Be like servants who await their master’s return from a wedding.

LUKE 12:35

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

AUGUST 11, 2019
NEW PARISHIONERS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME!
Call or come to the Parish Center to register.

BAPTISMS: Dates for Baptism will be arranged after attending the Pre-Baptismal Catechesis. Please call Annette in the Parish Office for information.

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

SICK CALLS: Call Annette in the Parish Office and Ministers of Care will visit the sick or shut-in.

RECONCILIATION: Saturday 4:20-4:40PM in the Reconciliation Room.

FOOD PANTRY: Our pantry is open Wednesdays from 9AM-12PM. Call 630.393.2400 x 112.

FUNERALS: The Pastoral Staff works with families to plan the Funeral Mass.

SMALL CHRISTIAN COMMUNITIES: Call Dwight Sherman at 630.393.3221 or 630.362.1324.

CRISIS PRAYER CHAIN: Contact Deacon Joe Urso at 630.853.2070 at joe.urso@outlook.com.

Adults interested in the ministry of Altar Serving please contact Annette at 630.393.2400 x 122 or annette@st-irene.org.
Adults who are interested in completing the sacraments of Christian Initiation or who would like information about the process of becoming a Catholic Christian, contact Annette at annette@st-irene.org or 630.393.2400 x 122.

What is the R.C.I.A.?
The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults—it is the way the Catholic Church welcomes new members.

Who is it for?
Primarily this Rite is for unbaptized adults and children of school age; however, it has been adapted for those adults and children baptized in other Christian denominations who seek membership in the Catholic Church.

What about baptized Catholics who have not received the Sacraments of Confirmation or Eucharist? Adults seeking these Sacraments will be evaluated on an individual basis.

Christian Initiation is the responsibility of the entire faith community. If you are interested in becoming active in this dynamic ministry, phone Annette at 630.393.2400 x 122 for information.

Inquiry sessions: These sessions are ongoing.

Eucharistic Adoration - Join us on Thursdays 7:30AM-8PM on Thursdays. Please sign up for a 1/2 hour or a 1 hour segment by calling Cathy Kott at 630.393.9543 or Mary Mickel at 630.293.0774.

Due to the fact that school is not in session we will not have a 12PM Mass on the Solemnity of the Assumption on August 15th, a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses will be celebrated at 7AM and 7PM.

When Pope Pius XII died in 1958, there was the usual buzz of speculation about likely successors. Cardinal Agajanian, Patriarch of the Armenians, was highly thought of as a likely choice. This took many Catholics by surprise, since he had never celebrated the same liturgy as Pope Pius, but followed ancient Armenian customs according to the Eastern Church, which veils the Eucharistic liturgy from sight by a series of curtains, and in which the priest kneels while the people stand for Communion.

In the years that followed, the Second Vatican Council would affirm the dignity and independence of the Eastern Churches, in complete union with Rome, yet different in patterns of life and worship. We have the same faith, the same sacraments, and the same pope. Yet everywhere in the world our separate Churches are combined into families held together by the ministry of bishops. All of this serves as warning: If you ever say, “But we’ve always done it this way,” you are on very thin ice indeed!

Attention High Schoolers!
Our Youth Group will meet Friday, August 16th at 6:30PM in the ACL. Join us to kick off the school year with fun, fellowship, and of course, FOOD! Bring your cell phone for a group activity.

Sharing is caring.
Be sure to bring a friend to share in the fun!
Tony Inserro @ tony@chicagodog.com
Rosario Herbst @ rosario.herbst@gmail.com

FAITH AND HOPE

Faith and hope are closely united in today’s readings. The Israelites knew when the Passover was coming, and so were not in fear, but had faith and courage, “putting into effect with one accord the divine institution.” In this we can see a foretelling of the Eucharist that we celebrate according to Christ’s command, “Do this in memory of me.”

We see that Abraham, Sarah, Isaac, and Jacob died in faith, although they did not see fulfillment of the promise. We live in hope that our faith will be fulfilled every time we celebrate this sacrament. We too are not to be afraid, but to have hope that our faith will be fulfilled in the coming of Christ.

—Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.
Whole Parish Catechesis
Readings and Questions for Faith Sharing

Reading I: Wisdom 18:6-9
♦ You always protect us.

Background: Today’s first reading tells of the experience the Israelites gained from the exodus - wilderness period. The Israelites held faith in God’s promise to pass them over. Because the Israelites were prepared, they were saved.

Reading II: Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19
♦ In faith we believe what we do not see.

Background: The Letter to the Hebrews tells of Abraham and Sarah and their faith and trust in the Lord. Abraham left his homeland out of faith, and Sarah conceived Isaac through faith. Like the Israelites, Abraham and Sarah believed in God’s promises and listened to His commands.

♦ We must be ready for God to act in our lives at any time!

Background: In the Gospel of Luke, the discussion of possessions is raised again. Disciples need not worry about collecting possessions, they should be given to the poor. Jesus cites two parables, one concerning servants ready for when their master returns, and a second concerning homeowners being prepared for if a thief comes.

Theme: Do not live in fear. Live, and be ready!

Question for Adults:
On a daily basis, what are some ways to keep yourself “ready for God to act?”

Question for Youth:
If Jesus were to knock on your door today and give you a report card on your life as His disciple, what grade would you get? Where would be your areas for improvement?

Question for Children:
Jesus tells us to always be ready to hear Him. What are some ways that He speaks to us?

Teams forming for our Hospitality Ministry
Teams will be comprised of 6 - 8 people and rotate on a monthly basis. If enough people come forward, the time commitment will be one or two hours, every other month. Duties include ordering and picking up donuts/bagels, making coffee, pouring juice, setting out donuts/bagels, cups, plates, napkins. This is a great service project for families. Training will be provided.

If you are interested in joining the hospitality team, please phone Annette 630.393.2400 x 122.

Come Holy Spirit!
The gift of the Holy Spirit is not merely something reserved for Confirmation. The Spirit desires a relationship with us that will take us on the greatest adventure imaginable: a journey to the very heart of God.

Come experience the life giving breath of God’s Spirit. The Wild Goose is a 14 week series with Fr. Dave Pivonka. We will meet Mondays from 1-2:30PM and again from 7-8:30PM beginning August 12th in the ACL. Please register with Annette at annette@st-irene.org or 630.393.2400 x 122.

CAN YOU HELP? One of our Bridge families has a 19 year old car with nearly 200,000 miles on it. She took it to a mechanic who said it will not survive another winter. There is no air conditioning, which her two young children struggle with, and to repair it would cost more than the car is worth. St. Irene Bridge Committee is asking if anyone has a used car to donate. The car would be donated through Bridge Communities so it will be eligible for a tax deduction. If you or someone you know has a car to donate, please contact Vince Sherwin at vince1230@comcast.net or 630.393.4463.

ST. IRENE ANNUAL GOLF OUTING
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2019
Bliss Creek Golf Club, Sugar Grove
12PM Shotgun Start

We are currently looking for silent auction donations, sponsors, and volunteers.

PLEASE CONSIDER HELPING!
For more information or to help, contact the Athletic Board at saint.irene.athleticboard@gmail.com
St. Irene CCW
Heavenly
Handmade
Craft Fair

Saturday, October 19th
9 am to 3 pm
St. Irene Parish Activity Center
28w441 Warrenville Rd., Warrenville

$1 Admission

A variety of crafters and artisans represented
Unique and creative, hand crafted items for sale
Come find that perfect gift and support our cause!
This event sponsored by the St. Irene Council of Catholic Women.

Profits from this event are used to support local and international charities.

For more information on the event,
Visit our Facebook Page: St. Irene Council of Catholic Women
### This Week’s Meetings

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### St. Irene Rosary Group

Our Rosary Group meets the third Thursday of each month in the ACL, from 7-7:40pm, followed by fellowship as schedules permit. Come join in the prayer. Our Lady gave us, and be intimately and spiritually drawn into the most Holy Life of our Lord. As we connect our hearts with confidence to Her Immaculate Heart, Mary leads us to the Foot of His Cross, which is the doorstep to His Sacred Heart, and Fount of His Unconditional Love and Divine Mercy. **We gather next on August 15th.** Bring a friend...all are welcome! For more info, call Jeannette Clark at 630.292.9349.

### Wedding Anniversary Mass

The 41st Annual Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass will be celebrated on **Sunday, August 18 at 2PM** at the Cathedral of St. Raymond in Joliet. Couples celebrating anniversaries of **25 years and more**, are welcome to attend. Bishop Conlon will celebrate the Mass and will lead all couples in a special renewal of wedding promises. Please register as soon as possible by calling the Office of Family Ministry at 815.838.5334.

### Remember our Faithful Departed in your Prayers
- Richard Ciolkowski
  Father of Deb Pabich

### School is about to start, have you registered for RE?

Easy online registration for all 1st-8th grades & HS is available on our website! Look for the yellow box on the homepage.

www.st-irene.org

### Feed My Starving Children:

The Aurora packing site is running a full schedule this summer, but due to summer schedules and vacations, volunteering is down. Do you have a couple hours during the daytime or evening? Come pack with us! Groups of any size are welcome. Please sign up for your desired session at www.fmsc.org.
St. Irene Vocation Prayer

In every age Lord, You raise up women and men who are strong in their faith and bold in their actions to give witness to the Gospel.

Fill St. Irene Parish Community with Your Spirit and give us a burning desire to make a difference in our world. Because of our love for You, Bless our Church with holy and courageous priests, deacons, religious sisters and brothers, devoted married couples, dedicated single men and women, and enthusiastic youth. We ask this in Jesus’ name. Amen.

Parish Office Summer Hours

Monday - Thursday → 9AM-3PM
Friday → 9AM-12PM

Liturgical Calendar

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Lance CPL Jeff Sommer - 29 Palms, CA
  Chief Petty Officer Michael Spans
  Capt. Weston J. Umano USAF - Deployed
  E3 Jacob VanderMeulen, USNavy, San Diego
  1st Class Patrick Reid - Lackland AFB, TX
  1st Lt. Keegan Lohery USMC - Camp Pendelton
  Master Sgt. Dan Peterson - Anchorage, AK
  TSgt. Daniel Geinosky - serving in England
  Sgt. Christian Wilkins - stationed in Iraq
  Sgt. Levi Dieter - Virginia Marine Base
  Cmdr. Eric G. Peterson - Serving in San Diego
  Sgt. Peter Folz - Fort Bragg, North Carolina
  Major Patrick Looby - Kunsan AB, S.K.
  Sgt. Thomas Rasplicka - Fort Bliss, Texas