

**MARCH 17, 2019**



**Saint Helena Church**

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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. Nicolò  
 Parochial Vicar: Rev. Lawrence F. Kozak  
 Parochial Vicar: Rev. Robert M. Gross  
 Deacon: Deacon A. Kenneth Belanger  
 Deacon: Deacon Francis Cavaliere

**PARISH OFFICE:**

Monday through Friday: 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM  
 (closed for lunch 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM)

Business Manager: Ms. Cathy Neugebauer  
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**EDUCATION CENTER**

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 Facilities Manager: Mr. Vince Thompson  
**Phone: 610-322-5749**  
 Director of Facilities: Dick Lentz  
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**MASS SCHEDULE**

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 PM  
 Sunday: 7:30 AM, 9:00 AM, & 11:00 AM  
 Weekdays: Mon - Sat 9:00 AM *St. Theresa Chapel*  
 Holy Day Vigil: 7:00 PM  
 Holy Day: 7:00 AM, 9:00 AM, & 12:15 PM

(Except Saturdays)

**Devotions in the St. Theresa Chapel**

Most Holy Rosary: Mon - Sat 8:25 AM  
 Adoration: Mon - Fri 9:30 AM - 7:30 PM  
 Divine Mercy Chaplet: 3:00 PM Mondays

**Chapel Hours:** The St. Theresa Chapel is open Monday through Friday from 6:15 AM to 9:00 PM; Saturday from 8:00 AM - 6:00 PM; and Sunday from 7:00 AM - 5:00 PM.

**Baptism:** Baptisms are celebrated the second 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 and optional for godparents and are *usually* offered the first 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 requires that all couples attend a Pre-Cana class. Our next Pre-Cana class will be in the Fall of 2019. Please contact the Rectory at 610-275-7711 or e-mail [tveasy@sainthelenachurch.org](mailto:tveasy@sainthelenachurch.org) for class information and registration.

**Anointing of the Sick:**

Arrangements can be made by calling the Parish Office.

**Reconciliation/Confession:**

Saturdays 4:00 - 4:30 PM in the Church or any time upon request. Call the Parish Office for an appointment.

**MEMORIALS:** *Mass Cards, Candles, Bread & Wine*

If you are interested in having a Memorial said in memory or in honor of a loved one, please visit the Parish Office.

**ALTAR FLOWERS:**

If you are interested in having flowers placed on the Altar in the Church or Chapel, please contact Theresa Smith at 215-646-7636.

**“TITHING IS GOD’S PLAN FOR GIVING!”**



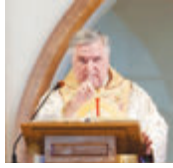
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Our material gifts to God are our way of pledging our time and talent and our very



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**NIC NOTES**



Dear Parishioners,

We have begun the holy season of Lent. As you know, the hallmarks of Lent are Prayer, Fasting, and Almsgiving. Therefore, let us focus our attention on these. Let us make this holy season of Lent a mini retreat. Morning and Evening Prayer as well as prayers before and after meals are truly wonderful ways to start, if you are not already doing so. Scripture reading with a time of reflection and/or meditation each and every day of Lent would also be wonderful. The Rosary and the Divine Mercy Chaplet would be admirable ways to make Prayer an integral part of your Lent. Fasting not only from food or drink is another remarkable way to make your Lent fruitful. Random acts of kindness, that is, doing special things for others would also be an excellent way to “celebrate” Lent. Almsgiving, that is, giving to those less fortunate than yourself is an outstanding way to remember that we are our “brother’s/sister’s keeper”. Remember what Jesus said that whatsoever you do to the least of my brothers/sisters you do unto me. Making visits to the Most Blessed Sacrament would be a great way to focus on Jesus. Perhaps, on your way to work or on your way home from work or as you are going back and forth shopping or visiting someone you can make a little time to stop in the Chapel. If you can attend Mass on an additional day that would also be wonderful. Stations of the Cross and Benediction which we have on Thursdays at 11:30 AM and 7 PM is a great way to focus on the Passion of Christ. Going out of your way is a practical way to show Jesus how grateful you are to Him for all that He has done for you.

Please mark your schedules for Tuesday, April 2. We will be having two Penance Services on that day. The first will be at 1:15 PM, and the second one will be at 6:45 PM. As of today, we have about 17 priests who will be present for the 1:15 PM Penance Service and 20 priests who will be available for confessions at the 6:45 PM Penance Service. As you realize, since we have so many priests coming to help us, we will be going to many other parishes during Lent to assist them as well.

**May God, through the intercession of St. Helena, bless us.**

**Love and Prayers,**

**Msgr. Nicolo**

**AREA LENTEN DAILY MASS SCHEDULES**

- 6:30 AM** St. Stanislaus, Lansdale  
St. Anthony, Ambler  
St. Rose, North Wales (T, W, Th)
- 7:00 AM** Visitation BVM, Trooper (M, W, F)  
St. Teresa of Avila, Norristown (M, T, W, F)
- 7:15 AM** Corpus Christi, Upper Gwynedd
- 7:30 AM** Holy Saviour, Norristown  
MMR, North Wales
- 8:00 AM** St. Paul, Norristown  
Visitation BVM, Trooper (T, Th, S)  
St. Stanislaus, Lansdale  
St. Joseph, Ambler
- 8:30 AM** St. Rose, North Wales  
Epiphany, Plymouth Meeting  
St. Francis, Norristown
- 9:00 AM** MMR, North Wales  
St. Helena, Blue Bell
- 12:05 PM** Corpus Christi, Upper Gwynedd



**ENCOUNTER LENT!**

In Uganda, we encounter Annet, and her family: children forced to flee violence, searching for stability. How are we called to welcome the stranger in our midst? How can you support those worldwide who are forced to flee their homes to find safety or better opportunities?  
**Visit [crsricebowl.org](http://crsricebowl.org) for more information**

**LENTEN SCHEDULE**

*Penance Service:* April 2 at 1:15 & 6:45 PM - Church  
*Stations of the Cross:* March 14, 21, 28, and April 4, 11 at 11:30 AM & 7 PM - Church

*Lenten Prayer Service:* March 10, 17, 24, 31 & April 7 at 7 PM - Chapel

*Lenten Small Groups:* throughout Lent - Various Meeting Places

**HOLY WEEK:**

*Holy Thursday,* Mass of the Last Supper (Washing of the Feet) with Procession to the Repository in the Chapel: April 18 at 7 PM - Church (Chapel open till 10 PM)

*Good Friday,* Liturgy of the Lord’s Passion and Death with Holy Communion: April 19 at 1 PM - Church

*Holy Saturday,* Easter Vigil Mass: April 20 at 7 PM Church

**EASTER SUNDAY MASSES:**  
April 21 at 7:30 AM, 9 AM & 11 AM - Church



*Mass Intentions*

- MON., Mar. 18** 9:00 AM *(St. Cyril of Jerusalem)*  
 IMO Margaret Gormley  
 Req. by Peter McElhill & Family
- TUE., Mar. 19** 9:00 AM **SOLEMNITY OF ST. JOSEPH**  
 IMO Anne Gargan  
 Req. by Anne & Bill Burr
- WED., Mar. 20** 9:00 AM  
 IMO John C. Redmond, Jr.  
 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary  
 Req. by The Redmond Family
- THU., Mar. 21** 9:00 AM  
 IMO Charles Chell  
 Req. by Pat Lewullis
- FRI., Mar. 22** 9:00 AM  
 IMO William Barto  
 Req. by Elizabeth Barto
- SAT., Mar. 23** 9:00 AM—For living & deceased  
 members of the St. Theresa Guild



The Bread & Wine are being offered  
 this week in memory of  
**William Barto**  
 Requested by Elizabeth Barto.



*Pray for our Military*

Lord God, Almighty Father, Creator of  
 mankind and Author of peace, as 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

*Please pray for all of our military personnel,  
 especially:*

**PO1 Elizabeth Fenerty, CPT Kevin Maguire,  
 SFC James Kilgore, CDR Daniel Neverosky,  
 CPT David Collins, SSGT James LaPorte,  
 SGT Brian D. Quinn, SPC John Z. Mateja,  
 CPL Anthony J. Ciccarone, LT Nicholas Humes  
 CPT. Emily M. Lorenzo-Womack,  
 CPT Jonathan R. Womack, and  
 SSGT Joseph P. Lorenzo**

**MEMORIALS FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 17**



The Sanctuary Candle in the Church  
 burns this week in **thanksgiving of the St.  
 Helena Parishioners for the continued  
 prayers for the good health of Leona Geiger**  
 requested by Leona & Bob Geiger

The Sanctuary Candle in the Chapel  
 burns this week in **thanksgiving of the St.  
 Helena Parishioners for the continued  
 prayers for the good health of Leona Geiger**  
 requested by Leona & Bob Geiger



A Candle burns this week at the  
 St. Joseph Statue in memory of  
**Joseph Walker**  
 requested by Joe & Barb Oberlies



A Candle burns this week at the  
 St. Joseph Statue in memory of  
**Joseph Armelli, Sr.**  
 requested by Msgr. Nicolo, Fr. Kozak  
 Fr. Bob & the Rectory Staff



*Pray for our Deceased*

Please remember in your prayers all those  
 who have died, especially for  
**James Tate.**

*Pray for our Sick*



*Please keep in your prayers our sick,  
 home bound & those in healthcare  
 facilities including:*

Patrick Banicki, Marie Marrongelli, Betty Beebe,  
 Charles Thomas Nentwig, Josephine McLaughlin,  
 Pastor Michel, Diane Bambino, T. Volpe, J.A. Joyce,  
 Becky Beitzel, Harry Beitzel, Gerry Butler, Ed Lopez,  
 Jen McAlary, Flossy Meehan, Michelle Young,  
 Jong Sohn, Helen Bertrand, Al Slusarz, Ken Butler,  
 Carol Mattimore, Amanda Mace,  
 Joshua Gelenberg, Max Woodward, Kathleen Fenerty,  
 Guido Perfetti, Donna Thourot, Patrick Gabor,  
 Kaytie O'Hara, Paula DiGiacomo, Suzetta Eason,  
 Pat Gabel, Mary Ann Freeman, Jean Sammaritano,  
 Baby Carson Yoder, Frank Gallo, Anthony Gallo,  
 Harold Mueller, Jerry Yaccarino, Robert Cravero,  
 Debbie O'Hara, Sharon George, Isaiah Bradwell,  
 Robert Adams, Wretha Seinheart, Michael Costa,  
 Geraldine Gabor, Joe King, Chip Woods,  
 Joseph Tancreta, Laura Ecock, Carl Johnson,  
 Carol Madara, Rita Orfanelli, Nancy Matozzo, and  
 Anna Marie Arena.

*To have someone placed on the sick list, please call the Parish  
 Office at 610-275-7711. Names will stay published for at least  
 two (2) weeks. If you need them to stay on, you must call every  
 two (2) weeks to let us know.*

**PARISH CALENDAR OF EVENTS  
WEEK OF MARCH 17 - MARCH 24, 2019**

**SUNDAY, MARCH 17**

- Mass Schedule: 7:30, 9:00, 11:00 AM - Church
- Easter Candy Sale - *after ALL* Masses - Narthex
- Sign up for 40 Days of Life: *after ALL* Masses-Narthex
- Dinner Theater Practice-1-4 PM: Social & Rec. Center
- Lenten Prayer Service: 7:00 PM-Chapel

**MONDAY, MARCH 18**

- Daily Mass: 9:00 AM - Chapel
- Prayer Shawl Ministry: 12-2:30 PM– Parish Meeting Rm.
- Cub Scouts: 6:30-7:30 PM-Library
- Girl Scouts (#71024): 6 - 7:30 PM - Dining Hall
- Lenten Small Group: 7:00 PM - Convent/St. Joseph

**TUESDAY, MARCH 19**

- Daily Mass: 9:00 AM - Chapel
- PREP: 6:30 PM - Education Center
- Adult Basketball: 6:30 PM - Social & Recreation Ctr.
- Lenten Small Group: 7:00 PM - Convent/ St. Joseph
- Ignatian Spirituality/Men: 7:00 PM - Convent/St. Anne
- 3on3 Basketball: 7:30 PM - Social & Recreation Ctr.

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20**

- Daily Mass: 9:00 AM - Chapel
- Dinner Theater Dress Rehearsal: 6:00 - 7:00 PM - Social & Recreation Center
- Girl Scouts (Kindergarten) 6:00 - 7:00 PM - Library
- Girl Scouts (#7230) 6:00 - 7:30 PM - Dining Hall
- LoH Easter Craft: 7:00 PM - Teachers' Lounge
- RCIA: 7:00 PM - Parish Meeting Room

**THURSDAY, MARCH 21**

- Daily Mass: 9:00 AM - Chapel
- Walking With Purpose Luncheon: 12:45 PM - Convent II
- Girl Scouts (#71219): 6:00-8:30 PM - Science Lab
- Scripture Study: 7:00 PM - Parish Meeting Room
- Adult Bell Choir: 7:00 PM - Church
- Children's Chimes Choir: 7:00 PM - Counting Room
- Golf Outing Meeting: 7:15 PM - Library
- Dinner Theater Set Up: 4:00 PM - Social & Rec. Center
- Lenten Small Group: 7:00 PM - Convent/ St. Anne
- Lenten Small Group: 7:30 PM - Convent/St. Joachim
- Stations of the Cross: 11:30 AM & 7:00 PM - Church

**FRIDAY, MARCH 22**

- Daily Mass: 9:00 AM - Chapel
- Communion/Liberation: 6:30 PM - Parish Mtg. Room
- Dinner Theater: 7:00 PM - Social Recreation Center

**SATURDAY, MARCH 23**

- Daily Mass (St. Theresa Guild): 9:00 PM - Chapel
- Men's Fellowship Group: 7:00 AM - Parish Mtg. Rm.

**SATURDAY, MARCH 23**

- Anticipated Mass: 5:00 PM - Church
- Easter Candy Sales: *after 5:00* PM Mass-Narthex
- Sign up for 40 Days of Life: *after 5:00* PM Mass-Narthex
- Dinner Theater: 7:00 PM – Social Recreation Center

**SUNDAY, MARCH 24**

- Mass Schedule: 7:30, 9:00, 11:00 AM - Church
- Easter Candy Sale - *after ALL* Masses - Narthex
- Sign up for 40 Days of Life: *after ALL* Masses-Narthex
- Dinner Theater: 7:00 PM – Social Recreation Center
- Lenten Prayer Service: 7:00 PM - Chapel



**LITURGICAL MINISTRIES SCHEDULE : MARCH 23-24**

**CELEBRANT**

- 5:00 PM** Fr. Gross
- 7:30 AM** Fr. Gross (Deacon Frank)
- 9:00 AM** Fr. Kozak (Deacon Ken)
- 11:00 AM** Msgr. Nicolo

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION**

- 5:00 PM** J. Kang, J. Pomeroy, J. Smith, T. Smith, M. Valle
- 7:30 AM** G. Berti, T. Reigle
- 9:00 AM** D. DeBrakeleer, D. Nolan, J. O'Doherty, J. Waitkus
- 11:00 AM** B. Aquino, D. Galanti, D. Moore, M. Okenquist, V. Thompson

**LECTORS**

- 5:00 PM** J. Warren, P. Schaeffer
- 7:30 AM** J. Bond
- 9:00 AM** M. J. Mrazik, B. Nyman
- 11:00 AM** R. Heleniak, A. Heleniak

**MUSIC**

- 5:00 PM** Organ/Cantor
- 7:30 AM** Organ/Cantor
- 9:00 AM** Contemporary
- 11:00 AM** Organ/Cantor

**ALTAR SERVERS**

- 5:00 PM** C. Fitzgerald, S. Fitzgerald, C. Fitzgerald, K. Yezzi
- 7:30 AM** J. P. Capperella, N. Cheeseman, J. Conaghan, K. Yezzi
- 9:00 AM** S. Glantz, A. Gleba, M. Hughes, K. Janssen
- 11:00 AM** B. Flatow, K. Gallagher, O. Peticca, N. Rossi

JANKOWSKI JOTTINGS

Dear Saint Helena Families,

Each month in Mr. Smith's Pre-K Class the children draw "self-portraits." This month they just happened to do them on Ash Wednesday....some of the children really took it to heart! Enjoy!

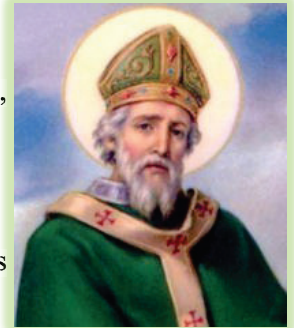
Have a wonderful week!

Mr. Jankowski



MADELEINE'S MESSAGE

Saint Patrick baptized, confirmed, and ordained priests, and he erected schools and monasteries.



Thousands came into the Church under his direction. He accomplished all these activities in less than 30 years, during which time the whole island nation of Ireland was converted. Toward the end of his life, he wrote "Confessions", in which he gives a record of his life and mission.

He died on March 17, 461 of natural causes. He is buried in Downpatrick in present-day Northern Ireland. Many stories are told in connection with St. Patrick. The three-leaf clover was said to be used by the Saintly Bishop to explain the Trinity to the pagans, which is why it is such a common Saint Patrick's Day symbol today.

Another legend has Saint Patrick driving all the snakes out of Ireland. Snakes were a popular symbol among the Irish pagans. He is certainly one of the most revered Saints of the Catholic Church.

Today, Saint Patrick is the patron saint of Ireland, many dioceses throughout the English-speaking world, and he is the Patron Saint of engineers. I hope everyone has a wonderful Saint Patrick's Day!

Have a great week!

Madeleine

**THIS SUMMER,  
VISIT SICILY &  
SOUTHERN ITALY!**

**You are invited to join Monsignor Nicolo on our next trip to Sicily and Southern Italy from August 18, 2019 to September 1, 2019. The price of the trip is \$4,450 double occupancy and single supplement is \$890. For more information call Theresa Smith at 215-646-7636.**



**BULLETIN COVER CONTEST**

**To Celebrate our 100th Anniversary**

We asked our children in School and PREP to design a Bulletin Cover.

- Winner: Darby Burke**
- 1<sup>st</sup> runner up: Madeline Santana**
- 2<sup>nd</sup> runner up: Ellie Coughlin**
- 3<sup>rd</sup> runner up: Alex Winkowski**
- Honorable Mention: Ellie Rosa Gigliotti**

**Parishioners in Parish 50 Years or More**

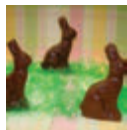
Parishioners who are registered in our parish and living in the parish more than 50 years, please call Theresa Smith at 215-646-7636 or [theresacssmith@verizon.net](mailto:theresacssmith@verizon.net) by May 1, 2019.

**LENTEN EVENING PRAYER**

During this Lenten Season as we prepare for Christ's Resurrection, Evening Prayer celebrates the wonders of creation and gives thanks for the reality of redemption. During this Lenten Season, Evening Prayer is a celebration in the Chapel on Sunday evenings March 17, 24, 31 and April 7 at 7 PM. This provides an excellent opportunity for us to prepare and give thanks for Christ's death for our redemption. The Service is less than 45 minutes and we encourage all to join us.

**ANNUAL EASTER CANDY SALE**

Reppert's Easter Candy will be sold after Masses on March 16 & 17, and 23 & 24. Full payment is expected with order. Make checks payable to St. Helena Church. Orders can be picked up after each Mass the weekend of April 6 & 7. Call Theresa Smith at 215-646-7636 for more information



**VISIT OUR CHURCH AND CHAPEL LIVE**

Go to the Parish Website and on the Homepage select Church Live or Chapel Live on the right hand side of the page.

**ARE YOU A MEMBER OF SAINT HELENA & YOU CAN'T GET TO MASS DUE TO AN ILLNESS OR HANDICAP?**

If you are homebound, please give us a call at the Parish Office (610-275-7711). We will schedule a Priest to come out to visit with you, do a Confession if you'd like and give you Holy Communion. Then he will determine, with your consent, to have a Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion call you to schedule a weekly visit to administer Holy Communion until you are well enough.

**PALM BRAIDING**



Those interested in braiding/weaving palms for the purpose of decorating the Church for Palm

Sunday weekend are invited to meet in the Narthex, Counting Room beginning Monday, April 8 through April 12 at 6:30 PM. Bring a stapler & scissors.

**ALL ARE INVITED.**

For more information, call Carolyn Shields at 215-283-9036 or Terri Smyth at 267-419-8042.

**LOOKING FOR FULL-TIME WORK?**

We are looking for someone who will be responsible for grounds keeping and custodial work. Schedule Tues-Fri 1:30 - 9:00 PM and Saturday 10:30 - 6:00 PM, hours may be negotiable. Outdoor work would include; weed whacking, weeding, watering plants, mulching, and planting, as well as other occasional outdoor projects. Indoor work would include; classroom and cafeteria cleaning, mopping, and occasional event breakdowns. Individual would also be responsible for visual inspections for repairs or maintenance issues on campus. Employee will be required to have all state and archdiocesan clearances.

Please contact [facility@sainthelenachurch.org](mailto:facility@sainthelenachurch.org) attention Richard Lentz.

**A BABY'S BREATH RUN**

A Baby's Breath Run for Life 2019 - Saturday, April 13<sup>th</sup> - Norristown Farm Park - 9 AM Fun Run; 9:30 AM 5K Run; Awards 10:30 AM. Come run, walk or wheel! A fun Spring morning for the entire family! Pre-register at

[http://www.ababysbreath.org/events/NOR\\_RFL.html](http://www.ababysbreath.org/events/NOR_RFL.html)

Proceeds benefit moms and their babies at A Baby's Breath, Jeffersonville Center. For more info, please call Dorothy Swedkowski, Race Director at 610-316-6281 or [budswed@verizon.net](mailto:budswed@verizon.net)

**ON THE ROAD TO EASTER WORD SEARCH**



- Ash
- Holy Week
- Palm Branch
- Wednesday
- Holy Thursday
- Forty Days
- Sacrifice
- Good Friday
- Jesus
- Almsgiving
- Holy Saturday
- Passover
- Prayer
- Easter
- Foot Washing
- Fasting
- Palm Sunday
- Resurrection
- Lent
- Purple
- Love



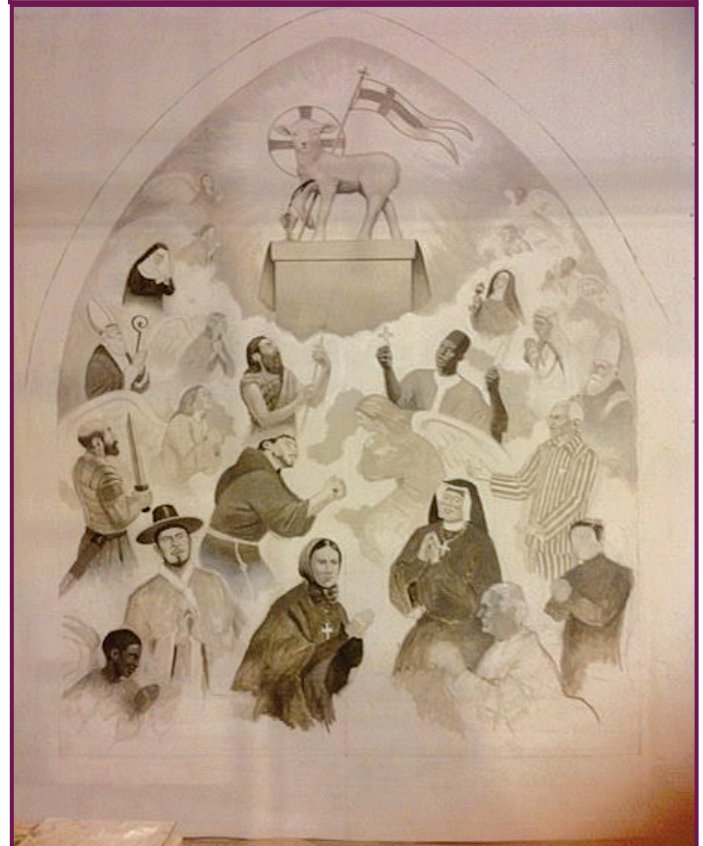
**ST HELENA SENIOR CLUB**

The Club is sponsoring a bus trip for six (6) days (Mon thru Sat) September 16 - 21, 2019 to visit the new and stunning *Ark Encounter & the Creation Museum* in Ohio, along with a trip to *Newport Aquarium* in Kentucky. Price of \$575.00 per person, double occupancy also includes hotel stays, all breakfasts, three dinners and driver's compensation. For more information and reservations contact Mary McKenna at 610-275-0121, or e mail [mmdoodle1@comcast.net](mailto:mmdoodle1@comcast.net).



**WORKS IN PROGRESS!**

*The photographs below show the progress the artist is making on the two murals that will one day adorn the walls of the sanctuary here at Saint Helena Church.*



**RESPECT LIFE NEWS CORNER**

**The 40 Days for Life Lenten Campaign is a nationwide, life-saving event which runs from 3/6/19 through 4/14/19.**



*Join the worldwide movement to protect mothers and babies*

This effort consists of prayer and peaceful vigils outside Planned Parenthood locations. Would you please join us and other local Churches to pray for **one hour** outside the Planned Parenthood in Norristown, PA? Our parish's scheduled day is **Saturday, March 30, from 9:00AM to 3:00PM**. Through 40 Days for Life, it is prayerfully possible to change hearts! Signup sheets, information and directions are located in the Narthex on weekends and in the Chapel during weekdays, from March 16-29. If you have any questions, please visit our information table after the weekend masses on March 16/ 17 & 23/24, or contact Pina McLaughlin, at 484-632-1420 or [ProLifePina@gmail.com](mailto:ProLifePina@gmail.com) Daily devotionals are available at [www.40daysforlife.com/local\\_campaigns/norristown](http://www.40daysforlife.com/local_campaigns/norristown)

**The Catechism of the Catholic Church on Life & Abortion** (2275) states: "You shall not kill the embryo by abortion and shall not cause the newborn to perish."

Our Respect Life Committee recommends the American film, "**Unplanned**". It is based on the autobiographical book of the same name by **Abby Johnson**, a former Planned Parenthood Director who converted and became a Pro-life activist. This riveting film is scheduled for release on March 29, 2019. Check movie listings for theatres and times.

**ALL WOMEN WELCOME TO OUR UPCOMING THURSDAY AFTERNOON MEETINGS:**

**March 21<sup>st</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> (a Connect Coffee); April 4<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup> and May 2<sup>nd</sup> (a Connect Coffee)**

Walking with Purpose is a women's Catholic Bible study held on **most Thursdays 12:45 PM-2:30 PM** at the St. Helena Convent from October through April. The program aims to bring women to a closer relationship with Christ. Personal study and small group discussions at WWP each week link our everyday challenges with the solutions given to us through the teachings of Christ and the Catholic Church. For more information, contact Maryann Schieve at [StHelenaWWP@gmail.com](mailto:StHelenaWWP@gmail.com) or 484-437-9285.





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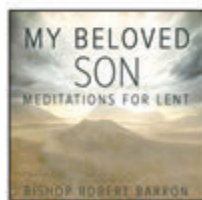
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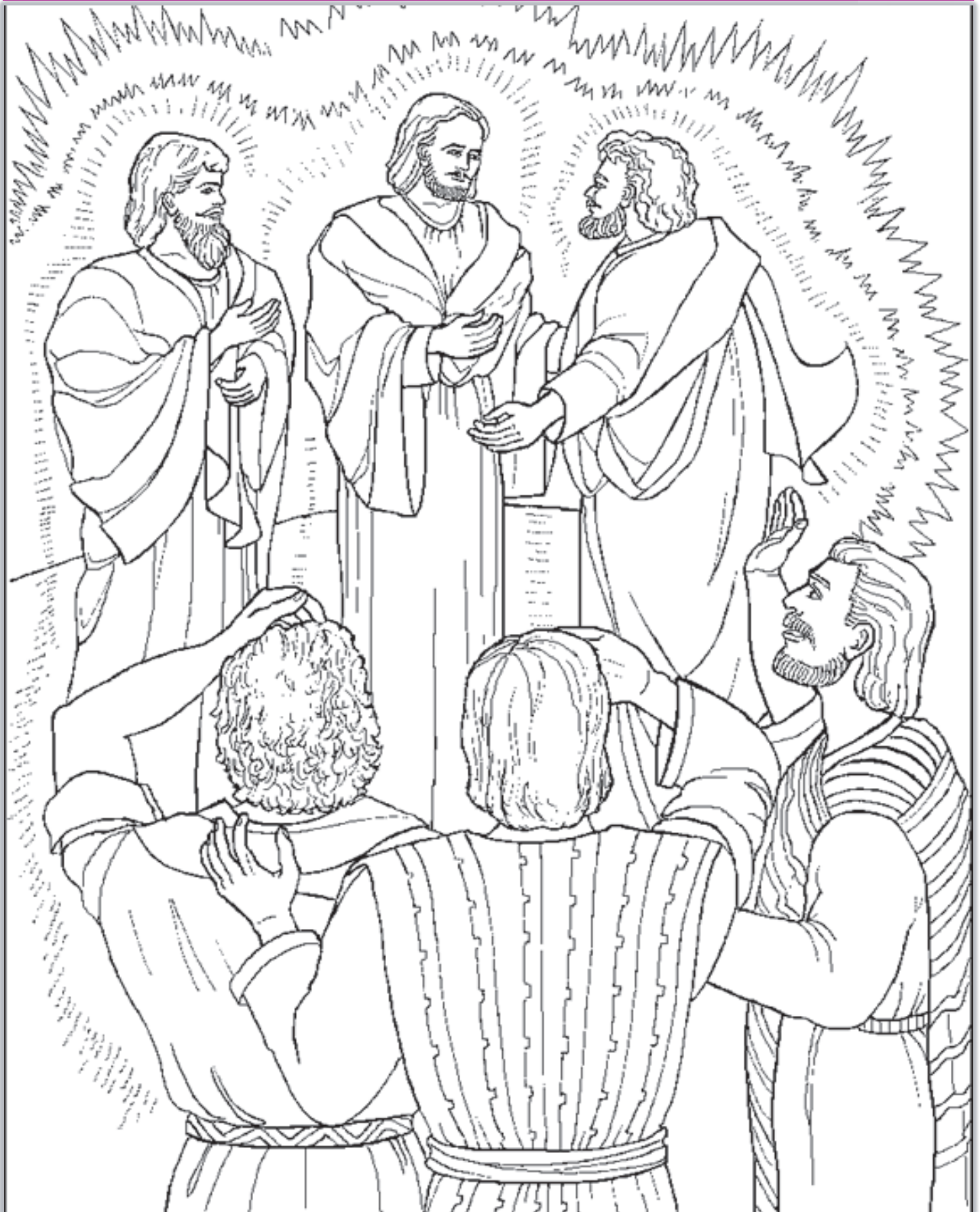
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