

The Catholic Collaborative of CONCORD-CARLISLE



We are delighted to welcome you and hope you will feel at home here. We encourage all new members to introduce themselves to a member of our Parish Staff—we look forward to getting to know you and serving 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. Your involvement enriches our parish life and strengthens our shared mission.

To register with the parish, please contact the church offices at the **Concord-Carlisle Catholic Parish Center**. Registered parishioners are kindly asked to notify the office of any changes to their contact information so we can stay connected.

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JULY 20, 2025

HOLY FAMILY PARISH - CONCORD

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday (Sunday Vigil) - 4:00 pm

Sunday - 9:00 am

Friday - 9:00 am

St. Bernard's Church
12 Monument Square, Concord, MA 01742

ST. IRENE PARISH - CARLISLE

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday - 11:30 am & 5:00 pm

Monday - 9:00 am

Wednesday: Communion Service - 9:00 am

St. Irene's Church
181 East Street, Carlisle, MA 01741

Collaborative News

FROM FR. DAVE:

WELCOMING & HOSPITALITY

Both the first reading from the Book of Genesis and the Gospel reading from Luke gives us the theme of welcoming and showing hospitality. The middle Eastern attitude was always to welcome the guest into one's tent/home. Traveling was dangerous, so to show hospitality and welcome the stranger was a way of life. All the early religious communities; especially in the Benedictine tradition would have guest masters, just to welcome the stranger into the guest house and provide food and shelter.

Abraham and Martha went out of their way to welcome and show hospitality. But Mary choose to listen to Jesus. The early church saw the wisdom in having a balance between contemplation and work. It was not meant to be an either-or, but a both-and. Contemplation and listening to Jesus was a priority but there is still need for work and doing chores.

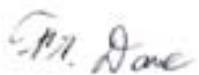
Yes, we listen to God's sacred word during the Mass. In fact, over the course of three years' worth of Sunday readings, we hear over 80% of the entire Bible. The very first words in the Rule of Benedict is "LISTEN". But it is not meant to end with just listening. At the end of Mass, we are commissioned and sent forth to work, to proclaim to give witness, to be Jesus' eyes, hands, and heart in the world.

Over the next few weeks after Communion we will be hearing from representatives from all our ministry groups. How they listen to God's call and then are moved into action to serve our parish family and the wider community.

Listening, prayer, contemplation AND work, action, service. Both are needed.

Please, please listen to God's calling and then put your Faith into action by being an active member of our many ministry groups.

Pax Christi,



Very Reverend David O'Leary, VF, S.T.L., D.Phil.

Welcome to a New Faith Formation Year!

Please mark your calendars with these key dates:

Welcome Back Family Ice Cream Night

Friday, September 5, 2025 | 6:30–7:30 PM | Holy Family

Kick off the year with ice cream and fellowship!

Backpack Blessing at All Masses

Saturday, Sept. 6 & Sunday, Sept. 7, 2025

Children are invited to bring their backpacks for a special blessing.

Registration Reminder

Faith Formation registration is open for children in Kindergarten through Confirmation. Please register now using the QR code provided.

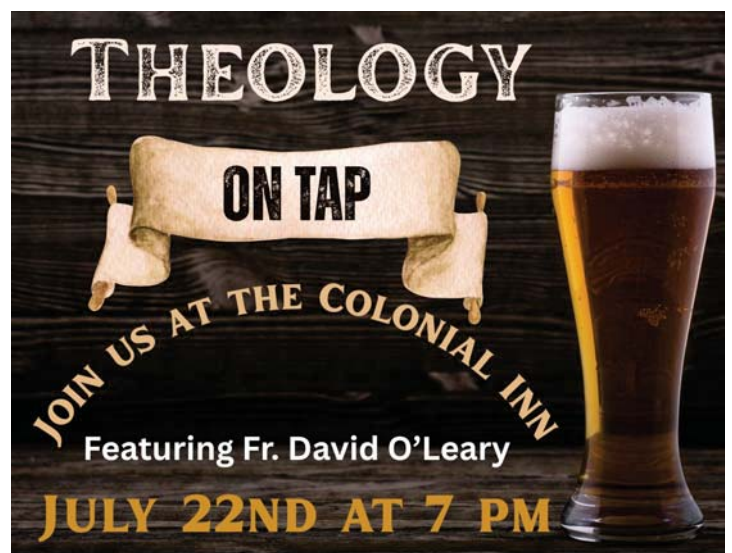


Questions?

Contact:

Marie Noel – faithformation@cc-catholic.org

Tony Carbrello – tcarbrello@cc-catholic.org



Theology on Tap

An Invitation to

Explore Faith and Fellowship

If you're a Catholic who has stopped attending church, but still find yourself curious about the faith or have questions, Theology on Tap is for you. This is a unique opportunity to connect with Father Dave and others in a relaxed setting outside of church, like a bar or pub. Come and enjoy a drink, share your thoughts, and have a chat in an open and welcoming atmosphere. Feel free to invite family, friends, or neighbors who might also be interested in exploring their faith.

Collaborative News

Concord Council #287, Concord MA

Holy Family Parish Round Table, Hanscom AFB, MA

St. Irene Parish Round Table, Carlisle MA

KofC287.org

Meeting Schedule

Meetings are held on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of each month, from 6:00 to 8:00 PM
Monument Hall, 62 Monument Square, Concord, MA

Upcoming Events:

Tuesday, August 5 – Business Meeting

Saturday, August 23 – Council BBQ (Time TBD)

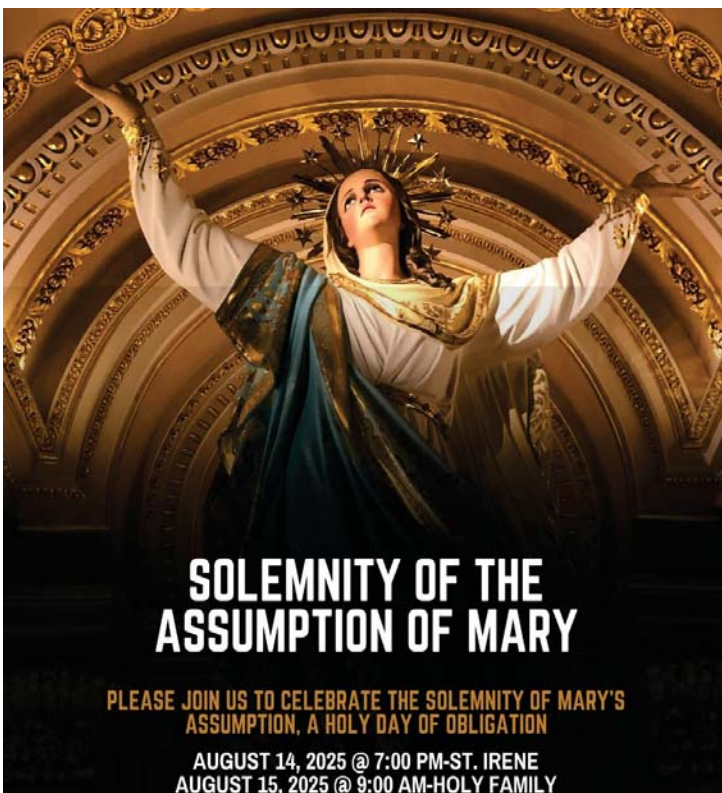
Millions of Monica's Upcoming Dates

- July– No meeting

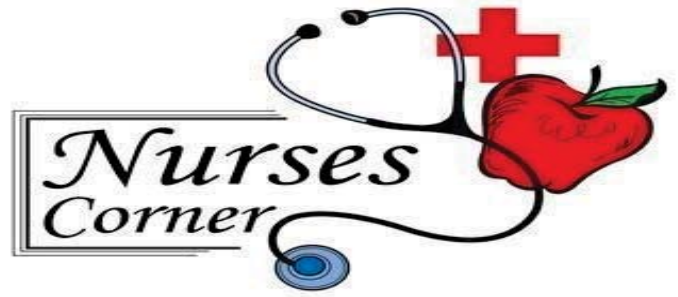


Open Table's "Most Wanted" items for the month of July are: Baking Supplies—boxed baking mixes, gluten free baking mixes, chocolate chips, flour, salt, baking soda and baking powder.

Food donations for Open Table can be placed in the food collection bins located at the entrances to our churches. Thank you!



July 20, 2025



NURSE JEAN

Our Parish Nursing and Health Ministry supports the well-being of the whole person — **body, mind, and spirit** — and is here to serve the needs of our community. Whether you have a health question, need a listening ear, or just want to connect, **Nurse Jean is here to help!**

Where & When to Find Nurse Jean

10:00 AM – 2:00 PM

Concord – Holy Family Parish Center, 3rd Floor

Fridays: July 11 & 25, August 1, 8, 15, 22 & 29

Carlisle – St. Irene's Parish Hall

Wednesdays: July 23 & 30, August 6, 13, 20, & 27

Let's Walk Together!

Join me for a weekly walk — a great way to get some fresh air, gentle movement, and good conversation.

Wednesdays at 1:00 PM | Meet in the parking lot at St. Irene's

(Check the bulletin for any date changes.)

Tips from the Heart ❤️

Hydrate, hydrate, hydrate!

- Spend time with loved ones.
- Check in on neighbors during hot weather.
- Looking for summer activities? Kids can help neighbors with yard work — it's a great way to give back.
- Make time to visit the ocean.
- And above all: **Be kind to yourself.**

If I can support you in any way — please call, email, or stop by.

Be well,

Nurse Jean

jgifford@cc-catholic.org | 978-369-7442 x235

Prayer & Worship

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, July 19 |

4:00 pm **Holy Family**
Mass for the People

Sunday, July 20 |

9:00 am **Holy Family**
Howard and Evelyn Barry Memorial

11:30 am **St. Irene**
Fr. Tom Donohoe Memorial

5:00 pm **St. Irene**

Monday, July 21 |

9:00 am **St. Irene**
David Ward Healing

Wednesday, July 23 | Communion Service

9:00 am **St. Irene**

Friday, July 25 |

9:00 am **Holy Family**

Saturday, July 26 |

4:00 pm **Holy Family**

Sunday, July 27 |

9:00 am **Holy Family**
Gail Conroy Memorial

11:30 am **St. Irene**
Mass for the People

5:00 pm **St. Irene**
John Patten Memorial



**The Chapel is Open
for Private Prayer
Monday–Friday**

Note: Are you looking for a peaceful, sacred space outside your home to spend time in prayer and reflection? We invite you to visit our Collaborative Chapel,

open year-round for quiet, private prayer.

Chapel Hours: Monday–Friday,
10:00 AM–3:00 PM

Location: Collaborative Catholic Center,
70 Monument Square, Concord, MA 01742

Bonus: Our chapel is air conditioned for your comfort

All are welcome, no sign-up necessary. Just come and pray.




REMEMBER
in your prayers

Joan Quigley, Taylor Family, Juana Castro, Ignacio Casimiro, DR Norton, Kina Castro, Michael Castro, Cristina Nunez, Ray Snay, Julian Casimiro, Juliauna Williams, Jace Williams, Jonathan Miller, Ted and Mary Snow, Joseph Donnelly, Lucrecia Choto, John Barbadoro, Gert Sullivan, Greg Symko, Henry Johnson, Julian Perez, Randi Tartaro, JoAnn Pozericky, Vanessa Duffy, James Walter, William Hutchinson, David Mello, Raimonda Beqari.

READINGS & OBSERVANCES 2025 YEAR C

16TH SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME Jul 20	Gn 18:1-10a/Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 5/Col 1:24-28/ Lk 10:38-42
MONDAY Jul 21	<i>Saint Lawrence of Brindisi, Priest, Doctor of the Church</i> Ex 14:5-18/Ex 15:1bc-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mt 12:38-42
TUESDAY Jul 22	<i>Saint Mary Magdalene</i> Sg 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9/ Jn 20:1-2, 11-18
WEDNESDAY Jul 23	<i>Saint Bridget, Religious</i> Ex 16:1-5, 9-15/Ps 78:18-19, 23-24, 25-26, 27-28/ Mt 13:1-9
THURSDAY Jul 24	<i>Saint Sharbel Makhlūf, Priest</i> Ex 19:1-2, 9-11, 16-20b/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56/ Mt 13:10-17
FRIDAY Jul 25	<i>Saint James, Apostle</i> 2 Cor 4:7-15/Ps 126:1bc-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6/Mt 20:20-28
SATURDAY Jul 26	<i>Saints Joachim & Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i> Ex 24:3-8/Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15/Mt 13:24-30
17TH SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME Jul 27	Gn 18:20-32/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6-7, 7-8/Col 2:12-14/Lk 11:1-13



SCAN ME

Readings To-Go!

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 20, 2025

Scan QR code to see this week's readings!

Holy Communion for the Homebound

If you or a loved one are unable to attend Mass due to surgery, illness, or disability, we would be honored to bring Communion to your home. Please contact either Linda Bentley at **978-505-8028** or Barb Ewen at **978-505-9625**, and they will arrange for a minister to visit with Communion and conversation twice a month.

Faith Formation

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA)

Have you felt called to walk with Christ in the Catholic Church? Have you been attending Mass with your Catholic spouse or children for years, wondering what it takes to become Catholic? Have you felt a deep longing for the Eucharist or a desire to grow closer to Christ through the sacraments? If so, consider this your personal invitation to begin the **Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA)**—a journey of faith, reflection, and community. Whether you're new to Christianity or coming from another faith tradition, OCIA offers a welcoming path toward full communion with the Roman Catholic Church. You are never too old to encounter Christ. We would be honored to walk this journey with you.

To learn more or to begin your journey, please contact:

Marie Noel at 978-369-7442 or faithformation@cc-catholic.org



Sts. Joachim and Anne | Catholic Saints

Though they never appear in canonical Scripture, Sts. Joachim and Anne—the grandparents of Jesus—hold a place of great importance in the Church's tradition. Discover more about the parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary in this episode of Catholic Saints with Mary McGeehan and Augustine Institute professor Dr. Carl Vennerstrom.

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Men's Cursillo Weekend

October 2–5, 2025

Notre Dame Spirituality Center – Ipswich, MA

Experience a powerful weekend of spiritual renewal, fellowship, and deepening of your faith. The Cursillo is a short course in Christianity that offers men the opportunity to grow in their relationship with Christ and connect with others on a similar journey.

For more information or to register, please contact **Fr. Dave** or **Deacon Gregory**.

PARISH FINANCIAL SUPPORT

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

Peter 4:10

Weekly Offertory Collection

Week of July 13, 2025

	Holy Family	St. Irene
In Church:	\$3,173.25	\$2,201.00
Electronic Giving:	\$2,486.00	\$6,721.00
TOTAL:	\$5,659.25	\$8,922.00

Note: St. Irene's electronic giving total reflects June 23-July 13

Sacrament & Administration 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

6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

1st Monday of the Month - St. Irene, Carlisle

3rd Monday of the Month - Holy Family, Concord

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 (978-369-7442) to speak to one of our priests or leave your name and contact info to be contacted to arrange a day and time.

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Pastor

Fr. Dave O'Leary

Weekend Celebrant

Fr. George Collins, S.J.

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Chuck Clough

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Roberto Mercado, Jr.

Director of Faith Formation

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Jean Gifford

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In need of additional information?

Email: parishlife@cc-catholic.org

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The Society of St. Vincent de Paul



We seek to provide support to individuals and families in the Concord-Carlisle community who are in need of short term assistance and support possibilities.

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