THE APOSTLES REPORTED ALL THEY HAD DONE AND TAUGHT. JESUS SAID TO THEM, "COME AWAY BY YOURSELVES TO A DESERTED PLACE AND REST A WHILE."

Mark 6:30, 31
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. 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.

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MASS SCHEDULE
- Daily: M-F 7AM
- Saturday: 5PM
- Sunday: 8AM & 10AM

LIVING GOD’S WORD:
Admittedly, there are those times when the way of Jesus can be just as frightening to us as no wisdom at all. Yet if you seek a way that offers light, test His way. In small pieces, one word at a time, one small slice of life at a time, try it out. If it does become light for you, stay with it and explore yet more of it. No one has ever come to all of holiness in a day.

—Rev. Joseph J. Juknialis

Are you looking for an education change for your children?
St. Irene School welcomes you to consider us for the 2018/2019 school year. There are openings in all grades, Pre-K through 8th Grade. Public school transfers are also eligible for a $2,000 discount per child for grades 1 through 8 for their first year. Scholarships may also be available. Please contact our school office at 630.393.3903 x 116.

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The American Revolution cleared the way for freedom of religion in the former colonies, since the colonies had always been a more religiously tolerant place than the old country. Even so, colonial laws restricted the practice of the Catholic faith, and just as in England, Americans who desired to be priests or nuns had to go to the Netherlands or France. As political storm clouds gathered in France, an American woman, Mother Bernardina Matthews, the prioress of the Hoogstraeten Carmel in Holland, made a brave move. With two other American nuns, her nieces, and a Dutch sister, she came to Port Tobacco, Maryland, in 1790. Within twenty years the community had grown to twenty, although by 1823 their farm failed and they had to move to Baltimore and open a school. The Carmelite order requires contemplation and cloister, so in time the school was closed. The Port Tobacco land had long since been sold, but in 1976 a community of nuns was able to return thanks to loyal neighbors who had worked for forty years for their restoration. Today, our original American convent is fully alive in prayer, hard work, and strong community.

—Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.
REST IN THE LORD

For several weeks we have listened to readings that have recounted just how arduous the work of prophets and disciples can be. In today’s Gospel, the Lord Jesus listens to the reports of those he had sent out “two by two” to minister to the people. After the apostles reported what they had done, Jesus, recognizing their fatigue, says, “Come away by yourselves to a deserted place and rest awhile” (Mark 6:31). Perhaps this is what the Lord is telling his disciples in the year 2018 as well. We need to pause on our journey of discipleship and simply rest in the Lord. Sunday Mass provides many opportunities for quiet times, particularly during the periods of silence following the readings. Why not take the time today to allow the saving word of the Lord to penetrate your heart during those silent times? Ask the Lord to renew you in body, mind, and spirit for the arduous work of discipleship.

Whole Parish Catechesis

Readings and Questions for Faith Sharing

Reading I: Jeremiah 23:1-6
♦ Woe to those who mislead their sheep.

Background: Preaching just before the Babylonian exile, Jeremiah warns the people that they will lose the land and be driven into exile unless they turn from their evil ways. The people do not turn from their evil ways. They and Zedekiah, their ruler, are taken into exile. The leaders of the exiled people, life good shepherds, kept the people united and nourished them with hope.

Reading II: Ephesians 2:13-18
♦ He announced the Good News to those who were far off and to those who were near.

Background: The Letter to the Ephesians emphasizes the unity between Jews and Gentiles. All who are redeemed through Christ are one body in Him. Christ is the way to peace for all people.

Gospel: Mark 6:30-34
♦ They went to a deserted place to rest.

Background: The disciples have just returned from their first missionary journey and Jesus knows that they need rest. The attempt to get away from the crowds is useless because the people are hungry to hear the word of God. Jesus, the Good Shepherd, responds to the people with compassion.

Theme: Sometimes we need to pause for rest with Jesus.

Question for Adults:
Why is rest important, and how do you make sure you get enough of it in your own life?

Question for Youth:
Jesus was moved with pity for the people who were gathered. Who are the people you are moved with pity for? What can you do to help them?

Question for Children:
How do you keep Sunday as a day of rest?

Healing Horizons is a parish support group where people help people through the difficult experience of loss through death, divorce, or separation. Our focus is on the spiritual, intellectual, and emotional growth of those who attend. People from all faiths are encouraged to join us. Join us on Wednesdays, July 25, August 8 and August 22 from 6:30-8PM in the lower level of the Activity Center. For more information, please contact Sue Battaglia at 312.213.2119.

Theology-on-Tap

Come to a Summer Speaker Series for adults in their 20’s, 30’s & 40’s!

♦ Sunday, July 29 - “Why Marriage? Why not Cohabitation?” - Dr. Jim Healy
♦ Sunday, August 12 - “Let’s be Friends! Building Authentic Relationship” - Ms. Rebecca Siar

Each session will be held at Our Lady of Mercy Church - Parish Life Center in Aurora from 6:30-8:30PM. Drinks and a light dinner will be served at 6:30PM and the presentation will begin at 7PM. Child care, with a dinner included, will be provided free of charge. An RSVP is REQUIRED! Please indicate your child(s) age(s) when you RSVP.

For more information, or to reserve your spot for your child(ren), contact Dave at 331.707.5371 or DaveM@olmercy.com.

Settle yourself in solitude, and you will come upon God in yourself. —St. Teresa
School Supplies

The churches of Warrenville once again will collect school supplies for the needy children in our community. This year St. Irene has been assigned 55 5th grade students. **We will collect the school supplies through Sunday, July 22nd.** This year we will distribute “supply packs”, therefore there is no need to purchase backpacks.

- 1 Box- CRAYOLA Crayons - 24 count
- 1 pkg colored pencils
- 1 black sharpie
- 2 yellow highlighters
- 2 dry erase markers
- 20 **Sharpened** Wood Pencils - #2 regular
- 1 Box CRAYOLA Washable Markers - Broad tip, Assorted colors (8 ct)
- 4 Spiral Notebook - Wide rule, Single subject 8 1/2 X 11" (70 sheets)
- 6 Individual Vinyl Folders with 2 pockets - No Rings, No Trappers, No Portfolios, **Plain (1) each** Purple, Red, Yellow, Green, Blue & Orange
- 1 pink Pearl eraser
- 1 Scissors - Fiskars (steel blade)
- 1 - 4 oz ELMER’S White School Glue
- 1 - Glue Stick
- 1 pkg. index cards
- 1 pair of earbuds

**We will sort and pack the supplies on Wednesday, July 25th at 10AM in the ACL.**

The block party will be on **Saturday, July 28th at Johnson school from 5-7PM.** If you can help distributing the supplies or manning our treat table, phone Annette at 630.393.2400 x 122 or sign up in the narthex.

ST. IRENE ANNUAL GOLF OUTING
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2018

BLISS CREEK GOLF CLUB, Sugar Grove
1PM Shotgun Start

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

**PLEASE CONSIDER HELPING!**
For more information or to help, contact Scott Reid or Shannon Nevins at saint.irene.athleticboard@gmail.com

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St. Irene’s Lunch Bunch
**Annual Summer Picnic**

Thursday, August 2nd

Cerny Park Pavilion
(Just off Forestview & River Roads in Warrenville)

11:30AM–2:30PM

Picnic lunch of fried chicken, salads and dessert will be provided by our Ministry!

Please bring your own beverages and preferred lawn chairs (if you don't want to sit at a picnic table) – there are picnic tables and seating available in the Pavilion.

Rain, Stormy or excessive heat weather - meet in the ACL.

**PLEASE RSVP BY NO LATER THAN MONDAY JULY 30th!**

Anna Saake 630.456.0644 or anna@saake.net

ALL ARE WELCOME!

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Escape the Kingdom of Man:
Discover True Happiness

Kingdom of Happiness: Living the Beatitudes in Everyday Life is a new 8-part parish program that unveils Jesus’ plan for happiness in the Beatitudes.

**Kingdom of Happiness will:**

- Show how the Beatitudes are much more than nice sayings, they are the path to happiness charted by Christ himself.
- Expose the “anti-Beatitudes” for what they are: the kingdom of man’s false promises of happiness that lead only to misery.
- Inspire a renewed resolve to live the Beatitudes through video profiles of real-life people living the Beatitudes in their everyday life.

Featuring teaching videos by Fr. Jeffrey Kirby, and powerful profiles of normal people living out the Beatitudes in heroic ways.

Please join us at 1PM in the ACL on Mondays now through August 20.

Cost is $10 for the Study Guide. For information, or to register, call Annette at 630.393.2400 x 122 or email annette@st-irene.org.
This Week’s Meetings

- **Sunday, July 22**
  - 1-2:30p - Bible Study (ACL)

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- **Tuesday, July 24**

- **Wednesday, July 25**
  - 6:30-8p - Healing Horizons (ACL)
  - 7-8:30p - Adult Choir (C)

- **Thursday, July 26**

- **Friday, July 27**

- **Saturday, July 28**

- **Sunday, July 29**

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St. Mary’s in West Chicago is offering the following adult Scripture classes this fall. For more information or to register, email Dan.Wartsbaugh@stmarywc.org.

- **Biblical Narrative (Genesis through Acts)** - Who is God, what does He care about? We will examine the character of God as we see how He interacted with people in Scripture. After gaining a greater familiarity with the Old Testament, we see how Christ made use of these stories in revealing the Father to His own disciples and how they moved forward in the earliest days of the Church. **Thursdays, 6:30-8:30PM August 16-May 23 (32 sessions) Cost: $200**

- **Reading the Law (Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, Deuteronomy)** - Is the Old Testament Law relevant for Christians today? We will discuss how to read the Law in order to gain insight into the heart of God. **Saturdays, 10AM-12PM August 18 – October 6 (8 sessions) Cost: $50**

- **Understanding the Prophets (The Book of the Twelve)** - We will establish methods for reading prophecy as a genre, while also examining the specific messages of the prophets. The prophets give us a unique glimpse into the heart of God as it relates to justice, judgment, and redemption both for His own people and the nations. We will also consider how these messages might be relevant for us today as Christians in a secular world. **Saturdays, 10AM-12PM Oct 27– December 22 (8 sessions) Cost: $50**

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**Eucharistic Adoration**

We need coverage for ALL hours of adoration which runs from 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.

Thank you and God Bless You!
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.

Paula Peterson
Joan Kempiak
Patricia Hogan
Virginia Barber
Ken Kras
Mary Hughes
Bernie Malovany
Paige C. Robertson
Ann Mulcahy
Bev Oliveri
Patti Menconi

Judy Colonero
Joe Gattone
Donna Pelletier
Mary Vander Meulen
Valder Morales
Max Malesh
Barb Houston
Paula Lopat
Colette Malovany
Charlie Fahrenwald

Readings for the Week

Monday: Mi 6:1-4, 6-8; Ps 50:5-6, 8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23; Mt 12:38-42
Tuesday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Ps 85:2-8; Mt 12:46-50
Wednesday: 2 Cor 4:7-15; Ps 126:1bc-6; Mt 20:20-28
Thursday: Jer 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13; Ps 26:6-7ab, 8-11; Mt 13:10-17
Friday: Jer 3:14-17; Jer 31:10-13; Mt 13:18-23
Saturday: Jer 7:1-11; Ps 84:3-6a, 8a, 11; Mt 13:24-30
Sunday: 2 Kgs 4:42-44; Ps 145:10-11, 15-18; Eph 4:1-6; Jn 6:1-15

Parish Office Summer Hours
Monday - Thursday → 9AM-3PM
Friday → 9AM-12PM

Liturgical Calendar

Monday, July 23
St. Bridget
7:00AM - Donna Cobb/ 1st Anniversary
Deacon Joe & Diane’s 52nd Wedding Anniversary

Tuesday, July 24
St. Sharbel Makhluf
7:00AM - Angie Schuman/Family
Jackie Schuman/ Family
Nick Jurado/ Family

Wednesday, July 25
St. James
7:00AM - For the Poor & the Hungry
Sarah Totman/ Friends
7:00AM - Mary Ellen Ryan/ St. Irene Community
7:30AM - Eucharistic Adoration
Sarah Totman/ Friends

Thursday, July 26
Ss. Joachim and Anne
7:00AM - Mary Ellen Ryan/ St. Irene Community
7:30AM - Eucharistic Adoration

Friday, July 27
Weekday
7:00AM - St. Irene Faith Community

Saturday, July 28
Vigil: 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time
5:00PM - Phil Kemp/ St. Irene Seniors
8:00AM - John Palys/ Family
10:00AM - Dan Walsh/ Rosemary Maher
Jessie Hernandez/ Family
Baby Grace Gattone/ Family
11:30AM - Baptism Ceremony

Sunday, July 29
Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00AM - John Palys/ Family
10:00AM - Dan Walsh/ Rosemary Maher
Jessie Hernandez/ Family
Baby Grace Gattone/ Family
11:30AM - Baptism Ceremony

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