



SAINT HELENA CHURCH

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May 9, 2021



Through
the
heavenly
intercession
of
Holy Mary,
the Blessed
Mother,
may God in
His mercy,
bless
all Mothers.

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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:

Parish Priest: Rev. Msgr. Joseph J. Nicolo
Parochial Vicar: Rev. Peter J. DiMaria
Deacon: Deacon A. Kenneth Belanger
Deacon: Deacon Francis Cavaliere

PARISH OFFICE:

Monday through Friday: 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM

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Facilities Manager: Mr. Vince Thompson

Phone: 610-322-5749

Director of Facilities: Robert Malony

PARISH MASS SCHEDULE:

+ ALL MASSES ARE
LIVE-STREAMED! +

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 PM

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

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

Holy Days: 7:00 AM, 9:00 AM, & 12:15 PM

(Except on Saturdays)

DEVOTIONS:

Most Holy Rosary: Mon-Sat 8:25 AM (Chapel)

Eucharistic Adoration: Mon-Fri 9:30 AM-7:30 PM

Divine Mercy Chaplet: Mon-Fri 3:00 PM (Chapel)

CHAPEL HOURS: The St. Theresa Chapel is open Monday—Friday from 6:30 AM to 9:00 PM; Saturday from 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM; & Sunday from 7:00 AM to 5 PM. On **FIRST** Thursdays & Fridays, special devotions are prayed at Mass.

BAPTISM: Baptisms are celebrated the Second (2nd) Sunday of each month at 12:30 PM. 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 1st Monday of the month at 7:00 PM in the Education Center. 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.

MARRIAGE: Arrangements must be made with a priest at least six months *prior* to your desired wedding date. The Archdiocese of Philadelphia requires that all couples attend a Pre-Cana class. Please contact the Rectory at 610-275-7711 or send an e-mail: parish@sainthelenachurch.org for class information & registration.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK:

Arrangements can be made by calling the Parish Office.

RECONCILIATION/CONFESSION:

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

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.

ALTAR 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.



NIC NOTES

Dear Parishioners,

It seems a good time to remind you—our faithful parishioners—that it is **now time** for those who are in good health and those who have received the COVID 19 vaccination to come back to Holy Mass! If you have been somewhat comfortable “of late” in going to a restaurant and eating, why not come back to the Church for the celebration of Holy Mass? If you have been going or have gone to your children’s or your grandchildren’s sports activities and feel somewhat comfortable, why not come back to Holy Mass? If you have been going or have gone to family gatherings and feel somewhat comfortable, why not come back to Holy Mass? If you have been going or have gone to birthday parties, anniversary parties, etc. and feel somewhat comfortable, why not consider coming back to Holy Mass? If you have been traveling on a bus, train or plane and feel somewhat comfortable, why not come back to Holy Mass? If you have gone for an in-person doctor’s visit or test and feel somewhat comfortable, why not return to Holy Mass? If you have gone back or are going back to in-person work and feel somewhat comfortable, why not come back to Holy Mass? If you are sending or have sent your children back to school and feel somewhat comfortable, why not come back to Holy Mass?

If you have come to Church for “special occasions” e. g. Weddings, Funerals, Baptisms, Confirmations First Communions, or Wedding Anniversaries, why not come back to Sunday Mass?

You may think or say to yourself or to one another: I’m not all that comfortable, however, you need to consider moving forward and onward. Realize, sooner or later we are going to have to move forward. I realize that there is hesitation on the part of some or many. I have had that feeling of hesitation on a number of “firsts” that I needed to do since the pandemic began, for example, public celebration of Mass, distribution of Holy Communion, visiting the sick and dying in their homes, nursing homes, and hospitals. The first time that I went to visit my brother and sister-in-law at their home and dining, I felt a little uneasy. The first time I went into a pharmacy, grocery store, gas station, etc., I felt a little uneasy. Any “first outing” at this time is going to seem a little strange and a little uneasy, however, sooner or later you’re going to have to do a “first.” Better now than later!

We have placed a “stack” of white folding chairs in the Narthex. Please take and use them, if you wish, and place them where you feel most comfortable - either in the Narthex or in the Nave.

Please realize all that we have done in the reopening of the Church is over and beyond what we were required and/or asked to do. The safety, health, and of course, the well-being of all of our parishioners was and remains the priority as we return to Church for worship.

*HAPPY AND BLESSED MOTHER’S DAY TO
ALL PARISH MOMS!*

*May God, through the intercession
of Saint Helena, bless us!*

*Love & prayers
Msgr. Nicolò*

Mass Intentions

- Mon., May 10** 9:00 AM **Saint Damien DeVeuster**
IHO/IMO LIVING & DECEASED OF
THE PASTELLA FAMILY
Req. by Mr. & Mrs. John Brady
- Tue., May 11** 9:00 AM
IMO KATHLEEN FENERTY
Req. by The Schmidt Family
- Wed., May 12** 9:00 AM **Saints Nereus & Achilleus**
IMO CARMELA DUNLEAVY
Req. by Jacqueline Longo
7:00 PM **VIGIL OF THE ASCENSION
OF THE LORD**
- Thu., May 13** 7:00 AM and 9:00 AM; 12:15 PM
THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD
- Fri., May 14** 9:00 AM **SAINT MATTHIAS, APOSTLE**
IMO ANGELO PASTELLA
Req. by His Parents
- Sat., May 15** 9:00 AM
For the Living & Deceased
Members of the Saint Theresa Guild

*Monsignor Nicolò celebrates Mass
every Sunday & Holy Day
for the People of the Parish.*

ASCENSION THURSDAY IS A HOLY DAY!

**MEMORIALS FOR THE
WEEK OF MAY 9**



The Sanctuary Candle in the Church burns
in honor of & in memory of
ALL MOTHERS ~ LIVING & DECEASED
Requested by the Rectory Staff

The Sanctuary Candle in the Chapel burns
in memory of
THERESA O' CONNELL
Requested by Barb & Joe Oberlies



A Candle burns at the Altar of Saint Joseph
in memory of
VINCENT CHIAROLANZA
Requested by his wife, Miriam



A Candle burns on the Altar in the Chapel
in memory of
GERARDINE KRISHNAN
Requested by Bro. Raymond

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES
MAY 15TH/16TH
+ SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER +

CELEBRANTS & DEACONS

SATURDAY, MAY 15

4:00 PM: Monsignor Nicolo

SUNDAY, MAY 16

7:30 AM: Monsignor Nicolo (Deacon Ken)

9:00 AM: Father DiMaria

11:00 AM: Father DiMaria

LECTORS

SATURDAY, MAY 15

4:00 PM: M. Neugebauer

SUNDAY, MAY 16

7:30 AM: T. Donohue

9:00 AM: T. Yezzi

11:00 AM: L. Fickett

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF
HOLY COMMUNION**

SATURDAY, MAY 15

4:00 PM: M. Baxter, D. Galanti, J. Schmidt

SUNDAY, MAY 16

7:30 AM: Deacon Ken, G. Berti, C. Interrante

9:00 AM: J. Dalhoff, D. DeBrakeleer, J. Kushnerick

11:00 AM: C. Interrante, M. Okenquist, J. Ramos

ALTAR SERVERS

SATURDAY, MAY 15

4:00 PM: K. Lynch, I. Masucci, R. McIlvaine

SUNDAY, MAY 16

7:30 AM: Adult Server

9:00 AM: T. Dwyer, O. Esbensen, C. Esbensen

11:00 AM: G. Capperella, J. P. Capperella,
K. McFadden

MADELEINE'S MESSAGE

~ Mother's Day ~

PRAYER for MOTHERS



Mary, Mother of God and our Mother,
pray for all mothers, so that they will be able to fulfill
their maternal responsibilities. Help them to be lovers and
nurturers of all human life from the moment of
conception until natural death, all the while being
examples for their own children. Pray for their
children, so that they, too will be faithful followers of
your Son. We offer these prayers in Jesus' Name, in
union with the Holy Spirit, God forever and ever.
Amen

**To all Mothers, Happy Mother's Day!
Madeleine**



**PRAY FOR OUR
BELOVED DECEASED**

Especially for

**ELSIE McDERMOTT,
WILLIAM DOYLE
& WILLIAM CATALDI**



May their souls and the souls of all the faithfully
departed rest in peace.



SAINT HELENA KNIGHTS
 COUNCIL
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Happy Mothers' Day - Take Home a Rose

Honoring all Mothers. The Knights wish you to take home a rose in gratitude and appreciation. Take a rose as you leave after Mass today.

Pick Up Capt'n Chucky's Orders

Remember to pick-up your orders on May 16th between 8am to 1pm at Capt'n Chucky's store on DeKalb Pike.

Thank You for Supporting Knights Fundraisers!

Your generous support has been donated to St Helena Church and School, Ronald McDonald House, A Baby's Breath, a seminarian at St. Charles Borromeo Seminary, Martha's Choice Food Pantry and PA State Knights scholarships for Catholic school students.

PARISH CALENDAR OF EVENTS

For the week of May 9th ~ May 16th

SUNDAY, May 9

Masses: 7:30, 9:00, 11:00 AM - Church & Virtual

MONDAY, May 10

Daily Mass: 9:00 AM - Church & Virtual

TUESDAY, May 11

Daily Mass: 9:00 AM - Church & Virtual

WEDNESDAY, May 12

Daily Mass : 9:00 AM - Church & Virtual
 RCIA: 7:00 - Convent - Our Lady of Fatima
 Vigil Mass: 7:00 PM - Church & Virtual

ASCENSION THURSDAY, May 13

Mass: 7:00 AM, 9:00 AM and 12:15 PM
 Church & Virtual

FRIDAY, May 14

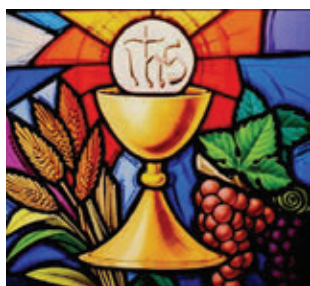
Daily Mass: 9:00 AM - Church & Virtual

SATURDAY, May 15

Daily Mass: 9:00 AM - Church & Virtual
 Men's Fellowship Group: 7:00 AM - Convent:
 Our Lady of Lourdes
 Confessions: 3:00 PM - 3:30 PM - Church
 Vigil Mass: 4:00 PM - Church & Virtual

SUNDAY, May 16

Masses: 7:30, 9:00, 11:00 AM - Church & Virtual



This week, the bread & wine for the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass are offered

in loving memory of
MARY GARBACZ
& JEANE SMITH

requested by
 Theresa & Jim Smith

As Pre-K finished our theme of "Nature All Around Us," Mr. Smith brought in a cross section of a large tree.

The class discovered what is inside a tree?!? We talked about the bark and then counted the rings.





RESPECT LIFE CORNER

A Prayer for Mothers

All-loving God, we give you thanks and praise for mothers. May they be blessed with patience and tenderness to care for their families and themselves with great joy. We pray for our own mothers who have nurtured and cared for us. May they continue to guide us in strong and gentle ways.

We remember mothers who are separated from their children because of war, poverty, or conflict. May they feel the loving embrace of our God who wipes every tear away. We pray for women who are not mothers but still love and shape us with motherly care and compassion.

We also pray for and remember mothers, grandmothers, and great-grandmothers who are no longer with us but who live forever in our memory and nourish us with their love. Amen.

(Catholic prayer from thelordcalls.com)

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!

If you are participating in our May 22 & 23 Baby Shower, gifts of diapers, sizes 5 and 6 only, and summer clothes, sizes 24 months, 2T, 4T & 5T are needed this year. Gift cards from Giant, Walmart, Weiss, & ShopRite are also appreciated.

**“Our God is never
out done in generosity!”**

THANK YOU FOR YOUR TITHE!

A PRAYER FOR OUR MILITARY

Lord God, Almighty Father, Creator of mankind 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.

Given 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.

Please pray for all our military personnel especially:

**POI ELIZABETH FENERTY, CPT KEVIN MAGUIRE,
SFC JAMES KILGORE, CDR DANIEL NEVEROSKY,
TSGT JAMES LAPORTE, SGT JOHN Z. MATEJA,
LT NICHOLAS HUMES,
CPL ANTHONY J. CICCARONE,
CPT EMILY M. LORENZO-WOMACK,
CPT JONATHAN R. WOMACK,
SSGT JOSEPH P. LORENZO,
LT CHRISTINA TAORMINA-LAPORTE,
LTJG BRENDAN J. KOCH, LTJG ANDREW J. SCHUTTA**



PRAY FOR SICK & INFIRM

In your charity, please pray for our sick & home-bound parishioners, as well as those living in health or nursing facilities. In particular, please remember the following:

Patrick Banicki, Marie Marrongelli, Joshua Gelenberg, Guido Perfetti, Linda & Chuck Basile, James Pishock, Louis Drozd, Ceara Hughes, McGrail & Flynn Families, Patricia Gabel, John Piecyk, Bonnie Piecyk, Elizabeth Foster, Suzette Eason, Christine Hoffman, Kaye Grasso, Kellan Ford, Kathy Foley, Kathleen Leahey, Peg O'Hara, Colleen Coll, Kieran Daly, Peter Cook, Bernice Zwigaitis, Jack Keidel, Juan Barba, Sister Antonette Schmidt, Peter J. Cissone, Jr., Dave Colman, Ed Mitchell, Thomas & Linda Cullen, Bobbi Smisko, Theresa Smyth, Diane Bambino, Becky, Forest & Ezra Beitzel, Marie Becker, Cyril (Cy) Seddon, Anne Jolly, Arlene Monti, MaryAnn McCauley, Tom Collins, Elisa Stong, Albert Sinopoli, Christine Lattanze Ross, Peter H. Cook, Ann Marie Stepler, Diane Mackin, Jim Miller, Norma Koch & all suffering with the Coronavirus.

To have someone listed, please call the Parish Office at 610-275-7711. Names will listed for 2 (two) weeks. If you need them to stay on, you MUST call every 2 weeks to update.



THE THIRD MONTH OF
THE SAINT JOSEPH NINE
MONTH
NOVENA &
ROSARY WILL
BE HELD ON

WEDNESDAY
EVENING,
MAY 19th

at 7:00 PM in the
Saint Theresa Chapel.
You are cordially invited to attend
either in person or by Virtual livestream.
E-link to prayers:

<http://archphila.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/02/Novena-to-St.-Joseph.pdf>

IT IS TIME FOR OUR
ANNUAL MANNA FOOD COLLECTION
scheduled for next weekend May 15 & 16.

Our Manna Collection will go to both the Patrician Society and Martha's Choice (sponsored by Catholic Social Services) this year.

The Patrician Society has been handing out 2.5 tons of food every Tuesday & Thursday throughout this year. They are in need of Peanut Butter, Cereal, Soup, Laundry Detergent (in small containers), Dish Soap, Wipes, Diapers & Cleaning Supplies.

Martha's Choice (Catholic Social Services) has asked for our help with Personal Care Products, Baby and Adult Wipes, Cleaning Products, Diapers & Laundry Detergent in small containers.

**PLEASE CONSIDER HELPING OUR
NEIGHBORS & THANK YOU!**

KEN'S CACHE

This week we continue the discussion on the Sacrament of Marriage as outlined in the Catechism of the Catholic Church.

In her teaching, the Church gives us a picture of family life that begins with the total gift of love between the spouses as evidenced in their resolve to remain exclusively faithful until death. This promise made before



KEN'S CACHE *continued*

God in the midst of family and friends before an authorized priest or deacon, is supported by the continuing Presence of Christ in the life of the spouses as He pours into their hearts the gift of love through the Holy Spirit. The couple does not walk alone and possesses the graced freedom to respond to all natural and supernatural help.

The couple's joyful acceptance of children includes the responsibility to serve as models of Christian commitment for their children and helps them grow in wisdom and grace. In this way, their family becomes a "domestic Church." The family honors the home as a place of prayer that conveys a sense of the sacred where so much of Christian life occurs. The couple needs to remember they have entered a relationship between persons. They come to one another with two loves, the one commanded by Jesus and the one caused by their attraction to each other. They are challenged to unite their personal love with Christ's love. Their human love will survive more effectively the cultural challenges they face, as well as the psychological and economic ones, when it is merged with the powerful love of Christ, Who wants them to succeed and Whose Divine Grace is ever at their service.

The New Testament shows that Christ's command to love is the door to the whole supernatural order. At the same time, it encourages the couple to know that Jesus affirms the human good of each person. Together the couple must seek the same goals of mutual love united to Christ's love, the raising of a family and the continued growth of their own relationship. It can seem difficult, or even impossible, to bind oneself for life to another human being.

This makes it all the more important to proclaim the Good News that God loves us with a definitive and irrevocable love, that married couples share in this love, that it supports and sustains them, and that by their own faithfulness they can be witnesses to God's faithful love. Spouses who with God's grace give this witness, often in very difficult conditions, deserve the gratitude and support of the ecclesial community. (CCC, number 1648) More to come next week.

God bless!

Deacon Ken



CATHOLIC SCHOOLS COME TOGETHER TO:

WEAR RED FOR KELLAN

Kellan Ford is a four-year-old Pre-K student at St. Helena School. In September he was diagnosed with Medulloblastoma. The amazing and strong Ford Family is buying as much quality time as possible to create a lifetime of memories in a matter of months. Together as a Catholic School community we are coming together to support the family and spread Kellan's message of happiness and kindness.

Throughout his journey Kellan's mantra has been to "CHOOSE HAPPINESS" always looking for the good and being grateful for all our moments. This is a gift, a reminder, that you can choose how you react, respond and live. Kellan continues to teach us what true strength means. Please continue to pray for a miracle and keep Kellan and the Ford family in our hearts.

#Kellanstrong



WEAR RED FOR KELLAN

on
Spirit
Day at
Saint
Helena
Parish
School

Wednesday
May
Twelfth

Kellanstrong

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:

James Adams, John Botto, Mary Ellen Brogan, Dr. Elwin S. Carlin, Audrey F. Crause, Harry DeFazio, Ann Kelly, Jennie Dinardo, Michael Frawley, Nicholas Grant, Ann Gerlach, Eugene P. Kenworthy Sr., Peter J. Kelly, Sr., Orville Johnson, John S. Maguire, Jane O'Doherty, Lucille Mazur, Grace Migliarese, George T. McCool, Jean P. McQuade, Dorothy Nicolo, Joanna Roth, Thomas Oakes, Matilda M. Schoppet, Mary Ellen Sullivan, Gertrude Usher, Virginia Valentine, Louise Vanelli, Jean Vereb, Mary C. & Raymond F. Uccelletti, Sr., Margaret Wright, Carmen Pagliaro, Dottie Monastra, William Curran, Shawn Henry, Jack Gambone, Gasper Butera, Helen Borkowski, Mary Ryan, Edward Garbacz, John Cantarini, Dave Landers, Joseph Nicolo, Sr., Ron Miles, Harold Rodgers, Marge Fitzpatrick, Mildred Dulin, Candida Barone, Stanley Lentz, Sr., Walter P. Piecyk, Henry Orzechowski, Gasper Sclafani, Rose Trombetta, Brad Souders, Peter Nicolo, Joseph Yaccarino, Irene Koziol, Frances Lavin, Anna Silvaggio, Vincent J. Petrone, Stanley Toscani, Rita Rego, Charles Halfpenny, Sr., Gerard Geisel, Carol Piskai, Stephen Imms, Betty Haly, Ed Sciarra, Ralph Martino, Thomas Keane, Mary Russo, Marlin Souders, William Guerrini, William Schmitz, Jr., Andy Ortlieb, Nicola Rocco, Richard Duszak, Salvatore Giuffrida, Harry Neff, Sr., Ronald Lattanze, Katherine Roth, Maria Begley, Peggy Guerrini, Daniel Staffieri, Norma Leuallen, John Frawley, Rae Bordo, Veronica Graff, Thomas & Anne Yuengling, Francis Nolan, Thomas Swan, Dixie Katrina, Anna Marie Esposito, Karen DeGennaro, Catherine Murphy, Rita Curran, Ann Yaccarino, Tom Gaasche, Catherine Swanick, Agnes Dougherty, Vera Lentz, Marg Agresti, James Frawley, Suzanne Bottinger, Jack Fitzpatrick, Antoinette Cannon, Harvey Kreitzer, Nancy Cavan, Theresa Tomczak, John Barry, Nicholas Machion, Daniel Begley, Joseph Monastra, Catherine Frawley, Rev. John T. Coates, Linda Taormina Kuhn, Dorena Colonnello, Marian Curran, Alexander Piermani, III, Kathleen DePietro, Francis Zuest, Joseph O'Hara, Steve Bacino, Phyllis D'Amico, Emil Bilinski, Carol Mignogna, Edward Stimmler, Marie Neff, Joan Schmitz, Yolanda Marinari, Deacon Donald Kretsch, Charles Walters, James F. "Smitty" Smith, Sr., Edward Sciarra, Jr., Daniel Fitzgerald, Marie Litman, Elaine Thompson, Carmen Branco, Matthew Mazza, Edward Lock, Phyllis Galanti, Mary Scarafone, Anne Burr, James Bozzelli, Margaret (Peg) Tannenbaum, Barbara Souders, Joseph Smee, Sr., James Bottinger, Anne Nolen, Martha Flannery, Joan Cannon, Hilda Carr, Joseph Wallin, Kathleen & James Fenerty, Louis R. DiMaria, Jim Dougherty & Elsie McDermott.

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, Estelle Noska, Elizabeth Ann Quillinan, Jean Stock, Lawrence Marinari, Catherine Frawley, Mary Rosciola, Marian Curran, Charles Loeper, Rev. John Coates, Kathleen Schoemaker, Regina Zaleski, Margaret Donahue, Lorraine Gigliello, Margaret (Peg) Tannenbaum & John H. Quillinan, III.

CORPORAL WORKS OF MERCY FEED THE HUNGRY, CLOTHE THE NAKED.

As we begin a new year and say good bye to the past, we may start to think of things we let slip away. As a Parish Family, we support many of our neighbors, now is the time to make sure that we've not forgotten them!

THE BROTHER HOUSE

One of the missions of The Brother House is to clothe the homeless. You, the parishioners of Saint Helena, help to make this happen by donating to this cause. At this time, they are in need of slightly used backpacks and duffel bags. They are always in need of newly purchased men's underwear, socks, Depends (adult sizes) and slightly used clothing. We have a cabinet in the Information Room of the Church for these items.

THE PATRICIAN SOCIETY

The Patrician Society is a food bank in East Norriton that we help to keep stocked with the non-perishable food that our children and several parishioners bring to Church each week. We also have several Food Collections throughout the year as well as our Annual Mama Bag Collection in May. If you can help, please bring your non-perishable items to Church on the weekend or to daily Mass and leave them in the Information Room. A representative from The Patrician Society usually comes in on Monday mornings to pick up our donations.

CARING FOR FRIENDS

This ministry asks you to cook a fresh meal or to take your left-overs and put them in the containers provided. Bring them to the Church and place them in the freezer in the Information Room. The meal containers are in the cabinet next to the freezer. We have dinner containers and soup containers available together with instructions on how to prepare the meals. Please remember to date your dinners.



MINISTRY / ORGANIZATION

Art & Environment	Theresa Smith
Basketball: 3 on 3	James Humes
Bereavement Ministry	Michele Gerstemeier
Chapel Reposers	Jack Greenleaf
Divine Mercy Chaplet	Vince Thompson

EXTRA ORDINARY MINISTERS OF

HOLY COMMUNION:

Church	Lori & Steve Iannello
Home Visit	Jim McLaughlin
Finance Council	Msgr. Nicolo
Garden Club	Theresa Smith
Home & School Assoc.	Sara Mann
Knights of Columbus	Joe Smee
Ladies of Helena	Theresa Smith
Lectors	Pat Lorenzo
Lending Library	Br. Matthew Levis
Men's Fellowship Group	Joe Bushner
Mommy & Me	Katie Dalhoff
Prayer Shawl Ministry	Sr. Francis, O.S.F.

MUSIC MINISTRY

Contemporary Music:	Cheryl Platco
Cantor Scheduling:	Dick Lentz
	Cheryl Platco

PASTORAL COUNCIL

Msgr. Nicolo

PARISH YOUTH & YOUNG ADULT MINISTRIES

Altar Servers	Fr. DiMaria
H. S. Youth Group	Kurt Zampier
Young Adult Group	Kurt Zampier

PREP

PREP Coordinator	Madeleine Fitzgerald
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RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS

RCIA Leader	Deacon Ken Belanger
Respect Life Activities	Maryann Schieve
Scripture Study	Deacon Ken Belanger
Walking with Purpose	Margaret Malloy
Wedding Coordinator	Cindy Lejman

PARISH SCHOOL

Principal	Carl Jankowski
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To get involved or for more information please call the Parish Office at 610-275-7711 and we will connect you with the contact person.

PARISH MINISTRIES

DURING COVID

NEWS WAYS OF MEETING TO CONTINUE OUR FAITH

RCIA

RCIA is a process of instruction, prayer and Faith sharing, a journey towards Full Communion with the Catholic Church. Participants may be unbaptized, baptized in another Christian faith, or a baptized Catholic whose faith journey has been interrupted. To learn more about how to begin this process of discernment or embark on this journey of faith, please call Msgr. Nicolo, Fr. DiMaria or Deacon Ken Belanger.

(Msgr. Nicolo or Fr. DiMaria at 610-275-7711 or Deacon Ken Belanger at 610-909-1909.)

This group has resumed meeting weekly by following the guidelines of Social Distancing and the wearing of Masks.

LADIES OF HELENA

This group provides spiritual, social, and service activities for women of all ages. We are always looking for new ideas. At this time we are communicating by email: Theresa Smith

theresacsmith@verizon.net

MOMMY & ME

Calling all Moms with young children! The Saint Helena Mommy & Me Group is always looking to welcome new faces. While we haven't been meeting regularly due to COVID, we will be meeting this spring outside as weather permits. Please email Katie Dalhoff at katiedalhoff@gmail.com (610-952-5148) for more information.

RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY

The St. Helena Respect Life Ministry is dedicated to promoting the sanctity of God's gift of human life from conception until natural death. Our mission is to inform our parishioners in regard to God's Word in Scripture, the Catholic Church teachings, and spiritual/cultural issues relating to the respect for life at all stages. Events and activities are scheduled throughout the year to enable our parishioners to be active pro-life disciples through prayer, practice, evangelization, and the support of local pro-life agencies.

We are currently meeting by Zoom. For more information or to join this ministry, please contact Mary Ann Schieve at this electronic address:

respectlife@sainthelenachurch.org

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8:25 AM <> Monday — Saturday

11:30 AM <> Wednesdays

The **11:30 Wednesday Rosary** will be held in **Our Lady of Lourdes Grotto** (the chapel will be used on bad weather days). We invite all to join us outside - plenty of space to distance. Cement benches are available or you may bring your own lawn chair. The Grotto is located down behind the church and can be easily reached by the red stone path near the chapel or by the back parking lot behind the Empress Room which is level and smooth.

3:15 PM <> Wednesdays (*after* the Chaplet of Divine Mercy)

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7:00 AM — 5:00 PM <> Sundays



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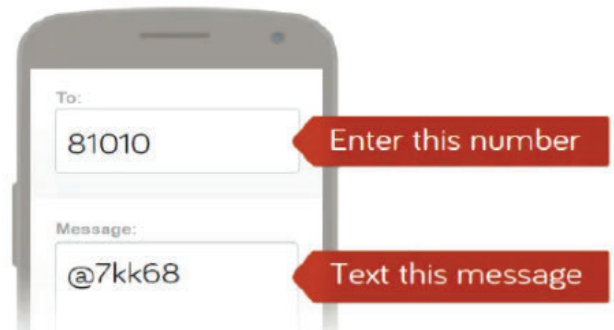


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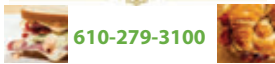
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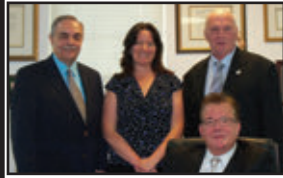


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