



SAINT HELENA CHURCH

1489 DeKalb Pike, Blue Bell, PA 19422
610-275-7711 (Phone) 610-879-3701 (Fax)

August 13, 2023
The Assumption of Mary



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: Parochial Admin. of St. Helena & St. Titus

Rev. Edward C. Kelly & Rev. Kyle M. Adamczyk:

Parochial Vicars, St. Helena & St. Titus

Msgr. Joseph J. Nicolo: Pastor Emeritus

Deacon A. Kenneth Belanger

Deacon Claude Granese: St. Titus & St. Helena

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 Gina 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. Rene Ryan

School Nurse: Mrs. April Maxwell

PREP:

Phone: 610-277-3573

Dir. of Religious Education: Mrs. Madeleine Fitzgerald

DIR. of PARISH SERVICES: Mr. Christian Thompson

Phone: 610-930-0349

FACILITIES MANAGER: Mr. Vince Thompson

Phone: 610-322-5749

FACILITIES DIRECTOR: Mr. Bob Geiger

Phone: 610-724-7475

PARISH MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday 4:00 PM Vigil Mass

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

Weekdays: Mon - Sat 9:00 Holy Day Vigil: 7:00 PM

Holy Days: 9:00 AM, & 12:15 PM (NO 7:00 AM)

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

CHAPEL HOURS:

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

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

Baptisms are celebrated the 2nd and 4th Sunday of each month *after* the 11:00 AM Mass. Please stop by the Parish Office for information on scheduling Baptism for your child. Pre-Jordan classes are 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 class. Letters of eligibility are due at the Parish Office *before* a date can be confirmed for Baptism.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:

Arrangements must be made with a priest 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.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION/ CONFESSION:

Saturdays at 3:00 PM in the Church or contact the Parish Office **to make an appointment.**

St. Titus Confessions: 3:30 to 4:00 PM.

MEMORIALS:

Mass Cards, Candles, Bread & Wine...in honor of the living or in memory of the deceased. If you would like to have a spiritual memorial offered in memory or in honor of a loved one, please contact the Parish Office.

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.



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

- Mon., Aug. 14** 9:00 AM - **St. Maximillian Kolbe**
IMO - JAMES DOUGHERTY
 Req. by Michaelleen Dougherty
- Tue., Aug. 15** 9:00 AM & 12:15 PM
The Assumption of the Blessed
Virgin Mary - Holy Day of Obligation
- Wed., Aug. 16** 9:00 AM - **St. Stephen**
IMO - LISA V. KELLY
 Requested by Rene & Kemper Ryan
- Thu., Aug. 17** 9:00 AM
IMO - JOHN BANICKI
 Requested by the Rectory Office Staff
- Fri., Aug. 18** 9:00 AM
IMO - JAMES P. ROONEY
 Requested by the Rooney Family
- Sat., Aug. 19** 9:00 AM - **St. John Eudes**
 The living and deceased members
 of the Saint Theresa Guild

MEMORIALS FOR THIS WEEK



The Sanctuary Candle in the Church
 burns in memory of

JAMES DOUGHERTY

Requested by Michaelleen Dougherty

The Sanctuary Candle in the Chapel
 burns in memory of

JAMES DOUGHERTY

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A Candle can be purchased (\$20) to burn for the week of, in honor or in memory of a loved one. They will be lit on Saturday through the following Saturday. We have candles in the Church at the Sanctuary, Blessed Mother Statue, St. Joseph Statue and in the Narthex at the Sacred Heart Statue. In the Chapel, we have the Sanctuary and on the Altar. They can be purchased in the Parish Office during business hours.



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

ALL OUR BELOVED DECEASED, INCLUDING

REVEREND GREGORY J. HICKEY

Jim Cowley

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



PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY

*Please pray for all our military
 personnel especially:*

POI ELIZABETH FENERTY, CPT KEVIN MAGUIRE,
 SFC JAMES KILGORE, TSGT JAMES LAPORTE,
 SGT JOHN Z. MATEJA, LT NICHOLAS HUMES,
 CPL ANTHONY J. CICCARONE, LTJG BRENDAN J. KOCH,
 CPT EMILY M. LORENZO-WOMACK,
 CPT JONATHAN R. WOMACK, SSGT JOSEPH P. LORENZO,
 LT CHRISTINA TAORMINA-LAPORTE,
 LTJG ANDREW J. SCHUTTA,
 COL ELIZABETHANNE CAIN, ENS. REBECCA MCCOOL,
 1LT CHRISTOPHER RONGIONE &
 ENS JOHN W. BUSHNER.

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.

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, Marie Marrongelli, Ed Mitchell, Sr.,
 Linda Basile, Peter J. Cissone, Jr., Dave Colman,
 Teri Smyth, Juan Barba, Suzetta Eason,
 Elizabeth Foster, John Nowak, Mike Piskai, Jr.,
 Steve Rosa, Nicolette Theisen, Anthony Duca,
 MaryAnn Tinti, Eleanor Martin, Connie McAluney,
 Linda Glasgow, Aaron Furman, Jim Smith,
 Charla Eisele, Rosanna Slobodian, Norma Connolly,
 Lorraine Perri, James Humes, Marie Valerio,
 Rosie Munro, Stella Montoya, Karen Meenan,
 Kevin Sullivan, Kieran Daly, Janet Jackson,
 Laurie Obitz, Heather Flaherty, Elizabeth Kincaid &
 Maxine Blystone.

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

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES WEEKEND OF AUGUST 19 & 20

CELEBRANTS & DEACONS

Saturday, August 19

4:00 PM Fr. Bongard

Sunday, August 20

7:30 AM Fr. Redcay

9:00 AM Fr. Kelly

11:00 AM Fr. Bongard (Deacon Claude)

Lectors

Saturday, August 19

4:00 PM A. Ilano, T. Pantaleo

Sunday, August 20

7:30 AM K. McGowan, J. Bond

9:00 AM T. Yezzi, MJ Mrazik

11:00 AM P. Lorenzo

Ministers of Holy Communion

Saturday, August 19

4:00 PM M. Baxter, D. DeBrakeleer, M. Guckert,
R. Ryan, M. Valle

Sunday, August 20

7:30 AM J. Baker, M. Skeels

9:00 AM J. Dalhoff, S. Iannello, D. Matoney,
K. McWilliams, H. McWilliams

11:00 AM Deacon Claude, B. Mulhern, T. Reigle,
N. Tagliamonte, JE Valencia,
K. Wurtenberg

Altar Servers

Saturday, August 19

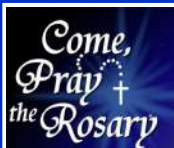
4:00 PM K. Falcone, C. Falcone, M. Koop, C. Traver

Sunday, August 20

7:30 AM M. Findley, J. Lising, L. Rodweller

9:00 AM G. Marino, S. Morrissey, J. Trainor

11:00 AM B. Byrne, P. Cherico, G. Cherico,
R. O'Donnell



Everyone is welcome to come pray the Rosary each Wednesday at 11:30 AM in the beautiful, shaded Our Lady of Lourdes Grotto, located behind the Church - follow the red stone path by the Chapel or drive to the Empress Room parking lot and follow the level asphalt path in the back. There are benches for seating or you may bring a lawn chair.

On rainy days - recitation will be in the Chapel.

Bring a friend, your intentions, and your rosary! Students and children are encouraged to join us every week.

PARISH EVENTS FOR THIS WEEK

SUNDAY, AUGUST 13

- Masses: 7:30, 9:00, 11:00 AM - Church
- Parish Picnic: 12:00 PM - Back School Parking Lot

MONDAY, AUGUST 14

- Daily Mass: 9:00 AM - Chapel
- WWP Training: 9:45 AM - Counting Room
- Vigil Mass: 7:00 PM - Church

TUESDAY, AUGUST 15 - ASSUMPTION OF MARY

- Holy Day Masses: 9:00 AM & 12:15 PM - Church

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 16

- Daily Mass: 9:00 AM - Chapel
- Uniform Exchange: 5:00 PM - Cafeteria
- New Parent Mtg.: 6:00 PM - Cafeteria

THURSDAY, AUGUST 17

- Daily Mass: 9:00 AM - Chapel

FRIDAY, AUGUST 18

- Daily Mass: 9:00 AM - Chapel

SATURDAY, AUGUST 19

- Daily Mass: 9:00 AM - Chapel
- Vigil Mass: 4:00 PM - Church

SUNDAY, AUGUST 20

- Mass: 7:30, 9:00, 11:00 AM - Church



This week the *Bread and Wine* for the celebration of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass are offered *in loving memory of*

JOSEPH GRAVINESE

requested by his wife, Diane

THANK YOU FOR YOUR TITHE!



Collection from the Week of
August 6, 2023

St. Helena Religious Education Program (PREP)

St. Helena offers Religious Education Classes to children who do not attend Catholic School. This program begins at first grade and runs through seventh Grade. Since some of our children do not start in their first year of school we refer to our classes as levels not grades.

Registration for our 2023-2024 School Year will be held on Tuesday, September 5 from 6 PM to 7 PM in the Education Center. Please bring a copy of the child's Baptismal Certificate, in order to complete the application for the PREP year. A \$200 tuition fee is required at the time of registration.

On Tuesday, September 12 from 6 PM to 7 PM, Level One will begin with an introduction to our Parish Religious Education Program (PREP).

Tuesday, September 19 is the official first day for PREP 2023-2024.

- Hours for Level 1 students are 6:00-7:00 PM.
- Hours for Levels 2-7 students are 6:00 to 7:30 PM.
- Tuition of \$200 per child is required on the first day for returning students.

Any child scheduled to receive Confirmation in 2024 must have completed the Pre-Confirmation instruction that was offered in Level 6.

Thank you and God bless our families.

Madeleine Fitzgerald

We are Hiring!

Saint Helena Church/School Staff Positions Needed

School Custodians (2 positions open)

40 hours guaranteed

Full-paid medical insurance offered

Vanguard retirement fund

Vacation time after first year employment

Position 1: Mon. – Fri. 7:00 AM till 3:30 PM

Position 2: Mon. – Fri. 1:00 PM till 9:00 PM

Responsibilities:

Setup and break down events

Outdoor lawn and landscaping care

General maintenance projects

Snow and ice removal

Other miscellaneous duties

Please contact either our Facilities Director: Bob Geiger at: bobg@sainthelenaschool.org or call 610-724-7475

OR the Facilities Manager: Vince Thompson at 610-322-5749 to inquire more about these positions.

RESPECT LIFE CORNER

SAVE THE DATE OCTOBER 16, 2023 and Join us for the HARRISBURG MARCH FOR LIFE

Corpus Christi Knights of Columbus and Respect Life Ministry are sponsoring a bus to **Harrisburg for the Pennsylvania March for life**. Please save the date and join us to let our Governor and Members of the General Assembly of the state of Pennsylvania know that we want to be a **PRO LIFE STATE**. Participation in this march is much easier that going to Washington, DC. The 52 passenger Perkiomen tour Bus will leave from the Corpus Christi side parking lot at 8:30 AM October 16, 2023.

The Dobbs v Jackson decision ended the Roe v Wade decision allowing abortions on demand but that does not end our fight. Now each state can enact their own laws. Abortions are still being performed throughout Pennsylvania. Some states are protecting preborn children while other states are allowing abortions even up to the moment of birth. We not only need to change laws but hearts.

Board the bus at 8 AM

Leave – 8:30 AM - October 16, 2023

Donation \$20.00

Bring a lunch and snacks

Arrive - about 10:30

Proceed to the steps of PA State Capitol for the March Rally

Speeches from 11:00 AM to Noon

March around the capitol building at Noon

Meet at the designated location given by the bus driver about 2 PM.

Arrive at Corpus Christi about 4:30 PM.

If you have questions call Ellie Hentschel 215-362-0160 In order to reserve a seat on the bus please send a **check made out to Corpus Christi Respect Life**. Drop off at the Parish Office from 9 AM to 5 PM **OR** Mail to:

Corpus Christi Respect Life Ministry

Attn: Eleanor Hentschel

900 Sumneytown Pike

Lansdale, PA 19446



RESULTS FROM CATHOLIC CHARITIES APPEAL 2022

Dear Friends in Christ,

The Catholic Charities Appeal ensures that our most needy and vulnerable brothers and sisters receive the material, emotional, and spiritual support they need.

The past year has been blessed by abundant generosity to the charitable works of our local Church. Your kindness has enabled us to make a tremendously positive impact on the lives of hundreds of thousands of individuals in the five-county region.

Despite the uncertain economic times, you came through for those in need. We are deeply grateful to our donors and are overjoyed to announce a total of \$11,405,136 was raised through the 2022 Catholic Charities Appeal to support our brothers and sisters most in need.

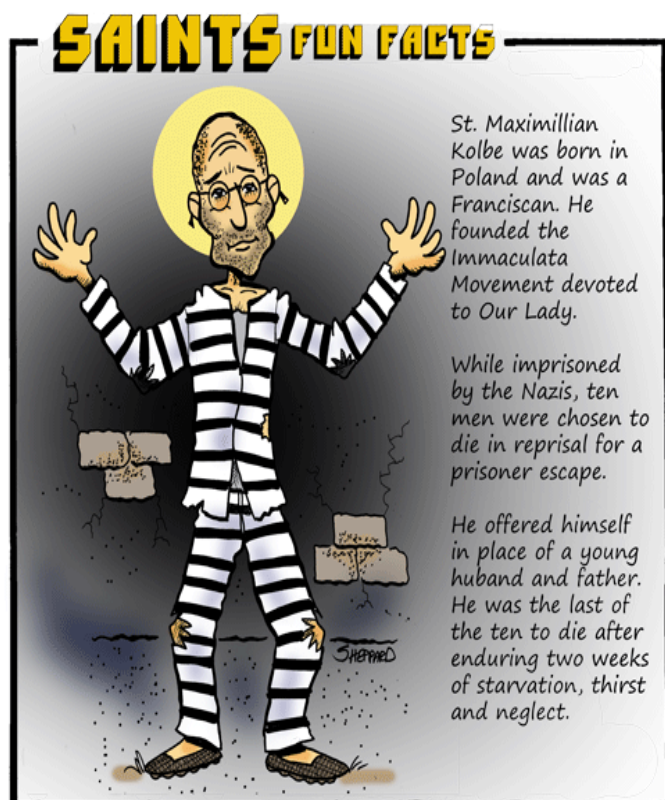
That support was extended to over 180 programs and ministries that reflect God's love through action. We invite you to read through our [2022 Annual Report](#) and learn more about the life-changing impact of your generosity.

For these gifts and for all you do, we offer our humble gratitude. May God Bless those and all whom you love.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Nelson J. Pérez, D.D.
Archbishop of Philadelphia

Mr. Ernest W. Russom III
President, Catholic Charities Appeal Board of Directors



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. Upcoming programs will be held August 18 - 20 and again October 6 - 8, 2023 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.

SAVE THE DATES!

6-Week Parish **Adult Faith Formation**
Begins Thursday, September 7th

Jesus—Priest, Prophet, King

*How well do you know Jesus?
The better we understand Jesus, the better we
understand ourselves. Come journey with us
through this series, led by Bishop Robert
Barron, to better understand Jesus,
become more familiar with Scripture, and
realize your own priestly, prophetic, and
kingly mission received at Baptism.*

Thursdays 7:00 – 8:00 P.M. in the Convent

September 7, 14, 21, 28 and October 5, 12

Each night includes: Prayer, Video &
Group Discussion, Light refreshments (coffee,
tea, cookies, brownies)

*More information and how to sign up will be
released soon!*



FEAST OF OUR LADY OF CZESTOCHOWA

The National Polish Apostolate Committee, together with Archbishop Thomas Wenski of Miami, Episcopal Liaison to Polish Apostolate, invites the faithful to the Feast of Our Lady of Czestochowa to the National Shrine in Doylestown, PA (654 Ferry Road) on Sunday, August 27th. This feast coincides with the 45th Anniversary of Karol Cardinal Wojtyla's election to the Sea of Saint Peter. The theme of Pilgrimage of Polonia this year is "Highlight and Support the Legacy of Saint John Paul II." His enormous spiritual and cultural legacy continues to fascinate the whole world.

This year's recipient of the "Pride of Polonia" award will be Fr. Krzysztof Wieliczko, OSPPE.

This event will commence with musical performances of children from Polish Saturday School at 11 AM. Followed by a solemn Mass at 12:30 PM celebrated by His Excellency Archbishop Thomas Wenski.



ST TITUS FLEA MARKET

SEPTEMBER 16, 2023, 8:00AM TO 1:00PM

ST TITUS CHURCH, 3006 KEENWOOD RD, NORRISTOWN

SECURE YOUR SPOT: 484-432-5871 DHOIS130@GMAIL.COM

*Vendors
Needed*

**\$30 per 8x18ft
space**
(you can bring 2 tables)

*Reserve
by 8/19*

Rain Date is Sep 23rd

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080a45a4ae2aa0f94-sttitus#/>



**KNIGHTS
OF COLUMBUS**
IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.

Vocations to the Priesthood



The Knights of Columbus sponsors the *Vocation Chalice Program* at St. Helena. The program encourages individuals or families to take the Chalice home for a week and pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood and religious life. The priest's chalice represents the chalice used by Jesus at the Last Supper and the communion between God and men. The need for priests has never been greater. You can help with your support and prayers. Join the Knights of Columbus in this mission to increase vocations to the religious life.

More details on the Vocations Chalice program can be found at the Knight of Columbus website:

www.shkofc.com



SAINT HELENA YOUTH GROUP 2023-2024

OPEN TO ALL TEENS
IN 8TH - 12TH GRADES

SUNDAY EVENINGS FROM
7 - 8:15 IN THE PARISH
CONVENT

Parents - to sign up for our communications and
to register your teen, please scan the QR code!



Our youth group provides a community where teens can
develop their relationship with God through prayer,
community service, and fun events.

Questions or comments? Contact -
Christian Thompson at 610 - 930 - 0349
cthompson@sainthelenachurch.org

September 17	Welcome and Kick-off Meeting - Convent
October 1	Meeting in convent - prayer, snacks, games
October 15	Corn maze, hayride, pumpkin patch - Merrymead Farms
November 5	Pizza dinner - Frank's Pizza
November 19	Service project - Homeless care packages
December 3	Meeting in convent - prayer, snacks, games
December 17	Christmas Party
January 7	Meeting in convent - prayer, snacks, games
January 21	Bowling - Our Time Alley
February 4	Service project - Letters to seminarians
February 18	Meeting in convent - prayer, snacks, games
March 10	Service project - Stuffing Easter eggs
March 17	Meeting in convent - prayer, snacks, games
April 7	Dinner at Panera
April 21	Meeting in convent - prayer, snacks, games
May 19	Pentecost Party - cake and end-of-year gifts



DAILY BIBLE VERSES FOR THE WEEK!

Sunday, August 13: Keep not thou silence, O God: hold not thy peace, and be not still, O God. (Psalm 83:1)

Monday, August 14: Know therefore, this day, and consider it in thine heart, that the Lord He is God in heaven above, and upon the earth beneath: there is none else. (Deuteronomy 4:39)

Tuesday, August 15: And these signs shall follow them that believe: in My name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues. (Mark 16:17)

Wednesday, August 16: And now, O Lord God, thou art that God, and thy words be true, and thou hast promised this goodness unto thy servant. (11 Samuel 7:28)

Thursday, August 17: If then God so clothe the grass, which is today in the field, and tomorrow is cast into the oven; how much more will He clothe you, O ye of little faith? (Luke 12:28)

Friday, August 18: An he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that bringeth forth his fruit in his season; his leaf also shall not wither; and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper. (Psalm 1:3)

Saturday, August 19: I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus.

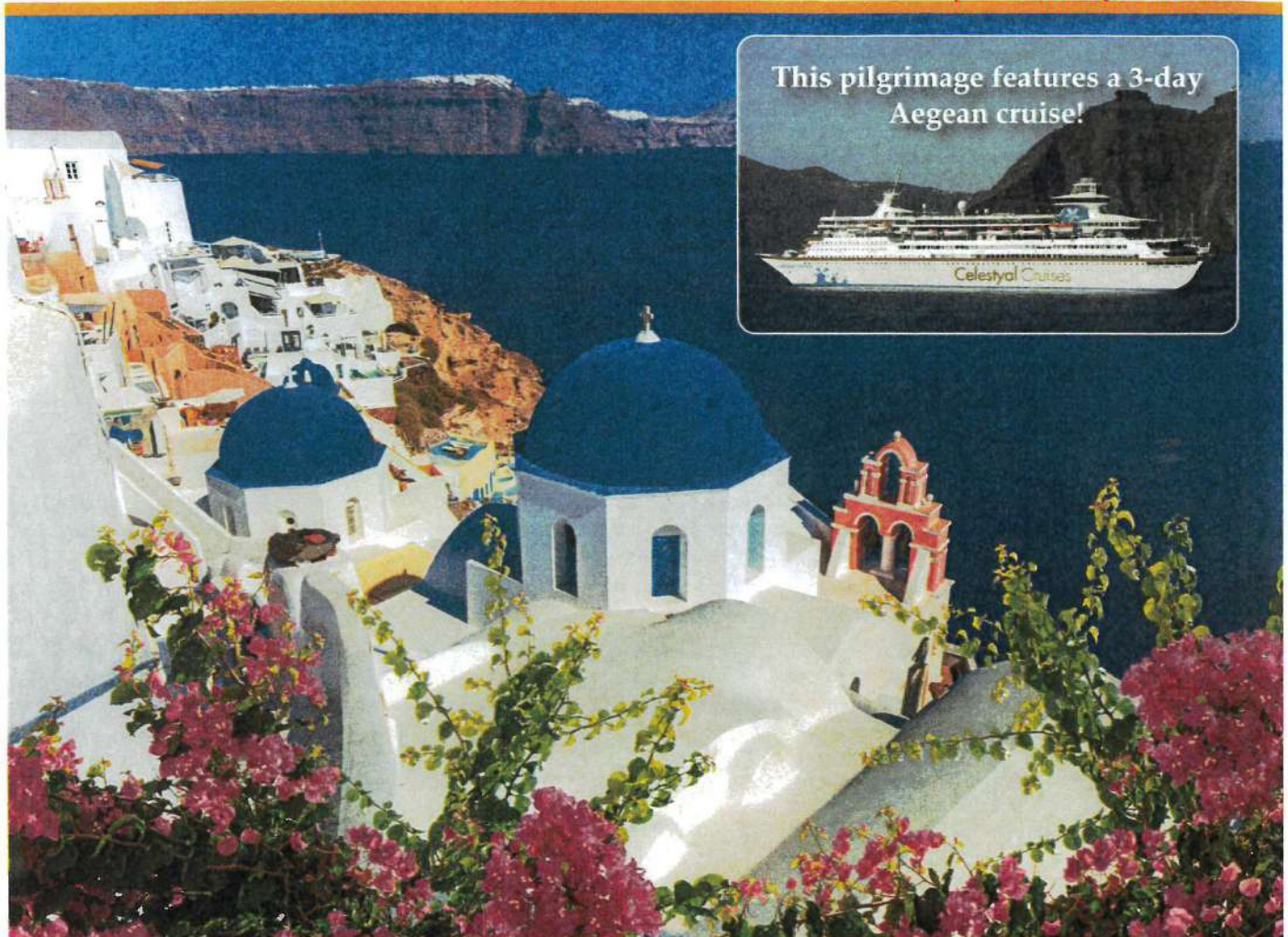
You are invited to join a 10-day pilgrimage to Greece!

Friends of Rev. Kyle Adamczyk

June 23–July 2, 2024



For more information
please scan the QR CODE above



This pilgrimage features a 3-day
Aegean cruise!

Thessaloniki 🌀 Central Greece 🌀 Athens 🌀 Mykonos 🌀 Patmos 🌀 Ephesus

Peter's Way Tours



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E-mail: Peter@petersway.com
800-225-7662 • 516-605-1551 • Fax: 516-605-1555

Travel Package Inclusions

- Round-trip economy class airfare from Newark.
- U.S. departure tax; Customs user fee; security tax and all airport taxes.
- Deluxe motor-coach transportation upon arrival and available for the entire tour.
- Five (5) nights' accommodations in twin rooms in first-class hotels in Greece. Three (3) nights aboard *Celestyal Olympia* in outside standard cabins.
- Breakfast and dinner daily as per attached itinerary. On *Celestyal Olympia Cruise Line*: Three meals daily, including unlimited soft drink package.
- Full-time English-speaking tour manager for the land portion of your tour, including arrival and departure transfers. Assistance while on board *Celestyal Olympia* provided by cruise staff.
- Sightseeing with licensed, professional, English-speaking guides as outlined in the itinerary.
- Shore excursions in a private motor coach based on a minimum of 30 participants. If tour has less than 30 participants, there will be other tourists aboard your motor coach for shore excursions.
- Coordination of all liturgies, on land and aboard cruise ship, as per attached itinerary.
- Entrance fees to all sights as noted in the itinerary.
- Porter service at hotels throughout your tour (one piece of luggage, per person).

Please refer to Terms & Conditions for items or additional costs not included in the package price.

KIDS' KORNER

Bible Trivia

See if you can answer the following Bible Question:

1. To whom did Jesus say, "I will make you fishers of men"? _____
2. What was God's sign of His promise to Noah about never flooding the whole earth again? _____
3. Who was thrown into a den of lions? _____
4. What animal tempted Eve into eating the forbidden fruit? _____
5. Whom did God call on to part the Red Sea? _____

Answers on page 13

How do you explain the Assumption of Mary to a child?

The feast of Mary's Assumption is a **preview of what our lives will be**. At the end of her earthly life, Mary was assumed, or taken up, into heaven body and soul. She did not have to wait for the end of the world, as we do. God granted her this special privilege because of her sinlessness and her fullness of grace.

What does Mary's Assumption mean for us?

Mary's assumption reminds us that **salvation is holistic**. God does not just save half of us. He doesn't just pluck the soul out of the husk of a sinful body. We are saved in the fullness of our humanity, body and soul. (Pope Pius XII makes this argument in his definition of the dogma.)

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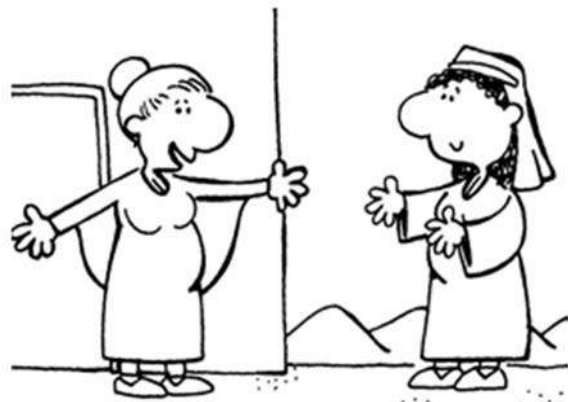
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Hail Mary

Hail Mary full of Grace, the Lord is with you. Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death. Amen.



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COMMUNITY MINISTRIES & ORGANIZATIONS

LOCATION - ST. HELENA

If you are interested in joining any of these Ministries or Organizations please contact the St. Helena Parish Office at 610-275-7711 or e-mail parish@sainthelenachurch.org for contact information.

Ministry/Organization

Contact Person

Aid for Friends	Micki Burns
Art & Environment	Theresa Smith
Basketball: Adult/Young Adult	Mike O'Brien
Basketball: 3 on 3	James Humes
Chapel Reposers	Vince Thompson
Collection Counters	Denise Janick
	Karen Wurtenberg

EXTRA ORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION:

Church	Lori/Steve Iannello
Home Visit	Jim McLaughlin
Nursing Home/Private Visit	Parish Office
Finance Council	Fr. Bongard
First Lego League	Greg Mann
Garden Club	Theresa Smith
Greeters	Larry Constable
Home & School Association	Maura Trainor
Knights of Columbus	George Gillin
Ladies of Helena	Theresa Smith
Lectors	Pat Lorenzo
Lending Library	Parish Office
Men's Fellowship Group	Joe Bushner
Mommy & Me	Katie Dalhoff

MUSIC MINISTRY

Adult Choir	Cheryl Platco
Bells	Cheryl Platco
Cantors (Scheduling)	Cheryl Platco
Children's Chimes	Natalie Perez
Contemporary Music Ensemble	Dick Lentz
School Chorus	Sara Hansell
New Beginnings II	Maryanne Fuhr
Parish Pastoral Council	Fr. Bongard

PARISH YOUTH & YOUNG ADULT MINISTRIES

Altar Servers	Fr. Kyle
Children's Liturgy of the Word	Christian Thompson
Cub Scouts	Wendy Bradbury
CYO/Community Service Corps	Tony Gallagher
CYO/Sports - President	Stephen Lynch
CYO/Sports - Athletic Director	Chris Massella
HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP	Christian Thompson
Parish Outreach Committee	Amanda Hunt
Parish Religious Ed. Program (PREP)	Madeleine Fitzgerald
St. Helena School	Denise Britt
Young Adult Group	Christian Thompson
Prayer Shawl Ministry	Sr. Francis, O.S.F.
Pre-Jordan Team	Christian Thompson

MINISTRY / ORGANIZATION

CONTACT PERSON

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults)	Dcn. Ken Belanger
Respect Life	Maryann Schieve
Rosary Prayer Group	Mary Jane Mrazik
Scripture Study	Dcn. Ken Belanger
Senior Citizens Club	John Waldspurger
Ushers	Larry Constable
Walking with Purpose	Margaret Malloy
Wedding Rehearsal Coordinators	Joan O'Neill



LOCATION - ST. TITUS

If you are interested in joining any of these Ministries or Organizations please contact the St. Titus Parish Office at 610-279-4990 or e-mail sttitus@sttitus.org for contact information.

MINISTRY/ORGANIZATION

CONTACT PERSON

Altar Servers	Dcn Claude Granese
Baptismal Preparation	Parish Office
Bible Study	Dcn Claude Granese
Church Cleaning	Pat Orner
Church Decorating	Pat Klampfer
CYO	Parish Office
Eucharistic Ministers	Dcn Claude Granese
Finance Council	Parish Office
Gardening	Parish Office
Gabriels (Bulk Mailers)	Parish Office
Knights of Columbus	Matt Faust
Lectors	Denise Hoisington
Legion of Mary	Richard Wieda
Music Ministry	Bob Leso
Outreach	Parish Office
Parish Pastoral Council	Parish Office
Respect Life Committee	John Harris
Sacristans	Parish Office
Senior Activity Club	Don McAvoy
Sodality	Nancy Kolenda
STAC (St. Titus Athletic Club)	Bill Munro
St Vincent DePaul	Betty Ann Hilwig
Traveling Virgin Statue	Lina McCracken
2 Hearts/2K Hail Marys	
Night of Reparation	Bella Kampmeyer

SCAM ALERT!



We do not post Ministry Coordinator contact information to protect their privacy and prevent scamming. Please contact appropriate Parish Office who will provide you with the individual's contact information.

A Prayer for the Deceased

*O God, Creator and Redeemer
of all Your faithful people,
grant to the souls of
all our faithful departed
Your mercy, light and peace.*

*Lord, we pray that those we love
who have gone before us in faith,
may know Your forgiveness for their sins,
and the blessings of everlasting life,
in company with the Virgin Mary
and all the angels and saints in heaven.
Amen.*

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.

BEQUESTS

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

Vivian Becker, Alice P. Devlin, Mary E. Flanagan,
Hon. Robert W. Honeyman, Concetta Marchesani,
Mary Ellen Sullivan, Laura E. Wisniewski, Jean Stock,
Estelle Noska, Elizabeth Ann Quillinan, Mary Rosciola,
Lawrence Marinari, Catherine Frawley, Marian Curran,
Charles Loeper, Rev. John Coates, Regina Zaleski,
Kathleen Schoemaker, Margaret Donahue,
Lorraine Gigliello, Margaret (Peg) Tannenbaum,
John H. Quillinan, III, David R. Bright & Mary Ann Christ.

ANSWERS TO KID'S KORNER

Bible Trivia Answers:

1. His future disciples.
2. A rainbow
3. Daniel
4. A serpent
5. Moses

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..00) to be used for the general purposes of Saint Helena Parish."

CareNotes - A Catholic Perspective



CareNotes, a ministry of Saint Meinrad Archabbey, are booklets written to provide uplifting guidance to those who are hurting.

These wellness-oriented booklets address real-life emotional, physical and spiritual needs with topics that include grief, aging, healthcare, mental wellness, family care, spiritual support and more.

Whether you are dealing with difficult emotions or you minister to someone who is, you're sure to find the topic that applies directly to your situation. The down-to-earth style of each CareNote offers relatable advice to help you heal - mind, body and spirit.

Please check out the kiosk in the back of the Church narthex and consider picking up a booklet or two for yourself and a friend. CareNotes is owned and operated by the monks of Saint Meinrad Archabbey. All donations and proceeds support their prayer and work.