

SAINT HELENA CHURCH

One Family, One Faith, One Heart


October 20, 2024
29th Sunday of Ordinary Time

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"Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament has his hands full of graces, and he is ready to bestow them on anyone who asks them."

-Saint Peter of Alcantara-

40 Hours Devotion & Eucharistic Procession Closing night

Guest Homilist

Rev. Msgr. James Oliver

Saint Helena Parish

October 20-22 @ 7:00pm

"I put before you the one great thing to love on earth: the Blessed Sacrament....There you will find romance, glory, honor, fidelity, and the true way of all your loves upon earth."

J. R. Tolkien



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 A. Kenneth Belanger
Deacon Claude Granese
Seminarists: Przemek Rozestwinski

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: 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:

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Mr. Christian Thompson

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Mr. Vince Thompson

FACILITIES DIRECTOR:

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Mr. Bob Geiger

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: 10:00AM
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.

PARTNER PARISH MASS INTENTIONS

Sat., October 19 - St. John de Brebeuf & St. Isaac Jogues
 9:00 AM - St. Helena Chapel
 † Living & Deceased Members of the Saint Theresa Guild
 4:00 PM - St. Helena Church
 † George Lisiewski
 Req. by Marge Lisiewski
 4:30 PM - St. Titus
 † Mary Wiess
 Req. by the Wiess Family

Sun., October 20
 7:30 AM - St. Helena Church
 † For the People of the Parish
 9:00 AM - St. Helena Church
 † Ian Michael Brooks
 Req. by Mom & Dad, Eric & Violetta
 10:00 AM - St. Titus
 † David & Anna Frankenfield
 Req. by the Wojton Family
 11:00 AM - St. Helena Church
 † Virginia & Thomas Bumbulsky
 Req. by April & Jim McMillan

Mon., October 21
 8:00 AM - St. Titus
 † Donna Van Buren
 Req. by the Van Buren Family
 9:00 AM - St. Helena Church
 † Lee Schmalbach
 Req. by his Parents

Tues., October 22 - St. John Paul II
 8:00 AM - St. Titus
 † Living & Deceased Parishioners of St. Titus
 9:00 AM - St. Helena Church
 † Vivian Torelli
 Req. by Madeline Baxter

Wed., October 23 - St. John of Capistrano
 9:00 AM - St. Helena Chapel
 † James Buggy
 Req. by the Buggy Family

Thur., October 24 - St. Anthony Mary Claret
 8:00 AM - St. Titus
 † Patricia Kelly Lincoln
 9:00 AM - St. Helena Chapel
 † Rose Brophy - 30th Anniversary
 Req. by the Brophy Family

PARTNER PARISH MASS INTENTIONS Continued

Fri., October 25
 8:00 AM - St. Titus
 † Mr. & Mrs. Roy & Patricia Kelly
 9:00 AM - St. Helena Chapel
 † Cyril Seddon
 Req. by Anne Marie & Les Schmalbach

Sat., October 26
 9:00 AM - St. Helena Chapel
 † Living & Deceased Members of the Saint Theresa Guild
 4:00 PM - St. Helena Church
 † Eleanor Kovach
 Req. by Tony & Marlene Vento
 4:30 PM - St. Titus
 † Caterina Della Polla
 Req. by the Cane Family



THANK YOU FOR YOUR TITHE!

Collection for weekend of October 13, 2024

PLATE: \$ 13,024
 E GIVING: \$ 11,456
 MAIL-IN: \$ 1,867

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 ask that you still use your weekly envelopes when attending Mass. Mark them as I've given electronically.

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, Ed Mitchell, Sr., Dave Colman, Juan Barba, Jim Smith, Lorraine Perri, Mike Piskai, Jr., Karen Meenan, Mary Trodden, Linda Weikert, Baby Daly, Carol Berardelli, Finneas Price, Aaron Furman, Nicolette Theisen, Baby Serli, Frank Anderson, George Cooper, Sarah Jammer and Babies Eve & Cece, Sr. Fran, Joan, Patty Kurkowski, Rachel Moore, Barbara Makar, Nancy Matozzo, William Lawrence, Joan DiDonato, Steve Malek, Casey Interrante, Alec Jensen, Rose O'Donnell, Kristen Gilia, Bruce Shepherd.

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

MEMORIALS FOR THIS WEEK



The Sanctuary Candle in the Church burns in memory of

IAN MICHAEL BROOKS

Req. by Mom, Dad, Eric & Violetta

The Sanctuary Candle in the Chapel burns in memory of

PETER PERNAZZA

Req. by Laurel Murphy, his daughter



The four Candles on the Chapel Altar burn in memory of

Ian Michael Brooks

Requested by Mom, Dad, Eric & Violetta



The four Candles burn at St. Joseph in memory of

THOMAS & VIRGINIA BUMBULSKY

Requested by April & Jim McMillan



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

We removed the list so we could update it. Would you please contact the Parish Office to have your loved one put back on?



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

ALL OUR BELOVED DECEASED

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

LIVESTREAMING NEW SCHEDULE

We will continue Livestreaming the Sunday 9:00 AM Mass each week and it will be available to watch for the following six days.

Livestreaming is available for Weddings, Funerals and special event Masses when request, a fee will be required.



Pray the Patriotic Rosary - All Welcome ! Monday, November 4 at 7:00 PM in the St Helena Chapel

Rosary, Reflections and Patriotic Hymns Asking for Divine protection and guidance for our Country

Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus

PARISH EVENTS FOR THIS WEEK

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20

- Masses: 7:30, 9:00, 11:00 AM - Church
- Parish Coat Drive: Box at Church Bell Tower
- Opening of Forty Hours: At 11:00 AM Mass
- Forty Hour Service: 7:00 PM - Church

MONDAY, OCTOBER 21

- Daily Mass: 9:00 AM - Church (Grades 1-4)
- Parish Coat Drive: Box at Church Bell Tower
- Prayer Shawl Ministry: 12:30 PM - Lady of Fatima
- CYO Volleyball: 5:00 PM - Rec. Center
- Robotics: 6:00 PM - Cafeteria
- Forty our Service: 7:00 PM - Church

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22

- Daily Mass: 9:00 AM - Church (Grades 5-8)
- Parish Coat Drive: Box at Church Bell Tower
- Science Tuesday: 3:00 PM - Science Lab
- Adult Basketball: 5:30 PM - Rec. Center
- PREP Classes: 6:00 PM - Education Center
- Forty Hour Closing & Procession: 7:00 PM - Church to Education Center
- Walking with Purpose: 7:00 PM - St. Joseph
- 3 on 3 Basketball: 7:30 PM - Rec. Center

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 23

- Daily Mass: 9:00 AM - Chapel
- Parish Coat Drive: Box at Church Bell Tower
- Social Media Club: 3:00 PM - Library
- CYO Volleyball: 3:30 PM - Rec. Center

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24

- Daily Mass: 9:00 AM - Chapel
- Parish Coat Drive: Box at Church Bell Tower
- Walking with Purpose: 9:00 AM - Convent
- Noon Dismissal: School
- Robotics: 6:00 PM - Cafeteria
- Adult Faith Formation - King David: 7:00 PM Constantine Room
- RCIA: 7:00 PM - Our Lady of Mercy

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25

- Daily Mass: 9:00 AM - Chapel
- Parish Coat Drive: Box at Church Bell Tower
- HALLOWEEN BINGO: 6:00 PM - Rec. Center

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26

- Daily Mass: 9:00 AM - Chapel
- Parish Coat Drive: Box at Church Bell Tower
- Men's Fellowship Group: 7:00 AM - Convent
- Vigil Mass : 4:00 PM - Church
- Ladies of Helena Comedy Night Ticket Sale: After 4:00 PM Mass

SATURDAY, October 26

- Respect Life Adopt-A-Baby Shower: After 4:00 PM Mass - Narthex
- JV Soccer Team: 5:00 PM - Cafeteria

SUNDAY, October 27

- Masses: 7:30, 9:00, 11:00 AM - Church
- Parish Coat Drive: Box at Church Bell Tower
- Ladies of Helena Comedy Night Ticket Sale: After All Masses - Narthex
- Respect Life Adopt-A-Baby Shower: After All Masses - Narthex
- Choir Practice: 2:00 PM - Church
- Middle States Tour of School: 4:00 PM - Education Center

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

OCTOBER 26 & 27

CELEBRANTS & DEACONS

Saturday, October 26

4:00 PM Msgr. Beach (Deacon Claude)

Sunday, October 27

7:30 AM Fr. Sam

9:00 AM Fr. Kyle (Deacon Ken)

11:00 AM Fr. Sam (Deacon Claude)

Lectors

Saturday, October 26

4:00 PM T. Pantaleo, T. Yezzi

Sunday, October 27

7:30 AM M. Voigt

9:00 AM P. Boylan, C. Buzad

11:00 AM P. Lorenzo, L. Fickett

Ministers of Holy Communion

Saturday, October 26

4:00 PM Deacon Claude, M. Baxter, D. Galanti, T. McGarvey, T. Smith

Sunday, October 27

7:30 AM J. O'Doherty, M. Valle

9:00 AM Deacon Ken, J. Dalhoff, N. Kang, J. Kang, M. Watts

11:00 AM Deacon Claude, L. Buella, T. Gallagher, M. Okenquist

Altar Servers

Saturday, October 26

4:00 PM M. Neaves, A. Rose, K. Trainor

Sunday, October 27

7:30 AM T. Bushner, G. Capperella, L. Yun

9:00 AM B. Dion, J. Sabo, C. Weisheipl

11:00 AM B. Sheldon, G. Sheldon, H. Vargas

Miss Britt's Mercy Minutes:

Exciting Saint Helena School Happenings

This year we have introduced a new program to our children, Grades PreK3 through Grade 8, which will complement our Religion curriculum. - The Virtues Program by Openlight Media. The Virtues Program supports one of our Middle States goals of noticing an improvement in our students' demonstration of ethical behavior, teamwork, emotional resilience, and a commitment to community service.

The Virtues Program is designed to help children grow in character by focusing on key virtues that shape moral and ethical behavior. The program integrates virtues into everyday learning and development for children. It emphasizes not just academic growth but also moral and spiritual development, aiming to form well-rounded individuals.

Each virtue taught in the program is paired with a saint who exemplifies a particular virtue, allowing students to see how the saints practiced these virtues in their lives and how they can apply them in their own lives. In September, we learned about Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati.

In September, we recognized the following children for their affability: Molly McMahon (PreK4), Leo Passero (Grade 3), Destenee Fallas Espinoza (Grade 5), and Logan Rush (Grade 8). These students were honored for their expressions of kindness and gratitude toward teachers, staff, and bus drivers, as well as their respectful and quiet demeanor with peers and genuine concern for the welfare of others. We are very proud of them and the positive impact they have made in our school community.

During the month of October, we are learning about the virtue of orderliness and Blessed Carlo Acutis.

Have a great week!

Miss Britt
dbritt@sainthelenaschool.org

WALKING WITH PURPOSE

Monthly Prayer List for Our Children

October: I pray that they will understand who God is and love Him with all their hearts throughout their lives.

November: I pray that they will enjoy Bible stories now, and make and keep a commitment to study the Bible every day of their lives.

December: I pray that they will speak about God with boldness and become leaders for the cause of God.

“BLESSED ARE THOSE WHO MOURN,
FOR THEY WILL BE COMFORTED”
MATTHEW 5:4



SAINT HELENA PARISH MEMORIAL MASS November 7TH 2024 AT 7:00 PM

PLEASE JOIN US AT THIS ANNUAL MASS TO REMEMBER ALL THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN BURIED FROM OUR PARISH SINCE NOVEMBER 1, 2023, THROUGH OCTOBER 31, 2024.

INVITATIONS WILL BE MAILED TO THE FAMILIES OF THOSE BURIED FROM OUR PARISH.

IF YOUR LOVED ONE WAS NOT BURIED AT ST. HELENA PARISH AND YOU WOULD LIKE THEM TO BE REMEMBERED; PLEASE FILL OUT THE FORM BELOW AND DROP IT OFF AT THE RECTORY OR PLACE THE FORM IN THE COLLECTION BASKET BY OCTOBER 15TH.

NAME OF YOUR LOVED ONE:

PARISHIONER'S NAME WHO WILL BE ATTENDING:

CONTACT INFORMATION (EMAIL/PHONE):

Saint Helena Church
Job positions available:

Business Manager: This full-time position requires knowledge of Microsoft office suite programs, Quick Books, FACTS Tuition Management, and extensive bookkeeping/accounting, and human resources management skills. Prior budgeting and supervisory experience required.

Maintenance Supervisor: This full-time, hands-on, position requires a working knowledge of HVAC systems, safety & security systems, training, evaluating and supervising custodial staff, establishing cleaning and maintenance schedules, negotiating with vendors and ability to perform light mechanical, electrical, plumbing, painting and carpentry repairs.

For a complete listing of the duties & responsibilities, to apply for either of these positions, or for more information, email Father Bongard:

fbongard@sainthelenachurch.org

RESPECT LIFE CORNER

Spiritual Adoption Update
8 & 9 Months

Last month, your baby could see and hear. The brain developed very rapidly. Baby slept most of the time but was still active while continuing to mature and develop body fat reserves. This last month, the 9th month, is the stage when the baby is preparing for birth. In usual cases, in the process of this preparation, the baby faces head down. However, the sleep and resting continues. Reflexes become more coordinated, allowing the baby to respond to sounds, blink, grasp, and turn his or her head. The baby may move less during the last few weeks and will move into a position for birth, with the head down near the birth canal. Your baby is now about 18-20 inches long and can weigh at least 7 lbs! Please continue to pray for the life of this baby, whom you have spiritually adopted: **Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, I love you very much. I beg you to spare the life of the unborn child that I have spiritually adopted who is in danger of abortion. Amen.**



Annual
Adopt-A-Baby
Shower

This year, during the weekend of Oct. 26 & 27, donations for **Guiding Star Maternity Home** will be collected in

the Narthex. Their needs are:

- Diapers, sizes 4, 5 & 6
- Girl's child sized 6 winter sleeper
- Boy's coats; sizes 5T, 12-18 months & 9-12 months
- Gloves, hats & scarves for boys, ages 6 months, 1 year, 4 years & girls, ages Infant & 6 years old
- Gift Cards for Target & Shoprite
- Moms' Self Care; Bath, Body, Spa Treats

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



Keeping Warm in the Cold
Donate Coats for Kids, and
Even Adults
Winter Coat/Outer
Wear Drive

St Helena School and Knights of Columbus

Did you know that many children/adults go without a coat each Winter? Many families cannot afford this vital necessity.

A warm coat means a child can attend school, play and do all the things that kids do to be kids.

How to Donate Winter Coats / Outer Wear
Drop off your donation at
St Helena Church, Bell Tower or
531 White Oak Rd, Blue Bell
Now through October 25, 2024.

A Baby's Breath Crisis Pregnancy Centers

Please attend the Annual Silent Auction & Dinner and support **A Baby's Breath Crisis Pregnancy Centers**

A Baby's Breath is an all-volunteer organization providing free services to pregnant women and their families who experience the impacts of a crisis pregnancy.

Silent Auction: Saturday, November 16, 6:30 PM at The Alloy a DoubleTree by Hilton, 301 West DeKalb Pike, King of Prussia

Special Guest: Rev. Stephen DeLacy

Auction features golf outings, gift baskets, restaurant gift certificates, designer bags & much more!

Tickets are \$75 per person (includes dinner and drinks)

To register to attend and/or make a donation, visit A Baby's Breath website: Ababysbreath.org/auctions

SAINT HELENA HALLOWEEN FAMILY

BINGO NIGHT

Baskets Prizes 50/50

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25TH @ 6:00PM
DOORS OPEN @ 5:45PM

Kids- \$5.00/Adults-\$10.00

SPONSORED BY THE OFFICE FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Please Register Below



Bring your own food/snacks/drinks



Children are asked to wear their Halloween Costumes!!!

All Men of the Parish Invited

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

FALL BARBEQUE

Gathering

WITH FR. KYLE

Open to NEW and EXISTING Members of the Knights of Columbus

28TH OCT | 6PM

Location: Behind the Rectory

RSVP: JRSMT2@gmail.com



Archdiocese of Philadelphia



Catholic Charismatic Renewal

Saturday, November 9, 2024 at 9:00 AM to 3:30 PM

Event: Leadership Day - Archdiocese of Philadelphia Catholic Charismatic Renewal

Location: Epiphany of Our Lord Church
3050 Walton Rd. Plymouth Meeting, PA 19462

Speakers: Rev. Stephen DeLacy - Main Celebrant and Maria Richardson - Emcee

To learn more, print the flyer and register: Go to <https://archphilaccr.org/events/>



WEDNESDAY ROSARY GROUP

The Wednesday Rosary at 11:30 AM is moving inside for the winter months and will move back to the Grotto in the warmer weather. All are welcome to join us. Bring your friends, family and children!

WIDOW & WIDOWERS GROUP

New Beginnings II:

This group is for widows and widowers who share a common bond to come together in community for the purpose of friendship and social outings. It is open to widows and widowers of all faiths to join together monthly for fun and enjoyment.

Our next meeting will be held on *Wednesday, Nov. 6, 2024* at 6:30 PM in the School Cafeteria.

Annual Adopt- A -Baby Shower

Gifts are being collected in the Church Narthex next week, October 26 & 27, for **Guiding Star Maternity Home**. Please place your gifts in the pack-&-play, in celebration of the birth of your *Spiritually Adopted Baby*.

Guiding Star requests:

Diapers - sizes 4, 5, & 6 only

Girl's winter sleepwear - size 6

Girl's gloves, hats & scarves - sizes 3 to 24 months & youth sizes 6 - 8

Boy's winter coats: sizes 9 to 18 months, & 5T

Boys gloves, hats & scarves - size 6 months, 12 months, 4T & 5T

Gift cards from Target & ShopRite

Thank you for your support!



WALKING WITH PURPOSE

Come as you are, come see what we are about.
YOU ARE WELCOME HERE

Lesson 1 Four Steps to Walking With Purpose
"We need to learn how to walk with purpose regardless of our circumstances."

Lisa Brenninkmeyer
Founder and Chief Purpose Officer, Walking with Purpose

Our mission is to help every Catholic woman and girl in America encounter Jesus Christ through our Bible studies.

We can be tempted to say we will learn to walk with purpose when we get our act together. But the women of Walking with Purpose have discovered otherwise! Join us in person or on Zoom for meaningful conversation and an Opening Your Heart video. Come as you are—with your questions, doubts, joys, and hopes. We have an empty chair waiting just for you.

Walking With Purpose meets in person, in the Convent, Thursdays 9:45- 11:30 AM (for new comers) Or 12:45-2:30 PM for those who have done OYH

OR Mondays 7-8:30 PM, for those who have done OYH October to May

See the St. Helena Website for Calendar Information & Registration

For more information, contact:
StHelenaWWP@gmail.com

CHILDREN'S TITHE



The Children of St. Helena are taught how to Tithe by bringing a none 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.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

This ministry makes the Liturgy of the Word meaningful for our young children. At the 9:00 AM & 11:00 AM Masses from October through May, children from pre-school through grade 2 are called forth to listen to God's Word, reflect on its message, and respond to what it means in their lives.

If you are interested in joining this ministry please contact the parish office at 610-275-7711 or for more information.

Are you curious about the Catholic faith?
Have you ever thought about becoming a Catholic?
Were you baptized Catholic but never received the other Sacraments?

If you answered YES to any of these questions, we WELCOME YOU to join our RCIA program!

RCIA

(Rite of Christian Initiation)

Info Sessions

If you are interested, or know of someone who would welcome an invitation to join the Church, please use the QR code below to register for an information session or contact Fr. Kyle Adamczyk (610-275-7711) or email the Saint Helena Office (parish@sainthelenachurch.org)



"Go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you." - Matthew 28:19-20

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Comedy Show

As Seen On
HBO



Joe Bublewicz

Norm Klar



Plus Special
Vince Valentine
Defending the Caveman,
NBC,ABC



Empress Room –St Helena Church
1489 Dekalb Pike, Blue Bell, PA

Friday November 8, 2024

Doors 6:00pm / Comedy show 8:00pm / Tickets \$30.00 advance
\$35.00 at the door



Admission includes: Roast Beef, Potato Salad, Coffee and Tea.
Bring a Snack for Your Table, BYOB and set-ups.

Tickets or information contact
Betty Anne at 610-733-5450 or
e-mail: BDEBLASIO@ICLOUD.COM
Make Checks Payable to: St. Helena's Church

Advent Retreat through the St. Raymond Nonnatus Foundation

Saturday, November 30th 11:30 – 5 PM

Join the St. Raymond Nonnatus Foundation for an Advent Retreat at the Daylesford Abbey. The theme of the retreat is “sharing our deepest gifts of faith, peace, faith, love, and joy”. This retreat is perfect for anyone who has undergone family crisis, particularly: separation or divorce, health crisis, loss of loved one, and more. Join us!

Place: Daylesford Abbey, 220 S. Valley Road, Paoli, PA 19301

Parking: Free on-site parking.

Speakers: Anne DeSantis, Executive Director of the foundation; Mickey Kelly, Board President; and a Norbertine priest from the Abbey.

Cost: \$60 pe/person includes a delicious lunch and snacks.

Questions: Email director.srnf@gmail.com

Register: <https://www.nonnatus.org/advent-retreat-2024.html>

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.



PRE-CANA CLASSES

The Archdiocese of Philadelphia requires that all couples attend a Pre-Cana class before marriage. At this time we are not holding classes in person, we ask you to go to the Archdioceses website: Archphila.org, under Marriage preparations to take the class on line.

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,000.00 to be used for the general purposes of Saint Helena Parish.”

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.*

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.*

Great People Serve Others!

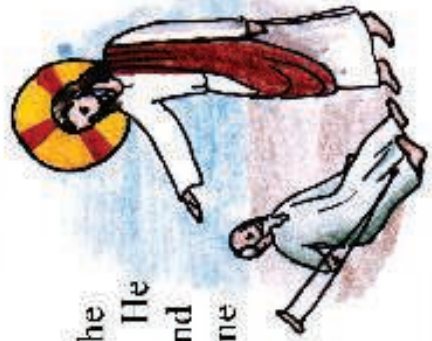
In today's Gospel reading, Jesus tells us that the people who are really great are those who serve. Here are some really great people:

Mary, the Mother of Jesus- God asked her to be the mother of His Son. Our Lady spent her whole life caring for Jesus, and now she watches over us and helps us. She is the greatest saint of all.



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But who do you think is the best example of all? Jesus! He helped people all His life, and then He died so that everyone would have the chance to go to Heaven.

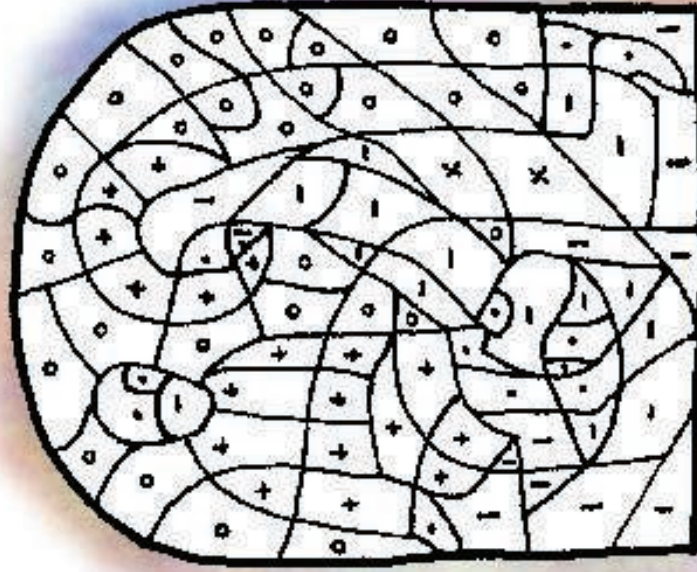


Answer to question: Jesus died for everyone.

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Mark 19:35-45

Jesus said that whoever wishes to be the greatest must be the servant of all.

Colour in the picture to see who shows us how to serve best.

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Saint John Paul II

October 22



SAINT JOHN PAUL GREW UP IN A TIME AND PLACE WHERE THERE WAS WAR ALL AROUND HIM. HE PRAYED AND WORKED TO BRING PEACE TO MANY NATIONS. WE SHOULD TRY TO BE PEACEFUL IN OUR FAMILIES AND SCHOOLS, AND PRAY FOR PEACE IN COUNTRIES WHERE PEOPLE ARE AT WAR.

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Isaiah 53

Word-Find



Try to find in the puzzle the words written in CAPITALS in today's first reading.

Use the leftover letters to fill in the blanks at the end!

The Lord was PLEASED to CRUSH him in INFIRMITY.

If he GIVES his life as an OFFERING for sin, he shall see his descendants in a long LIFE, and the will of the Lord will be accomplished through him.

Because of his AFFLICTION he shall see the LIGHT in FULLNESS of DAYS; through his SUFFERING, my SERVANT shall JUSTIFY many, and their GUILT he shall bear.

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