

The Catholic Collaborative of CONCORD-CARLISLE



20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Then Jesus said to her in reply, "O woman, great is your faith!
Let it be done for you as you wish." And the woman's
daughter was healed from that hour. - Mt 15:28

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August 20, 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.

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Saturday (Sunday Vigil) - 5:30 pm

Sunday - 8:00 am & 9:30 am

Monday, Wednesday & Friday - 12:00 pm

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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

In my experience as a priest, I have often noticed new faces appearing in the parish during these last weeks of summer. For some, they may be the faces of families who have recently moved into the area. Others may be the faces of those who find this time of year to be one for new beginnings.

Take a moment and look around you at Mass today. Are there people present whom you have never met or perhaps may even come from a different culture? In what way might you be a welcoming presence to the stranger or immigrant in your midst?

This Sunday's Gospel makes clear that the message of God's love is not meant to be kept to ourselves. It is not only for those longtime parishioners or certain groups – it is for everyone! **Pray for the grace to do your part to make our parish a place where all feel welcome and at home!**

God bless you...

Father Frank Silva

PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN -

TRAINING SESSION SCHEDULED



Participation in a **"Protecting God's Children Training Session"** is **mandatory** for **ALL faith formation volunteers and those who serve in various Church ministries**. The workshop provides useful

information in the protecting of 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 have legally as mandated reporters. **Volunteers need only participate once in this program.**

A training session will take place on **Tuesday, September 19, from 6:30-9:30pm in the Catholic Parish Center (70 Monument Square, Concord)**. The training will be led by **Maria Rosen and Tony Carbrello** from the Concord-Carlisle Catholic Collaborative Faith Formation Team.

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

SPECIAL MISSIONARY APPEAL



MARY QUEEN OF HEAVEN MISSIONARIES

The sexual exploitation of children and young people in the Philippines and Southeast Asia ranks among the highest in the world. Recognizing that sex trafficking is an inherent result of abject poverty, **Mary Queen of Heaven Missionaries** -- with the help of lay partners, clergy, and local community leaders -- journey into rural Philippine villages to attack this problem at its source. Most recently, the Sisters have established a mission in California which has the highest trafficking rate in the United States. The Sisters' mission seeks to help alleviate the burdens of poverty and susceptibility of children by offering safe havens, school assistance, alternatives, and faith in God.

Your prayers and monetary support are needed to assist the Mary Queen of Heaven Missionaries in their important ministry. There are no contribution envelopes available for this special collection, however, a **"Give Butter" QR code is provided here for those wishing to make an electronic donation.**

For additional information about the **Mary Queen of Heaven Missionaries**, go to: **www.MQHM.org**



MASS QUESTION OF THE WEEK

What are the "chalice and ciborium"?

Answer to last week's question:

Corporal and Purificator - The corporal is the white linen cloth upon which the Eucharistic species (bread & wine) rest during Mass. All sacred vessels that hold the Blessed Sacrament are placed on the corporal to ensure no fragments of the Eucharist are lost. The purificator is also a white linen cloth (usually marked with a cross in the center) that is used to wipe the rim of the chalice following reception of the Precious Blood and to clean the sacred vessels after Holy Communion.

COLLABORATIVE NEWS



You are invited to join future sessions of ***Walking With Purpose***, a **Women's Catholic Bible Study Group**. In the coming year, two studies will be offered: Fearless & Free (9/20-1/10) and Beholding Your King (1/17-5/15). **Sessions begin on Wednesday, September 20** and will meet weekly at 9:30 am in the Café area on the lower level of St. Bernard Church (Holy Family Parish, Concord), or remotely via Zoom at 7:00 pm.

+ **Books for the sessions may be purchased online at: www.walkingwithpurpose.com**

+ **To register, email: wwpconcord@gmail.com**



ADULT LEADER OPPORTUNITIES

IN YOUTH MINISTRY

We are looking for a few more adults to assist with our **youth ministry team**. Please note the following opportunities...

Small Group Discussion Leaders - our regular **Sunday sessions of teens in High School Faith Formation and Confirmation Preparation** rely on adult leaders to facilitate discussion using prepared materials. We use video-based materials that do most of the instruction. Ideally, a team of **three adults rotates weekly** to build meaningful relationships with the group of teens you are serving.

Christmas Tree Pick Up, Compost Center Leader - we need **one adult** to take charge of a team of teens and adults who unload trucks filled with trees, usually the first Saturday in January. Planning meetings occur in the fall. This is our big fundraiser for Youth Ministry.

To volunteer or to obtain additional information, contact Tony Carbrelo at tcarbrelo@cc-catholic.org. For video with our vision for all of Youth Ministry, a calendar of Sunday sessions, and more specific role descriptions, please visit the High School Faith Formation page of our website: cc-catholic.org



It's time to bake! This month **Open Table** is looking to stock their pantry with baking supplies. Need ideas? How about some...

Salt Baking soda/baking powder

Flour (2 or 5 pound bags)

Boxed baking mixes (including Gluten-free)

Canned frosting Chocolate chips

Your food donations for **Open Table** can be placed in the food collection bin located at the church entrance. **Thank you!**



An opportunity to deepen your faith.

The **Cursillo** is a **"little course in Christianity"** that begins on a Thursday evening and concludes Sunday afternoon. **Cursillo** is designed to help Christians renew and strengthen their love of Jesus growing in faith, knowledge, and personal holiness. **Cursillo Weekends** are held at **The Notre Dame Spirituality Center (30 Jeffrey's Neck Road in Ipswich, MA)**.

Dates for upcoming Cursillo are scheduled:

Women's Weekend - September 21-24, 2023

Men's Weekend - November 30-December 3, 2023

For information, **Ellen Rice (efrice1@gmail.com)** would love to tell you more! Or contact: **www.bostoncursillo.org**

--- 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!

PRAYER & WORSHIP



Note: Priest celebrants' schedules are subject to change.

Saturday, Aug 19 | St. John Eudes

9:00 am **St. Irene**
4:00 pm **St. Irene** (Fr. Stano)
5:30 pm **Holy Family** (Fr. Silva)
Mass for the People

Sunday, Aug 20 | 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am **Holy Family** (Fr. Silva)
John Maguire Memorial
9:30 am **Holy Family** (Fr. Stano)
Florence & Francesco Sacco Memorial
11:00 am **St. Irene** (Fr. Silva)
Roman Bembenek Memorial

Monday, Aug 21 | St. Pius X

12:00 pm **Holy Family**

Tuesday, Aug 22 | Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

9:00 am **St. Irene**

Wednesday, Aug 23 | St. Rose of Lima

12:00 pm **Holy Family**

Thursday, Aug 24 | St. Bartholomew

9:00 am **St. Irene**

Friday, Aug 25 | Sts. Louis & Joseph Calasanz

12:00 pm **Holy Family**

Saturday, Aug 26 |

9:00 am **St. Irene**
4:00 pm **St. Irene** (Fr. Stano)
Mass for the People
5:30 pm **Holy Family** (Fr. Silva)

Sunday, Aug 27 | 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am **Holy Family** (Fr. Stano / Deacon Chuck)
Angelina & Libero Maselli Memorial
9:30 am **Holy Family** (Fr. Stano)
11:00 am **St. Irene** (Fr. Silva)
Phyllis Caristo Memorial



Memorial Masses may be scheduled up to 30 days in advance of the desired date. To do so, contact our parish offices on weekdays from 10 am - 3 pm.

IN MEMORIAM

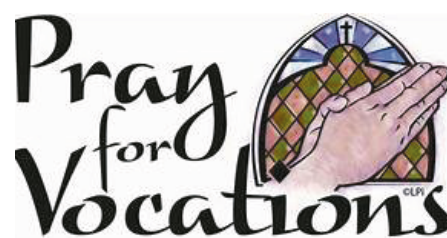
Kindly remember in your prayers the following for whom a Funeral Mass was offered recently...

Kerry Johnson

May the souls of the faithful departed rest in eternal peace.



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.



SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK

SUN Is 56:1, 6-7/ Rom 11:13-15, 29-32/ Mt 15:21-28
MON Jgs 2:11-19/ Mt 19:16-22
TUES Jgs 6:11-24a/ Mt 19:23-30
WED Jgs 9:6-15/ Mt 20:1-16
THU Rv 21:9b-14/ Jn 1:45-51
FRI Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22/ Mt 22:34-40
SAT Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17/ Mt 23:1-12
SUN Is 22:19-23/ Rom 11:33-36/ Mt 16:13-20

FAITH FORMATION



August 20, 2023 | Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 56:1, 6-7 | Rom 11:13-15, 29-32 | Mt 15:21-28

Written by
THE
FAITHFUL
DISCIPLE

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

The abundance of God's love for us is what stood out for me in our readings today. If we consider the concept of abundance outside the Scriptures, it can be tricky. When we have it, does it imply we have too much when others have too little? If we are speaking of material things, then perhaps. But God's infinite and merciful love for us resound in each of our readings today, and this is cause for joy. In Isaiah, the Lord announces that he will accept offerings from anyone who holds to his covenant, Jewish or not. Saint Paul stresses that God's mercy is for *all*, and Jesus, after some back-and-forth with the Canaanite woman, heals the woman's daughter because of her great faith. God never tires of desiring healing and wholeness for *all* his children, which is a great gift. Let this gift of grace from God be a catalyst for us to reach out in love to others so that we also can come to God's "holy mountain and [be made] joyful in [his] house of prayer."

PRAY *Lord, Jesus Christ, give me the wisdom to view my hands as extensions of yours. Give me eyes to see all people as you see them. Help me to use my voice to praise you and bring the truth of your goodness to everyone I encounter. Give me the strength to have unwavering faith. Amen.*

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

How can we reach out in love to others as we called to do? Perhaps we can start with our parish. Is there a ministry we have read about in the bulletin that needs volunteers? Or a coordinator? Perhaps it is time to ask God how we can be his instrument in the world. We can start small. I will never forget when my friend volunteered to run our Vacation Bible School one summer. Of course, she turned to her friends to help her with this daunting task! What she desperately needed was someone to go from classroom to classroom and lead the children in song. Talk about out of my comfort zone! But she gave me the music books and song suggestions, and pretty soon, "This Little Light of Mine" was reverberating through the halls of the school. I learned then and there that kids don't notice the quality of your voice if you are joyful and enthusiastic. They love to sing! Take a chance and get out there. You won't regret it.

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1 Peter 4:10

Weekly Offertory Collection

Week of August 13, 2023

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In Church & Mail In	\$6,373.	\$2,276.
Electronic Giving	\$3,291.	\$2,397.
TOTAL	\$9,664.	\$4,673.

--- DONATIONS BY CHECK ---

When making a contribution or payment, be sure to write your check to the parish to which it is intended (Holy Family Parish or St. Irene Parish). And please indicate on the memo line of the check the purpose for which your check is being submitted (offertory, gift, special collection, etc.). Thank you!

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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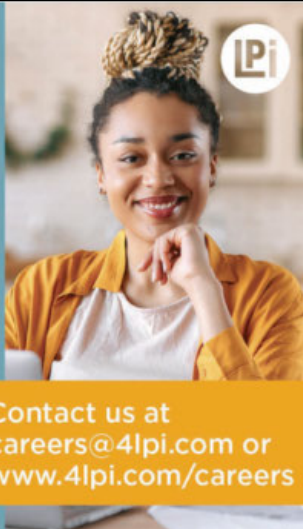


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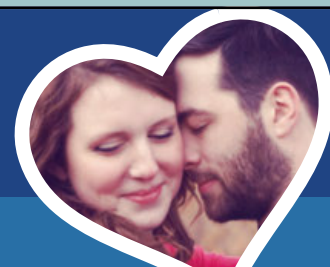
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