### SAINT HELENA CHURCH

### April 13, 2025 Palm Sunday

1489 DeKalb Pike, Blue Bell . PA .19422 610-275-7711



# THE SACRED TRIDUUM SCHEDULE

# Lenten Penance Services

Saint Titus, Monday, April 14th @ 7pm Saint Helena, Tuesday, April 15th @ 7pm

# Saint Helena

Holy Thursday, April 17th, Mass of the Lord's Supper @ 7pm Good Friday April 18th, The Passion of the Lord @ 3pm Outside Stations of the Cross @ 7pm Holy Saturday, April 19th, Easter Vigil @ 7pm Easter Sunday Masses, April 20th, 7:30am, 9am, 11am

# **Saint Titus**

Holy Thursday, April 17th, Mass of the Lord's Supper @ 7pm April 18th, Good Friday Mid-day prayer & Stations @ 12pm The Passion of the Lord @ 7pm Holy Saturday, April 19th, Easter Vigil @ 7pm Easter Sunday Mass, April 20th, 10am

+ PALM SUNDAY



# **OUR PARISH MISSION STATEMENT**

#### **One Family**

United as members of the One, Holy, Catholic, and Apostolic Church, we are committed, as ONE FAMILY, to be messengers of God's love and presence in the world, and to welcome and invite others to become part of this family and this mission.

**ONE HEART** 

Called by our Baptism to a life of service in the Lord, we are committed, with *ONE HEART*, to live in charity, practice the works of mercy, and work for peace and justice.

**ONE FAITH** 

Strengthened by God's Word and nourished by His Sacraments, we are committed, in ONE FAITH, to promote lives of learning, living, and proclaiming the Gospel message, as we continue to grow in the knowledge, understanding, and appreciation of all that embodies these awe-inspiring truths.

#### **PRIESTS/DEACONS:**

Rev. Joseph W. Bongard: Pastor of St. Helena & Parochial Administrator of St. Titus Rev. Samuel A. Verruni: Senior Priest Rev. Dr. Kyle M. Adamczyk: Parochial Vicar Msgr. Joseph J. Nicolo: Pastor Emeritus Deacon Przemek Rozestwinski Deacon Claude Granese A. Kenneth Belanger: Retired Deacon

#### PARISH OFFICE: Phone: 610-275-7711

Web Site: www.sainthelena-centersquare.net Email: parish@sainthelenachurch.org

Monday through Friday: 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM Business Manager: Ms. Cathy Neugebauer Parish Administrative Assistant: Mrs. Gina Malony NEW REGISTRATIONS, call the office to make an appointment.

#### **EDUCATION CENTER:**

1499 DeKalb Pike Blue Bell PA 19422 Phone: 610-279-3345 <> Fax: 610-279-3272

School Principal: School Secretary: School Nurse:

Miss Denise Britt Mrs. Megan Tronoski Mrs. April Maxwell

#### PREP (PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM):

Phone: 610-279-3870 Interim Dir. of Religious Education: Rev. Dr. Kyle Adamczyk

#### **DIRECTOR of PARISH SERVICES:**

**Phone: 610-930-0349** Mr. Christian Thompson

#### FACILITIES MANAGER:

Phone: 610-322-5749 Mr. Vince Thompson FACILITIES DIRECTOR:

**Phone: 610-275-7711** Mr. Jay Maiale

#### **GLUTEN SENSITIVE OR WHEAT ALLERGY?**

Any individual in need of receiving a low-gluten host should get in the communion line of the Priest who is the Main Celebrant of the Mass and request one when presenting oneself for Holy Communion. At all Masses, the Main Celebrant will have a pyx containing low-gluten hosts. There is no need to pre-arrange or notify anyone before Mass.

#### ST. HELENA MASS SCHEDULE:

Monday - Saturday:	
Saturday:	
Sunday:	
Holy Days: Vigil:	
Holy Day:	

9:00 AM Chapel 4:00 PM Vigil Mass 7:30 AM, 9:00 AM, & 11:00 AM 7:00 PM, 9:00 AM, & 12:15 PM

#### ST. TITUS MASS SCHEDULE

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday:8:00 AMSaturday Vigil Mass:4:30 PMSunday:10:00AMHoly Day:10:00 AM

#### **SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:**

St. Helena - Saturday at 3:00 PM in the Church St. Titus – Saturday at 3:30 PM in the Church or call St. Helena Parish Office to make an appointment

#### ST. THERESA CHAPEL HOURS:

The Saint Theresa Chapel is open Monday - Friday from 6:30 AM to 9:00 PM; Saturday from 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM and Sunday from 7:00 AM to 5:00 PM.

#### SPIRITUAL DEVOTIONS:

Eucharistic Adoration:	Mon-Fri 9:30 AM-7:30 PM
Most Holy Rosary:	Mon-Sat 8:15 AM (Chapel)
	Wednesdays: 11: 30 AM (Grotto)
Divine Mercy Chaplet:	Mon-Sun 3:00 PM (Chapel) followed by recitation of Rosary

#### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

Baptisms are celebrated every Sunday *after* the 11:00 AM Mass. Please stop by the Parish Office for information on scheduling Baptism for your child.

A Pre-Baptism class is required for parents & optional for Godparents, and are *usually* offered the first Monday of the month at 7:00 PM in the Convent. Call the Parish Office to register for a class.

#### SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:

*At least 6 months prior* to your desired wedding date, contact the Parish Office to schedule an appointment with a Priest.

The Archdiocese of Philadelphia requires that all couples attend a Pre-Cana class before marriage. At this time we ask you to go to <u>Archphila.org</u>, under Marriage preparations to take the class on-line.

#### SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK:

Arrangements can be made by calling the Parish Office at 610-275-7711.

### PARTNER PARISH MASS INTENTIONS

#### Sat., April 12

9:00 AM - St. Helena Chapel † Living & Deceased Members of the Saint Theresa Guild 4:00 PM - St. Helena Church † Louise Deneski Req. by Cindy & Michael Parisse 4:30 PM - St. Titus †

Req. by

#### Sun., April 13 — Palm Sunday

7:30 AM - St. Helena Church
† For the People of the Parish
9:00 AM - St. Helena Church
† Erin Moore
Req. by the Moore Family
10:00 AM - St. Titus

#### **†** Req. by

11:00 AM - St. Helena Church † Ed Davis Req. by his Family

#### Mon., April 14

8:00 AM - St. Titus
† Living & Deceased Members of St. Titus
9:00 AM - St. Helena Chapel
† Joe Santoro
Req. by the Foley Family

#### Tues., April 15

**8:00 AM -** St. Titus **†** Req. by **9:00 AM -** St. Helena Church

**† Clarina D'Orazio** Req. by her Family

#### Wed., April 16

9:00 AM - St. Helena Chapel **† Barbara Stolarczyk** Req. by Mom & Dad

#### Thur., April 17 - Holy Thursday

No Morning Mass 7:00 PM - St. Titus Mass of the Lord's Supper 7:00 PM - St. Helena Mass of the Lord's Supper

#### Fri., April 18 - Good Friday

No Morning Mass 12:00 PM - St. Titus - Mid-Day Prayer /Stations 3:00 PM - St. Helena - Passion of the Lord 7:00 PM - St. Titus - Passion of the Lord 7:00 PM - St. Helena - Outside Stations

#### PARTNER PARISH MASS INTENTIONS

Sat., April 19 - Holy Saturday No Morning Mass 7:00 PM - St. Helena - Easter Vigil Mass 7:00 PM - St. Titus - Easter Vigil Mass

Sun., April 20 - Easter Sunday
7:30 AM - Easter Mass - St. Helena
† Living & Deceased Members of St. Helena
9:00 AM - Easter Mass - St. Helena
† Gabriel Benamar
Req. by the Benamar Family
10:00 AM - Easter Mass - St. Titus
11:00 AM - Easter Mass - St. Helena
† Elizabeth Harris
Req. by Cathy Neugebauer



Blessing of Easter Food Holy Saturday, April 19

> 10 AM — St. Titus 11 AM — St. Helena

### MEMORIALS FOR THIS WEEK



The Sanctuary Candle in the Chapel burns in memory of **COLLEEN FRANCES MOORE** Requested by the Bushner Family

A Candle burns at St. Joseph in memory of EDWARD DAVIS

Requested by the Cissone & Benamar Families



In your Christian charity and mindful of the Communion of Saints, please pray for

#### All Our Beloved Deceased Elizabeth Mooney

May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.

### LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

April 19 & 20

#### **CELEBRANTS & DEACONS**

#### Saturday, April 19

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7:00 PM	St. Helena — Fr. Joe (Deacon Claude)
7:00 PM	<b>St. Titus</b> — Fr. Kyle (Deacon Przemek &
	Deacon Chris)
Sunday,	April 20
7:30 AM	<b>St. Helena</b> — Fr. Sam (Deacon Pzemek)
9:00 AM	<b>St. Helena —</b> Fr. Kyle
10:00 AM	St. Titus — Fr Joe (Deacon Claude)
11:00 AM	St. Helena — Fr. Sam (Deacon Przemek)



In your charity, please pray for our sick & home-bound parishioners, as well as those living in health/nursing facilities.

In particular, please remember the following individuals:

Patrick Banicki, Dave Colman, Juan Barba, Sue Eason, Lorraine Perri, Mike Piskai, Jr., Linda Weikert,
Patty Kurkowski, William Lawrence, Joan DiDonato,
Casey Interrante, Alec Jensen, Kristen Gilia, Al Slusarz, Bruce Shepherd, Jong Soo Sohn, Carletta Sohn, Msgr. Beach, Kevin Hogan, Charlotte Yacovelli,
Sr. Fran Reinhardt O.S.F., Kaye Grasso, Marsha Tinti,
Richard Kellerman, William Yacovelli, Danny Matoney, Nicolette Theisen, Nancy Matozzo, Sarah Jammer, Anthony Grasso.

To add a name, please call the Parish Office at 610-275-7711. Names will remain listed for 2 weeks.



#### PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY

Please pray for all our military Personnel.

Lord God, Almighty Father, Creator of humankind and

Author of peace, we are ever mindful of the cost paid for the liberty we possess, we ask You to bless the members of our Armed Forces. Give them courage, hope and strength. May they ever experience your firm support, gentle love and compassionate healing. Be their power and protector, leading them from darkness to light. To You be all glory, honor and praise now and forever. Amen.

LTJG Rebecca McCool, LT. Brendan Koch, ENS John W Bushner, CPT Christopher Rongione





#### THE DISCIPLE MAKER INDEX IS LIVE AT ST. HELENA!

Together we must embrace Christ's vision

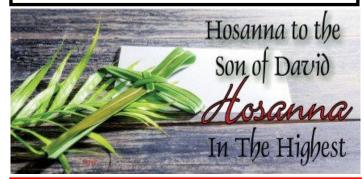
for missionary discipleship so our parish can thrive and be a place for others to grow together in faith. The very first step in this process involves assessing our greatest strengths and opportunities.

The 10–15-minute survey will ask you to reflect on your own spiritual growth and enable you to provide your perspective on our parish's efforts to help you grow in relationship with Christ. All responses will be confidential, and the parish will only receive information about the community as a whole.

Thank you for helping with this important project and please continue to pray for this intention for our parish.

To access the survey, scan the QR code or contact Christian at 610-275-7711





# **HELP WANTED!**

Saint Helena has a couple of jobs available working in the Church as a Sacristan.

- 1. <u>Weekend Positions</u>: One weekend a month responsibilities include: opening doors, putting on lights, setting up for Mass, preparing the sacred vessels, arranging the offertory, setting up for Baptisms, locking the church, etc.
- 2. <u>Funeral Positions</u>: Flexible, during the week when a Funeral Mass is scheduled. Same responsibilities as listed above.

If interested, please call Father Joe at 610-275-7711.

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### PARISH EVENTS FOR THIS WEEK

#### SUNDAY, APRIL 13 - PALM SUNDAY

- Masses: 7:30, 9:00, 11:00 AM Church
- Spring Show Practice: 12:00 PM Rec. Center
- Messiah: 3:00 PM St. Titus Church

#### MONDAY, APRIL 14

- Daily Mass: 9:00 AM Chapel
- Prayer Shawl Ministry: 12:30 PM Lady of Fatima
- Spring Show Practice: 3:00 PM Rec. Center
- Robotics: 6:00 PM Cafeteria
- Walking with Purpose: 6:00 PM Convent
- St. Titus Lenten Penance Service: 7:00 PM

#### TUESDAY, APRIL 15

- Daily Mass: 9:00 AM Church
- Adult Basketball: 5:30 PM Rec. Center
- NO PREP CLASSES
- St. Helena Lenten Penance Service: 7:00 PM
- 3 on 3 Basketball: 7:30 PM Rec. Center

#### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 16

- Daily Mass: 9:00 AM Chapel
- Ladies of Helena: 6:30 PM Our Lady of Mercy
- Wolf Den: 6:30 PM Cafeteria

#### THURSDAY, APRIL 17 - HOLY THURSDAY

- No Morning Mass
- St. Helena Mass of the Lord's Supper: 7:00 PM
- St. Titus Mass of the Lord's Supper: 7:00 PM

#### FRIDAY, APRIL 18 - GOOD FRIDAY

- No Morning Mass
- St. Titus Mid-day Prayers & Stations: 12:00 PM
- St. Helena Passion of the Lord: 3:00 PM
- St. Titus Passion of the Lord: 7:00 PM
- St. Helena Outside Stations of the Cross: 7:00PM

#### SATURDAY, April 19 - Holy Saturday

- No Morning Mass
- Men's Fellowship Group: 7:00 AM Convent
- St. Titus Blessing of the Easter Food: 10:00 AM
- St. Helena Blessing of the Easter Food: 11:00 AM
- St. Titus Easter Vigil: 7:00 PM
- St. Helena Easter Vigil: 7:00 PM

#### SUNDAY, APRIL 20 - EASTER SUNDAY

- Masses: 7:30, 9:00, 11:00 AM Church
- Mass: 10:00 AM St. Titus



Fiving



To get started, log on to: **www.sainthelena-centersquare.net** and click on the Parish Giving Logo, then follow the easy registration steps.

Parish Giving offers secure flexible Online Giving for our parishioners who would like to make their donations online using a credit card or bank transfer. You never have to bring cash or checks to church. Online Giving helps the church save money and plan the budget.

Radical Ride on the

### Vacation Bible School 2025 Radical Ride: On the Wings of Prayer

Children will **travel the world** with **Amazing Angels and Super Saints**, discovering the **power of prayer** and how to bring it into their everyday lives!

#### Each day is packed with:

- Faith-filled lessons that inspire
- Oreative Crafts to take home
- Exciting Games to get moving
- Uplifting **Music** to sing & dance
- Delicious Snacks to fuel the fun

#### When? August 4th — 8th from 9am to 12pm

- Where? Saint Helena Education Center
- Who? All rising K 5 grade students (going into 2025/2026 school year)

*For Teens:* All rising 6 — 12 grade students are welcomed as Teen Leaders **Cost?** \$40 for Child Campers and \$20 for Teen Leaders



Registration is now 100% online Please scan the QR code to register!

Our Vacation Bible School is a popular program and we are grateful to offer it to such a supportive community. **Spaces fill up very quickly and registration closes July 5**. Please sign up today!

**Contact:** Christian Thompson 610-930-0349 or cthompson@sainthelenachurch.org



### Youth, Young Adult, and Adult Faith Formation Opportunities

If you are interested in any of our youth, young adult, or adult faith formation opportunities, contact Christian Thompson at <a href="mailto:cthompson@sainthelenachurch.org">cthompson@sainthelenachurch.org</a> or 610-930-0349

### SAINT HELENA YOUTH GROUP

Our youth group is open to all teens in 8th-12th grades. We try to live as disciples of Jesus and develop our personal and spiritual growth through prayer, formation, service, and community. Jouth 8 r o v p

Meetings are usually held on Sunday evenings in the parish convent from 7 to 8:15pm, with a mix of spiritual formation, service, prayer and fraternal outings to help teens grow as disciples of Christ.

Scan the QR code to receive emails on meetings & events

Upcoming events include... **April 13** — Rosary walk and pizza (parish convent, 7 to 8pm) **April 27** — Hike and Picnic (Valley Forge Park, 1 to 4pm)

### SAINT HELENA YOUNG ADULTS

### NEW TO THE AREA? MOVED BACK HOME AFTER COLLEGE GRADUATION? LOOKING FOR A CATHOLIC YOUNG ADULT COMMUNITY?

Young adults often re-discover their Catholic faith in college but move home and have no community to join. Other times, young adults re-discover their faith in their later twenties/thirties, but are left without friends or a community who understands and agrees with them. It is important for young adults to find and develop relationships that help them to grow in faith and fall more deeply in love with Jesus and His Church.

Our young adult group meets for prayer, discussion, service, and social outings — all centered on growing together in our Catholic faith. If you're in your 20's or 30's, you're welcome to come and be part of our Christ-centered community! Email Christian to join our *GroupMe* for updates on our meetings and events.

Next event — Bible Study of St. Luke's Gospel — 6 Thursday evenings from 7 to 8:15 PM, starting April 24

### Adult Faith Formation: Spring Series

#### BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND, WE ARE CONTINUING OUR JOURNEY THROUGH "METANOIA"

Our *Metanoia* Lenten series has been nothing short of transformative, and you've asked for more! We're diving deeper into the next five powerful episodes that will challenge, empower, and deepen your relationship with Christ. **What's coming up** — 5 Wednesday Evenings, Starts April 23 and ends right before Memorial Day

- ◆ April 23 Discover how Jesus, the Bread of Life, fills our deepest longings.
- ♦ April 30 Experience Jesus' personal, empowering call to you by name.
- ♦ May 7 Learn how Jesus has already won the victory over evil—and how we can claim it.
- ♦ May 14 Wrestle with the hard teachings of Jesus and grow in freedom and obedience.
- ♦ May 21 Explore God's relentless love for you and how we can share that love with the world.

Come develop a deeper relationship with Christ with a friendly community walking this journey together!

It's not too late to join us-whether you've been with us all along or are jumping in now!

Scan the QR code or email Christian to let us know you can make it!



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Second Friday of the Month August - June

Empress Room

Join us for fun, fellowship, including guest speakers, Bingo and entertainment.

For more information contact John Waldspurger - 610-279-1595

or June Lentz - 215-822-6751

#### PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

The Prayer Shawl Ministry invites all who love to knit/ crochet to offer their time and special talent by making blankets for our newly baptized and for the families of our departed.

Join us on Monday's from 12:30 PM till 2:30 PM in the Convent OR Knitting/Crocheting can be done at home.

For more information about this Ministry please contact Suzanne Staffieri at 610-279-0948.

#### **RESPECT LIFE CORNER**

**Good Friday Stations of the Cross Prayers for** The Crucified Innocence at the Modern Day Calvary

Join us on April 18 11AM – Noon Norristown Planned Parenthood 1221 Powell Street

<u>New Meaning to the Cross</u> The vertical beam – a channel of God's will for you

The horizontal beam – your embrace of God's will

Every cross – a test in 1 or more virtues & is a call to come into Jesus' Divine Union

### THE SHEPHERD IS LOOKING FOR LOST SHEEP

Please help identify people who once attended St. Helena or St. Titus Parish and have not been here for months or years. The parish would like to reach out and invite our people home. Thank you for your help. Simply fill this out and drop it in the collection basket.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # (& or) Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

### St. Helena Men's Group

Please consider joining the St. Helena Men's Group. We are open to all men of the parish. We gather every Saturday morning between 7:00 and 8:00 AM in the convent. After the opening prayer, we read and reflect upon that Sunday's readings and consider their meaning and application to our lives. As men searching for stronger faith, we encourage each other and often speak about subjects that should be important to Catholic men in today's world: Do I look for opportunities in my daily life or at work when I could help lead someone to Christ? How can I pray better and lead my family in prayer? What can I focus upon in the coming days or weeks that will help bring me and those around me closer to God? In essence, the men's group is an opportunity to spend some time with other Catholic men, refocus each week on what is truly important, and support each other through the trials and challenges that we all face. Please consider joining us on any Saturday morning, as we never take a week off!

Contact Joe Bushner at <u>bushners@comcast.net</u> for more information

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A Jubilee Year of Hope **2025** 



2025 is the Jubilee Holy Year, the 2,025th anniversary of the Incarnation of our Lord, an "event of great spiritual, ecclesial, and social significance in the life of the Church." The concept of "Jubilee" has its origins in the Book of Leviticus (chapter 25) as a special year of reconciliation, pilgrimage, and coming home. Pope Francis has designated the 2025 Holy Year as a time to renew ourselves as "Pilgrims of Hope."

#### **The Jubilee Prayer**

Father in heaven, may the *faith* you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of *charity* enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed *hope* for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel. May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally.

> May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, *Pilgrims of Hope*, a yearning for the treasures of heaven. May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth. To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever. Amen.



### WEDNESDAY ROSARY GROUP

WEDNESDAYS, 11:30 AM

in the St. Theresa Chapel.

New meditations are offered

each week for contemplation. All ages welcome. Bring your children, family and friends. Praying the rosary will change your life, your heart and our world.

#### HELP US KEEP ST. HELENA'S BEAUTIFUL BY ADOPTING A GARDEN!

The Garden Club maintains various flower beds on the Church campus grounds. We are asking for your help in keeping our gardens looking beautiful. Maybe a family or a Church ministry group could adopt one of the gardens to upkeep

during the spring, summer, and fall months. We are asking that the gardens are weeded weekly or as needed. If area is dry when you are weeding, please water. The areas in red are already adopted. Please start as soon as possible. Initial weeding and mulching was done which should make it much easier to keep up.

- Right Side of Church including area near steps: George Gillin
- Front of Empress Room George Gillin
- Blessed Mother Statue
- Two Large Plots leading up to the Church
- Wayside Garden near Stations
- St. Joseph Statue Mike Pelone
- Sacred Heart Statue Mike Pelone
- Pond in Front of Rectory
- Four Urns at Social & Rec Center Ann Kerns
- Father Higgins Grave \* Karen DeLeonard
- Eight Urns at Church, 2 Urns at Chapel
- Ten Urns on Lower and Upper Sides of School
- Hedges in Front of Rectory
- Stations of the Cross Sue Haberin
- Rosary Garden
- Left Side of Church including Divine Mercy Hydrangea Garden
- Left Side of Church from Divine Mercy Corner to Transformer
- Behind the Grotto Altar
- St. Francis Garden
- St. Theresa Statue and Plot Behind Statue
- St. Helena Statue and Plot Behind Statue
- Garden on side of Chapel
- Calvary Garden Marie Guilardi
- Row of Holly Bushes between Church and Chapel
- Light Posts and Mailbox in Front of Rectory
- Garden by Transformer across from Stations of the Cross – Joseph Ruskiewicz
- Island in front of Empress Room Joseph Ruskiewicz
- Right Side of Convent Meeting Rooms High School Youth Group
- Azalea Garden and Fence on Top of Grotto
- Front of Meeting Center (Convent)
- Front and Side of Bell Tower
- School Front of Library
- School Front Left Side

- School Front Right Side
- Islands in School Parking Lot
- Front of Rectory
- Front and Side of Information Center
- Six Angels going in and coming out of Campus
- Rhododendron Garden by School Kindergarten
- Berm (Would need several people)
- Grotto (Would need several people)
- Entrance side of Pre-K and Pre-K Gardens

If you can help, please call Theresa Smith at 215-646-7636 or email at theresacsmith@verizon.net.



### **PRE-CANA CLASSES**

The Archdiocese of Philadelphia requires that all couples attend a Pre-Cana class before marriage. To register go to the Archdioces-

es website: <u>Archphila.org</u>, under Marriage preparations to take the class on line.

#### **Requirements for Sponsorship**

The Code of Canon Law specifies the requirements for serving as a godparent or sponsor. Canon Law (Church Law) references are Canons 851.2, and 872-874. Godparents and sponsors must meet all of the following requirements, so please review them carefully before choosing godparents and sponsors.

#### The requirements to be a godparent/sponsor:

Must be someone other than the parent of the one to be baptized.

Must have received the Sacraments of Baptism, Holy Eucharist, and Confirmation.

Must be at least 16 years of age.

If there will be two Godparents (for Baptism), one must be male and one must be female.

A Godparent/sponsor must be leading a life in harmony with the faith and the role to be undertaken; therefore, if married, must be married in the Church. If single, must be striving to live a chaste life and cannot be living with a person outside of marriage.

Must be a practicing Catholic, registered in a parish, who regularly attends Mass on Sundays and Holy Days and receives the Holy Eucharist. Registration in their local parish is encouraged so that they may participate fully in the life of the Church through their parish.

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## Are you going food shopping? Fill a few bags for the food pantry!



### **CHILDREN'S TITHE**

The Children of St. Helena are taught how to Tithe by bringing a non perishable item to Mass each week. During the Mass they are asked to come

forward with their gifts and place them in the baskets that are on the Altar steps. These non perishable items are then given to the Patrician Society, a local food bank.

Thank you for helping to feed the least of our brothers.

### **CareNotes & Lighthouse Kiosk**



The two Kiosk located in the Narthex contain CD's, Pamphlets, Prayer Cards, Books, and Rosary Beads.

We have two different programs, the CareNotes, a ministry of St. Meinrad Archabbey, are booklets written to provide uplifting guidance to those who are hurting. They are free to the public, however if you would like to make an

offering please contact the Parish Office.

The Lighthouse program is through the Augustine Institute. These are available at a low cost that is printed on the Kiosk.

#### BEQUESTS

#### The following people have prayerfully made bequests in their Wills to Saint Helena Church. Please remember them in prayer as well.

Kathleen Schoemaker, Margaret Donahue, Lorraine Gigliello, Margaret (Peg) Tannenbaum, John H. Quillinan, III, David R. Bright, Mary Ann Christ, Elizabeth Foster, Marie Sommers, Martin J. Payton, Jr., Wanda James, & Angela M. Holbrook

#### WE REMEMBER

and we gratefully acknowledge the following families who so thoughtfully asked that donations in memory of their loved one be sent to Saint Helena Church.

We ask that you please keep them in your prayers: Kathleen & James Fenerty, Louis R. DiMaria,

Jim Dougherty, Elsie McDermott, Rita Sciarra, Maria C. Salvitti, Dorothy Barry, John "Jack" Keidel, Edward Wykstra, Daniel Bagley, Frank Groarke, & Connie Swan.

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#### MEMORIALS AVAILABLE AT ST. HELENA

#### ANNOUNCED & UN-ANNOUNCED MASSES

Are available (\$20) in the Parish Office during business hours. We have Mass cards available for the Sick, Living & Deceased.

#### SAINT THERESA GUILD

Saint Helena Parish started a *Saint Theresa Guild* many years ago. We dedicate our Saturday 9 AM Mass to the living and deceased members of this Guild. The names of the members are in a book that is present at the Mass. To have the name of a friend or loved one entered into *Saint Theresa Guild* come to the rectory office during business hours. A donation of \$25 is requested.

#### CANDLES

*Candles in the Church and Chapel* can be purchased (\$20 each) in Honor or in Memory of a loved one. The candle will burn for a week, beginning Saturday's Vigil Mass till the following Saturday.

#### Candles are available in the Church at:

The Sanctuary Candle

The Blessed Mother Altar, up to 4 candles may be lit The St. Joseph Altar, up to 4 candles may be lit The Sacred Heart Statue on the Altar in the Narthex, up to 4 candles may be lit

Candles are available in the Chapel at:

The Sanctuary Candle

The Altar, up to 4 candles may be lit on the Altar

#### BREAD & WINE

The Bread & Wine can be purchased for a week (\$30) in Honor or in Memory of a loved one.

All Memorials can be purchased in the Parish Office during business hours.

#### **SANCTUARY FLOWERS**

If you are interested in having fresh flowers placed on the Altar in either the Church or the Chapel, please call **THERESA SMITH** at 215-646-7636 to learn about details and availability.

#### Would you like to remember Saint Helena in your will?

Ask your attorney to include such words as these in your will: "I give, devise, or bequeath to Saint Helena Church, 1489 DeKalb Pike, Blue Bell, PA 19422, for its general purposes all, (or state a fraction or percentage) of the rest, residue, and remainder of my estate, whether real or personal." OR "I give to Saint Helena Church, 1489 DeKalb Pike, Blue Bell, PA 19422 <u>\$X..00</u> to be used for the general purposes of Saint Helena Parish."

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# Palm Sunday Word Search

Mount Of Olives

Palm Leaves

Bethphage

Disciples

Jerusalem

Nazareth

Prophet

Blessed

Blessed																								
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