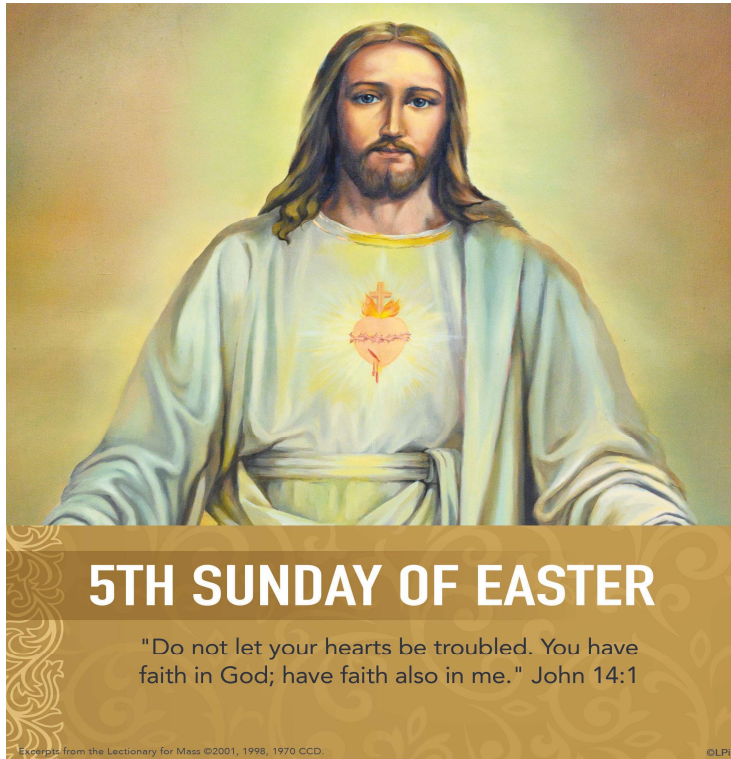






May
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2026





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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, May 2, 4:30PM

†Stephen Lundell / Church Ladies

Mary Kay Colgan for healing / Kevin Colgan

Sunday, May 3, 8:00AM

St. Irene Parish Family

Sunday, May 3, 10:00AM

†Jim Intihar / Jeff & Mary Terese

†Parker Bolton / Church Ladies

Monday, May 4, 8:00AM

†William Baker / Family

Tuesday, May 5, 8:00AM

†Dianne Kroll

Wednesday, May 6, 12:00PM

†Stephen & Daniel Fulmer / Family

Thursday, May 7, 7:00AM

Morning Mass Group

Friday, May 8, 7:00AM

†Michael Kometz / Marty & Susan Kometz

Saturday, May 9, 4:30PM

†Paolo Siele / Berning & Siele Family

†James Jennings Jr. / Church Ladies

Sunday, May 10, 8:00AM

St. Irene Parish Family

Sunday, May 10, 10:00AM

†Timothy Joseph Carstens/1st Anniversary

†Joan Nowak / Constance Brajeckr

Contact the Parish Office for submitting Mass intentions.

† = Deceased



WEEKLY READINGS

bible.usccb.org

Monday: Acts 14:5-18/
Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 15-16/Jn
14:21-26

Tuesday: Acts 14:19-28/
Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab,
21/Jn 14:27-31a

Wednesday: Acts 15:1-6/
Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5/
Jn 15:1-8

Thursday: Acts 15:7-21/
Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 10/
Jn 15:9-11

Friday: Acts 15:22-31/
Ps 57:8-9, 10 and 12/
Jn 15:12-17

Saturday: Acts 16:1-10/
Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5/
Jn 15:18-21

Sunday: Acts 8:5-8, 14-17/
Ps 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16 and
20/1 Pt 3:15-18/Jn 14:15-21

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

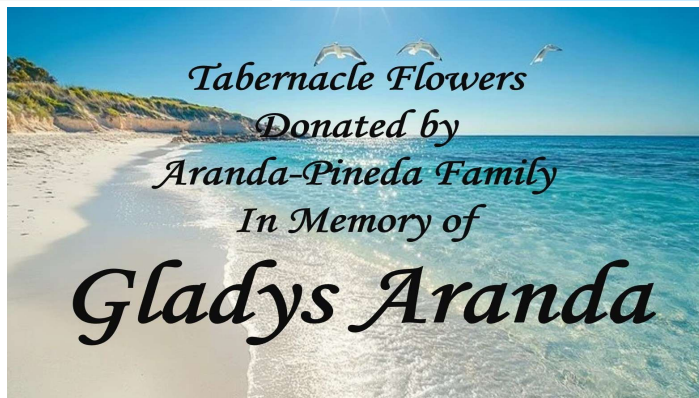
**Names will remain on the list for 3 months, please notify the parish office to add or remove names.

OBSERVANCES for the Week of May 3

Tuesday: Cinco de Mayo

Thursday: National Day of Prayer

Sunday: 6th Sunday of Easter;
Mother's Day



Woman of the Year Katie Augustynowicz



I am one of 8 children raised by my single mom, dad dying when I was 7. I attended 12 years of Catholic school. Completed nursing school, got married 52 years ago this month and had 2 children. Fast forward to 1986, we became parishioners at St. Irene and our children were enrolled at St. Irene School. I've always been a doer and there was plenty to do. I got involved in both school and parish events. From school board, PTA, choir, Eucharistic Minister and almost everything from A to Z, I always found something to do. I worked in the parish office for 11 years. I started part time then full time as I was looking to do more pastoral work. I completed the 2 year pastoral leadership program through the diocese. Later I completed a Parish Nurse program and a Bereavement Facilitator program. I am very comfortable with death and the dying and formed a bereavement support group which I facilitated for 9 years. I continued working with medically fragile children and those with special needs. I finally retired for the fourth time and last time. Volunteering isn't a job so I see myself continuing as long as I physically can. I'm a two time cancer survivor who challenged it with the fact that I had cancer, cancer didn't have me. Prayer, positive attitude and following doctor's orders were the cure. I was gifted with many talents and I still have a lot to share. I enjoy what I do and St. Irene is a family I want to be a part of.

So if you need help with anything just give me a call.



St. Mary Recycle Mission Group

We will be collecting Religious items that can be used by other churches, convents, or religious organizations.

We will have a bin available in the Vestibule from **May 2-10 ONLY**

These items are acceptable:

- ❖ Crucifixes
- ❖ Statues (**no outdoor concrete statues**)
- ❖ Rosaries (damaged ok)
- ❖ Relics
- ❖ Holy Medals
- ❖ Holy Cards
- ❖ Framed Religious Pictures
- ❖ Used Musical Instruments (**No Pianos nor Organs**)
- ❖ Prayer books

Absolutely No: Religious Books, Reading Books, Story Books, Hymnals, Pamphlets, Magazines, DVDs, VHS Tapes, Christmas items nor Candles



Do you want to grow in holiness and take your faith life to new heights? Come pray with us at a *Legion of Mary* meeting on Wednesdays. Next meeting is May 6, **6:00pm** in the Parish Center Holy Family Room.

We meet for about an hour per week and start with a **rosary**, then discuss works of mercy or other Catholic related activities we have done over the prior week, then consider new works for the upcoming weeks.

For more information contact

Bill Anthony at williamw.anthony@gmail.com

Please do consider attending one of our meetings, all are welcome.

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Parish Community



Johnson Family Connection

We will be collecting the following items for the Johnson School families on **May 2-13 ONLY**:

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|-------------------|------------------------|
| Diapers size 3-6 | Laundry detergent |
| Dish soap | Paper towels |
| Toilet paper | Bar soap |
| Shampoo | Conditioner |
| Toothpaste | Pack of 4 toothbrushes |
| Floss | Deodorant |
| Feminine products | Band-aids |
| Body Lotion | Disposable razors |

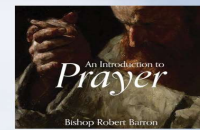
A bin will be available in the vestibule.



Want to join a newly formed Small Christian Community?

We have formed a new small Christian Community that meets twice a month on Mondays next meeting is May 11 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



SAVE THE DATE!



ST. IRENE ANNUAL GOLF OUTING
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 11th, 2026

BLISS CREEK GOLF CLUB, Sugar Grove
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7TH MAY

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11:30AM THURSDAY ST. IRENE ACL

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LEARN ABOUT PLANNING A FUNERAL, CREMATION, THE LITURGY, AND ANYTHING ELSE YOU ARE DYING TO KNOW

PRESS CODE: WEAR BLACK

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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.

SICK CALLS: Call the Parish Office.

**May God Bless our 2026
First Holy Communion Class**

**Charlotte Aguilar
Benjamin Ahern
Evelyn Avila
Ariana Castillo
Jimena Castillo
Grazia Cerati
Julian Damian
Sophia Delgado Ruiz
Kalina Freyer
Julissa Garcia
Anthony Ingrao
Conner Kerwin
Eleanor Kovacs
Azael Muñoz
Kaylani Wilson
Carter Wright**

Faith Formation

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*Please keep our Confirmandi in
your prayers*

*Jesus St. Peter Arguello
Stryder St. Andrew Blumenschein
Enrique St. Matthew Carillo
Liliana St. Francis of Assisi Castillo
Marlene St. Mary Magdalene Castillo
Marely Mary, the mother of Jesus Davalos
Caroline St. Joan of Arc Gilligan
Thomas St. Gregory the Great Griffin
Francis St. Michael Hanson
Lizbeth Our Lady of Guadalupe Huerta
Evan St. Francis of Assisi McLearn
Jocelyn St. Philip Neri Perez
Benjamin St. Joseph Rogalny
Mia St. Sebastian Schaber
Hayden St. Michael Semp
Jonathan St. Gregory the Great Zalokar
Avery St. Catherine of Bologna Zero*



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Stewardship & Liturgical Life

Stewardship of Treasure
Week of April 20-April 26
(Includes on-line contributions)

Sunday Offertory	Building/Maintenance Fund
\$ 10,877.80	\$ 165.00

Home Missions **\$1,693.54**

Kankakee County Storm Damage
3/10/26



Bishop Dennis Spies in support of our brothers and sisters in Kankakee County who were impacted by the destruction of the severe storms and tornadoes which occurred in March is requesting that each parish in the Diocese of Joliet take up a special second collection **May 9-10**. Proceeds from the collection will provide direct assistance to families in need through Catholic Charities of Joliet, and support recovery efforts at Bishop McNamara Catholic School.

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.

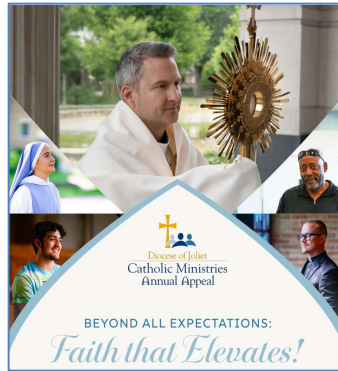


Plan Today for Peace of Mind Tomorrow

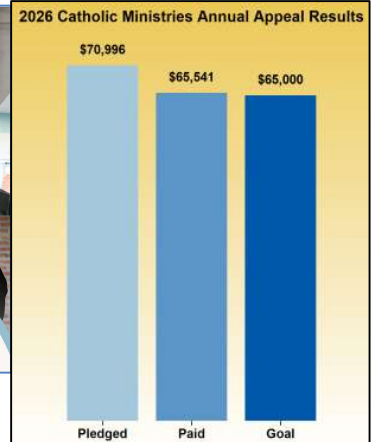
It's difficult to think about, but pre-planning your Catholic cemetery arrangements today protects your family from the heartbreak and financial worry of having to make these decisions tomorrow.

Look for special savings in your mailbox soon and visit dijoliet.org/cemeteries for more details.

We're here to help!



April 26, 2026



The Knights of Columbus wish to thank all those that participated in the Spring 2026 Bread Tag/Key/Pop-top Tab Collection Drive. As a result of your efforts, several hundred bread tags were again collected to help obtain wheelchairs and mobility assistance equipment for those in need. In addition, an assortment of old keys were donated to assist SCARCE in their recycling and education efforts. The drive also collected a large amount of pop-top tabs for Ronald McDonald House. Please continue to save these items for another drive tentatively to be scheduled for Fall, 2026.

Again, thank you and God bless!



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.

Upcoming Events

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May 4 | 6:00pm

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

May 4 | 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.

May 6 | 6:00pm

Legion of Mary: Join us in the Parish Center Holy Family Room to pray and discuss works of mercy.

May 6 | Wednesdays 7:00pm

Choir Practice: Contact Ellen Coman if you would like to join voices with our choir.

May 7 | 11:30am

Lunch Bunch Luncheon: Join us for a “Funeral Party”. Remember to wear black.

May 7 | 6:00pm

Parish Council Meeting: The Parish Council will meet in Parish Center to discuss church activities.

May 16 | Fridays 1:00pm

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

May 11 | 7:00pm

Bridge Communities Meeting: The Bridge Communities Group will meet in the Parish Center – Holy Family Meeting Room to discuss activities.

May 11 | 7:00pm

Small Christian Community: Join us to discuss “An Introduction to Prayer” in the mobiles.



**Crowning of
Our Blessed
Mother
after 10:00am
Mass on May 3**

Children who received their First Communion are invited to attend wearing their Communion clothes!



**Woman of the Year
Luncheon
May 3**

11:30am in the ACL

**Come Celebrate
Our Woman of the Year
Katie Augustynowicz**



**Religious Education
Schedule and
Upcoming Events**

May 3 – May Crowning (10AM Mass)

May 4 – Confirmation Practice (6PM in Church)

May 5 – Confirmation (7PM in Church)

May 13 | 6:00pm

Legion of Mary: Join us in the Parish Center Holy Family Room to pray and discuss works of mercy.

May 13 | Wednesdays 7:00pm

Choir Practice: Contact Ellen Coman if you would like to join voices with our choir.

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