EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME
August 5, 2018

The bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.

John 6:33

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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 to arrange preparation 6 months in advance.

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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Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reflecting on God’s Word

Unlike mortals, angels do not die. Nor do they need to eat or drink. Without corruptible bodies, they live eternally with God. But the psalm for today describes the manna that the Israelites ate in the desert as “the bread of angels” (78:25). As the first reading tells us, it seemed to them that it came down from heaven every night. Through the manna, God gave them life when death seemed imminent. Through the manna, their faith in God’s eternal care for them was revived.

In the case of the Israelites, they received life by eating the bread from heaven. And the life they were given allowed them to believe. In the case of the disciples of Jesus it’s the other way around. We must believe in Jesus as “the true bread from heaven” (John 6:32) in order to receive the eternal life that He provides.

—Virginia Stillwell

LIVING GOD’S WORD: The Eucharist has been called the “bread of angels” (Psalm 78:25). It is a free gift from God. It is offered to give us eternal life because through it we receive the life of Christ, “the true bread from heaven” (John 6:32). Jesus promised that those who believe and eat it will hunger and thirst for nothing throughout all eternity.

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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

Mass Schedule

- Daily: M-F 7AM
- Saturday: 5PM
- Sunday: 8AM & 10AM
If your birthday or wedding anniversary is in the month of August I would like to extend a personal invitation to you and your family to join your parish family in celebrating this occasion.

Next Sunday, August 12th at the 10AM Mass a special Blessing for you and others celebrating a birthday or anniversary will be included in the Liturgy.

Please register with a minister of hospitality before Mass and join us in honoring everyone celebrating a special day this month.

Following Mass, join us in the Lower Level of the Activity Center for a special hospitality in your honor.

Peace & Blessings,

Fa Jim

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.

www.st-ireneschool.org

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.

If you or someone you know would be blessed by receiving a prayer shawl, please contact Paula Peterson at 630.319.3998 or Rainbow1085@yahoo.com.

In 1794, a young Irishwoman befriended two widows aboard ship while emigrating to America. They bought a house in Philadelphia and began to live a community life under the direction of a priest. Soon they relocated to Washington. There, the “pious ladies,” as the neighbors called them, were asked by their priest friend, by then the president of Georgetown University, to begin a religious community. In 1799 they established a branch of the Visitation Order founded by Saint Jane de Chantal and Saint Francis de Sales in the 1620s.

The unique vision of this order followed a sensible routine, less arduous and more flexible than most traditions, and also accepted widows and older women. Amazingly, this American outpost of the Visitation began without reference to the “rule” of the Order. Most of the European convents had been lost under the “reign of terror,” and the rules and customs of the community could not be obtained. A copy of the rule was discovered in 1812, and in 1816 the pope officially established the monastery. By then, some French nuns had regrouped, and they sent a habit and cross to be copied. (No religious wore the habit in public in the United States until after the Civil War.) From the beginning, the Georgetown nuns had an educational mission, even though they discovered in the “rule” that such work was officially off-limits for the contemplative life. In America, the nuns depended on a school for their livelihood, so the rule was adapted. Today, the Academy of the Visitation is a thriving example of excellence in Catholic education, and the adjacent monastery is the oldest monastic foundation in the original thirteen United States.

—Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.
St. Irene Rosary Group

The St. Irene Rosary Group meets the third Thursday of each month in the ACL from 7-8PM then followed by fellowship. Please plan on joining us on August 16th and bring a friend!

For more information, please call Jeanette Clark at 630.292.9349.

Healing Horizons is a parish support group where people help people through the 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 on Wednesdays, 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, 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.

The Diocese of Joliet invites you to the 31st Annual Bishop’s Mass with Persons with Disabilities on Sunday, September 16th at 12PM at Holy Family Catholic Church in Shorewood. There will be an interpreter for the Deaf and a luncheon will follow for persons with disabilities, families and friends. For more information, please contact Gina at 815.221.6229 or ggiblin@dioceseofjoliet.org.

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

Whole Parish Catechesis

Readings and Questions for Faith Sharing

Reading I: Exodus 16:2-4, 12-15
♦ The Lord provides what we need.

Background: The people speak of death twice in this passage, which reflects anxiety due to hunger. When God provides manna and quail, the ask, “What is this?” This all occurred one month after leaving Egypt.

Reading II: Ephesians 4:17, 20-24
♦ Be renewed in the spirit of your mind; put away your old self.

Background: The young Church is persuading the people to put away the ways of the world, possibly numerous gods and immorality - much as it is in any society at any time. The passage moves back and forth between denunciation and urging. The central point is that a radical change is needed.

Gospel: John 6:24-35
♦ Do not work for food that perishes; work for food that endures for eternal life.

Background: Jesus appears to be aware that the people are shallow in their commitment. The crowd has focused on the sign and failed to believe its message. Jesus is the manna, the provision from God to quench spiritual hunger; He is the Bread of Life.

Theme: Jesus is the Bread of Life.

Question for Adults:
How do you partake of the nourishment that Jesus provides? How often?

Question for Youth:
Jesus is the bread that gives us life. How does believing in Jesus make your life different?

Question for Children:
Why is Jesus compared to bread? How can His teachings be like food?
It's not too early to mark your calendars for CCW's Heavenly Handmade Craft Fair which will take place Saturday, November 3, 9AM-3PM.

We are always seeking crafters of all kinds to participate in this fun annual fundraiser. Interested? Please contact Loraine Nemo at 630.961.0930 or LoraineQuilts@yahoo.com.

The Fortieth Annual Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass will be celebrated on Sunday, August 26, 2018 at 2PM at the Cathedral of St. Raymond in Joliet. Couples celebrating anniversaries of 25 years, 50 years, and more than 50 years, are welcome to attend the event. Couples will receive a special blessing during the liturgy and will receive an anniversary certificate after the Mass. Our celebrant will be Bishop R. Daniel Conlon. Because of space limitations, there is not room for additional guests. However, if necessary, a caregiver/helper is very welcome to attend with the couple. Pre-registration is required; please complete and return the form or register online by August 10, 2018. For more information, please call 815.838.5334.

Online registration: http://conta.cc/2MIasJg

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

Last Name ____________________________________________________

Husband________________________ Wife__________________________

Address_______________________________________________________

City__________________________ Zip_______ Phone_________________

Parish you Attend________________________ City____________________

Date of Marriage__________________ # of Yrs. Married in 2018__________

A reception will be held in the Parish Commons following the Mass.

_____We will attend the mass and reception.  _____We will attend the mass only.

Because of space limitations, no additional guests, please. Caregivers/helpers are very welcome.

Pre-registration by mail, fax, phone or email is required by August 10, 2018 to:

The Office of Family Ministry: 16555 Weber Rd., Crest Hill, IL 60403

Fax: 815.221.6089  Phone: 815.838.5334  Email: familyministry@dioceseofjoliet.org
This Week’s Meetings

**Sunday, August 5**
- 1-2:30p - Bible Study (ACL)
- 7-9p - School Board (HF)
- 7-9p - Knights of Columbus (ACL)

**Monday, August 6**
- 6:30-8p - Healing Horizons (ACL)
- 7-8:30p - Adult Choir (C)

**Tuesday, August 7**
- 6-10p - Knights of Columbus (ACL)
- 7-8p - Wedding Rehearsal (C)

**Wednesday, August 8**
- 7-9p - Knights of Columbus (ACL)
- 7-9p - School Board (HF)

**Thursday, August 9**
- 6-10p - Knights of Columbus (ACL)
- 7-8:30p - Adult Choir (C)

**Friday, August 10**
- 7-8p - Wedding Rehearsal (C)

**Saturday, August 11**
- 6-10p - Knights of Columbus (ACL)
- 7-9p - School Board (HF)

**Sunday, August 12**
- 7:30a-12:30p - Hospitality (ACL)

Calling all kids...and kids at heart!
Announcing the 17th Annual St. Irene

**FUN FAIR!**

**Saturday, August 25th**
11AM-3PM
St. Irene School and Church Grounds
Warren Avenue & Warrenville Road

Plenty of exciting activities planned for all ages, plus great prizes and lots of delicious food! Inflatables, Games, Raffles, Silent Auction and MUCH, MUCH MORE!

Come out for a day of affordable family fun. Games and food are priced from 25¢ - $5. So bring a friend and come join in the fun!

This event is sponsored by the St. Irene PACE organization.

St. Irene is scheduled to provide volunteers at the Hesed House Soup Kitchen on Monday, August 27 and Friday, August 31 from 9AM-1PM to set up, serve lunch and clean up afterward. Up to 200 people, on fixed incomes, or homeless, are fed every Monday and Friday by groups of volunteers. If you are interested in helping, please contact Marge Steinhoff at 630.851.3708 or mpst37@aol.com.

Summer is quickly passing...and we can’t wait to see you again!

Registration for St. Irene Religious Faith Formation Program is now available at [https://www.st-irene.org/67](https://www.st-irene.org/67). There are three forms to print out and complete, the remaining forms can be read online.

**To take advantage of Early Bird pricing please register by August 1st.**
You can drop your Registration forms and payment in the Sunday collection basket or at the Parish Office.

**Orientation for grades 1-6 is on Tuesday,**
September 18 at 5:30PM in Church.

**Orientation for grades 7-8 is on Wednesday,**
September 19 at 6:30PM in Church.

“Train up a child in the way he should go; even when he is old he will not depart from it.” Proverbs 22:6
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.

Javier Tecuatl
Paula Peterson
Patricia Hogan
Mary Hughes
Bernie Malovany
Paige C. Robertson
Bev Oliveri
Patti Menconi

Mary Vander Meulen
Valder Morales
Max Malesh
Barb Houston
Paula Lopat
Colette Malovany
Charlie Fahrenwald

Remember our Faithful Departed in your Prayers

♦ Josephine Allen
Mother of Betty Dedic
♦ Margaret Hatch
Mother of Nancy Voegtle

Readings for the Week

Monday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9; 2 Pt 1:16-19; Mk 9:2-10
Tuesday: Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22; Ps 102:16-21, 29, 22-23; Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14
Wednesday: Jer 31:1-7; Jer 31:10, 11-12ab, 13; Mt 15:21-28
Thursday: Jer 31:31-34; Ps 51:12-15, 18-19; Mt 16:13-23
Friday: 2 Cor 9:6-10; Ps 112:1-2, 5-9; Jn 12:24-26
Saturday: Hb 1:12-2:4; Ps 9:8-13; Mt 17:14-20
Sunday: 1 Kgs 19:4-8; Ps 34:2-9; Eph 4:30-5:2; Jn 6:41-51

Liturgical Calendar

Monday, August 6
The Transfiguration of the Lord
7:00AM - Walter Tumpane/ St. Irene Community

Tuesday, August 7
St. Sixtus II and Companions; St. Cajetan
7:00AM - William Mulcahy/ Family

Wednesday, August 8
St. Dominic
7:00AM - Norbert Scherner/ 1st Anniversary

Thursday, August 9
St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross
7:00AM - St. Irene Faith Community
7:30AM - Eucharistic Adoration

Friday, August 10
St. Lawrence
7:00AM - Rosemary Lovett/ Mary Hafertepe

Saturday, August 11
Vigil: 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time
2:30PM - Wedding Ceremony
Rachel Weber & Kyle Lancet
5:00PM - Verda Fransdsen Dougherty/ Vitale Family
Sabina D’Orio/ Mike & Nancy Trattner

Sunday, August 12
Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00AM - Sr. Rosie Eck/ St. Irene
10:00AM - Birthday/ Anniversary Mass
James Brotnow/ Maureen Brennwald
Rev. Thomas Sularz/ St. Irene Community

Chief Petty Officer Michael Spans - Deployed
AB Patrick Reid - Lackland AFB, TX
1st Lt. Weston J. Umano USAF - Holloman, NM
1st Lt. Keegan Lohenry USMC - Camp Pendelton
Lance Cpl. Quin Lohenry USMC - Camp Pendelton
Master Sgt. Dan Peterson - Anchorage, AK
TSGt. Daniel Geinosky - serving in England
Sgt. Christian Wilkins - stationed in Iraq
Lance Cpl. Levi Dieter - Embassy of Latvia
Cmdr. Eric G. Peterson - Serving in San Diego
Sgt. Peter Folz - Fort Bragg, North Carolina
Capt. Patrick Looby - Eglin AFB, FL
Sgt. Thomas Rasplika - Fort Bliss, Texas