You shall love your neighbor as yourself.

Mark 12:31
MASS SCHEDULE

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

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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 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.

It's Turkey Time!

The St. Irene Food Pantry is now collecting turkeys for the annual Thanksgiving Baskets.

Turkeys are needed by Thursday, Nov. 15th!
You can drop your turkey off at the Parish Center, along with other Thanksgiving needs: mashed potatoes, sweet potatoes, stuffing, gravy, cranberries, canned pumpkin, pancake mix and syrup.

Thank you for your generosity.

Reflecting on God’s Word

Gospel love is not about feelings. It’s about choosing to care regardless of how we feel. It’s about making decisions based upon the vision of Jesus regardless of how many other visions are demanding our allegiance. If we wait until we feel like loving, well, we may in fact never get around to loving. Gospel love is about the will without paying any attention at all to the emotions.

In The Road Less Traveled, M. Scott Peck distinguishes between infatuation and love. Infatuation, he says, is when we allow all the walls that we have put up in order to protect ourselves to collapse and thus permit another to enter into the most sacred and vulnerable portions of our lives. We think that in such a way we are becoming one with another because there are no more walls to divide us, except that before long our walls begin to go back up one by one.

On the other hand, notes Peck, real love is not about collapsing our walls but about expanding them in never-ending fashion, thereby choosing to allow more and more people into the deepest portions of our lives. Real love is the choices we make and not feelings we experience. Once we begin to choose to live in such a fashion, says Jesus, we are not far from the kingdom of God.

—Rev. Joseph J. Juknialis

LIVING GOD’S WORD: Loving one’s neighbor as oneself stands the common wisdom of “charity begins at home” on its head. Yet Jesus’ commandments are not new. It makes one wonder how the common wisdom got to be so common.

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If your birthday or wedding anniversary is in the month of November I would like to extend a personal invitation to you and your family to join your parish family in celebrating this occasion.

Next Sunday, November 11th 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,

November 4, 2018

PARISH FALL SOCIAL EVENT
Come join us for an evening of “Fun, Food, and Fellowship”
Friday, November 9
6–9PM in the Parish Activity Center

All parishioners are invited to help support children in need by enjoying a Pot Luck Dinner (main course provided) and a “White Elephant” auction. This is a perfect time to REGIFT! Take that thoughtful, but unusual gift you got for your birthday, anniversary, Christmas etc., wrap it (so no one can tell what it is); then bring it to the auction. You then get to bid on any of the other packages. Loads of Fun and plenty of Laughter. All profits from the auction will go to help purchase Christmas Gifts for children in Warrenville Youth and Family Services’ LINK program.

This event is being co-hosted by the Council of Catholic Women and the Ladies of Columbus.

ALL ARE WELCOME!
Our Holiday church cleaning will take place on Sunday, November 18 after 10AM Mass.

This is a wonderful way to serve our community and honor our Lord as together we to prepare His house for the season of Advent.

Families are invited, children may serve with a parent. Please bring buckets and rags. Cleaning products will be provided.

Contact Katie Augustynowicz via email or text if you will be joining in the fun!
♦ katieaugustynowicz@hotmail.com
♦ or text her at 630.772.3171.

Month of Remembrance: The Book of Remembrance will be in the baptistry area throughout the month of November. All are invited to write the names of deceased family and friends in the book, as we remember our faithful departed.

Just two years ago, we engaged in one of the core activities of our democratic system: a presidential election. Actually, the institution of election can be traced to traditions in the Church, and although bishops are no longer chosen in this way, abbots and abbesses (heads of monastic communities) have almost always been elected by full voting members of their communities. The lifetime appointment begins when the monks or nuns are gathered in “chapter” at the death or resignation of the abbot, and fortunately for all involved, campaigning is not allowed! The members of the community discern, with prayer to the Holy Spirit, who among them is the best suited for leadership. Once chosen, the new leader requests the blessing of the local bishop, who usually presides at a ceremony of consecration or investiture. The ballots are always secret, and a simple majority must be achieved.

In our American system the Electoral College is the determining voice in the presidential election, not the popular election on a November Tuesday, just as the monastic chapter is the electorate. Today, most religious orders elect general superiors in “chapter” by delegates of the professed members, and usually for a term of six years. A few, like the Jesuits, elect for life. At least we don’t have that weight on our shoulders when we choose a president. Four years at a time will do!

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

Reading I: Deuteronomy 6:2-6
♦ Be blessed by keeping the Commandments.

Background: Today Jews and Christians will speak with one voice, as we are graced with the same reading in our assemblies. Israel considers the relationship with God to be as powerful as the bond between spouses or between parent and child. The importance of the command is illustrated by the instructions of keeping it in one’s heart and mind. Love is the obvious demand of the relationship.

Reading II: Hebrews 7:23-28
♦ Jesus makes intercessions for us.

Background: In the first covenant there were many priests offering many sacrifices, and they passed away. The sacrifice of Jesus is the only sacrifice necessary in the new covenant. The Father appoints Jesus as permanent high priest, who will never pass away. What is true for us today will also be true for those who follow us.

Gospel: Mark 12:28b-34
♦ Love the Lord with all your heart, soul, mind and strength; and love your neighbor as yourself.

Background: This is a reaffirmation of the First Commandment. In the synagogues the words are chanted with special tone, so that no one can miss them. This is a proclamation, not a lesson. Love is proclaimed again with Jesus’ New Commandment to love our neighbors as ourselves.

Theme: Live the First Commandment.

Question for Adults:
Of the Greatest and New Commandments, which one should you improve on in your own life?

Question for Youth:
What do you think Jesus meant when He said to the scribe, “You are not far from the reign of God”?

Question for Children:
How often do you put God first in your life? Do you think you can love others as much as you love yourself?

ATTENTION NEW PARISHIONERS!
Welcome to St. Irene! Please plan to attend the Hospitality event following the 10AM Mass on Sunday, November 11. We would like to recognize you and your family and afford you an opportunity to meet available parish staff and your fellow parishioners. We are happy that you chose St. Irene as your Faith Community and look forward to meeting and being with you! Please RSVP to Dave at dna69@comcast.net or 630.857.0972.

Religious Education classes meet on Tuesday, November 6 (Gr 1-6 and First Reconciliation Preparation in the classroom) 5:30-7PM and Wednesday, November 7 (Gr 7-8 in the ACL) 6:30-8PM. Parents meet their children on Tuesdays at 6:45PM and on Wednesdays at 7:45PM in the ACL.

Gospel Weekly Family Discussion:
♦ Gospel of Mark 12:28b-34 - Jesus tells us to love God above everything else and to love our neighbor as ourselves. The Ten Commandments can be condensed into this message of love. The first three commandments are about how we love God and the rest about how we should treat each other.

Gospel Questions:
♦ How does love of neighbor reflect love of God?
♦ What are some of the ways you keep Jesus’ Great Commandment?
♦ What rules does Jesus give us?

Life Questions:
♦ What do you do with your whole heart, mind and strength?
♦ How do you show love?
♦ What things would you not do to your neighbor because you would not want anyone to do them to you?

Family Prayer:
♦ Help us, Jesus, to not get caught up in our busyness and forget to put you first.

Remember our Faithful Departed in your Prayers
♦ Gregory Toran
♦ John Schrimpl
Father of Jay Schrimpl
Introducing the New and Improved SHOPRight Fundraising Program

SHOPRight is a different kind of fundraiser. With the help of Great Lakes Script company, you can choose from over 750 brands of gift cards. It turns your everyday shopping into earnings for St. Irene Parish. You will help raise money without having to spend time selling products, asking for donations, or planning events. By paying for your everyday purchases with gift cards, also known as scrip, you’ll earn money on your groceries, gas, dining out, home improvement projects, clothing, travel, and more. Every gift card has a rebate percentage on it, normally between 2% and 16%. That rebate goes directly to YOUR St. Irene Parish when a card is purchased at face value.

Here’s how it works…

♦ Send email to st.irene.script@gmail.com letting us know you are interested in signing up with script! You will then receive an email from Great Lakes Script company explaining how to register. We will need your first and last name, phone number and email address to keep you updated with script specials.
♦ Set up online Payment (PrestoPay) where you simply link your bank account to your ShopWithScrip account. Note: credit cards are not accepted for organizations or families as they add fees and would result in reduced earnings for your organization.
♦ Begin shopping and earn rebates for St. Irene Parish. Choose to purchase physical gift cards, ScriptNow or Reload (after initial purchase of a physical gift card).
♦ Orders placed by Sunday 4PM can be picked up the following weekend at any of the three Masses.

Here are a few examples to help you see how purchasing gift cards can help raise money for our Parish.

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Remember - Shopping Helps Our Parish!

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.

Our School Receives Tuition Assistance Grant from CEF

The Catholic Education Foundation (CEF) sent checks recently to all diocesan schools totaling $2.2 million for this school year. The funding represents collective scholarship assistance for 1,740 qualified students enrolled in our schools. Sincere thanks to donors including many of our parishioners who support the CEF Scholarship Program. The application timeframe for next school year will be January through March 2019. Since 1996, nearly $23 million in financial aid has been distributed to 17,500 grade school and high school students.

Contact the CEF Office at 815.221.6127, JLangenderfer@dioceseofjoliet.org, or cefjoliet.org/donate-online-today to offer your pledge of support for the Scholarship Campaign or ask about planning your estate while supporting your school directly or the ministry of Catholic education.
This Week’s Meetings

**Sunday, November 4**
- 12:8a - Sleep Out Saturday Night (AC)
- 10-10:30a - Children’s Liturgy of the Word (ACL)
- 11a-12:30p - Baptism Prep 1st Session (S)
- 11a-12:30p - RCIA (ACL)

**Monday, November 5**
- 7-8:30p - Cross Country Meeting (ACL)
- 7-8:30p - Faith Formation (Staff)

**Tuesday, November 6**
- 5:30-7p - Elementary RE (S,C, HF, ACL)
- 7-9p - School Board (HF)

**Wednesday, November 7**
- 12:30-3:30p - Band (ACL)
- 3-5p - Basketball Practice (ACU)
- 6:30-8p - Jr. High RE (S, AC)
- 7-8:30p - Adult Choir (C)

**Thursday, November 8**
- 6-10p - Knights of Columbus (ACL)

**Friday, November 9**
- 12:30-3:30p - Band (ACU)
- 6-7p - Wedding Rehearsal (C)
- 6:30-9p - Parish Fall Social (ACL)

**Saturday, November 10**
- 8-10a - KC Color Guard (AC)

**Sunday, November 11**
- 7:30a-12:30p - Hospitality (ACL)
- 10-10:30a - Children’s Liturgy of the Word (ACL)
- 11a-12:30p - Baptism Prep 2nd Session (S)

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**Readings for the Week**

**Monday:** Phil 2:1-4; Ps 131:1bcde-3; Lk 14:12-14

**Tuesday:** Phil 2:5-11; Ps 22:26b-30ab, 30e, 31-32; Lk 14:15-24

**Wednesday:** Phil 2:12-18; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Lk 14:25-33

**Thursday:** Phil 3:3-8a; Ps 105:2-7; Lk 15:1-10

**Friday:** Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; 1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17; Jn 2:13-22

**Saturday:** Phil 4:10-19; Ps 112:1b-2, 5-6, 8a, 9; Lk 16:9-15

**Sunday:** 1 Kgs 17:10-16; Ps 146:7-10; Heb 9:24-28; Mk 12:38-44 [41-44]

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**K of C “Share Your Soles” 2018 Fall Shoe Drive**

Please donate your gently worn shoes to the Share Your Soles® charity from Saturday, October 20th until Sunday, November 11th (the period encompassing All Souls Day) during the Knight’s annual fall shoe drive. We will accept shoes of any type and size, for any type of weather. This includes athletic shoes, sandals, school shoes, boots, dress shoes, work shoes, slippers, etc. Collection bins will be located at the entryways to the church.

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**Upcoming Bulletin Deadlines**

- **Sunday Bulletin:** Deadline is 8AM on:
  - November 25, 2018 Thursday, Nov. 15th
  - December 23, 2018 Thursday, Dec. 13th
  - December 30, 2018 Tuesday, Dec. 18th
  - January 6, 2019 Wednesday, Dec. 19th

  Regular deadline - 8AM on the Friday a week prior to print.

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**Fifth Bridge Family Leaves Program**

Since 2014, St. Irene has adopted six families to rescue them from homelessness. In October, we moved in our sixth family. Recently, our fifth family announced she and her three children were leaving the program. In leaving she provided a note thanking us for our support. Here is part of what she stated:

“I am so incredibly grateful for all the time, worry, prayers and thought that you have all invested in myself and my kids. I’m truly thankful and recognize the sacrifices you have each made to try to set my little family up for a successful future.”

“Again, I’d like to reiterate how truly thankful I am for all of the time, work, money, and so much more that not only you as my mentors have invested in me but also the Parishioners of St. Irene’s and the Bridge Communities organization. I have learned many valuable lessons during my time with Bridge...I know the word "blessed" gets over used, but that is how I feel. I know that when our circumstances became dire, someone was watching over us and connected me to you.”

St. Irene will adopt our 7th family very soon.

Hustleupthehillforthehomeless.com
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.

Vocation Raffle

The Ladies of Columbus Auxiliary are selling Vocation Raffle booklets. The cost is $15 per booklet or $1 a ticket. The monies support the Illinois Vocations Support Program. For each booklet sold, $9 goes to the Ladies of Columbus, where we use this money to help with our community and winter coats for girls in need. We have a very short window to sell these booklets; we need to turn in the sold tickets by November 18th. So if you would like to help in this venture, please contact Missy Kemp at 630.460.3704 or Bonnie Di Iulio at 630.808.5565.

Coffee with the Pastor

Coffee with the Pastor is a monthly event with no agenda; just time to visit with Father Jim, build community and get to know each other better. Everyone is welcome to attend and feel free to bring any questions you might have. Father hoped to start next month’s meeting with a conversation about the hopes and dreams for the future of the Parish. Together, we will continue to grow as a faith community and family.

Saturday, November 17, 2018 9AM in the ACL
Saturday, December 1, 2018 at 9AM in the ACL

Liturgical Calendar

Monday, November 5
Weekday
7:00AM - Frances Goforth/ St. Irene Community

Tuesday, November 6
Weekday
7:00AM - Florence Motyka/ Fr. Jim

Wednesday, November 7
Weekday
7:00AM - Mary Beth Bajis/ Bernie & Tony Malovany
7:30AM - Eucharistic Adoration

Thursday, November 8
Weekday
7:00AM - Jim Rieser/ Tom & Karen Vanalek
7:30AM - Eucharistic Adoration

Friday, November 9
The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica
7:00AM - St. Irene Faith Community
8:15AM - For All St. Irene Altar Servers

Saturday, November 10
Vigil: 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
2:30PM - Wedding Mass
Andrea Olson & Louis Paul Martin, Jr.
5:00PM - Karen Howe/ David
Frank Arnold/ Mark Jarosz Family

Sunday, November 11
Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00AM - James Cronin/ Family
Leo Morello/ St. Irene Community
10:00AM - Birthday/ Anniversary Mass
Ron Battaglia/ Family
Ramon Martinez/ Family
Mary Gattone/ Family

Chief Petty Officer Michael Spans - Deployed
1st Lt. Weston J. Umano USAF - Deployed
AB Patrick Reid - Lackland AFB, TX
1stLt. Keegan Lohner USMC - Camp Pendleton
Lance Cpl. Quin Lohner USMC - Camp Pendleton
Master Sgt. Dan Peterson - Anchorage, AK
T Sgt. Daniel Geinowski - 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 Foltz - Fort Bragg, North Carolina
Capt. Patrick Looby - Eglin AFB, FL
Sgt. Thomas Rasplicka - Fort Bliss, Texas