

June 15, 2025



When he comes, the Spirit
of truth, he will guide you
to all truth.

John 16:13

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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 Claude Granese

Deacon A. Kenneth Belanger, Retired

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

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: Miss Denise Britt

School Secretary: Mrs. Megan Tronoski

School Nurse: 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: 9:00 AM Chapel

Saturday: 4:00 PM Vigil Mass

Sunday: 7:30 AM, 9:00 AM, & 11:00 AM

Holy Days: Vigil: 7:00 PM,

Holy Day: 9:00 AM, & 12:15 PM

ST. TITUS MASS SCHEDULE

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday: 8:00 AM

Saturday Vigil Mass: 4:30 PM

Sunday: 10:00 AM

Holy 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 Archphila.org, 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., June 14

9:00 AM - St. Helena Chapel
† Living & Deceased Members of the
St. Theresa Guild
4:00 PM - St. Helena Church
† Joseph Getzfread
Req. by his Family
4:30 PM - St. Titus
† Anthony Cianciulli
Req. by the Timinski Family

Sun., June 15 - The Most Holy Trinity

7:30 AM - St. Helena Church
† For the People of the Parish
9:00 AM - St. Helena Church
† Raymond D'Orazio
Req. by his Family
10:00 AM - St. Titus
† Rita Granese
Req. by Claude & Nancy Granese
11:00 AM - St. Helena Church
† Daniel Hilferty
Req. by the Hilferty Family

Mon., June 16

8:00 AM - St. Titus
† David Vagnoni
Req. by Mark & Rosemary Dillon
9:00 AM - St. Helena Chapel
† Elizabeth Stoebenau
Req. by Patty Pezick

Tues., June 17

8:00 AM - St. Titus
† Rosemary Giovinco
Req. by the Giovinco Family
9:00 AM - St. Helena Chapel
† Laura Koza
Req. by Walt & Irene Stolarczyk

Wed., June 18

9:00 AM - St. Helena Chapel
† John Duff
Req. by Dorothy Quinn

Thur., June 19 - St. Romuald

8:00 AM - St. Titus
† Living & Deceased Parishioners of St. Titus
9:00 AM - St. Helena Chapel
† Helen & Joseph Winkowski
Req. by their Daughter-in-law, Joan

PARTNER PARISH MASS INTENTIONS

Fri., June 20

8:00 AM - St. Titus
† David Vagnoni
Req. by Phyllis DeColli
9:00 AM - St. Helena Chapel
† Barbara Cawley
Req. by Denise Britt

Sat., June 21 - St. Aloysius

9:00 AM - St. Helena Chapel
† Living & Deceased Members of the
St. Theresa Guild
4:00 PM - St. Helena Church
† Robert "Bob" Elias - 1st Anniversary
Req. by the Schmidt Family
4:30 PM - St. Titus
† The Giovinco Family
Req. by John & Mary Czapla

Prayer for the Sick



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, Kristen Gilia, Al Slusarz, Bruce Shepherd, Marsha Tinti, Jong Soo Sohn, Carletta Sohn, Kevin Hogan, Charlotte Yacovelli, William Yacovelli, Sarah Jammer, Sr. Fran Reinhardt O.S.F., Richard Kellerman, Danny Matoney, Nicolette Theisen, Nancy Matozzo, Anthony Grasso, Thomas Grasso, Kaye Grasso, Serli Pucci, Kieran Daly, Sr., David Gensert, Liz Flynn.

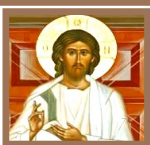


PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY

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, LTJG John W Bushner, CPT Christopher Rongione



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

ALL OUR BELOVED DECEASED

FERNANDO "FRED" SONSINI

GERALD SCALLEY, LUCIENNE McANALLY

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

THANK YOU FOR YOUR TITHE!

A tithe is a portion (10%) of your income given to your church. (The word tithe literally means tenth in Hebrew.) Because the custom of tithing is biblical, many Christians and Jews practice it as part of their faith.

How to set up for Electronic Giving:

In just a few minutes, you can greatly enhance your personal stewardship efforts by logging on to ParishGiving.org and begin making your weekly offering through Parish Giving.



We no longer send envelopes to the parishioners who give electronically.

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

JUNE 21 & JUNE 22

CELEBRANTS & DEACONS

Saturday, June 21

4:00 PM St. Helena Fr. Joe (Deacon Claude)

4:30 PM St. Titus Fr. Sam

Sunday, June 22

7:30 AM St. Helena Fr. Redcay

9:00 AM St. Helena Msgr. Beach

10:00 AM St. Titus Fr. Sam (Deacon Claude)

11:00 AM St. Helena Fr. Joe



Bread & Wine

The Bread & Wine this week is offered in memory of
Edward Garbacz & John Smith
Requested by Theresa & Jim Smith.

PARISH EVENTS FOR THIS WEEK

SUNDAY, JUNE 15 - HAPPY FATHER'S DAY

- Masses: 7:30, 9:00, 11:00 AM - Church
- Father's Day Blessing: At All Masses

MONDAY, JUNE 16

- Daily Mass: 9:00 AM - Chapel
- Prayer Shawl Ministry: 12:30 PM - Lady of Fatima

TUESDAY, JUNE 17

- Daily Mass: 9:00 AM - Chapel
- Adult Basketball: 5:30 PM - Rec. Center
- Bereavement Team Mtg.: 7:00 PM - St. Joseph
- 3 on 3 Basketball: 7:30 PM - Rec. Center

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 18

- Daily Mass: 9:00 AM - Chapel

THURSDAY, JUNE 19

- Daily Mass: 9:00 AM - Chapel

FRIDAY, JUNE 20

- Daily Mass: 9:00 AM - Chapel

SATURDAY, JUNE 21

- Daily Mass: 9:00 AM - Chapel
- Men's Fellowship Group: 7:00 AM - Convent
- Vigil Mass: 4:00 PM - Church

SUNDAY, JUNE 22

- Masses: 7:30, 9:00, 11:00 AM - Church
- Corpus Christi Procession: 12:00 PM - Church



NEW ASSIGNMENTS

LET'S GIVE A WARM
WELCOME TO
BRANDON SCHMIDT

Hi! My name is Brandon Schmidt I am very excited to be assigned to Saint Helena and Saint Titus this year. My home parish is Assumption B.V.M. in Feasterville. I attended Archbishop Wood High School and following graduation entered Saint Charles Borromeo Seminary. I just finished my seventh year at the seminary, with two more to go before Ordination (God willing!). My hobbies include watching the Philly sports (especially overreacting to a Phillies bullpen loss), running, and spending time with family and friends. I look forward to meeting you all!



WELCOME BACK NIRVOY DIBRA

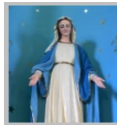
Nirvoy is a seminarian for the Diocese of Mymensingh in Bangladesh. He is studying for the priesthood at St. Charles Borromeo Seminary.

Let us hold them in prayer as they minister among us. Please warmly welcome Brandon and Nirvoy to St. Helena.

MEMORIALS FOR THIS WEEK



The Sanctuary Candle in the Church burns in memory of
WILLIAM MCGARVEY
Req. by Danielle & Anthony



The Sanctuary Candle in the Chapel burns in honor of
OUR 2025 GRADUATES
Req. by St. Helena Parish Families

A Candle burns at the Blessed Virgin Mary
In memory of
DEBBIE WALSH
Requested by Danielle & Anthony



A Candle burns at the Blessed Virgin Mary
In memory of
DOROTHY KELLY
Requested by Danielle & Anthony



A Candle burns at the Blessed Virgin Mary
In memory of
JOSEPH ARMELI
Requested by his wife, Phyllis



A Candle burns at the Blessed Virgin Mary
In memory of
ROBERT MITCHELL
Requested by Danielle & Anthony



A Candle burns at St. Joseph
in memory of
ANTHONY MAZZACANO
Requested by Danielle & Anthony



A Candle burns at St. Joseph
in memory of
GEORGE KELLY
Requested by Danielle & Anthony



A Candle burns at St. Joseph
in memory of
JOSEPH ARMELI
Requested by his wife, Phyllis




A Candle burns at St. Joseph
in memory of
FRANK MALLOY
Requested by the Oberlies Family




A Candle burns at the Sacred Heart Altar
in memory of
ERNEST A. ROTONDO
Requested by the Oberlies Family

Saint Helena
CCD
(CONTINUING CATHOLIC DEVELOPMENT)



**Registration for 2025-2026
Levels 1-8 is NOW open**

New Level 8: Faith in Action!
(This level is optional for children who would like to continue learning and growing in Faith. It is oriented in service and on hands mission work)



Please sign-up using the QR-CODE above

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Summer Reading



Treat yourself to a good book this summer.
Enrich your faith!
Visit the Catholic lending library located in the Information Room next to the Narthex in the church. New additions added weekly.

PREP is now CCD
(Continuing Catholic Development)



**CATECHISTS,
SUBSTITUTES,
MASS AIDES & STAFF
Needed
for
2025-2026**

If interested please contact
PREP@Sainthelenachurch.org or use the
QR-CODE below

Sundays 9:30AM-10:45AM .
Masses 11:00AM-12:00PM

"The primary goal in the education of children is to teach, and to give the example of, a virtuous life."
Saint John Chrysostom



"A Simple Farewell"

Dear Beloved Parishioners,

I hope this message finds you well and filled with the peace of Christ.

Today, as we celebrate Father's Day and Holy Trinity Sunday. A day honoring the gift of fatherhood and the many men who lead, love, and serve their families with devotion. Thank you for the strength, compassion, and sacrifice you show your families and our faith community. Your example reminds me of the quiet strength of St. Joseph — faithful, humble, and obedient to God's will.

During this weekend, I find myself reflecting deeply on the nature of spiritual fatherhood, and the journey God calls each of us to take. With that in mind, I write to share some personal news. After much prayer and reflection, I will begin a sabbatical — a time of rest, renewal, and spiritual reflection starting on June 16. My decision comes after much prayer and discernment throughout this past year, with the full support of Archbishop Perez and the Archdiocese.

A sabbatical is a long-standing tradition in the Church, allowing clergy to step away from the daily responsibilities of parish life, to be refreshed in spirit, and to listen more closely to the voice of God. This is not a time of disengagement from faith, but rather a time to deepen it and allow Christ to continue to walk with me on my journey.

I know this announcement comes with emotion for you and for me. We have walked together through the joys, sorrows, challenges, and graces. You have entrusted me with your stories, your faith, and your lives. For that, I am eternally grateful. Please know that I carry each of you in my heart as I begin this sabbatical. This will be my final weekend at both parishes of Saint Helena and Saint Titus. While I will be away from the day-to-day life of the parish, please know that my love and prayers remain with you always.

Serving both parish communities and all my past assignments has been a true blessing, and I am deeply grateful for the many ways you have supported, prayed and journeyed with me.

Thank you for your support, understanding and love. May God bless you and keep you. Please pray for me as I will for you.

With gratitude and love in Christ,

- Fr. Kyle Adamczyk

Special Request--From our pastor Fr. Joe.

As I approached the second anniversary as the Pastor of St. Helena Parish, I have begun the work of creating and installing a new Pastoral Council. An effective Pastoral Council represents all the various constituents of our community. With open discussion and prayer, the Council develops a pastoral plan addressing the current needs of our Faith Community, but more importantly, helps to set a plan of action for the future.

If you are interested in offering your time and talents to serve the parish as a member of the Pastoral Council or if you have any questions, suggestions or recommendations, please send an email to

*[Pastoralcouncil@
sainthelenachurch.org](mailto:Pastoralcouncil@sainthelenachurch.org)*



ANNUAL MANNA BAG COLLECTION

This year we are changing our Manna Collection a little. Manna Bags will be in the Narthex June 14 through July 12, we ask that you take one, fill your bags and kindly return it to the Information Room in the Church, no later than Sunday, July 20.

Canned food items in greatest need are: **Bagged White Rice, Black Beans, Kidney Beans, Canned Corn, Diced Tomatoes, Spaghetti Sauce, Cereal, Cereal Bars, Oat Meal Packets, Canned Meats, ie. Tuna, Chicken, Spam.**

If you are not able to bring a filled bag, feel free to donate to Martha's Choice Marketplace at:
www.marthaschoicemarketplace.com/ways-to-support

We "Thank You" for your continued support in helping our neighbors in need.

Manna Prayer

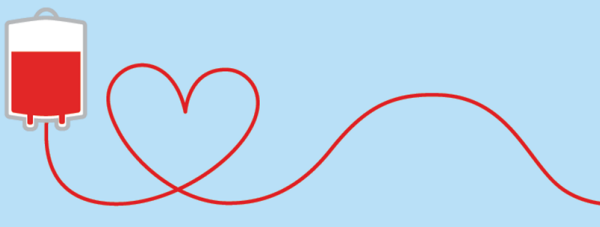
Jesus, many times throughout Your life
You fed hungry people and
You called others to help.

You called the young child with the
Loaves and fishes to share his gifts.
You call each one of us today.

Open our eyes to see the needs of others.
Open our ears to hear your call to share.
Open our hearts to welcome all
People to the table of love.
Amen.



Help save lives. Give blood.



Charitable Service and Fraternity

Join the Knights for free www.kofc.org

Grand Knight, Ted Pantaleo tpantal@msn.com

Save a Life: Red Cross Blood Drive - June 28

Make an online appointment at
redcrossdblood.org to donate blood on
Saturday, June 28 from 9 am to 2 pm
at St Helena School cafeteria.

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
- ◇ Creative **Crafts** to take home
- ◇ Exciting **Games** to get moving
- ◇ Uplifting **Music** to sing & dance
- ◇ Delicious **Snacks** to fuel the fun

When? August 4th to 8th, 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!

Registration is closing in one month on July 5. Please sign up today!

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



Saint Helena Young Adult Group

NEW TO THE AREA? BACK HOME AFTER COLLEGE? LOOKING FOR A CATHOLIC COMMUNITY?

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 be part of our Christ-centered community!

Email Christian to join our *GroupMe* for updates on our meetings and events.

cthompson@sainthelenachurch.org

Our summer schedule is...

Seven Mondays, starting June 23 — Young women's book club of "Sincerely, Stoneheart"

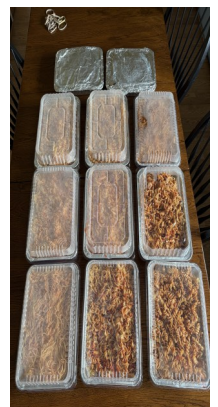
Saturday, June 28 — Outdoor rosary walk

Thursday July 10 & 17 — Bible Study of the Book of Jonah: What are you running from?

Thursday, July 24 — BBQ and social outing

Thursday, July 31 — Service Project: "Bundles of Joy" kits for crisis pregnancy centers

Thursday, August 7 — Who is Jesus? Part 1: The Teacher



St. Helena School Graduation June, 2025

The following Eighth Grade students have successfully completed the course of study prescribed by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, the Archdiocese of Philadelphia and St. Helena School and are hereby awarded diplomas:

Alessia Antonelli
Devin Barkmeyer
Charles Barr
Ryan Bear
Lauren Buckley



William Byrne
Jaelynn Calixte
Kieran Collins
John Conte
Brigid Dion



Tyler Doran
Daniela D'Orazio
Hailey Erfle
Courtney Falcone
Abigail Farrell



Michaela Fay
Michael Findley
Vincenzo Gallo
Ryan Hillsley
Grace Humay



Michael Inforzato
Cooper Kovatch
Zoe Lonergan
Stephen Masucci
John McGinn



Jason McIlvaine
Sophia McMaster
Addison McNiven
James Meisler
Anne Morano



Leah Naldzin
Nolan Pantaleo
Lara Powzaniuk
Cain Radomicki
Ella Rakow



Piper Richardson
Ian Robertson
Jianluca Romano
Aidan Rose
Kylie Ruiz



Logan Rush
Madeline Santana
Aubrey Short
Riley Spigelmeyer
Antonio Stivaletti



Andrew Tedesco
Hayden Vargas
John Viscanti
Kyle Whelan
Dylan Zapalac



Charitable Service and Fraternity
Join the Knights for free www.kofc.org
Grand Knight, Ted Pantaleo
tpantal@msn.com

Thank You For Enjoying this Year's Parish Picnic !

Family, Food, and So Much Fun for All.
Bounce House, Whiffle Ball and Bubbles too!



ROBOTICS

I'm absolutely thrilled to share some incredibly exciting news about our amazing SHS Robotics SeaPerch team! This past weekend, our students competed in the International SeaPerch Challenge, and we could not be prouder of their outstanding performance.

Our team took on a brand new challenge this year by competing in the Open Class, which is truly the "best of the best" in the robotics world. What makes their achievement even more remarkable is that they were competing against mostly high school teams!

The SHS Tiger Sharks finished 18th in the



obstacle course, 10th in the mission course, and 13th in the technical design report. This all added up to an astonishing 13th place overall in the World! Out of over 14,000 teams globally, only 181 made it to the International Challenge, and our students were among the top contenders in their class, even beating out 22 high school teams! This is a truly amazing feat! Our students learned so much this year, gaining valuable skills like soldering, coding, hydrodynamic design, wiring motors, and so much more. Beyond the technical skills, they also learned invaluable life lessons in teamwork, resilience, problem-solving, and the importance of a backup plan. These are skills that will undoubtedly serve them well for years to come.

Please join me in congratulating our phenomenal SHS Robotics SeaPerch team on their incredible dedication and success. We are so proud of each and every one of them!

The team includes: Zoe Lonergan, Michael Inforzato, Tommy Mann., Roman Capparella., Andrew Durski, Bianca Sheldon, Crosley Richardson, Parker Ford, Brooklynn Bear, Alex Teetie, Alyssa Tedesco, and Noell Garvey

Many thanks to our SeaPerch coaches for dedicating their time to our SeaPerch team this year! - Mr. Greg Mann, Mr. Paul Laub, and Mrs. Kristin Ford.

Congratulations to all!

Sean Lonergan





WEDNESDAY ROSARY GROUP

The *Wednesday Rosary Group* will meet at 11:30 AM in Our Lady of Lourdes Grotto, down behind the church (in the chapel if it rains). Follow the red stone path next to the chapel down to the grotto or drive around past the Empress Room to walk the back level path. There are cement benches or you can bring a cushion or a lawn chair. New meditations each week. Children are welcome. Bring family and friends. Praying the rosary will change your life!

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 bushners@comcast.net for more information



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.

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

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.



RETROUVAILLE: REDISCOVER THE LOVE IN YOUR MARRIAGE

Tens of thousands of couples have healed their marriages through Retrouvaille (pronounced Retro-vy). If you know anyone who could benefit from this program, please pass this on. Couples learn to build communication skills and to increase intimacy. It provides help for marriage problems, difficulties or crises. The next program will be held August 1 - 3, 2025 at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA. For more information, or to register, visit www.HelpOurMarriage.org or call 215-766-3944 or 800-470-2230. All inquiries are strictly confidential.



PRE-CANA CLASSES

The Archdiocese of Philadelphia requires that all couples attend a Pre-Caná class before marriage. To register go to the Archdioceses website: Archphila.org, under Marriage preparations to take the class on line.

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.



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.

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

THE SHEPHERD IS LOOKING FOR LOST SHEEP



Please help identify people who once attended Saint Helena or Saint 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: _____

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.

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 \$X,000 to be used for the general purposes of Saint Helena Parish."

Pope Leo knew as a child that he wanted to be a priest when he grew up. He would use his mother's ironing board and pretend it was an altar.

What do you want to be when you grow up?



CAN YOU DRAW A PICTURE TO SHOW
POPE LEO WHAT YOU HOPE FOR?