

August
27
2023

St. Irene Catholic Parish



Welcome!

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekday Mass

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

Weekend Mass

Saturday | Vigil 5:00pm
Sunday | 8:00am, 10:00am

Confessions

After any Mass, by Appointment, or on the Third Thursday of the Month at 6:30pm

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Friday 9:00am-12:00pm

www.st-irene.org

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https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCmMeIs6ydHjTJD98ZZb_VcA

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Prayer & Worship

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, August 26, 5PM

†Bob Farmer / Family

†Craig Farmer / Joy Farmer

Sunday, August 27, 8AM

St. Irene Parish Family

†Mary Yracheta/Berning & Siele Families

Sunday, August 27, 10AM

†Glen Kussman / Terri Kussman

Tuesday, August 29, 7AM

†Janice Trapani / 1st Anniversary

Wednesday, August 30, 12PM

†Ted Mlsna / Joanne

Thursday, August 31, 7AM

†William Baker / Family

Friday, September 1, 7AM

St. Irene Parish Family

Saturday, September 2, 5PM

†Scott Briggs / Bonnie

†Rozalia Palys / Berning & Siele Families

Sunday, September 3, 8AM

St. Irene Parish Family

†Dorothy Palys/Berning & Siele Families

Sunday, September 3, 10AM

†Connie Mazur / Berning Family

†Harriett Devillers/St. Irene Women of Faith

Contact the Parish Office for submitting Mass intentions.

† = Deceased



WEEKLY READINGS

Monday: 1 Thes 1:1-5,
8b-10/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a
and 9b/Mt 23:13-22

Tuesday: 1 Thes 2:1-8/
Ps 139:1-3, 4-6/Mk 6:17-29

Wednesday: 1 Thes 2:9-13/
Ps 139:7-8, 9-10, 11-12ab/
Mt 23:27-32

Thursday: 1 Thes 3:7-13/
Ps 90:3-5a, 12-13, 14 and
17/Mt 24:42-51

Friday: 1 Thes 4:1-8/
Ps 97:1 and 2b, 5-6, 10,
11-12/Mt 25:1-13

Saturday: 1 Thes 4:9-11/
Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9/Mt 25:14-30

Sunday: Jer 20:7-9/Ps 63:2,
3-4, 5-6, 8-9 (2b)/
Rom 12:1-2/Mt 16:21-27

HEAVENLY FATHER, WE PRAY FOR...

Rebecca Aranda
Ann Lynch
Patti (Conley) Kras
Mary Ann True
Augie Juricic, Jr.
Katie Kennedy
Rachel Jarasius
Marco Inserro
Rosemary Maher

Pat Wehner
Mary Hafertepe
Jean Roe
Gloria Kilboy
Augie Juricic, III
Ken Di Julio
Dan Sorenson
Diane Kroll

Ann Mulcahy
Jim Lytle
Dcn. Bob True
Gina LaRocco Goddard
Terri Juricic
Connie Dyas
Chuck Detwiler
Helen Martinez

***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 27

Monday: St. Augustine, Bishop and Doctor
of the Church

Tuesday: The Passion of St. John the Baptist

Thursday: St. Raymond Nonnatus, Patron of the
Cathedral of the Diocese of Joliet

Sunday: 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time





Who Do You Say That I Am?

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

I once knew a very devout woman whose adult godchild had fallen away from the practice of the faith. This godchild still believed in God, and even felt a sense of belonging in the Church. He was a good and kind person. But poor catechesis and a society that confuses pleasure with joy had left him lax in practice, without an appreciation of the sacraments. He was making choices that threatened his soul.

His godmother wanted more for him. She planned to speak with him about his life, hoping to encourage him to return to the practice of the faith. She knew

that, when she brought this up, he would reply that it wasn't important to attend Mass or to receive the Eucharist, that was all just "extra."

She told me that she was going to begin their conversation by asking him the question Jesus poses to Peter in Matthew 16:15 — the critical question in all our lives, the question whose answer will define what we become in this world and the next.

Her godson knew the answer. She was confident, unshakably, that he did. He may have forgotten it or ignored it. He may have tried to convince himself he wasn't entirely sure. He may have refused to give an answer. But he knew it. He knew the answer.

There is a reason that, after Peter's response, Jesus gives him the keys to the kingdom of heaven.

"Who do you say that I am?"

Let our whole lives be our answer.

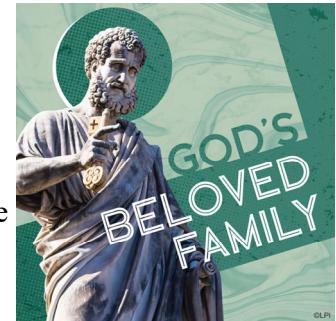
"You are the Christ, the Son of the living God."

—Matthew 16:16

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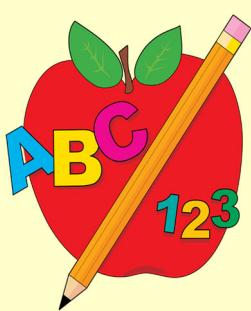
Isn't it a bit weird that Catholics call the Pope "papa," father? This Sunday provides us with essential Scriptural background on the papacy, the petrine office. Jesus gives Peter the "keys to the kingdom of heaven," after witnessing to the special grace Peter has to know Jesus' true identity. Many have pointed out that the "keys" refer back to the figure of Eliakim, King David's prime minister. True enough. But notice this is not mere authority or power. It's a family relationship. The Lord says to Eliakim, "He shall be a father to the inhabitants of Jerusalem" (Isaiah 22:21). David's prime minister was a spiritual father to the family of Israel. Peter, and his successors, will be spiritual fathers in the family of the Church.



This means we have a serious obligation to not only recognize the Pope's authority, but also to love him with the affection of children for their papa. We should never speak about him with disrespect or rancor. We should listen to him with trusting hearts, and ignore the slander thrown at him in various media. When we show the world we are loving and obedient to our Holy Papa, perhaps they'll see more clearly that the Church is indeed God's beloved family.—Father John Muir ©LPI

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Parish Community



Join us for a
back to school and
RE classes blessing at
the Masses
THIS WEEKEND!



Eucharistic *Art* Exhibit

Calling creative folks of all ages!
Share your love of Jesus in the Eucharist
through your art!

Between Christ the King (November 26) and Christmas, 2023, St. Irene will be holding an art exhibit featuring parishioners' original works that reflect the real presence of Jesus in the Eucharist and our unity as the body of Christ.

Choose your favorite form of artistic expression such as: painting and drawing, sculpting, needle work, drama, music, creative writing, poetry, photography, and more.

To participate in the St. Irene Original Eucharistic Art Exhibit, access the registration link through st-irene.org no later than September 30, 2023. All submissions will be due no later than November 12, 2023.

Questions? Contact the exhibit team at Art-Exhibit@st-irene.org.

NEW PARISHIONERS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME!

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

BAPTISMS: For information, call Craig Mazur on x122.

MARRIAGES: Call the Parish Office to arrange preparation at least 6 months in advance.

SICK CALLS: Call the Parish Office.

RECONCILIATION: After any Mass, by Appointment, or on the Third Thursday of the Month at 6:30pm

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.



Join St. Irene's Music Ministry!

Guitarists, Singers, Percussionists,

other Instrumentalists.

Rehearsing Wednesdays 7:00 -

8:30 PM beginning August 27

in preparation for all weekend

Masses.

contact ellen@st-irene.org

Join us for Labor Day
Mass on September 4
at 9:00am



Vatican List of 45 Important Films

In 1995, in honor of the 100th anniversary of cinema, the Vatican named 45 important films worthy of watching. Check out the list at

<https://vocationnetwork.org/en/articles/show/477-vatican-list-of-45-important-films%202023>

Catholic Kids Column

The Foundation of the Church



In today's gospel, Peter professes his faith in Jesus. Jesus asks his friends what they believe about him. Peter replies, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." For this statement Jesus gives Peter the "keys of the kingdom of heaven," and calls Peter "Rock," the foundation stone upon which Jesus will build his Church.

Peter's faith in Jesus' identity is a gift from God. Peter is given the task of passing on the faith. Jesus entrusts the keys to Peter and God's power is given to the entire community of believers.

Peter is the foundational leader upon whom Jesus built his Church. Catholics believe that the charge of shepherding the Catholic Church has passed down from Peter to successive holders of the office of bishop of Rome.

The pope is the bishop of Rome and the head of the Roman Catholic Church. Bishops are successors to the apostles in their role as teachers and pastors. Together with their leader, the pope and never apart from him, they have full authority over the Church.

The pope is a spiritual leader. His leadership is modeled after the Good Shepherd, Christ, who is compassionate and loving. The pope witnesses to Jesus with the help of the Holy Spirit by spreading love, justice, peace, and holiness throughout the world.

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Welcome Our Lady of Fatima into Your Home

Even if you've hosted our Lady in the past, you may welcome her again.

Sign up at www.st-irene.org

Our Lady is at the home of Veronica Gonzalez. Please pray with her in thanksgiving for blessings; and conversion of family.



REGISTER

FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Classes for 1st–8th
grades meet on
Tuesdays from
5:30–7:00 PM
starting Sept. 5, 2023
High School Formation
is also available

Register online at www.st-irene.org

Contact Craig Mazur for more information at craig@st-irene.org

Passion of St. John the Baptist

The Church celebrates the passion of St. John the Baptist on August 29. We know from the Bible that he was the cousin of Jesus, the son of St. Elizabeth, and also the nephew of our Lady. King Herod knew that John was a holy man, and he liked to hear John's words, although he didn't take them to heart. He knew that he had to get control of him because of the crowds he was starting to build. He was afraid to kill him, so instead he had him imprisoned.

According to the Gospels, Herod had imprisoned John because he spoke out about Herod divorcing his wife, and unlawfully taking the wife of his brother. On Herod's birthday, his new wife's daughter danced before the king and his guests. Her dancing pleased Herod so much that in his drunkenness he promised to give her anything she desired, up to half of his kingdom. When the daughter asked her mother what she should ask for, she was told to ask for the head of John the Baptist on a platter. Herod was appalled by the request but reluctantly agreed and had John the Baptist executed in prison. St. John the Baptist was beheaded, and his head was placed on a platter and given to Herod's daughter.

St. John the Baptist spoke the truth with great courage in calling others to a true change of heart, and to embrace the ways of God. He did this not only by preaching, but also by example. He fasted in the desert, and prepared the way for Jesus. He had such a great courage, that he wasn't fearful of speaking out about the immoral activities of his day. This was the reasoning that led to his death, but he continued. We can learn a lot from his life. We too, can embrace the ways of God and speak out of the immorality of our day, and with the help of St. John the Baptist, we can prepare the way for Jesus to those around us.

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This film on the life of St. Augustine offers a message of conversion and redemption. It is the story of a gifted man who pursues fame and fortune without a moral compass - and the dramatic changes that occur in his soul when challenging events lead him to see the light of truth.



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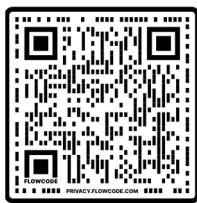
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our Parish!



The St. Irene Knights of Columbus are partnering with SCARCE, a local environmental education group, to collect bread tags for the "Danielle Cares for Chairs" charity which recycles bread tags to acquire wheelchairs and mobility assistance devices for those in need. Additionally, we will be collecting old, unused keys of all types for recycling. Tags and keys can be dropped off at the church entrance collection box. If you need further information, contact Joe at jdrk4715@aol.com. Thank you for your support!



9th Annual Hustle Up The Hill or 1K Flat Route Walk
For The Homeless
Mt. Hoy, Blackwell Forest Preserve,
Warrenville, IL
September 23, 2023
Heats 9:00 AM and 10:00 AM

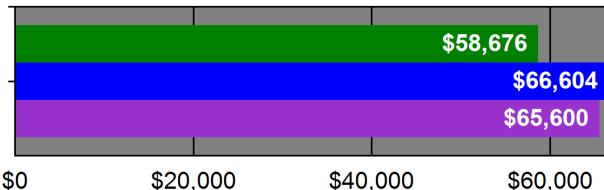
Or participate virtually - complete the race anytime! Challenge yourself to run/walk up Mt Hoy or new this year complete the 1k flat route walk for this cause. All proceeds from the event will go to house a homeless family for 2 years as they transition to self-sufficiency in partnership with the Bridge 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

Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal (CMAA) Update Through August 20, 2023

Amount Paid
Amount Pledged
2023 Goal



Thank you for your support. Please contact the Diocesan Development Office with any questions you may have about your pledge at 815-838-8515.

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Upcoming Events

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September 9-10 | All Masses

Birthday and Anniversary Mass: Do you have a birthday or anniversary coming up in September? Fr. Clive will give a blessing at these weekend Masses. Contact the Parish Office and indicate which Mass you will attend.

September 9-10 | After Masses

Hospitality: Join us for pizza after the 5:00pm Mass and for coffee and donuts after the 8:00am and 10:00am Masses. Come meet some new parishioners and see old friends!

September 11 | 5:00pm

St. Irene Women of Faith Meeting:

St. Irene Women of Faith will hold their regular monthly meeting in the ACL. For info, contact Dana Wolze at dana@wolze.com or Bonnie DiJulio at bonnied18@yahoo.com.

September 15 | 1:00pm

Annual Golf Outing: St. Irene, be a part of a great tradition! **Registration form available on St. Irene website.** For info, contact Bob LaDeur at 630-918-5121 or rладeur@hotmail.com.

September 16-17 & 23-24 | All Masses

Shoe Drive: The Knights of Columbus are collecting gently used shoes for "Share Your Soles" charity. Contact Joe Kubal at jdk4715@aol.com for more information.

September 23 | 7:00am - 11:30am

Blood Drive: The Knights of Columbus are hosting a blood drive in the ACL. For information www.versiti.org/IL.

A colorful illustration featuring a smiling sun with a face and two white clouds. Below the sun are several picnic-related icons: a wicker basket filled with food, two chocolate chip cookies, a bowl of salad with mushrooms and tomatoes, and a red bucket containing what looks like chicken wings or french fries.

Lunch Bunch Annual Picnic
Thursday, September 7
Cerny Park Pavilion
11:30a.m. – 2:30p.m.

*Picnic lunch will be provided!
Please bring your own beverages and preferred lawn chairs – there are picnic tables and seating available*

PLEASE RSVP BY FRIDAY SEPT. 1ST
Anna Saake 630.456.0644 or annasaake1960@gmail.com

October 14 | 12:00pm

Fatima Public Rosary Prayer Rally: Once again St. Irene and St. Thomas will be joining prayer chains across the country. Contact Jeannette Clark at 630-292-9349.

October 21 | 6:00pm - 9:00pm

BUNCO: St. Irene Women of Faith are hosting a Bunco night in the ACL! The funds earned will support FOCUS. **Order form available on St. Irene website.** For info, contact Michele Kemp at missyree2004@yahoo.com or 630-460-3704.

November 4 | 9:00am - 3:00pm

Heavenly Handmade Craft Fair: We are seeking a variety of crafters and artists for our annual fair. Everything from paintings to potpourri, carvings to chocolates. Interested? Items must be homemade/handmade. Contact Loraine Nemo at lorainequilts@yahoo.com.

November 26 | After 10:00am Mass

Church Cleaning Day!: Bring your family, there is something for everyone to do! Contact Katie Augustynowicz at 630-772-3171.

St. Irene Annual Golf Classic

Proceeds benefit St. Irene Parish

Friday, September 15th, 2023 – Registration at Noon

Shotgun start 1:00 Scramble

Bliss Creek Golf Club – Sugar Grove, IL

Register before September 9th!

\$110 gets you Golf, Cart, Camaraderie and a GREAT Steak Buffet Dinner!

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St. Irene Women of Faith

BUNCO

Funds earned will support: **FOCUS**

(Their mission: To invite people into a relationship with Jesus in the Catholic Church, then accompany them along their journey, and finally equip them to share the Faith with others.)

No need to know how to play
Everyone will be able to join in the FUN!

Saturday, October 21, 2023

St. Irene's Activity Center (*Lower Level*)

28W441 Warrenville Road
Warrenville, IL 60555
6:00 – 9:00 p.m.

Admission Paid prior to event \$20.00

Admission at the Door \$25.00 (if seats are available)

Ticket price includes finger foods, dessert, soft drinks, water, coffee and our famous punch

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