



• HORARIO DE MISAS •

Mater Dolorosa

Miércoles - Viernes 8:00am en inglés
Lunes y Martes Sin Misa
Vigilia del Sábado 4:00pm en inglés
Domingo 11:00am en inglés
Misa del Primer Sábado 8:00am en inglés

Santo Dominic

Martes 6:00pm en inglés
Domingo 8:15am en inglés

Santa Helena

Lun., Mié. - Viernes 7:30am en inglés
Martes Sin Misa
Sábado 4:00pm en inglés
Domingo 9:00am en inglés
Domingo (Español) 12:30pm
Misa del Primer Sábado 9:00am en español

• CONFESIONES •

Mater Dolorosa

Miércoles - Viernes 7:00-7:45am
Primer sábado 7:00-7:45am
Sábado 3:00-3:45pm

Santo Dominic

Martes 5:00-5:45pm
Domingo 7:00-7:45am

Santa Helena

Lun, Miércoles a Viernes 7:00am
Miércoles 5:00pm
Sábado 3:00-3:45pm
Domingo 8:00-8:45am

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El Boletín de la Iglesia

Al servicio de las comunidades de las parroquias católicas
de Santa Helena, Mater Dolorosa y Santo Dominic.



«Por lo tanto, manténganse despiertos!
Porque no saben qué día vendrá su Señor.
...Así también ustedes deben estar
preparados, porque el Hijo del Hombre
vendrá a la hora que menos lo esperen.»
Mateo 24:37-44



LA OFICINA SE ENCUENTRA EN 122 SOUTH 1ST STREET • AMITE, LA 70422

HORARIO DE OFICINA:
LUNES A JUEVES, DE 8:00AM A 5:00PM • VIERNES, DE 8:00AM A 12:00PM

En Mater Dolorosa, Santa Elena y Santo Domingo nos comprometemos a educar, guiar y apoyar a todos los que nos visitan, en particular a quienes se acercan, en las enseñanzas y tradiciones de la Santa Madre Iglesia. Esta misión se logrará mediante el ejercicio de las virtudes cardinales de la justicia, la prudencia, la templanza y la fortaleza. Fomentamos un encuentro con Jesús que nos lleva a una profunda amistad con él para que podamos dar testimonio a los demás.



• MASS SCHEDULE •

Mater Dolorosa

Wednesday - Friday 8:00am
Monday, Tuesday No Mass
Saturday Vigil 4:00pm
Sunday 11:00am
1st Saturday Mass 8:00am

St. Dominic

Tuesday 6:00pm
Sunday 8:15am

St. Helena

Monday, Wednesday - Friday 7:30am
Tuesday No Mass
Saturday 4:00pm
Sunday 9:00am
Sunday Spanish 12:30pm
First Saturday Mass 9:00am in Spanish

• CONFESSION SCHEDULE •

Mater Dolorosa

Wednesday- Friday 7:00-7:45am
1st Saturday 7:00-7:45am
Saturday 3:00-3:45pm

St. Dominic

Tuesday 5:00-5:45pm
Sunday 7:00-7:45am

St. Helena

Monday, Wednesday - Friday 7:00am
Wednesday 5:00pm
Saturday 3:00-3:45pm
Sunday 8:00-8:45am

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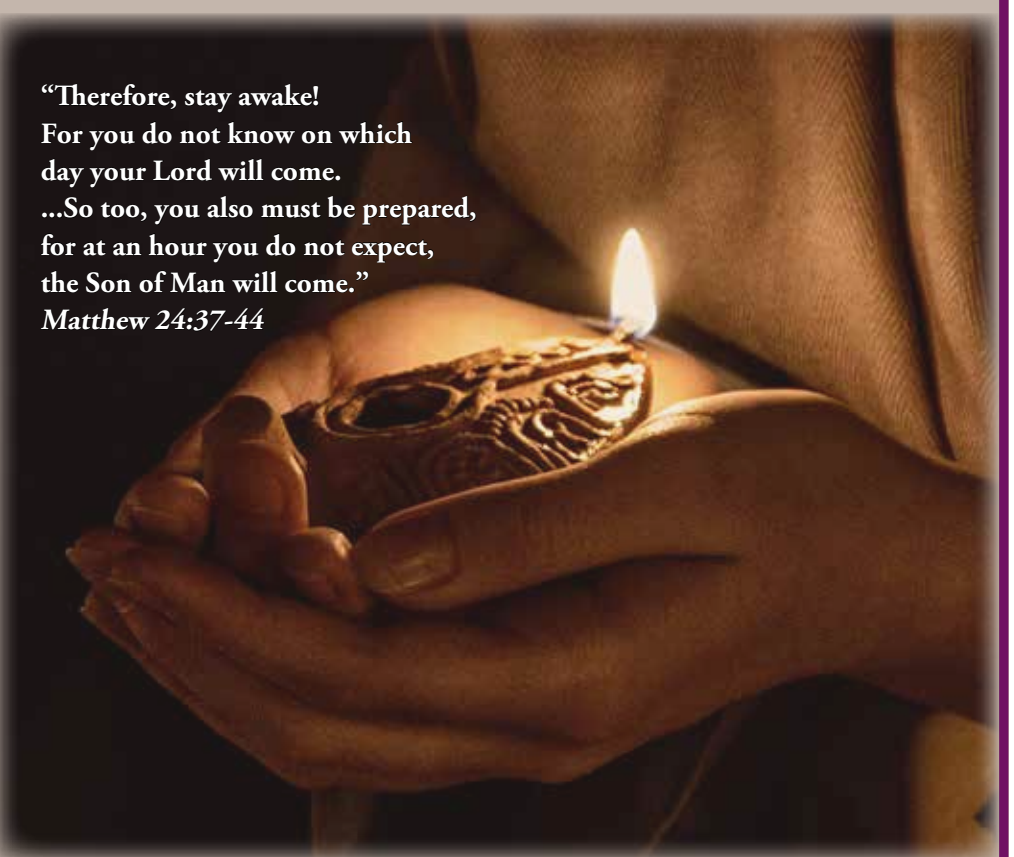


The Church Bulletin

Serving the communities of St. Helena Catholic Church,
Mater Dolorosa Catholic Church and St. Dominic Catholic Church



“Therefore, stay awake!
For you do not know on which
day your Lord will come.
...So too, you also must be prepared,
for at an hour you do not expect,
the Son of Man will come.”
Matthew 24:37-44



THE OFFICE IS LOCATED AT 122 SOUTH 1ST STREET AMITE, LA 70422

OFFICE HOURS : MONDAY - THURSDAY 8:00AM - 5:00PM
FRIDAY 8:00AM - 12:00PM

We at Mater Dolorosa, St. Helena and St. Dominic are committed to educating, directing, and sustaining all who visit, in particular those who draw near, to the teachings and traditions of Holy Mother Church; this Mission will be achieved by employing Cardinal virtues of Justice, Prudence, Temperance and Fortitude. We foster an encounter with Jesus that leads to a deep friendship with Him so we may witness to others.

**Staff**

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SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM
Baptisms are celebrated regularly throughout the year. Expectant parents should contact the Parish Office for information concerning Pre-Baptismal Preparation.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY (WEDDINGS/CONVALIDATIONS)
Contact the Parish priest at least six (6) Months in advance from the date desired.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK
Please notify the Parish Office if a family member is ill, homebound or hospitalized.

PARISH COLLECTIONS • NOVEMBER 23, 2025	
Mater Dolorosa Collection	\$ 7,781.25
St. Helena Collection	\$ 8,323.00
The second collection at St. Helena NEXT weekend (12/7) is for Facilities & Maintenance.	
ST. HELENA ANNUAL PARISH FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 6-30-2025	
Collections & Other Revenues	\$ 677,523.00
Expenses	\$ 525,816.00
School Subsidy-Mater Doloress School	\$ 22,000.00
Capital Improvements	\$ 12,108.00



PRO LIFE

NOVEMBER 30, 2025
FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT
“Like a man away on a journey, he assigns each of us a task; be on the alert.”
Being chosen to serve as a priest or in consecrated life is an amazing work of the Lord. Ask the Holy Spirit and our Blessed Mother to help you recognize and be faithful to your vocation. Talk to your priest or reach out to the Vocation Office at 225-336-8778 or via email: ablount@diobr.org

**TRUE DISCIPLE GIFT SHOP**
Located on the St. Helena Campus
Monday-Saturday 8am-3pm, Sundays after 9am Mass
985-286-4006

FOCUS ON FASTING
DECEMBER INTENTIONS

- The grace to sit in prayerful anticipation of the coming of Christ
- For the awareness of those who approach this holiday season alone, that we may reach out to comfort them
- For the hastening of the Triumph of the Immaculate Heart of Mary
- Grace of the New Pentecost to be poured out upon our Parish

Ministries

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL MEETINGS AT ST. HELENA
Every Monday in classroom 203 at 5pm. We are open to all who wish to live their faith by loving and serving their neighbor.

THURSDAY BIBLE STUDY AT ST. HELENA
In classroom 101 after 7:30am Mass. All are welcome to attend the Bible Study.

MATER DOLOROSA ROSARY FOR VOCATIONS
Will be held on the second Thursday of the month at 5:30pm at Mater Dolorosa Church.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETINGS

- Amite Knights of Columbus #10911 meets the first Tuesday of the month in classroom 101. Rosary 6pm, meeting 6:30pm.
- Independence Knights of Columbus #5627 meets the second Wednesday of each month at 6pm in the KC Hall.
- Visit our Facebook page at [Knights of Columbus St. Helena Council No 10911](#)

ST. HELENA CDA MEETINGS
Have you thought about becoming a Catholic Daughter?
Please join us at 5:30pm in classroom 101 every second Monday.

ENCOUNTER THE PRESENCE OF JESUS
3rd Thursday of each month at Mater Dolorosa Church
5:30-7:00pm
Join us December 18th, January 15th, February 19th



MONDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2025
Isaiah 4:2-6; Psalm 122; Matthew 8:5-11
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2025
Isaiah 11:1-10; Psalm 72; Luke 10:21-24
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2025
Isaiah 25:6-10a; Psalm 23; Matthew 15:29-37
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2025
Isaiah 26:1-6; Psalm 118; Matthew 7:21, 24-27
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2025
Isaiah 29:17-24; Psalm 27; Matthew 9:27-31
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2025
Isaiah 30:19-21, 23-26; Psalm 147; Matthew 9:35-10:1, 5a, 6-8
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2025
Isaiah 11:1-10; Psalm 72; Romans 15:4-9; Matthew 3:1-12

This Week's Readings

Gifts From The Heart
According to legend, a young man while roaming the desert came across a spring of delicious crystal-clear water. The water was so sweet he filled his leather canteen so he could bring some back to a tribal elder who had been his teacher. After a four-day journey he presented the water to the old man who took a deep drink, smiled warmly and thanked his student lavishly for the sweet water. The young man returned to his village with a happy heart.

Later, the teacher let another student taste the water. He spat it out, saying it was awful. It apparently had become stale because of the old leather container. The student challenged his teacher: “Master, the water was foul. Why did you pretend to like it?”

The teacher replied, “You only tasted the water. I tasted the gift. The water was simply the container for an act of loving-kindness and nothing could be sweeter.”

I think we understand this lesson best when we receive innocent gifts of love from young children. Whether it’s a ceramic tray or a macaroni bracelet, the natural and proper response is appreciation and expressed thankfulness because we love the idea within the gift.

Gratitude doesn’t always come naturally. Unfortunately, most children and many adults value only the thing given rather than the feeling embodied in it. We should remind ourselves and teach our children about the beauty and purity of feelings and expressions of gratitude. After all, gifts from the heart are really gifts of the heart.
-Michael Josephson



DO YOU KNOW YOUR PRAYERS??
If we don’t know our basic prayers, how will our children?
Take the time to pray with your children.

GLORY BE
Glory Be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end.
Amen.

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First Sunday of Advent

November 30, 2025

