

SAINT HELENA CHURCH

One Family, One Faith, One Heart

May 12, 2024

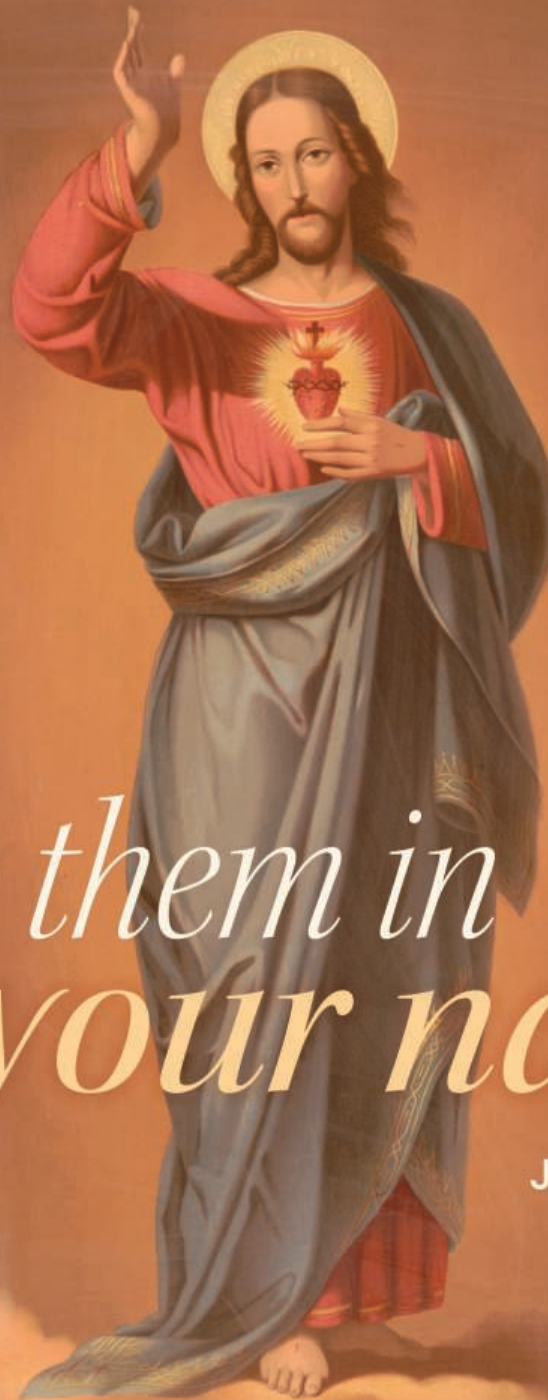
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www.sainthelena-centersquare.net



*keep them in
your name*

JOHN 17:11



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. Dr. 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: 610-279-3870
Interim Dir. of Religious Education: Mr. Jonathan DeMent

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: 610-275-7711

PARISH MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday 4:00 PM Vigil Mass
Sunday 7:30 AM, 9:00 AM, & 11:00 AM
Weekdays: Mon - Sat 9:00 AM
Holy Days: Vigil 7:00 PM, 9:00 AM, & 12:15 PM

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.

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.

SPIRITUAL DEVOTIONS:

Eucharistic Adoration: Mon-Fri 9:30 AM-7:30 PM
Most Holy Rosary: Mon-Sat 8:20 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.
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.

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.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION/ CONFESSION:

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

MEMORIALS:

If you would like to have a spiritual memorial offered in memory or in honor of a loved one, (*Mass Cards, Candles, Bread & Wine*) stop by 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

Sun., May 12 - MOTHER'S DAY

7:30 AM

† For the People of the Parish

9:00 AM

† Clarina D'Orazio

Req. by her Family

11:00 AM

† Ana Donnelly

Req. by Sylvia Donnelly

Mon., May 13 - Our Lady of Fatima

9:00 AM

† Living & Deceased Members of the Pastella Family

Req. by John & Marcia Brady

Tues., May 14 - St. Matthias

9:00 AM

In Honor of Angelo Pastella's 33rd Birthday

Req. by his Parents

Wed., May 15 - St. Isidore

9:00 AM

† Drew Burton

Req. by the Bushner Family

Thur., May 16

9:00 AM

† Thomas Lepera

Req. by John & Theresa Duff

Fri., May 17

9:00 AM

† Richard Kaufmann

Req. by the Piskai Family

Sat., May 18 - St. John I

9:00 AM

† Living & Deceased Members of the Saint Theresa Guild

4:00 PM

† Joseph Gravinese

Req. by his wife, Diane

MEMORIALS FOR THIS WEEK



The Sanctuary Candle in the Church burns in memory of

JOHN M. GEBERT, SR.
1ST ANNIVERSARY

Requested by Marie Gebert

The Sanctuary Candle in the Chapel burns in honor of

JIM & MARGIE MCKEOGH
50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Requested by the McKeogh Family



A Candle burns at the Blessed Virgin Mary

In memory of

JOHN M. GEBERT, SR.
1ST ANNIVERSARY

Requested by Marie Gebert



A Candle burns at St. Joseph in memory of

JOSEPH GRAVINESE

Requested by Diane, his wife



The Four Candles on the Chapel Altar burn in memory of

Stephen Bacino's
10th Anniversary

Requested by the Bacino Family

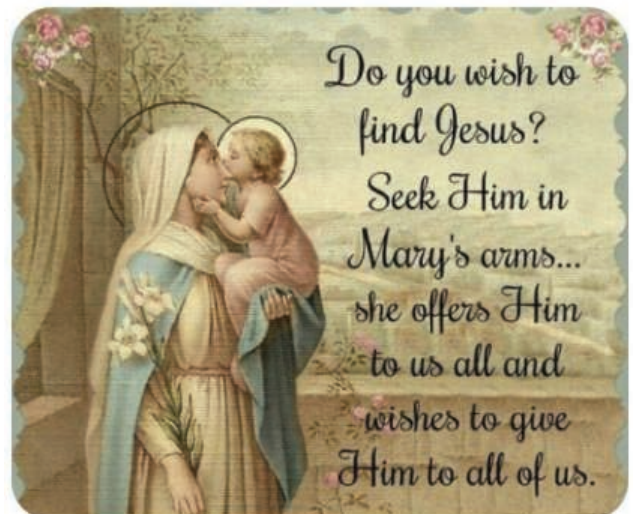


Bread & Wine

The Bread & Wine this week is offered in memory of

Mary Garbacz & Jeanne Smith

Requested by Theresa & Jim Smith.



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,
 Lorraine Perri, Juan Barba, Jim Smith, Mike Piskai, Jr.,
 Karen Meenan, Vince Pyle, Andrea Caperilla,
 Joe Matoney, Jr., Finneas Joseph Price, Mary Trodden,
 Bob DeLeonard, Linda Weikert, Joseph Leary,
 Elise Walsh, George Cooper, Colette Sweitze,
 Eric Slusarz, Al Slusarz, Marcia Hardy, MayAnn
 Welsh, Cynthia Wirth, Kate Gilpin, Betsy Cain,
 Mark Hines, Lori Hines, Cheryl Calnan, Gerry Scalley,
 Kevin Sullivan.

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

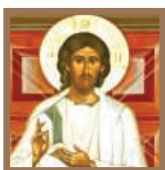


PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY

Please pray for all our military personnel 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, LTC JOHN LYNCH,
COL ELIZABETHANNE CAIN, LTJG. REBECCA MCCOOL,
1LT CHRISTOPHER RONGIONE &
ENS JOHN W. BUSHNER, MAJOR GEORGE C. WARREN, III

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.



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

ALL OUR BELOVED DECEASED

Stella Montoya

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

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THANK YOU FOR YOUR TITHE!

Collection for weekend of May 5, 2024

PLATE: \$ 14,265
E GIVING: \$ 6,108
MAIL-IN: \$ 3,526

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.

PARISH EVENTS FOR THIS WEEK

SUNDAY, MAY 12 - MOTHER'S DAY

- Masses: 7:30, 9:00, 11:00 AM - Church
- Manna Bag Hand Out: After All Masses
- Carnation for Life (KoC): 4:00 PM after Mass Narthex

MONDAY, MAY 13

- Daily Mass: 9:00 AM - Chapel
- Prayer Shawl: 12:30 PM - Lady of Fatima
- Daisy Troop: 5:30 PM - Library
- Robotics: 6:00 PM - Cafeteria
- SOC: 6:30 PM - Convent Kitchen
- Communion & Liberation: 7:00 PM - St. Joseph

TUESDAY, MAY 14

- Daily Mass: 9:00 AM - Church
- Mommy & Me: 10:00 AM - Our Lady of Mercy
- Adult Basketball: 5:30 PM - Social & Rec. Center
- 3 on 3: 7:30 PM - Social & Rec. Center

WEDNESDAY, MAY 15

- Daily Mass: 9:00 AM - Chapel
- OCIA: 7:00 PM - Our Lady of Lourdes
- Superhero Meeting: 7:00 PM - Library

THURSDAY, MAY 16

- Daily Mass: 9:00 AM - Chapel
- Robotics: 6:00 PM - Cafeteria
- Young Adult Group, Ephesians: 7:00 PM - Convent

FRIDAY, MAY 17

- Daily Mass: 9:00 AM - Chapel
- Communion & Liberation: 7:00 PM - St. Joseph

SATURDAY, MAY 18

- Daily Mass: 9:00 AM - Chapel
- Men's Fellowship Group: 7:00 AM - Convent
- WRA Soccer Tournament: 8:00 AM - Fields
- Vigil Mass: 4:00 PM - Church
- Return Manna Bags: Please leave in the Information Room of the Church

SUNDAY, MAY 19

- Masses: 7:30, 9:00, 11:00 AM - Church
- Return Manna Bags: Please leave in the Information Room of the Church



LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

MAY 18 & 19

CELEBRANTS & DEACONS

Saturday, May 18

4:00 PM Fr. Bongard (Deacon Ken)

Sunday, May 19

7:30 AM TBD

9:00 AM TBD

11:00 AM TBD (Deacon Claude)

Lectors

Saturday, May 18

4:00 PM T. Pantaleo

Sunday, May 19

7:30 AM T. Donohue, A. Ilano

9:00 AM L. Fickett, B. Nyman

11:00 AM M. Saunders

Ministers of Holy Communion

Saturday, May 18

4:00 PM D. Galanti, R. Ryan, J. Schmidt

Sunday, May 19

7:30 AM T. McGarvey, J. Oberlies, T. Reigle

9:00 AM D. Matoney, L. Montgomery, D. Nolen,
M. Watts

11:00 AM C. Interrante, J. McLaughlin, K. Wurtenberg

Altar Servers

Saturday, May 18

4:00 PM H. Guckert, J. Koop

Sunday, May 19

7:30 AM N. Laub, A. Rose, M. Wagner

9:00 AM T. Esbensen, L. Fegarsky, J. Trainor,
C. Weisheipl

11:00 AM J. Lising, E. Olivetti, E. Richer, C. Traver

ANNUAL MANNA APPEAL

Manna Bags will be **distributed** at all of our Masses this weekend, **May 11 & 12**. Kindly return your filled Manna Bag next weekend, May 18 & 19. The food collected will go to the Patrician Society. Canned food items greatest need are: beef stew, tuna fish, fruit, vegetables, pasta, soups, and pork & beans.

If you are not able to bring a filled bag, feel free to donate online at:

www.nutritionaldevelopmentservices.org

Thank you for reaching out to our neighbors who are in emergency situations.

SAINT HELENA CHURCH

Summer Faith Formation Series
"because Church never takes a vacation"

Bishop Robert Barron's "The Creed"

We say it every Sunday...
but do we understand it?

Join us as we explore the beauty and
truth of our Church's teachings
expressed through the Nicene Creed

To register - Scan the QR code
or email Christian
cthompson@sainthelenachurch.org



Watch the trailer for
the series here



June 4, 11, 18, 25
July 9, 16

Tuesday's 7:00 - 8:15PM

Location: Empress
Room (below the
Church)



RESPECT LIFE CORNER



"The loveliest **masterpiece** of the heart
of God is the heart of a **mother**".
(St. Thérèse of Lisieux)

Happy Mother's Day!

"The most important person on earth is a mother. She cannot claim the honor of having built Notre Dame Cathedral. She need not. She has built something more magnificent than any cathedral—a dwelling for an immortal soul, the tiny perfection of her baby's body... The angels have not been blessed with such a grace. They cannot share in God's creative miracle to bring new saints to heaven. Only a human mother can. Mothers are closer to God the Creator than any other creature; God joins forces with mothers, in performing this act of creation. What on God's good earth is more glorious than this: to be a mother?" (Venerable Jozsef Cardinal Mindszenty)

Please return your filled Baby Bottles next weekend to Church or return to the Parish Office during business hours. Thank you.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

August 5th - 9th
9am - 12pm

Registration:
\$40 - camper
\$20 - teen helpers

Open to children
going into
K - 5th grades
for Fall 2024

Teens in
grades 6-12
are welcome
to lead as
counsellors!

SCAN
THE QR
CODE TO
REGISTER



2024 THEME:
"WILDERNESS ADVENTURE"
A JOURNEY THROUGH
THE SEVEN SACRAMENTS

- BIBLE TRIVIAS
- BIBLE STORIES
- DANCING
- SINGING
- SPORTS
- SNACKS



CONTACT: CHRISTIAN
CTHOMPSON@SAINTHELENACHURCH.ORG

5K RUN
for
John Shapiro's Superheroes

John Shapiro Superheroes is a non-profit foundation in memory of John Shapiro, dedicated to providing assistance to local families battling pediatric cancer.

We Can All Be a Hero to Someone!

Lace up your sneakers and join us for a heartwarming event that's perfect for the whole family! Not only will you enjoy a fantastic day out, but you'll also be contributing to a great cause. We have fun activities, delicious snacks and refreshments to keep you energized and an opportunity to make a difference in our community.

FUN & PRIZES!

How to Get Involved:

1. Become a Sponsor.
2. Register online or on the day of the event.
3. Spread the word! Share this postcard with anyone who might be interested in participating or donating.





Prizes Awarded to BEST DRESSED SUPERHEROES!

John Shapiro's 12th Annual SUPERHEROES 5K

Saturday, June 8, 2024
 8:30 am: 1 Mile Run/Walk
 9:00 am: 5k Run
 10:00 am: Fun Run

**Start/Finish • Saint Helena School
 1499 DeKalb Pike, Blue Bell, PA**

Race Information & Registration
www.johnshapirosheroes.org







ST. HELENA

PARISH PICNIC

June 1, 2024 at 5PM
After 4PM Mass

Fun for the whole family!

Parishioners and friends from St. Helena and St. Titus are welcome to attend this FREE family event. Drop by for food and fellowship!

COME TO

Location

Behind the school
Back parking lot and grounds surrounding

To Reserve Your Spot
Contact Mary Reeves

mreeves@sainthelenachurch.org

YOU CAN HELP!

- ✓ Dessert Donations
- ✓ Set-up & Clean-up
- ✓ Food Preparation
- ✓ Help with Games

NEW!

- Bounce house obstacle course
- Officially run whiffle ball game with announcers and scoreboard
- Bubble Land and Laser Maze
- Face painting



Next Youth Night...

**Sunday, May 19th
7:00 - 8:15PM**

Join us for a "Pentecost Party"

St. Helena Parish Convent - 1301 Yost Road

**Open to all teens in 8th - 12th grades
Bring a friend!**

Join us for Cake, Jeopardy, Prizes, Friendship, & Prayer



**Contact: Christian
cthompson@sainthelenachurch.org**

Archdiocese of Philadelphia Catholic Charismatic Conference

Saturday, May 18, 2024

**9:00 AM to Pentecost Vigil
Mass at 5:00 PM**

**celebrated by Most Reverend
John J. McIntyre**

“Prophecy For Our Time” Are YOU ready? – Holy Spirit Empower Us!
Don’t miss it!

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

Speakers:

Mrs. Christine Watkins,
Fr. Rick Wendell,
Daniel O'Connor,

Emcee:

Maria C Richardson,

To learn more, and register:
Go to archphilaccr.org/event



St. Helena, James F. Fenerty Knights Council #14210
Catholic Men Who Serve (www.shkofc.com)
Why Not Join Online for Free ! www.kofc.org

Happy Mother’s Day - Roses for Life

Honoring all Mothers. The Knights will hand out roses to all Mothers after Masses on the weekend of Mother’s Day. All freewill donations will be contributed to local Pro-Life Educational groups.
Happy Mother’s Day!

\$1,000 Donation from Fish Dinners Support Those in Great Need !

The Knights thank St. Helena parishioners who enjoyed the two Lenten Fish Dinners, ordering a record 460 plus dinners. Our Grand Knight, George Gillin, presented a \$1,000. donation from Fish Dinner proceeds to the Norristown Hospitality Center, who everyday serve the poor and homeless (<https://hospitalitycenter.org>).



HELP US KEEP ST. HELENA 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 you weed your garden 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
- **Blessed Mother Statue – Christine Knapp and Family**
- Wayside Garden near Stations
- **St. Joseph Statue - Mike Pelone**
- Pond in Front of Rectory
- **Sacred Heart Statue - Mike Pelone**
- **Four Urns at Social & Rec Center – Ann Kerns**
- Father Higgins Grave
- **Eight Urns at Church, 2 Urns at Chapel - Andrea Caperilla & Debbie Rehak**
- **Ten Urns on Lower and Upper Sides of School - Andrea Caperilla/Debbie Rehak**
- 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 – Thom Mrazik**
- **St. Theresa Statue and Plot Behind Statue – Nancy Johansson**
- 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
- **Front of Empress Room – George Gillin**
- **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)

- Large Plots in Front of Church
- 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.

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SAINT TITUS CHANGE OF MASS SCHEDULE

Beginning Memorial Day, the daily Mass Schedule will be changed. Mass will be offered at **8:00 AM Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday.** There will be no morning Mass on Wednesday & Saturday. On those days, all are encouraged to attend the 9:00 AM Mass at Saint Helena.

UPPER DUBLIN LIBRARY

The Upper Dublin Library at 520 Virginia Drive in Fort Washington is offering FREE Adult Learning Series. Registration for June classes is now open.

Just to name a few courses:

- Aging in Place
- Beatlemania I
- Birth of the Constitution
- Challenges of Growing Old Together
- Technology Potpourri

Social Lunch Hour: 12:45 till 1:45 on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from June 3 through June 28. Take a break between classes.

Food Truck Wednesdays: 11:00 AM till 2:00 PM, from June 5 through June 26. Enjoy a different food truck every week.

For more information contact Dan Shoulberg at dshoulberg1102@gmail.com.

Mary, Mother of the Church

National Center for Padre Pio
111 Barto Road, Barto, PA
www.padrepio.org 610-845-3000

In 2018, Pope Francis added the feast day of Mary, Mother of the Church to be celebrated on the Monday following the Solemnity of Pentecost. On this memorial, Catholics celebrate the fact that Mary, as the mother of Our Lord, is intrinsically linked to the Church as her mother. Join us for a special documentary presentation entitled *Mary Life after Jesus: The Road to Ephesus*. The film will be shown on the “big screen” in the Spirituality Centre and plays no matter how many people come out to view it. Invite a friend for an afternoon Out!

Monday, May 20, 2024
Rosary - 11:30 AM
Mary—Life after Jesus: The Road to Ephesus
12:00 PM (47 minutes)

Retreat for Catholics Affected by Divorce/Separation



Join the St. Raymond Nonnatus Foundation for a half-day retreat at the Daylesford Abbey in Paoli, PA for a special retreat for Catholics wounded by divorce/separation.

Saturday, June 15, 2024, from 11:30 AM to 5 PM.

The day will include talks, time for reflection, prayer time, Confessions, and the anticipated Mass for Sunday at 4 PM.

Speakers: **Anne DeSantis**, MA Theology, Executive Director of the St. Raymond Nonnatus Foundation.

Fr. Nick Terico, O.Praem, a priest of the Daylesford Abbey.

Talks will be geared for healing after loss and in dealing with family crises.

The cost for the retreat is \$60 and includes lunch and snacks.

To Register:

<https://www.nonnatus.org/divorce-retreat.html>

Questions: email

director.srnf@gmail.com



+ Create Your Catholic Legacy

Faith-Based Estate and Charitable Planning Workshops

You are invited to learn about the charitable impact that you can have through your estate.

May 14, 2024

8:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.

St. Mary Magdalen Parish
2400 N. Providence Rd
Media, PA 19063

Presenter:

Andrew J. Barron
Associate, Stradley Ronon

May 21, 2024

8:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.

St. Helena Church, Empress Room
1489 DeKalb Pike
Blue Bell, PA 19422

Presenter:

Deacon Donald P. DiCarlo
President, Family Office
Wilmington Trust

To register visit: thecfpg.org/events



COMMUNITY MINSTRIES & ORGANIZATIONS

LOCATION - ST. HELENA

Ministry/Organization	Contact Person
Art & Environment	Theresa Smith
Basketball: Adult/Young Adult	Mike O'Brien
Basketball: 3 on 3	James Humes
Caring for Friends	Micki Burns
Chapel Reposers	Vince Thompson
Collection Counters	Denise Janick
	Karen Wurtenberg
Communion & Liberation	Colin Cherico
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	Leigh Ann Lonergan
Knights of Columbus	George Gillin
Ladies of Helena	Theresa Smith
Lectors	Pat Lorenzo
Men's Fellowship Group	Joe Bushner
Mommy & Me	Ana Haynie
MUSIC MINISTRY	Cheryl Platco
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	Ann Bottcher
CYO/Community Service Corps	Sean Lonergan
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)	Interim DRE: Jonathan DeMent
	Sean Lonergan
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Respect Life	Mary Jane Mrazik
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Scripture Study	John Waldspurger
Senior Citizens Club	

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WALKING WITH PURPOSE

Monthly Prayer List for Our Children

May: I pray that they will love to give and serve, and will be glad, grateful, and generous givers to the world, not just takers

June: I pray that early in life they will learn and love to pray, and that they will develop intimacy with God and become true worshippers of Him.

July: I pray that they will treat people with godly kindness in a meek and gentle spirit, without losing the ability to take a stand for what is right.

August: I pray that they will readily seek forgiveness when they sin and be quick to forgive others.

September: I pray that they will grow spiritually as quickly as they do physically and mentally.

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.

(Lisa Brenninkmeyer, Founder, *Walking With Purpose*)

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.*

BEQUESTS

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

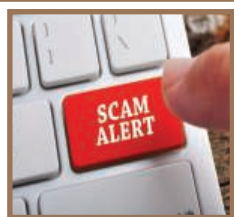
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WE REMEMBER

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We ask that you please keep them in your prayers:

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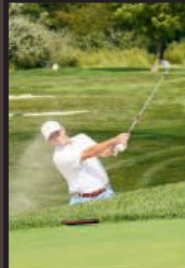
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