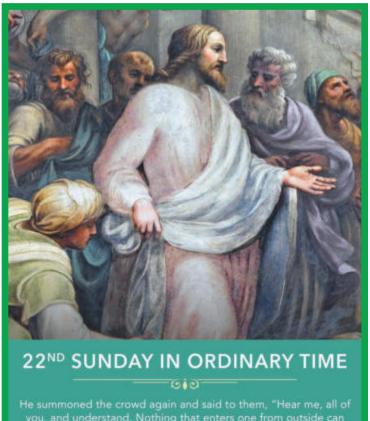
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He summoned the crowd again and said to them, "Hear me, all o you, and understand. Nothing that enters one from outside can defile that person; but the things that come out from within are what defile." - Mk 7:14-15

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AUGUST 29, 2021

We are most happy to welcome new members to our community and invite new members to introduce themselves to a member of the Parish Staff. We want to know and serve you. We pray that you will also become involved in your parish by joining us with your prayers, presence, talents, and financial support according to your means.

Parish registration forms are available in the churches and by contacting one of our parish offices. Registered parishioners are asked to notify the parish office of any address changes.



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PASTOR'S COLUMN

Did you know that I once sold shoes? That's right! As a senior in high school and throughout my years in college, I worked for the old Thom McAn Shoe Company. The store at which I worked was located at what is now the Meadow Brook Center in Lowell – back then it was simply called the 'Plain Street Mall.' I fondly remember those days given the various co-workers with whom I came in contact – along with the true variety of people who shopped at the store. Believe me, they all provided me with enough humorous stories to recall for a lifetime!

In any case, it was always this time of year - the final weeks of August - when the store was most busy. As you can imagine, hundreds of parents with children in tow would come to the store to purchase shoes for the new school year getting underway. I sold shoes at a time when every child's foot was measured as accurately as possible and fitted with a comfortable, quality shoe that hopefully would last until the child's next growth spurt. While my co-workers and I were happy to see the increased business taking place (we earned commissions on our sales!), the work was exhausting and, at times, tedious.

Throughout the years, I cannot help but believe those hectic August days selling shoes were preparing me for whatever pastoral assignments I would have as a priest. I know I am not alone in feeling this way. During these late summer days many of us, especially parents with young children, have a variety of chores and tasks added to their daily agendas. Given the 'adjustments' we all need to apply in doing certain things resulting from the virus pandemic, our schedules can become even busier than usual.

You should know that those on our parish staffs find themselves especially busy at this time as things fall into place for the coming months. ♦ Scheduling sessions and obtaining materials (and volunteers!) for our Religious Education Program are receiving special priority. (Parents can help in this area by registering their children ASAP for classes.) ♦ The music ministries in our parishes are hoping soon for the presence of adult, handbell, and possible children's choirs - enhanced by the congregation's use of a new hymnal. ♦ Liturgical Ministers (lectors, communion ministers, altar servers, etc.) and Ministers to the Homebound are preparing for training and updating sessions. ♦ Details are being finalized for the "Celebrate the C's" (Concord-Carlisle Catholic Collaborative) family event on September 19 (be sure to save the date!). ♦ Calendars for bible study and faith sharing groups are being determined. ♦ And some people have especially noted the efforts that have taken place (with more to come!) in maintaining the extensive properties and grounds of our two parishes.

Yes, these are busy times! But I would label it a "good" busy as we further efforts on many fronts to renew and continue the mission of Christ within our community. And perhaps when things settle down to a more even pace, you could join me at the site when I use to sell shoes – the Thom McAn store is no longer there at Meadow Brook Center, it is now a Chuck E. Cheese! Anyone for Pizza??!!

God bless!

Fr. Frank Silva

PARISH FINANCIAL SUPPORT

"As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied grace." -1 Peter 4:10

Weekly Offertory Collection August 15, 2021			Weekly Offertory Collection August 22, 2021		
	Holy Fami	ily St. Irene		Holy Fam	ily St. Irene
In Church & Mail In	\$4,103.	\$4,016.	In Church & Mail In	\$3,667.	\$1,529.
Electronic Giving	\$4,544.	\$1,456.	Electronic Giving	\$6,218.	\$3,282.
TOTAL	\$8,647.	\$5,472.	TOTAL	\$9,885.	\$4,811.

COLLABORATIVE NEWS

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Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time



August 29, 2021 | Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Dt 4:1-2, 6-8 | Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27 | Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Written by THE FAITHFUL DISCIPLE

GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE As I began reading the Gospel for today, I initially thought, "Here we go - those hypocritical Pharisees are at it again! They are always questioning Jesus, always judging others, and always looking for ways to make themselves look 'holier' than everyone else." Uh oh; then I realized that I was feeling pretty smug as I judged the Pharisees! Sadly, it can be easy for me to fall into a "Pharisee attitude," thinking I "walk blamelessly and do justice" when really I am just deluding myself. While Jesus uses this encounter to point out the hypocrisy of the Pharisees, he also calls the crowd to a greater understanding of the source of evil in their lives, "From within people, from their hearts, come evil thoughts." Maybe I need to hear these words, too, and examine my own thoughts and actions before judging others.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

St. James provides an answer to combating the evil we discover in our hearts: "Humbly welcome the word that has been planted in you and is able to save your souls." The Word, Jesus, came to us and has given us the way to free ourselves from the evil within. Our relationship with him is the key. We know we are to "be doers of the word and not hearers only." We have the Holy Spirit to help us stay close to him and access his saving power that transforms our hearts to reflect his goodness and truth. It requires us to humbly assess and own the things we need to change; and to turn to him for guidance so that we may have nothing within us — no evil thoughts, greed, malice, envy or arrogance (etc.) - to defile us. Only then are we most free in Christ — truly free to "care for orphans and widows in their affliction and to keep oneself unstained by the world."

PRAY The Daily Examen, created by St. Ignatius of Loyola, is an ideal way for growing closer to Jesus and seeking his guidance. Suggested for the day's end, this prayerful reflection helps you recognize God's presence in the day's events, assess your thoughts and behavior, ask for his help in growing in goodness, and discern his plans for you.

GLORY & PRAISE HYMNALS

help with the purchase of the new hymnals. F	ailable in our churches by Labor Day. You are invited to for a donation of \$25., a nameplate will be inserted in the ed one or some other appropriate phrase. Additional either Holy Family or St. Irene Parish Office.		
From P	Phone or email		
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☐ In honor of	□ In appreciation of		
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PRAYER & WORSHIP

CHURCH CALENDAR -

Saturday, August 28 | St. Augustine

4:00 pm SI ⁺

Sunday, August 29 | 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am HF [†] John J. Sullivan (Memorial Mass)

10:00 am HF † Mass for the People

11:00 am SI +

Monday, August 30 |

9:00 am SI † Phyllis Caristo (Anniversary Mass)

Tuesday, August 31

12:00 pm HF ⁺

Wednesday, September 1

9:00 am SI +

Thursday, September 2 |

12:00 pm HF ⁺

Friday, September 3 | St. Gregory the Great

9:00 am SI +

Saturday, September 4

4:00 pm SI [†]

Sunday, September 5 | 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am HF † Mary Tinsley-Cullen (Memorial Mass)

10:00 am HF † Arturo Nuñez (Memorial Mass)

11:00 am SI † Mass for the People

MASS SCHEDULE & CONFESSIONS UPDATE

Through the summer, Sunday Mass times for Holy Family and St. Irene's Parishes continue according to the schedule presently in place. On September 26, we will begin to offer a weekly 5:00 pm Sunday Mass in Holy Family Parish and continue to reevaluate the Mass schedule to determine other necessary changes.

The current weekday Mass schedule will continue through September 3: Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays at 9:00 am (St. Irene, Carlisle); and Tuesdays and Thursdays at 12 Noon (Holy Family, Concord).

However, on September 6 (Labor Day), the weekday Mass schedule will revert to the following:

- Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays at 12:00 pm (Holy Family, Concord); and,
- Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays at 9:00 am (St. Irene, Carlisle).

NOTE: The Sacrament of Penance (Confessions) will be available from 9:30-10:30 am following the Saturday morning Mass.

We are happy to schedule confessions at your convenience and the availability of a priest. To schedule a time for confession, please call the parish office to speak to Fr. Frank or Fr. Bill or leave your name and contact info and they will contact you to arrange a convenient day and time.

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS...

...the sick of our parish family:

Joan Bauer, Tommy Dolan, Liam Sullivan, Ben Niose, Pat Morris, Brian Morris, Margaret Kennedy, Larkin Humphrey, Louie Richardson, George Parmann Ploetz III, Nancy A. Rahul, Jane Murphy, Marina Williams, Kenny Trot, Michelle Taylor, Paul Ploetz, Bill Conde, Joan Quigley, Leelu Felix, Taylor Family, Juana Castro, Apolonio Casimiro, Toni and Bill Sawyer, Claire Carl, Nancy and Doug McCool, Ian Hickey, Kate Norton, DR Norton, Kathleen Dowen, Jon Symko, Yolanda Iturbide.

SCHEDULING MEMORIAL MASSES

Requests for Memorial Masses are being accepted at this time. To accommodate the large number of requests, a family may schedule only one Memorial Mass no more than 30 days in advance of the desired date. All Masses are scheduled by contacting our parish offices during weekday office hours – 10 am-3 pm. Please call: Holy Family at 978-369-7442, St. Irene at 978-369-3940.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

AUGUST 29, 2021

SUN Dt 4:1-2, 6-8/Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 4-5 [1a]/ Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27/Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

MON 1 Thes 4:13-18/Ps 96:1 and 3, 4-5, 11-12, 13 [13b]/Lk 4:16-30

TUE 1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 [13]/Lk 4:31-37

WED Col 1:1-8/Ps 52:10, 11 [10]/Lk 4:38-44

THU Col 1:9-14/Ps 98:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6 [2]/Lk 5:1-11

FRI Col 1:15-20/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5 [2b]/ Lk 5:33-39

SAT Col 1:21-23/Ps 54:3-4, 6 and 8 [6]/ Lk 6:1-5

NEXT Is 35:4-7a/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 [1b]/

SUN Jas 2:1-5/Mk 7:31-37

SAVE THE DATE - SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

Sun., Sept. 19th is a chance for parishioners young and old - from both Holy Family & St. Irene - to gather as one as we "Celebrate the C's!" Come one, come all and gather inside and outside - around the grounds of St. Irene Parish anytime between 12noon-5pm - rain or shine - as we build community in our Concord-Carlisle Catholic Collaborative - the Four C's! There will be a "crafts tent" with all kinds of opportunities to keep your hands busy including decorating pumpkins... a "taster's tent" where you can try fine wines, cookies, cheeses and ciders every fifteen minutes... "inflatable amusements" to jump in / on / around... a "dunk tank" to help refresh the baptismal promises of fellow parishioners & staff... a "game tent" for legendary trivia / Pictionary / puzzles... a Rosary prayed at 3pm in the beautiful Marian Grotto beside the church... information about various ministries in our two parishes with ways to get involved... and food trucks, galore! It is an afternoon you won't want to miss! Catch up with 'old friends' and make some new ones! Invite someone who has been away from church to join with us! Start by attending the 11am Mass or end with the 5pm Mass (both at St. Irene). Questions, suggestions, to have your group represented or to volunteer and support in any way, contact Mark Callahan (mcallahan@cc-catholic.org).

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

- 1) Registration for Fall Religious Education Classes Grades K-10 is now live at cc-catholic.org! Registration may be done online on our parish website or with the forms (e)mailed to families enrolled in classes last year. Adults who volunteer regularly as a catechist will receive a "reduced fee" as a very small way of saying, "thank you" for your dedication and service.
- 2) We need teachers at all grade levels! If you love our faith and believe in our youth, you are qualified! We will give you all of the training, materials and support you need. Contact Maria (mrosen@cc-catholic.org) for Gr. K-8 or Mark (mcallahan@cc-catholic.org) for Gr. 9-10. And, all teachers will be recognized in a special way at all Masses on Catechetical Sunday, Sept. 19th.
- 3) Religious Education Teacher Kickoff will be Sunday, Sept. 26th from 6pm-7pm at Holy Family. This event will set us on track to provide the best faith formation year imaginable!

YOUTH MINISTRY

- 1) **Peer Ministry for 2021-2022**... youth entering grades 9-12 who want to plan and lead upcoming youth ministry events, activities & trips are highly encouraged to become part of the most important ministry in the church today! "Iron sharpens iron and each person sharpens another." (Proverbs 27:17) Contact mcallahan@cc-catholic.org for an application to make a difference and help your friends become the 'best version of themselves!'
- 2) Youth are needed to help staff the "Celebrate the C's" event on Sept. 19th. If interested in helping setup, staff games, assist with logistics, or cleanup, contact Mark (mcallahan@cc-catholic.org) ASAP. Service hours will be granted to any who participate!

WANT TO BE AN ALTAR SERVER?

Calling all youth entering into grades 3-12 who have received First Holy Communion... we are welcoming (back) altar servers in September and want YOU to consider being part of the fun! Contact Mark Callahan (mcallahan@cc-catholic.org) to RSVP for one of these upcoming one-hour (re)training sessions: Sunday, Aug. 29th from 12noon-1pm at St. Irene, Saturday, Sept. 4th from 5pm-6pm at Holy Family, or Sunday, Sept. 5th at Holy Family. Be a part of this wonderful ministry and give glory to God! The more the merrier!

SECOND COLLECTION

HAITI EARTHQUAKE RELIEF COLLECTION

Catholic Relief Services (CRS) announced that it is sending teams to provide clean water, sanitation, shelter and emergency supplies in response to a major earthquake that struck southern Haiti on August 14. Recognizing the suffering of the Haitian people and growing need for assistance, Cardinal Sean has asked that a special collection for Catholic Relief Services and the Church in Haiti be taken the weekend August 28-29 in all parishes in the Archdiocese of Boston. Please donate if you are able. Thank you.



WOMEN'S CLUB

Ladies, You are Invited to Join the Women's Club!

St. Irene's Women's Club is inviting the ladies of St. Irene and Holy Family parishes to join the club. New members are more than welcome. A pizza party will be held on September 16th in the St. Irene's church parking lot at 4:00 pm to kick-off the new 2021/2022 calendar Come, pizza vear. eat provided by the club, meet new friends, learn about our proposed projects for the coming year, and sign-up. Dues for the year in the amount of \$10 will be collected. For more information, please contact the club via-email:

womensclub@cc-catholic.org.

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INFANT BAPTISM

Celebrated on the second (HF) and third (SI) Sundays of the month. Participation in a pre-Baptism session is required for parents presenting their children for the Sacrament. Contact the parish office to make arrangements.

MARRIAGE

Congratulations on your engagement! Couples preparing to celebrate marriage in the Church are asked to make arrangements at least six months in advance. Call the parish office for details.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick is offered to those whose health situation has been affected by illness, accident, or age. Contact the parish office to make arrangements for receiving the Sacrament in your home or health care facility.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)

Adults desiring to become Catholics or complete the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist), should contact the parish office for details.

HOMEBOUND

Please inform the parish office at the time of need for any family member who is ill (hospitalized or at home) or if one is unable to attend church services due to a disability, illness or age.



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