

The Catholic Collaborative of CONCORD-CARLISLE



5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

"In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If there were not, would I have told you that I am going to prepare a place for you?" - Jn 14:2

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May 7, 2023

We happily welcome you to our community. We invite new members to introduce themselves to a member of our Parish Staff. We wish to know and serve you. We also pray you will become involved in our faith community by joining us with your prayers, presence, talents, and financial support according to your means.

Parish registration forms are available by contacting the church offices located at the Concord-Carlisle Catholic Parish Center. Registered parishioners are asked to notify the parish office of any address changes.

CONCORD - CARLISLE CATHOLIC PARISH CENTER

70 Monument Square

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Office Hours: 10 am - 3 pm - Monday - Friday

Holy Family Parish - Concord

Phone: 978-369-7442

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday (Sunday Vigil) - 5:30 pm

Sunday - 8:00 am & 9:30 am

Monday, Wednesday & Friday - 12:00 pm

St. Bernard Church

12 Monument Square, Concord, MA 01742

St. Irene Parish - Carlisle

Phone: 978-369-3940

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday (Sunday Vigil) - 4:00 pm

Sunday - 11:00 am

Tuesday, Thursday & Saturday - 9:00 am

St. Irene Church

181 East Street, Carlisle, MA 01741

COLLABORATIVE NEWS

PASTOR'S COLUMN

There are assorted reasons people find May to be a special month. For one thing, at least here in New England, the colors of spring are appearing anew, and generally the temperatures are to the liking of most people. And even from a **faith point-of-view**, the Month of May is often held special by many people. I think there exists good reason why this is so...

If a survey were to be taken, it would not surprise me if the results indicated that 95% or more of Catholics received their First Communion during the Month of May. Whether a person is conscious of that fact or not, every time you receive the Sacrament of the Eucharist, you reaffirm from a **"Catholic perspective"** who you are as a member in the Body of Christ. Most likely, this all began when much ado was made by parents, family, and friends on a day in May when you received your First Communion. **It's all part of your "Catholic memory."**

In our parishes over the next two weekends, children will be receiving the Eucharist for the first time. Through them, we will witness and hopefully recall the excitement and wonder of our First Communion Days. Though many of us will have no relation to or even know the names of the children receiving their First Eucharist, we will share their joy in being members in the very Body of Christ.

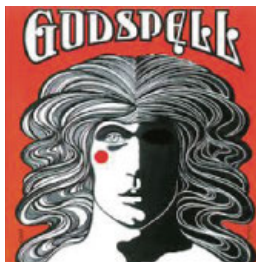
If, by neglect, your appreciation for the Eucharist has weakened, or you have forgotten the graces that flow from this Most Holy Sacrament, let the children receiving their First Communion encourage you. Return to the Sacrament of the Eucharist by opening your heart and soul to union with Christ. Renew yourself in the mystery you first celebrated, however many years ago, one day in May!

God bless you all...

Fr. Frank Silva



CHOIR CONCERT - THIS SUNDAY!



The combined choirs of Holy Family Parish and West Concord Union Church will be singing a choral medley from the musical **"Godspell"** by **Stephen Schwartz**.

Presentations will take place at St. Bernard's Church (Holy Family Parish) this Sunday, May 7 at 7:00 pm and at West Concord Union Church (1317 Main St., Concord) on Sunday, May 21 at 9:45 am. Both presentations are free and open to the public. Bring your family and friends! Both churches are wheelchair accessible. Hope to see you there!

AFTERNOON TEA & FASHION SHOW

The women of the Concord Carlisle Collaborative and their friends are invited to join the **St. Irene Women's Club** for an afternoon of tea and fashion. The event will take place this **Sunday, May 7 from 2:00-5:00 pm in the St. Irene Church Hall in Carlisle**. The cost is \$10 per person. Reservations are required. Please email **womensclub@cc-catholic.org** to reserve your spot!

PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN - TRAINING WORKSHOP

Participation in a **"Protecting God's Children Training Workshop"** is **mandatory** for ALL faith formation volunteers and those who serve in various Church ministries. The workshop provides useful information to protect our children and vulnerable adults by equipping those trained to establish safe environments, raise awareness of the signs of abuse, and to know what responsibilities church volunteers may have legally as mandated reporters. **Volunteers need only participate once in this program.**

A workshop will take place on **Wednesday, May 10, from 6:00-9:00 pm in the St. Irene Church Hall (181 East Street, Carlisle)**. The training will be led by **Maria Rosen and Tony Carbrello** from the Concord-Carlisle Catholic Collaborative Faith Formation Team.

To register for this training, go to Virtusonline.org, choose First-Time Registrant, and follow the prompts to complete your registration.

COLLABORATIVE NEWS



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Our annual **Parish Baby Shower** gets underway **Mother's Day weekend (May 13-14)**. NEW items for moms and infants can be placed in the collection containers located in our churches. The deadline for donating items will be on Sunday, May 21 at 12:30 pm at the entrance to St. Irene's Church.

Needed items include: Newborn size clothing (not 0-3 mos.), Boys & Girls Spring/Summer outfits, onesies, sleep & play clothing, Baby Bottles (4oz & 8oz), and Diaper bags (gray or black in backpack style). Please no baby powder or used baby clothing or equipment. **All items must have original store tags.**

Monetary donations are welcome - please make checks payable to: "**Fund for the Unborn**" and place in the box labelled Parish Shower. Thank you for your generosity and support of God's precious gift of life!

THE IMPERIAL CITIES

**Prague - Vienna - Budapest
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Journey with Father Frank and other parishioners this year to the **Imperial Cities of Central Europe**. A brochure with details is available at the church entrance. Questions? **Please call 978-369-7442.**

50th ANNIVERSARY MASS

Father Austin Fleming will celebrate a special Mass at Holy Family Parish on **Sunday, May 21, at 1:00 pm** in observance of his **50th anniversary ordination** to the priesthood. Father Austin was ordained a priest of the Boston Archdiocese in 1973. He found his way to Concord in 1994 when he was appointed pastor of Our Lady Help of Christians Parish and later as pastor of Holy Family Parish upon the merger of Our Lady and St. Bernard's Parishes. **His special Anniversary of Ordination Mass will be followed by a reception in the church hall (lower level of St. Bernard's Church). All are welcome! Questions? Contact: 50thAnniversaryOrdination@gmail.com**

2023 FATHER KING SCHOLARSHIPS



Since 1999, Father King Scholarships have been presented to graduating seniors who are registered parishioners. We are happy to continue this tradition for the graduating

members of the **Class of 2023**. Applications are available on the collaborative website (cc-catholic.org) or by using the handy QR code in this noticed. **All submissions are due no later than May 31.** Recipients of this year's scholarships will be announced in mid-June.



ROSIE'S PLACE

Give something small for women in need! **Rosie's Place** provides a safe and nurturing environment that helps poor and homeless women maintain their dignity, seek opportunity, and find security in their lives. It offers free meals, showers, laundry, lockers, and overnight beds. Toiletries, both full and travel sizes, are needed on a continuing basis: shampoo, conditioner, lotion, deodorant, toothpaste, toothbrushes, and soap. These items mean so much to them! **Donated items can be placed in the Rosie's Place baskets located at the church entrances. Thank you!**



2023 UPDATE

We thank all parishioners who have made a pledge or donation to this year's **Catholic Appeal**.

Results as of April 25, 2023

	Holy Family	St. Irene
Pledged:	\$47,930.	\$30,110.
Goal:	\$105,262. (46%)	\$51,736. (58%)
Fair Share Goal:	\$57,518. (83%)	\$32,439. (93%)

Your gift to the Catholic Appeal can be pledged by using this handy QR Code. Thank you!



PRAYER & WORSHIP



Note: Priest celebrants' schedules are subject to change.

Saturday, May 6 |

9:00 am **St. Irene**
4:00 pm **St. Irene** (Fr. Silva)
Michael Bembenek Memorial
5:30 pm **Holy Family** (Fr. Stano)
Edward Kelley, Sr. Memorial

Sunday, May 7 | 5th Sunday of Easter

8:00 am **Holy Family** (Fr. Silva)
Mass for the People
9:30 am **Holy Family** (Fr. Ogazie)
Paul Carroll Memorial
11:00 am **St. Irene** (Fr. Stano)
Joseph Trickett Anniversary

Monday, May 8 |

12:00 am **Holy Family**

Tuesday, May 9 |

9:00 am **St. Irene**

Wednesday, May 10 |

Sts. John of Avila & Damien de Veuster

Michael McAvenia Memorial

12:00 pm **Holy Family**

Thursday, May 11 |

9:00 am **St. Irene**

Friday, May 12 | Sts. Nereus, Achilleus & Pancras

12:00 pm **Holy Family**

Saturday, May 13 | Our Lady of Fatima

9:00 am **St. Irene**
4:00 pm **St. Irene** (Fr. Stano)
Mother's Day Mass
5:30 pm **Holy Family** (Fr. Silva)
Nancy Snook Memorial

Sunday, May 14 | 6th Sunday of Easter

8:00 am **Holy Family** (Fr. Stano)
Sandy Melanson Memorial
9:30 am **Holy Family** (Fr. Silva / Deacon Chuck))
Mass for the People
11:00 am **St. Irene** (Fr. Ogazie)

Memorial Masses can be scheduled up to 30 days in advance of the desired date by contacting our parish offices weekdays from 10 am - 3 pm.



A special welcome to the newest member of our Catholic faith community!

Scarlett Eleka Czellec

God's blessings on this child along with her parents, godparents, and family members.



Tommy Dolan, Liam Sullivan, Ben Niose, Margaret Kennedy, George Parmann Ploetz III, Larkin Humphrey, Louie Richardson, Nancy A. Rahul, Marina Williams, Trott Family, Michelle Taylor, Paul Ploetz, Bill Conde, Joan Quigley, Taylor Family, Juana Castro, Ignacio Casimiro, Toni & Bill Sawyer, Claire Carl, Nancy & Doug McCool, Ian Hickey, DR Norton, Kathleen Downen, Jon Symko, Yolanda Iturbide, Michael Bissanti, Edward Johnson, John Snelling, Kina Castro, Joseph Kelliher, Joan Fitzgerald, David Campbell, Thomas Barter, Michael Castro, Janet Callery, Brian Boule, Bob Boutwell, Jerrie Jahnke, Roy & Glenna Leduc, Jackie Snelling, Jack Bondurant, Cristina Nunez, Ray Snay, Kent Carlson, Rick Iodine, Christie Bezrah, Arleen and John Balcius, Maura and Crystal Cabral, Maclellan Family, Alexandra Anastos, John Martin, Lily Kuivinen, Joseph and Matthew Smith, Julian Casimiro, Jeannette Lefabvre.

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK

SUN Acts 6:1-7/ 1 Pt 2:4-9/ Jn 14:1-12

MON Acts 14:5-18/ Jn 14:21-26

TUES Acts 14:19-28/ Jn 14:27-31a

WED Acts 15:1-6/ Jn 15:1-8

THU Acts 15:7-21/ Jn 15:9-11

FRI Acts 15:22-31/ Jn 15:12-17

SAT Acts 16:1-10/ Jn 15:18-21

SUN Acts 8:5-8, 14-17/ 1 Pt 3:15-18/ Jn 14:15-21

FAITH FORMATION



May 7, 2023 | Fifth Sunday of Easter

Acts 6:1-7 | 1 Pt 2:4-9 | Jn 14:1-12

Written by
THE
FAITHFUL
DISCIPLE

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

Recently, I went through a period of spiritual dryness, and I questioned my ability to make faith the central tenet of my life. Although I had always loved reading Scripture, I felt I needed reassurance that God was truly present with me. So I did what many people do: I asked God for a sign that he was real. Nothing happened. The sky didn't open; doves and rays of light didn't magically appear announcing God's presence. Although I didn't receive what I envisioned as a "heavenly sign," I looked down at the Bible in my hands and realized that God's word, handed down through the millennia, had been my companion all this time and was indeed the "sign" I was looking for. Which is why Jesus' question to Philip in today's Gospel struck a chord with me: "Have I been with you for so long a time and you still do not know me?" If Jesus asked me this same question, I want to be able to answer, "Yes, Lord, I know you through your sacred word, through partaking of the Eucharist and through the strength and guidance of the Holy Spirit who is with me each and every day."

ACTION Faith is rarely a straight path – sometimes there are sharp curves, steep hills, or roadblocks. If you feel lost or could use someone to talk to about faith, reach out to your parish and ask about contacting a spiritual director. *Come, Holy Spirit, and fill me with your grace.*

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Spiritual Motherhood | The Augustine Institute Show

Join Dr. Tim Gray and Sr. Maris Stella for a conversation on the vocation of every woman, that of motherhood. Although all women will not be called to be physical mothers, every woman is called to be a spiritual mother.

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GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

What does "knowing Jesus" mean for me in my everyday life? It means hearing his words and acting on them: "I am the way and the truth and the life ... If you know me, then you will also know my Father." In following Christ, we know that Jesus is in the Father and the Father is in him. Jesus Christ is God! And as we heard in the second reading from Peter, we are not Christians on a lonely road; we are living stones that form a spiritual house. We are "called out of darkness into his wonderful light," as he describes it. Therefore, let us not be afraid to lean on our fellow Christians when we need support. And then, of course, we turn to Jesus, the cornerstone, the bedrock of our faith, and rejoice in his love for us.

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

Weeks of April 30, 2023

	Holy Family	St. Irene
In Church & Mail In	\$3,373.	\$3,878.
Electronic Giving	\$2,522.	\$1,447.
TOTAL	\$5,895.	\$5,325.

--- BULLETIN NOTICES ---

Items for publication in the weekly bulletin should be submitted no later than 12 Noon on the Monday prior to the weekend on which they are requested for publication. Email your submittals to jnavarronorton@cc-catholic.org. We will do our best to accommodate your requests!

SACRAMENT & ADMIN. INFO



INFANT BAPTISM

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

MINISTRY TO THE 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 SACRAMENT OF PENANCE (Confessions) Saturdays - 9:30-10:30 am (St. Irene, Carlisle)

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 one of our priests or leave your name and contact info to be contacted to arrange for a convenient day and time.

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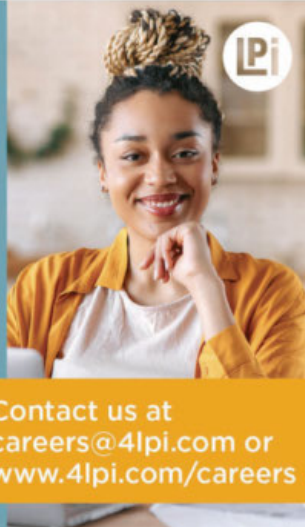


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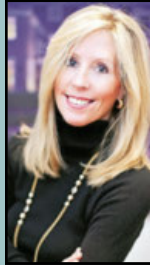
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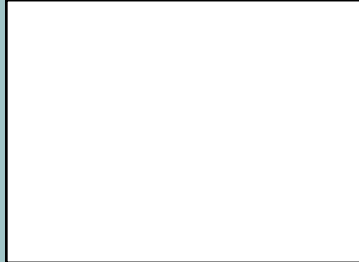
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