donations February 19, 6:00pm

*We are looking for new or gently used items such as towels, blankets, kitchenware, small appliances etc. as donations. Bring items to the Parish office or Church.*

If you are interested in this meal ministry and would like to help, sign-up at link below:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090E49AEA623A4F49-61934362-february>

We are looking for greeters, servers, set up and clean up people.



## Questions:

- + Do you have rules that you need you to follow?
- + Who makes those rules?
- + Are rules important?

## Tie it to the Gospel

- In today's scripture we hear how Jesus is the absolute law that we must follow.
- Jesus models how we are to live by leading a perfect life.
- The Gospel tells us that observing external laws is not enough for us.
- Jesus wants listening hearts, courageous, generous and ready to offer to others.
- We must have hearts like his.

## Our Mission:

- We are called to be true servants of God.
- In order to do this, we must remove all of the things around us that get in the way of us honoring God.
- Jesus is the great model that we need to follow.





Did you know you can make your donations automatically?  
You can enroll at <https://st-irene.churchgiving.com>  
or by contacting Fred Schlick at



630-393-2400 x114  
businessmanager@st-irene.org  
or by clicking on the QR Code.

Thank you for supporting  
our Parish!

**FEED THE NEED!**



## Feed The Need Illinois Returns!

Once again this year, *Feed My Starving Children* will host a Mobile Pack event on **March 7 and 8** at Benedictine University. Ages 5 and up are welcome to pack life-saving meals. Come join like-minded volunteers across the community for a lively and meaningful outreach. Registration is recommended and will open in mid February, but walk-ins are never turned away. For packing sessions and detailed information, visit: [feedtheneedillinois.org](http://feedtheneedillinois.org).



## Pledge Your Gift to the CMAA

This is commitment weekend for the 2026 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal (CMAA). The appeal is a powerful way to put our faith into action. This year's theme is *Beyond all Expectations: Faith that Elevates*. When we care for those in need, we answer this call. Please prayerfully consider your gift and help our parish reach **\$65,000**. Complete and return a pledge envelope in church today. Thank you for your support!



### Lenten Regulations:

- ❖ Anyone 14 years old or over, abstain from meat all Fridays of Lent.
- ❖ Anyone 18 years old and under 60, fast on Good Friday:
  - Only one full meatless meal
  - Two other meatless meals should not equal a full meal
  - Eating between meals is not permitted
- ❖ To disregard the law of fasting is sinful.
- ❖ Follow a program of self-denial, serious prayer, and works of charity and mercy.
- ❖ Anyone sick, pregnant, nursing or whose health would be affected by fasting is not bound by these regulations.



### Senior Citizen Real Estate Tax Deferral Program

This program allows a qualifying senior to defer payment of real estate taxes (for a maximum of \$7,500) and any special assessments on his or her residence. The State of Illinois pays the real estate taxes. Repayment plus interest of 3% annually is made when the senior sells the property or within a year of the estate being settled. To qualify, the senior must:

- be 65 years of age by June 1st of the year for which the application is made,
- have a total household income of \$75,000 or less,
- own and occupy the property,
- have lived in Illinois at least 3 years in a property,
- have no delinquent real estate taxes,
- have up-to-date fire and casualty insurance on the property.

Applications are taken January 1 through February 27 of each application year.

For more information, please call the Treasurer's office at 630-407-5900 or visit

[www.dupagecounty.gov/elected\\_officials/treasurer/senior\\_serv](http://www.dupagecounty.gov/elected_officials/treasurer/senior_serv)  
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## GOD CHOSE YOU FOR ME



**Inter-Parish Marriage Enrichment Team (IMET)**  
Invites you to

A one-day experience created by Worldwide Marriage Encounter to deepen the spiritual connection between a married couple. Participants will create a personal prayer for their marriage that they can continue to use at home.

WHERE: HOLY SPIRIT CATHOLIC CHURCH  
2003 HASSERT BLVD. NAPERVILLE, IL 60564  
WHEN: FEBRUARY 21, 2026  
TIME: 9:00AM - 3:30PM

SCAN THE QR CODE OR VISIT THE IMET WEBSITE

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\$100 per couple

Includes Lunch/Materials



marriage  
encounter



Register NOW at  
[www.imetevents.org](http://www.imetevents.org)

For more information, contact Mark & Sue Bonucchi

# Upcoming Events

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**February 14-15 | After all Masses Birthday/Anniversary Masses & Hospitality:** Do you have a birthday or anniversary in **February**? Contact the Parish office and indicate which Mass you will be attending. Join us for hospitality too!

**February 15 | 10:00am**  
**Children's Liturgy of the Word:** Join us for Liturgy of the Word for Children at 10:00am Mass.

**February 15 | 1:30pm**  
**Lay Carmelite Meeting:** Monthly meeting held in ACL, for info contact Debbie at 708-363-1753.

**February 16 | 6:00pm**  
**Little Flowers Girls Club:** Girls 5 and up and their Moms join us to learn about our Catholic heritage, faith, and traditions meet in the Mobiles.

**February 16 | 7:00pm**  
**Women's Book Study:** Come join Shannon Burns as she leads us through "Mirrors of God" meeting in the School Room 202

**February 19 | 6:00pm**  
**Johnson School Connection Meal:** Volunteer to help at this very worthwhile community event. Contact Pamela Keating for information..

**February 19 | 6:30pm**  
**All About Prayer:** Join Fr. Greg as he reflects on prayer. Good way to start Lent.

**February 20 | Fridays 1:00pm**  
**Daytime Small Christian Communities:** Join us to read and discuss the scriptures for the weekend.



Join us for  
**Liturgy of the Word  
for Children**  
**February 15,  
10:00AM Mass**

Interested in volunteering, contact  
Pamela Keating - [pamela@st-irene.org](mailto:pamela@st-irene.org)



**Wednesday February 18  
Masses with Ash Distribution:**

- 7:00am
- 12:00pm
- 7:00pm

**Liturgy of the Word with Ash  
Distribution at 5:30pm**



**Religious Education  
Schedule and  
Upcoming Events**

**February 16 – President's Day**  
**February 17 – RE/Family Mardi Gras/Palm Burning**  
**February 18 – Ash Wednesday**  
**February 20 – Soup Supper (6PM)**  
**February 20 – RE Shadow Stations of the Cross (7PM)**

## Lenten Season

- **Starting on Ash Wednesday through Lent - Almsgiving for OUTREACH**
- **February 19** - "All About Prayer Reflection" with Fr. Greg at 6:30PM
- **February 20, 27, March 13, 20, 27** - Soup Suppers at 6PM
- **February 20, 27, March 13, 20, 27** - Stations at 7PM
- **March 6** - First Friday Holy Hour at 7PM with Rosary at 6:30PM (no soup, nor stations)
- **March 12** - Penance Service with individual confessions at 6:30PM
- **March 19-20** - Palm Sunday Masses at 4:30PM on Saturday and 8AM and 10AM on Sunday
- **March 20** - Ecumenical Procession at 11:45AM
- **April 2** - Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7PM
- **April 2** - Adoration at 8PM - midnight
- **April 3** - Good Friday Confessions at 12PM
- **April 3** - Lord's Passion at 3PM
- **April 4** - Easter Basket Blessing at 12PM
- **April 4** - Easter Vigil at 8PM
- **April 5** - Easter Masses at 8AM and 10AM



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