

August
2
2026



18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

He said the blessing, broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, who in turn gave them to the crowds. They all ate and were satisfied. - Mt 14:19c-20

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Summer Hours: Monday-Thursday 9:00am-3:00pm
Friday 9:00am-12:00pm – starting May 26



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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-3:00pm, Thu.
7:30am-3:00pm, Fri. 7:30am-12:00pm

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MASS INTENTIONS**Saturday, August 1, 4:30PM**†Franklin Carman IV/Kevin & Allison Looby
†Mary Kay Colgan/Davalyn & Jeff Bridginski**Sunday, August 2, 8:00AM**

St. Irene Parish Family

Sunday, August 2, 10:00AM†Parker Bolton / Church Ladies
†Bernice Siele / Karen Ernst & Family**Monday, August 3, 8:00AM**

†William Baker / Family

Tuesday, August 4, 8:00AM

Morning Mass Group

Wednesday, August 5, 12:00PM

†Joan Nowak / Diaconate of DOJ

Contact the Parish Office for submitting Mass intentions.

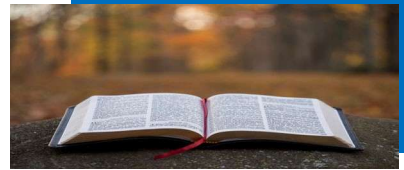
† = Deceased

Thursday, August 6, 7:00AM

†Dianne Kroll

Friday, August 7, 7:00AMHoly Vocations to Priesthood, Religious
Life, and Marriage**Saturday, August 8, 4:30PM**†Donna Skrede / 1st Anniversary
†Carl T. Staub, Sr. / Alex & Carl Jr.**Sunday, August 9, 8:00AM**

St. Irene Parish Family

Sunday, August 9, 10:00AM†Bruce Viertel / Maggie Callaghan
†Bob Sender / Pete & Eileen Pointner**WEEKLY READINGS**bible.usccb.org**Monday:** Jer 28:1-17/Ps 119:29, 43, 79, 80, 95,
102/Mt 14:22-36**Tuesday:** Jer 30:1-2, 12-15,18-22/Ps 102:16-18, 19-21,
29, 22-23/Mt 15:1-2, 10-14**Wednesday:** Jer 31:1-7/Jer 31:10, 11-12ab, 13/
Mt 15:21-28**Thursday:** Dn 7:9-10,13-14/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9/
2 Pt 1:16-19/Mt 17:1-9**Friday:** Na 2:1, 3; 3:1-3,6-7/Dt 32:35cd-36ab,
39abcd, 41/Mt 16:24-28**Saturday:** Hb 1:12-2:4/Ps 9:8-9, 10-11, 12-13/
Mt 17:14-20**Sunday:** 1 Kgs 19:9a,11-13a/Ps 85:9ab and 10,
11-12, 13-14/Rom 9:1-5/
Mt 14:22-33**HEAVENLY FATHER, WE PRAY FOR...**Kelsey Woods
Brad George
Mary Hefertepe
Hannah Kelley
Gary Naberhaus
Fr. John Ouper
Carol Helms
Arlene Grossi
Mauro FloresPaula Peterson
Jim McDermott
Christopher Kennedy
David Peterson
Theo Reed
Doreene Camardo
Chris Boettcher
Sylvia RiveraDennis Knell
Joan Moran
Rachel Jarasius
Don Clevenger Sr.
Ron Dieter
William Hawkins
Veronica Munoz
Farfan family****Names will remain on the list for 3 months, please notify the parish office to add
or remove names.****OBSERVANCES for the Week of Aug 2****Tuesday:** St. John Vianney, Priest**Wednesday:** The Dedication of the Basilica of
St. Mary Major**Thursday:** The Transfiguration of the Lord**Friday:** St. Sixtus II, Pope, and Companions,
Martyrs; St. Cajetan, Priest**Saturday:** St. Dominic, Priest**Sunday:** 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

SAVE THE DATE



Hustle Up The Hill For The Homeless
Mt. Hoy, Blackwell Forest Preserve,
Warrenville, IL
September 26, 2026

Heats 9:00 AM and 10:00 AM

Or participate virtually - complete the race anytime between
 September 23rd – 30th

Challenge yourself to run/walk up Mt. Hoy as many times as
 you can in the 30-minute heat. All proceeds from the event
 will go to house a family experiencing homelessness for 2
 years as they transition to self-sufficiency in partnership with
 the Bridge Communities program.

**Cost is \$30 per person or \$25 per person with a team of
 four or more. Race Day Registration - \$35**

To register or for further information, go to
hustleupthehillforthehomeless.com or scan the QR Code to
 register.

St. Irene Music Ministry

MUSIC READING CLASS



- 8 weeks of beginner level lessons
- Mondays, 7-7:30 PM
- August 24 – October 26
 (excluding Sept. 7 & Oct. 12)
- For adults and youth ages 12+

contact ellen@st-irene.org



Members of the Prayer Shawl and Capture the Spirit
 Ministry will meet in the Mobiles on **Tuesday, August 18**
at 6:30pm-8:00pm to gather as we work on our
 crochet/knitted projects for the ministry and share
 patterns. All are welcome - bring along a project you are
 working on and join in the fellowship.

ST. IRENE CATHOLIC CHURCH



January 30, 2027

THE DATE HAS BEEN SET!

Put this date in your calendar so you can attend
 the Parish event to kick off the new year
 Competition and comradery is always in
 abundance when we participate.

Interested in competing, let Jeff Schmitz know
 at lcschmitz1@comcast.net.

St. Irene - sponsored Pilgrimage to

The National Shrine of Our Lady of Champion



Saturday, October 3rd, 2026

*Give honor to the Lord Jesus and invoke the intercession of his
 Blessed Mother at the only Church-approved Marian apparition
 site in the U.S. in Champion, WI, only a 3.5 hr. drive from
 Warrenville.*



Departing via coach bus

from St. Irene at 7 AM.

Returning

to St. Irene at 8 PM

Stopping for meals in Milwaukee

Connecting to God

through Mass, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament,
 Reconciliation, the Rosary Walk, Stations and more.



Suggested donation to St. Irene
 covers transportation, and
 optional breakfast, lunch, and
 dinner. Sponsorships available if
 cost is prohibitive.

Adult \$133.15
Child (2-12) \$67



Space is limited. Register now to guarantee your spot.

Deadline to register is September 17.

*For a complete itinerary, cost breakdown and registration, go to
<https://stirene.flocknote.com/signup/262245>*

For more information, contact pilgrimage coordinator Ellen Coman, ellen@st-irene.org.

St. Irene Annual Golf Classic

Proceeds benefit St. Irene Parish

Friday, September 11th, 2026 – Registration at Noon

Shotgun start 1:00 Scramble

Bliss Creek Golf Club – Sugar Grove, IL

Register before September 4th!

\$125 gets you Golf, Cart, Camaraderie and a GREAT Steak Buffet Dinner!

Fill out your Foursome(s)

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4. _____

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Make check payable to St. Irene Mark the envelope "Golf Outing"

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Soft Drink/Water \$500

1 round of golf with tee box sign

"Keg of Beer" \$250

Company/Family Tee box sign

Hole Sponsor \$100

Tee Box Sign

Contact Bob LaDeur 630-918-5121 (rladeur@hotmail.com)

Long time friend and supporter Bill Hughes plans on attending!



New *Potential* Hymnal Sing Along

Sunday, August 16, 11 - 11:45 AM

St. Irene ACL

All are invited to explore and provide feedback about new hymns offered in the recently published Glory & Praise IV hymnal. Help us decide whether this hymnal would serve as an excellent resource for our community's sung prayer and praise now and for decades to come.

Not able to attend but curious?

Listen online and provide feedback on 18 new hymns.



SCAMMERS

ARE AT IT AGAIN!

Please remember that neither Fr. Greg nor the staff will ever ask for financial help, gift cards, Square Account, etc. through email or text.



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.



Questions:

- + Have you ever been given some really sad news?
- + What did you want to do when you heard the news?
- + Who did you talk to when you heard the news?

Tie it to the Gospel:

- In today's Gospel, we hear that Jesus just learned of the death of his good friend John the Baptist.
- While most of us would focus only on our own sadness, we see Jesus turning to help others even though he was very sad.
- Jesus even went so far as to comfort many people (about 5000) and perform the miracle of the loaves and fishes to help the people see who he was.

Our Mission:

- We need to live our lives as Jesus did even during our most troubling times.
- Helping those around us, like Jesus, is one of the greatest ways that we can live our lives as God calls us to.
- While we are not performing miracles, like Jesus, we should find ways to help serve those around us and bring the messages of Jesus to them.
- Doing all of this, will only help us during our greatest struggles.

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Stewardship & Liturgical Life

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

Sunday Offertory	Building/Maintenance Fund
\$ 10,566.10	\$ 145.00



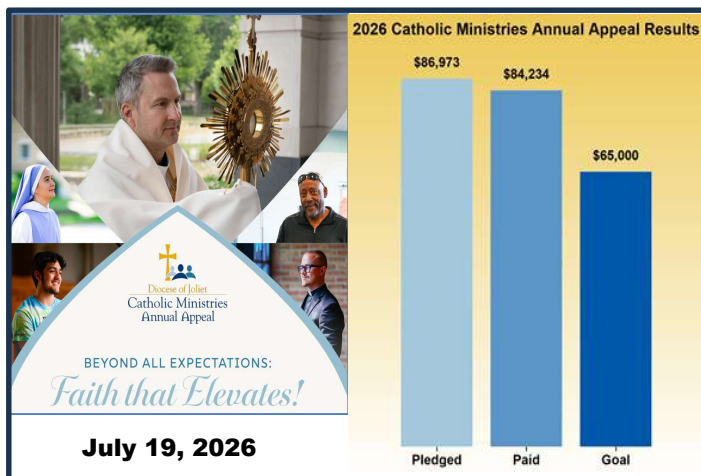
Neighborhood Food Pantries @ Immanuel
 29 W 260 Batavia Road
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Dear Pantry Donor,

Thank you for your donations to the pantry at Immanuel. Your contributions through the first half of 2026 totaled 900 pounds. St Irene Catholic Church's donations have helped to make possible the continual supply of healthy food to some of the underserved families in the greater Warrenville area. With your assistance we are presently serving over 150 families a week. These food supplies go a long way to enabling families to provide nutritious meals.

We are so appreciative of St Irene's ongoing support.

With grateful hearts,
 The Staff and Volunteers of NFP@Immanuel



Prayer for the election of a new Bishop:

O God, eternal shepherd,
 who govern your flock with unfailing care,
 grant in your boundless fatherly love
 a pastor for your Church of Joliet
 who will please you by his holiness
 and to us show watchful care.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
 who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
 one God, forever and ever.

Amen.

From the Roman Missal

Are you looking for a home for a First Communion Dress? Would you like to help those in need?

Rest in His Arms conducts a First Communion Dress Closet annually to enable all girls to have a beautiful dress to wear on their very special day.

Drop off you donation in the bin located in the church vestibule August 1-30

1st Communion DRESS DRIVE

Support the Communion Closet housed at
Rest in His Arms Angel Gowns

Collecting clean, gently used First Communion dresses & veils to help girls who otherwise could not afford them

325 N. Milwaukee Ave., Suite J in Wheeling (in the back of the building)

Drop off any time in our dropbox

*Dresses must be less than 20 years old



ST. IRENE EUCHARIST ADORATION

Summer is here and the pace of life slows down, please consider spending some quiet time with Jesus. Every Thursday after 7:00am Mass, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is offered in the chapel until 12:00pm. Whether it be 5 minutes or as long as you would like, Jesus welcomes you. Grow closer to Our Lord in prayer, thanksgiving, and worship.

Upcoming Events

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August 5 | Wednesdays 6:00pm

Legion of Mary: Join us in the Parish Center for rosary, faith sharing and works of mercy.

August 7 | Fridays 1:00pm

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

August 7 | 7:00pm

First Friday Holy Hour: Join us for Holy Hour with exposition of the Holy Eucharist and benediction with rosary at 6:30pm.

August 8-9 | After all Masses

Birthday/Anniversary Masses & Hospitality:

Do you have a birthday or anniversary in **August**? Contact the Parish office and indicate which Mass you will be attending. Join us for hospitality too!

August 9 | 10:00am Mass

Back-to-School Blessing: Kids and Teachers join us to start off the new school year with a blessing.

August 9 | 2:00pm

Handbell Workshop: Contact Ellen Coman if you are interested.

August 12 | Wednesdays 6:00pm

Legion of Mary: Join us in the Parish Center for rosary, faith sharing and works of mercy.

August 13 | 6:30pm

Knights of Columbus Meeting: The Knights monthly meeting in the ACL.

August 14 | Fridays 1:00pm

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



**First Friday Holy Hour
with Exposition of the
Holy Eucharist
and Benediction**

**August 7, 7:00pm
with Rosary at 6:30pm**



Registration Now OPEN for 2026-27!

To enroll your child in St. Irene Religious Education, scan the QR Code.

August 11 - Catechist Meeting in the Mobiles at 6:00pm

August 16 | 11:00am

New Potential Hymnal Sing-Along: All are invited to explore and provide feedback about new hymns. Come to the ACL after Mass.

August 18 | 6:30pm

Prayer Shawl Meeting & Cap'ture Ministry

Meeting: Like to crochet or knit, join us in the mobiles to share ideas.

August 16 | 1:30pm

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

August 17 | 7:00pm

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

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