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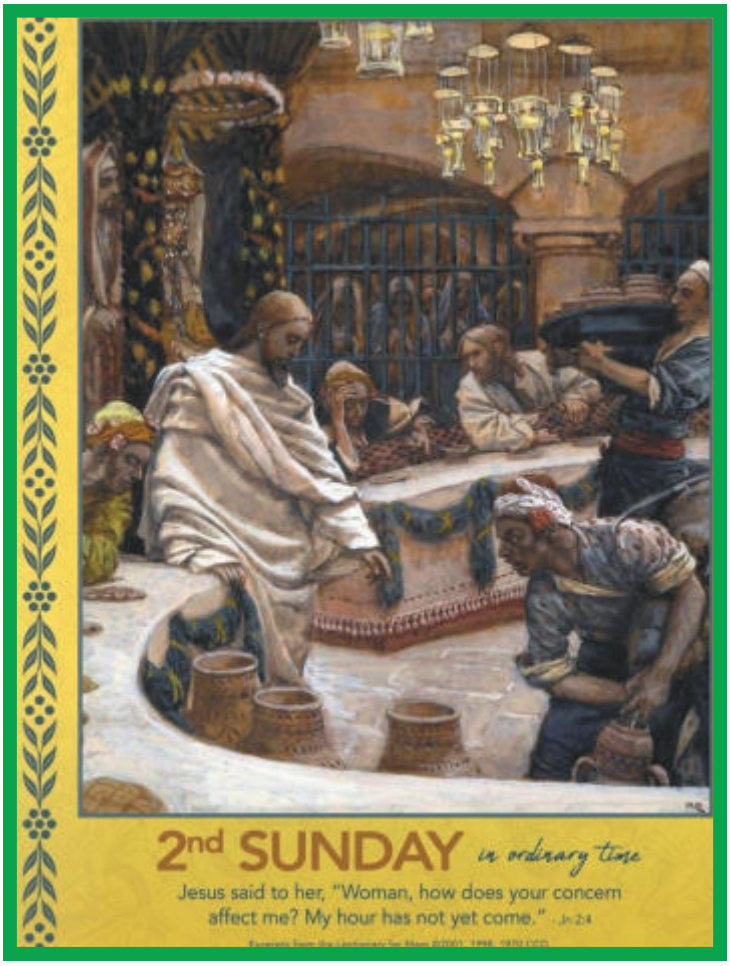

JANUARY 16, 2022

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.

HOLY FAMILY & ST. IRENE PARISHES

HOLY FAMILY — CONCORD

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday - 8:00 am, 10:30 am & 5:00 pm

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday (Sunday Vigil) - 4:00 pm

Sunday - 11:00 am

Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday - 9:00 am

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Pastor's Column

If you had the opportunity to read the "Pastor's Column" in last weekend's bulletin or viewed my message in the parish's weekly 'email blast,' you know we are initiating a process to identify and select members for the **Pastoral Council of the Concord-Carlisle Catholic Collaborative.** More details about that process appear in this weekend's bulletin.

A key step in this process is one in which ALL parishioners should be involved – **prayer**. If we seek to undertake the work of God and further the mission of Christ and his Church in our faith community, we must certainly seek the wisdom provided by God's Holy Spirit. Throughout the coming weeks, an intention for the selection process will be included in the General Intercessions (Prayer of the Faithful) at our Sunday Masses. This provides a simple way in which our community can unite itself in prayer for the formation of a suitable Pastoral Council to serve our collaborative. I also encourage our parish's prayer, faith, and bible sharing sessions as well as other parish groups when they gather in coming weeks, to include a prayer intention for the selection process.

Another significant step in the process is the recommendation of parishioners for selection to the Pastoral Council. Our communities are composed of a variety of people with tremendous talents and abilities. Perhaps you know of someone whom you believe has the interest and desire needed in visioning and developing the pastoral mission for our collaborative. Maybe that person is you!?

Until the end of this month we will receive the names of parishioners who may have an interest in serving on the Pastoral Council. Those recommended will be sent an invitation to an Information Session where more will be shared about the responsibilities and obligations of a council member. Do you have someone in mind? Please pray and consider submitting their name and contact information on the form found elsewhere in this bulletin. You may also call or email the parish office with the information.

God bless!

Fr. Frank Silva

January 16, 2022 | Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 62:1-5 | 1 Cor 12:4-11 | Jn 2:1-11

Written by THE FAITHFUL DISCIPLE

GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

It was several years ago now, but the scene is still vivid in my mind. My son stood confidently in front of the altar as the music rose in a crescendo and his bride stepped into sight. The love and joy he felt trickled down his cheek as she walked down the aisle. He broke into a smile as she joined him, and proudly took her hand to promise to become one with her forever. Isaiah writes: "As a bridegroom rejoices in his bride so shall your God rejoice in you." Isaiah was talking about the nation of Israel, but God loves and rejoices in each of his children and wants us to know the joy of being loved by him. He generously shares his gifts with us, "different kinds of spiritual gifts but the same Spirit," St. Paul explains to the Corinthians. All spiritual gifts come from God, and all are important and necessary: "To each individual, the manifestation of the Spirit is given for some benefit." God's gifts are distributed uniquely to each person to use in our own unique way to "announce his salvation, day after day," and invite others to discover the joy of his great love.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

You are a masterpiece! This message was conveyed at the camp our diocese held each year to help teens recognize that they are God's beloved sons and daughters, called and gifted by the Holy Spirit to be missionary disciples. Discerning what our gifts are and how to use them can be challenging. The Gospel about the wedding at Cana offers an interesting guide. Mary tells the waiters, "Do whatever he tells you." By reserving time for listening and not speaking during prayer, we can hear what Jesus is "telling" us. Jesus then says to the waiters, "Fill the jars with water." We can "fill our jars" with the knowledge of how to live as disciples by reflecting on Scripture. Finally, Jesus tells the waiters, "Draw some out." We can "draw" on his love for strength and courage when we need it, but more importantly, we are called to "draw some out" to share with others. In sharing the "good wine," the Good News of Jesus Christ, others will begin to believe in him, too

PRAYER As the new year gets under way, devote time to discerning the unique spiritual gifts, or charisms, you have been given. Make time for silent prayer and reflecting on Scripture each day.

Pastoral Council Selection Process - 2022

HOLY FAMILY & ST. IRENE PARISHES
Concord - Carlisle Catholic Collaborative

Parishioners of Holy Family Parish in Concord and St Irene's Parish in Carlisle are invited to participate in the selection process forming the Pastoral Council for the Concord-Carlisle Catholic Collaborative. The aim of a pastoral council is to make the life and activity of the Church conform ever more closely to the Gospel. Through their discernment, wise counsel, and advice, council members help develop and implement a pastoral plan for the collaborative and provide direction to carry it out effectively.

A total of 15 parishioners will serve on the pastoral council – 10 of these parishioners will be selected for a three-year term and five will be appointed annually by the pastor. In addition, pastoral staff members (priests, deacons, pastoral ministers, etc.) will complete the membership of the pastoral council.

The procedures for the selection of 10 parishioners serving three-year terms involves the following:

1. PRAYER – All members of Holy Family and St. Irene's Parishes are encouraged to offer prayers asking the Holy Spirit to guide the process by identifying faith-filled parishioners desiring to offer their talent and time in service to our parishes and the mission of Christ and his Church.

2. RECOMMENDATION – All members of Holy Family and St. Irene's Parishes are invited to recommend names (including their own) for selection to the council. Those recommended should be confirmed and be a registered member of their respective parish.

The contact information for those being recommended (address, phone, or email) should be submitted by letter, phone, or email to the Holy Family or St Irene's Parish Offices and be received no later Tuesday, February 1, 2022.

3. INFORMATION SESSION – To assist in determining whether or not they wish to keep their name in consideration for selection to the council, those whose names are recommended will be invited to attend an 'in person' information session on Sunday, February 27 at 6:30 pm (site to be determined). An explanation of the responsibilities and obligations of a Pastoral Council member and the opportunity to ask questions will be provided at the session.

4. DISCERNMENT SESSION – On Sunday, March 13 at 6:30 pm (site to be determined), all those whose names were recommended (whether or not they kept their name in consideration), will be invited to participate in a prayer and selection session determining the 10 parishioners who will serve on the Pastoral Council.

MASS CALENDAR

Saturday, January 15 |
9:00 am SI †
4:00 pm SI † Michael Bembenek (Memorial Mass)
Sunday, January 16 | 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00 am HF † Inez Castro (Memorial Mass)
10:30 am HF †
11:00 am SI † Mass for the People
5:00 pm HF†
Monday, January 17 | St. Anthony
12:00 pm HF †
Tuesday, January 18 | Week of Prayer for Christian Unity
9:00 am SI †
Wednesday, January 19 |
12:00 pm HF †
Thursday, January 20 | St. Fabian
9:00 am SI † Amy Caruso (Memorial Mass)
Friday, January 21 | St. Agnus
12:00 pm HF †
Saturday, January 22 |
9:00 am SI †
4:00 pm SI †
Sunday, January 23 | 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00 am HF † Elise Clark (Memorial Mass)
10:30 am HF † John Vecchio (Memorial Mass)
11:00 am SI † Paul Mulgrew de Laire (Memorial Mass)
5:00 pm HF† Mass for the People

EVANGELIZATION

January 16 - Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Do whatever he tells you." These are the words of Mary at the end of today's gospel! Mary is saying these words to us – to each and every one. What is Jesus telling you to do? The psalm gives us one way – 'proclaim God's marvelous deeds." St. Paul also reminds us that each one of us has special gifts, gifts that are different in each person. As you take time this week in prayer, humbly acknowledge the gifts that are uniquely yours from God. Then, like Mary, do whatever Jesus tells you, putting your gifts at the service of others.

Dynamic Catholic – Life is Messy

Based on his own heart-wrenching personal journals, Matthew Kelly shares how the worst three years of his life affected him, by exploring this question: Can someone who has been broken be healed and become more beautiful and more lovable than ever before? The answer will fill you with hope. Books available at the entrances of the churches!

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, Trott Family, 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, Michael Bissanti, Edward Johnson, John Snelling, Lucy Rosborough, Kina Castro.

Scheduling Memorial Masses

To accommodate the large number of requests for a Memorial Mass, 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

JANUARY 16, 2022

SUN	Is 62:1-5/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10 [3]/1 Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11
MON	1 Sm 15:16-23/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mk 2:18-22
TUE	1 Sm 16:1-13/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 27-28/ Mk 2:23-28
WED	1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51/Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10/Mk 3:1-6
THU	1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7/Ps 56:2-3, 9-10a, 10b-11, 12-13/Mk 3:7-12
FRI	1 Sm 24:3-21/Ps 57:2, 3-4, 6 and 11/ Mk 3:13-19
SAT	2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27/Ps 80:2-3, 5-7/Mk 3:20-21
NEXT SUN	Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/1 Cor 12:12-30 or 12:12-14, 27/Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Just a reminder to check your emails for cancellations if the weather looks bad.

Thus far we have been taking guidance from the Concord/Carlisle public schools with regard to COVID regulations. Therefore, just as the schools are remaining open during this time, we will continue to hold classes. We will also continue wearing masks, using hand sanitizer and disinfectant wipes and opening classroom windows for ventilation when possible.

Thank you for your cooperation, we pray that everyone will remain safe and healthy.

SPECIAL COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND

Next week's special collection supports the Church in Latin America (CLA). The CLA provides support for pastoral projects in financially poorer dioceses in Latin America and the Caribbean. CLA funds catechetical and lay leadership programs, youth ministry, evangelization programs, and formation programs for religious, priests, and deacons. CLA is making it possible for the Catholic faithful in the Western hemisphere to help each other. Please visit www.cc-catholic.org for more information.

EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS

JESUS IS HERE

Saturday – June 18, 2022 – Tsongas Arena, Lowell

We are excited to announce that registration is now open for the 2022 Eucharistic Congress for the Boston Archdiocese. Under the theme "Jesus is Here", the day-long event will feature Mass with Cardinal Seán O'Malley, dynamic speakers including Bishop Robert Barron, Bishop Daniel Flores, Bobby & Jackie Angel, and Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers, Adoration, and a Eucharistic procession. For additional information and to register, visit www.JesusIsHereBoston.org.

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
January 9, 2022

	Holy Family	St. Irene
In Church & Mail In	$4,846.	$6,352.
Electronic Giving	$8,825.	$3,138.
TOTAL	$13,671.	$9,490.
GRAND ANNUAL	**$85,356.**	**$102,815.**

Pastoral Council Selection Process - 2022
RECOMMENDATION FORM

Parish Council *Nominations*

All members of Holy Family and St. Irene Parishes are invited to recommend names (including their own) for selection to the Collaborative Pastoral Council. Please note that those recommended should be confirmed and be a registered member of their respective parish. This form can be used for making recommendations.

Name of person being recommended: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

The names and contact information for those being recommended (address, phone, or email) should be submitted by letter, phone, or email to the Holy Family or St Irene's Parish Offices and be received no later Tuesday, February 1, 2022.

PASTORAL & ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF MEMBERS

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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.

THE SOCIETY OF SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL

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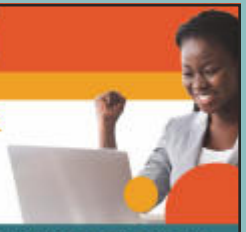

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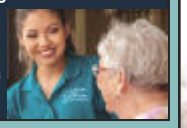

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