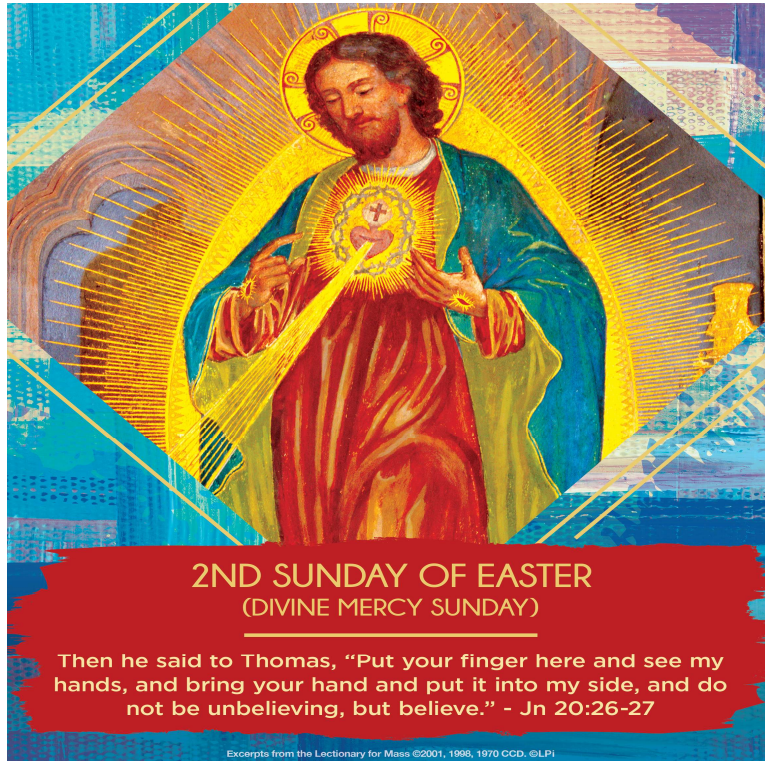


April
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Welcome!

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

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Prayer & Worship

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, April 11, 4:30PM

†Hampo Ghazarossian / Young Family
†Ann Palys Saenz / Berning & Siele Families

Sunday, April 12, 8:00AM

St. Irene Parish Family

Sunday, April 12, 10:00AM

†David Hoffmann / Merry Rothfuchs
†Ann Nejman / Jeannette Clark

Monday, April 13, 8:00AM

†Joyce Havemann / Friends

Tuesday, April 14, 8:00AM

†Tony Priesol / Marty & Susan Kometz

Wednesday, April 15, 12:00PM

†Anita Benson / St. Irene Parish

Thursday, April 16, 7:00AM

Mary Kay Colgan for healing / Kevin Colgan

Friday, April 17, 7:00AM

†William Baker / Family

Saturday, April 18, 4:30PM

†Vincent Alvinito / Family
†Joyce Havemann/Bob, Shannon & Maryann

Sunday, April 19, 8:00AM

St. Irene Parish Family

Sunday, April 19, 10:00AM

†Bob & Craig Farmer / Farmer Family
†Joan Nowak / Constance Krajeckr

Contact the Parish Office for submitting Mass intentions.

† = Deceased



WEEKLY READINGS

bible.usccb.org

Monday: Acts 4:23-31/

Ps 2:1-3, 4-7a, 7b-9/

Jn 3:1-8

Tuesday: Acts 4:32-37/

Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5/

Jn 3:7b-15

Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26/

Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/

Jn 3:16-21

Thursday: Acts 5:27-33/

Ps 34:2 and 9, 17-18,

19-20/Jn 3:31-36

Friday: Acts 5:34-42/

Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Jn 6:1-15

Saturday: Acts 6:1-7/

Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19/

Jn 6:16-21

Sunday: Acts 2:14, 22-33/

Ps 16:1-2 and 5, 7-8, 9-10,
11/1 Pt 1:17-21/

Lk 24:13-35

HEAVENLY FATHER, WE PRAY FOR...

Tom McNelis

Kelsey Woods

Dennis Knell

Joan Moran

Rachel Jarasius

Hannah Kelley

Don Clevenger Sr.

Ron Dieter

Doreene Camardo

Chris Boettcher

Jackie LaRocco

Fr. Gerald Riva

Bev Murphy

Brad George

Mary Hefertepe

Ken Intihar

Mary Kay Colgan

Gary Naberhaus

Karen Udell

William Hawkins

Veronica Munoz

Sylvia Rivera

Donna Bernstein

Paula Peterson

Jim McDermott

Christopher Kennedy

Leonardo Przybylek

David Peterson

Theo Reed

Fr. John Ouper

Carol Helms

Arlene Grossi

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

OBSERVANCES for the Week of Apr 12

Monday: St. Martin I, Pope and
Martyr

Wednesday: Tax Day

Sunday: 3rd Sunday of Easter



Tabernacle Flowers

Parishioners have the opportunity to sponsor the tabernacle flower arrangement in someone's honor or memory. The donation is \$30 and the arrangement is displayed for a week starting on Saturday. A card with the intention is displayed with the flowers and published in the bulletin and flocknotes. Please call the Parish Office if interested.



YOU'RE INVITED

*Join us for the dedication of
St. Irene's new crucifix*

*We invite you to join us for a
dedication of our new crucifix at Mass
celebrated by
Bishop Daniel Conlon*

April 19 at 10:00am

*Mass will be followed by a luncheon
in the St. Irene Activity Center.*



2026 St. Irene Knights of Columbus Memorial Educational Scholarship

We are pleased to announce that up to two \$1000 scholarships are available to benefit students attending a Catholic High School or College. Eligible students must be affiliated with the St. Irene Parish community as a registered parishioner, member of a registered family, or son, daughter, grandchild of a registered family. Students who had attended St. Irene Grade School in the past are also eligible. Prior winners of this scholarship are not eligible.

We congratulate those who choose to attend a Catholic high school or college. Students must be enrolled and plan to attend in the Fall, 2026. The \$1000 award is to be used to help defray tuition costs. The scholarship is competitive and is awarded based on the student's service to the Church, School, and Community. Priority will be given to students who will be attending high school in their first year.

The scholarship applications are available online:
<https://st-irenekofc.org>. Upon request by email, I will send the corresponding application to you. Completed applications must be completed and sent by email by **Monday, May 18, 2026 to** jrhalama@comcast.net.



Winners will be notified on May 25. Winners and families will be invited to attend a Mass at St. Irene's at a later date convenient for the recipients to be formally recognized and issued their award. If you have any questions, contact Jim Halama at 630-433-6240 or jrhalama@comcast.net.

The Knights of Columbus is a Catholic men's organization dedicated to Family, Church and Community. Our Council is proud to provide manpower and grants to assist St. Irene's students and faculty in any way we can. We recognize the importance of a Catholic education. This year the scholarships will be awarded in honor of deceased Brother Knights Sam Vitale and Harold Bollweg.

GOD IS SO GOOD

SONGS FOR YOUNG CATHOLIC CHILDREN



Ellen Coman, our music director, has taken 12 of her original songs and produced a devotional and catechetical album along with her three daughters! Available on all streaming platforms under "Holy Family Harmony".



Johnson Family Connection Meal April 16, 6:00pm

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

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090E49AEA623A4F49-63250739-april>

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



NEW PARISHIONERS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME!

Call the Parish Office or register on-line on our website.

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.

SICK CALLS: Call the Parish Office.

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Parish Community



St. Irene/Bridge Transitional Housing – Family #13 Update

Family 13 will reach the 2 year mark in the Bridge program in April 2026. She continues to work toward her long term goal of home ownership, keeping her expenses low and saving a large portion of her salary. She has completed the HOME Dupage online classes and is in the process of setting up an appointment with a HOME Dupage Housing Counselor then ultimately receive her Housing Counseling Certificate and apply for a home purchase grant. In the meantime she is working with a Realtor and has begun looking at possible home options. She is appreciative of the support and help she has received through the Bridge program.



St. Irene/Bridge Transitional Housing – Family #14 Update

Family #14 started with the Transitional Housing Program in August of 2025. Since that time, our client has paid off ALL of her credit card debt and is on track to pay off all of her student loans by this August! Our client has a long term goal of becoming a dental hygienist. She is also currently applying for other employment opportunities to better utilize her talents. On the downside, our client is facing unexpected car problems. However, due to the faithful adherence to the Bridge philosophy and willingness to accept the mentor team's advice, she will get thru this challenge. Using the savings that she has built up is a setback but not a catastrophe. Please pray for our client, her three year old and the mentor team.



St. Irene/Bridge Transitional Housing – Family #15 Update

What a turnaround our Family #15 has made in just 5 months in the program! Bills have been paid, savings has been established and our client has a new job with an increase in pay. All it took was a goal-oriented plan and mentors supplying the “guardrails” necessary for making good decisions. Our client has initiative and a desire to make this mentorship driven program a success. She is a great mother and has family support for helping out with after school daycare. Please continue to pray for our client and her 5 year old daughter.



St. Irene Parish-Wide BOWLING EVENT

SUNDAY
APR 26
3-5 PM

FREE LANES
FREE SHOES

FOOD & DRINK FOR PURCHASE

LUCKY STRIKE

1515 Aurora Ave, Naperville

Join the Women of Faith, Knights of Columbus and members of St. Irene Parish for an afternoon of fun! Food and beverage available for purchase. **ALL ARE WELCOME!**

Thanks to Damian from Lucky Strike Naperville for donating the lanes and shoes for the event. All are welcome - even non-bowlers if they want to stop by, buy a snack, and socialize with others.



In celebration of the church's renovation and God's goodness, the St. Irene Music Ministry presents

The Musical Glorious Mysteries

for children and adults

Sunday, April 26
6:30 - 7:30 PM

song, prayer, meditation, interactive art, handbells, choir, drama, flute, cello



Questions:

- + Have you ever missed going to a party?
- + Was it difficult hearing about all of the things that you missed?
- + Did you believe everything that heard about the party?

Tie it to the Gospel

- In today's scripture story, we hear about how a disciple of Jesus' (Thomas), has something like that happen to him (but without a car, of course)
- Today's story starts with the disciples getting to see Resurrected Jesus.
- They were all gathered together, like Jesus had told them to do, and they were praying and then suddenly, Jesus was in their midst.
- It was pretty exciting for everybody! And at first, a little scary, too.
- But there was one problem: Thomas was not there.
- And, because Thomas wasn't there, he missed seeing what the rest of the disciples saw.
- When the disciples told Thomas what had happened, he didn't trust what they were telling him.

Our Mission:

- But the good news for Thomas was that he got a second chance.
- So, Thomas started to do what he was supposed to do in the first place which was spend time with the other disciples and pray with them.
- And, because he did that, he also saw Resurrected Jesus!
- The good news for us is that it is not too late for us, either. We, too, can still follow and learn from Jesus.
- We, too, can gather together with fellow disciples of Jesus and pray together.
- And, when we do this, we will have a closer relationship with Jesus.



Religious Education Schedule and Upcoming Events

- April 28 – Closing Mass/Cupcake Potluck
- April 30 – First Communion Practice (6PM in Church)
- May 2 – First Holy Communion (10AM in Church)
- May 3 – May Crowning (10AM Mass)
- May 4 – Confirmation Practice (6PM in Church)
- May 5 – Confirmation (7PM in Church)



Want to join a newly formed Small Christian Community?

We have formed a new small Christian Community that meets twice a month on Mondays beginning on April 13th from 7pm to 8pm in the Mobile classroom.

We are discussing the book, "An Introduction to Prayer" by Bishop Robert Barron.



If you are interested in joining us, please email Maggie Detwiler at maggie@st-irene.org

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Stewardship & Liturgical Life

Stewardship of Treasure
Week of March 23-March 29
(Includes on-line contributions)

Sunday Offertory	Building/Maintenance Fund
\$ 19,296.30	\$ 250.00

Stewardship of Treasure
Week of March 30-April 5
(Includes on-line contributions)

Sunday Offertory	Building/Maintenance Fund
\$ 26,830.60	\$ 1,227.00

Good Friday Holy Land Collection \$2,317.00



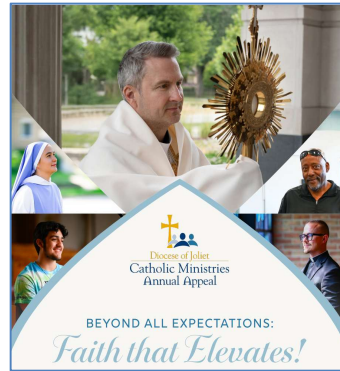
Knights of Columbus Bread Tag, Key, and Soda Tab Drive

The St. Irene Knights of Columbus are again partnering with SCARCE, a local environmental education group, to collect bread tags for the “Danielle Cares for Chairs” charity. Additionally, we will be collecting old, unused keys of all types for recycling. Finally, we will be collecting pull tabs or pop tops from soda cans to benefit Ronald McDonald House. All items can be dropped off at the church vestibule box on the weekends of **April 11-12 and April 18-19 only**. If you need further information, contact Joe at jdrk4715@aol.com. Thank you for your support!



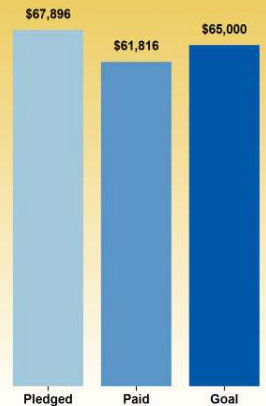
St. Irene Transitional Housing Bridge Committee CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS! WE NEED YOUR HELP!

St. Irene’s Bridge Committee is looking for dedicated individuals to join us in our mission to ending homelessness one family at a time. Our Faith community here at St. Irene helps support three families that were once homeless and are now transitioning to independent living. We are looking for people who would like to assist us in our journey with our families. There are many different ways to get involved. Please join us for our next meeting on **Monday, April 13 at 6:45pm in the ACL** to learn more about exciting opportunities to join our Bridge Committee. Please consider joining our team!



April 6, 2026

2026 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal Results



Invite Our Lady of Fatima Into Your Home

Pray the Rosary every day, for conversion of sinners, for peace in the world, and for your personal intentions. Even if you’ve hosted our Lady in the past, you may welcome her again.

A sign-up sheet will be available in the Narthex. For more information contact the Parish Office.



WALK TO MARY

United in Step from Shrine to Shrine

**Save the Dates!
Registration Now Open!**

The 122th Anniversary Walk to Mary pilgrimage will take place on **Saturday, May 2**, near Green Bay, WI. The pilgrimage hike starts at several locations in the area to accommodate walkers of various abilities and ends at the National Shrine of Our Lady of Good Help in Champion, WI. At the walk on Saturday, Confession will be offered as well as numerous Masses at participating churches along the route.. On, **Sunday, May 3**, the Shrine will host a May Crowning of Mary ceremony. Information and registration can be found at <https://walktomary.com/>.

Upcoming Events

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April 11-12 | All Masses

Birthday/Anniversary Masses: Do you have a birthday or anniversary in **April**? Join us to receive a blessing at Mass. No Hospitality this weekend. Join us for the Chili Cook-Off on April 11!

April 13 | 6:45pm

Bridge Communities Meeting: The Bridge Communities Group will meet in the ACL to discuss activities.

April 14 | 6:30pm

Prayer Shawl Ministry Meeting: Join this ministry in the Mobiles to make special items for the healing Mass.

April 16 | 6:00pm

Johnson School Connection Meal: Volunteer to help at this very worthwhile community event. Contact Pamela Keating for information..

April 17 | Fridays 1:00pm

Daytime Small Christian Communities: Join us to read and discuss the scriptures for the weekend.

April 19 | 1:30pm

Lay Carmelite Meeting: Monthly meeting held in Mobiles, for info contact Debbie at 708-363-1753.

April 20 | 6:00pm

Wee Worship: For children ages 3-5 and parents. Join us in the school for stories, games, crafts and music.

April 20 | 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.

SWEARING-IN CEREMONY

**FIRE CHIEF
KEVIN O'HARE**

Swearing-In Ceremony
April 23rd at 6:00 pm
Warrenville Fire Station
3S472 Batavia Rd



April 22 | 6:00pm

Musical Dress Rehearsal: Contact Ellen Coman for information.

April 24 | Fridays 1:00pm

Daytime Small Christian Communities: Join us to read and discuss the scriptures for the weekend.

April 25 | 11:00am

Anointing of Sick Mass: Join us for the sacrament of anointing. Hospitality to follow Mass in the ACL.

April 26 | 10:00am

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

April 26 | 3:00pm

Bowling at Lucky Strike: Join us for a fun afternoon of bowling and camaraderie!

April 26 | 6:30pm

Glorious Mysteries Musical: Join us for an evening of music of the Glorious Mysteries. Contact Ellen Coman for information.

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