

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 19TH

No Mass

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20TH

Rocco & Clo Wattigney

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21TH

Father Mark Beard, Edgar Dugar, Jet Keen, Ann LaBarbera, Veda Misita, Harold Wright, Liz Forshag, Tony Paul Ardillo, Raella Armand, Burrell Carter, Barbara Broussard, Lynette Costanza, Nolan Graham, Ann Courtney, Harrell Griffin, Jack Liuzza, Bill Niswonger, Joe & Sandra Schlumbrecht, Brenda, Roland Bourgeois, Ronald & Hazel Scioneaux, Michael Henry, David Paul Delaune, Billy Higgins, Harold Beard, Souls in Purgatory, Catherine Calamari, The Vilcan Family

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 22TH

Father Mark Beard, Jacob Musacchia, Ann Courtney, Jet Keen, Ann LaBarbera, Harold Wright, Barbara Broussard, Raella Armand, Dennis Mussare, Doris Trahan, Jack Liuzza, Liz Forshag, Jean St. John, Beverly Esteven, Nolan Graham, Rita Murtagh, Tommy Kopfler Jr., Sandy Kopfler, RD & Elsie Bridges, Rose & James Webb, Souls in Purgatory, Catherine Calamari, Jesseca Dunn

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 23TH

Joe & Frances Currier

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24TH

Father Mark Beard

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25TH

Rosemary & Nolan Graham

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25TH

Spec McClendon

PRAYER LIST

Lindsey Booty, Christine & Jerry Sharp, Laura Faust, Frances Reid, Annie Monistere, Angel Monistere, Carla Davidson, Carol Asher, TJ Pittman, Matthew Shockley, Shelia Sullivan, Macie Gerarve, Tom & Myra Gentrup, Eric Tarver, Susie Cox, Jerry Rispone, Linda Hulsey, Carl & Gail Keller, Pam Elder, Savina Campo, Katelyn Delbasto, Lorie Delbasto, Ronnie Delbasto, Diann Delbasto, Wanda Miles, Lucinda Voight, Mya Arrazate, Toney Cantu, Kenneth Hill, Conner Corkern, Alice Perez, Frances Currier, Alice Currier, Jay Ardillo, Brian Rueb, Hank & Karen Scheumacher, Douglas Hill, Doris Wright, Lucille Scheurer, Ashley Travis, Tisa & John Cooper, Jerry Laciura & Family, Catherine Calamari, Kailee Spinks Neal, Jeff McBride, Daryl Carruth, JoEllen Carruth, Nancy Carruth, Darlene Smith, Nancy Brown, Bill Donahue, Pat Ducros, Carl Ledet, Terry Howell, Fred Bourgoyne Jr., Imelda Travis, Kenneth Travis, Anthony Recile, A.E. "Buck" Cefalu, Jason Lassigne, Trent Jones, Tereja Uttankar, Francis Uttankar, Vijay Uttankar, Rayiv Uttankar, Aaron Carmouche, Judy Cavaretta, Fran Caastille, Teri Stamper, Connie Crayton, Carl M Bennet, Cary Pardue, Kathy Pardue



We at St. Helena Catholic Church 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.

MINISTRY SPOTLIGHT

TRAVELING STATUE PRAYER DEVOTION

*For the return of our Lapsed Catholics
For the Children of St. Helena
For the Families of St. Helena
For the Souls in Purgatory
For St. Helena Church
For our Priests
For Peace*

Sign-up information on other side of bulletin

MINISTRIES AT ST. HELENA

If you would like to learn more about the following Ministries, please take a card at the end of your pew and send response to email listed on the card.

Bereavement Ministry	Thursday Bible Study
Catholic Daughters	Full of Grace
Jr. Catholic Daughters	Knights of Columbus
Maintenance Committee	Nursing Home Ministry
Spanish Ministry	St. Jude Bible Study
St. Vincent de Paul	Totus Tuus
Traveling Prayer Devotion	Youth

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE

Larry Toups, Peter Vangel, James Hoover, Dennis Toups, William Graham, Vince Owen, Brandon Thompson, Jerry Dyer, Jamie Cutrer, Eric Russell, James Sylvester, Mark Prine, Robert Tillwell, Chris Bennett, Dewayne Spears, Nic Edwards, Jake Cristina, Scott Swilley, Angie Swilley, Chris Brunet, Jacob Rankin, James Michael Dupuis, Daniel Mays, Jim Bravis Redmond Jr., Daniel Santora, Jerry Simmons, Wesley Corkern, Lucas Edward Thigpen, John Accord, Maxwell Conger, Kyle Joseph Rosalies, Jordon Quinn, Adrian Gonzalez Moreno, Sgt. Matthew Vallot, Lt. Molly Fekete, Wesley Corkern, Jacob Frazier, Braeden Hallmark, Trent Smith, Andrew Zaffuto, Judson Sandifer

Please call the Office if you would like to add or remove someone on the Service List.

IN DEFENSE OF MOTHER CHURCH

WHAT TO GIVE UP: A LENTEN REFLECTION

- Give up on complaining -- focus on gratitude.
- Give up pessimism -- become an optimist.
- Give up harsh judgements -- think kindly thoughts.
- Give up worry -- trust Divine Providence.
- Give up discouragement -- be full of hope.
- Give up bitterness -- turn to forgiveness.
- Give up hatred -- return good for evil.
- Give up negativism -- be positive.
- Give up anger -- be more patient.
- Give up pettiness -- become mature.
- Give up gloom -- enjoy the beauty that is all around you.
- Give up jealousy -- pray for trust.
- Give up gossiping -- control your tongue.
- Give up sin -- turn to virtue.
- Give up giving up -- hang in there!

“Therefore, do not throw away your confidence; it will have great recompense. You need endurance to do the will of God and receive what he has promised.”
- Hebrews 10:35-36

Your Value In Front Of God

A well-known speaker started off his seminar by holding up a \$20 bill. In the room of 200, he asked, “Who would like this \$20 bill?”

Hands started going up.

He said, “I am going to give this \$20 to one of you but first, let me do this.”

He proceeded to crumple the dollar bill up.

He then asked, “Who still wants it?”

Still the hands were up in the air. “Well,” he replied, “What if I do this?”

And he dropped it on the ground and started to grind it into the floor with his shoe. He picked it up, now all crumpled and dirty. “Now who still wants it?”

“My friends, you have all learned a very valuable lesson. Because it did not decrease in value. It was still worth \$20. Many times in our lives, we are dropped, crumpled, and ground into the dirt by the decisions we make and the circumstances that come our way. We feel as though we are worthless. But no matter what has happened or what will happen, you will never lose your value in God’s eyes. **To Him, dirty or clean, crumpled or finely creased, you are still priceless to Him.**”

HOPE CORNER



Our Lady of Hope Catholic Retreat Center

Chatawa, MS - (601)-202-3137 - OurLadyofHopeMS.com

Upcoming Retreats: Register at ourladyofhopems.com/events



Ladies Book Club (March 19th, 2024)

Presented by Fr. Robert Cavlier

Book of the Month:



Our Lady of Hope Full of Grace Gift Shop & Perkatory Coffee Shop
Monday-Saturday, 8am-3pm; Sunday after Mass

IN THE KNOW...

ADORATION AT ST. HELENA

Monday-Saturday 6am-6pm

We ask that you pray with us each week for one hour for Holy Mother Church and our Country. Please call to discuss a day you would like to pray and set up your hour.

English- Diane Murphy 985-320-7123 / Spanish- Beatriz Manriquez 985-415-5063

St. Helena Youth Group will be on hiatus until April 3rd as we restructure our youth nights.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Every Friday during Lent we will pray the Stations of the Cross
In English at 6:00pm inside the Church | In Spanish at 6:30pm at Mary's Pavillion.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL PHARMACY FOR THE NEEDY

We will have medicine bottles to put monetary donations in. Please return your medicine bottles with your donation to the container located in the entrance of Church.

PSR TEACHERS MEETING FEBRUARY 27TH AT 6PM.

If you would like to teach or be an assistant teacher at PSR this year, please come to the meeting.

PSR VOLUNTEERS

If you would like to volunteer for PSR this summer contact the Church Office 985-748-9057.

ST. JOSEPH ALTAR (MARCH 10, 2024) - WORK DAYS

Week 3: February 19th - 21st, 23rd | **Week 4:** February 26th - 29th, March 1st | **Week 5:** March 4th - 9th

If you would like to help with this wonderful tradition, please contact Urusla Sherman at 985-517-2728.

This Year's PSR Program is scheduled for June 10th thru June 21st. Registration Info to Come.

PLEASE CONSIDER SUPPORTING THESE FUNDRAISERS:

Mater Dolorosa Catholic School Bathroom Renovation Raffle

1st Prize: Polaris Ranger 570 | **2nd Prize:** \$1,000 Cash

3rd Prize: Weekend Trip to Triple C Lodge in Osyka, MS

\$20 per Ticket -- 6 Tickets for \$100 | Tickets Available at St. Helena Office

Prizes Donated by our very own Full of Grace Foundation!



Independence Knights of Columbus
Four-Friday Fish Fry!

With Mardi Gras Potatoes & Cole Slaw

Feb 16th, Mar 1st, Mar 15th, Mar 22nd

\$14 Donation | 10:30am - 6:00pm | 232 Dileo Drive

To benefit Mater Dolorosa Church and School

Saint Thomas Aquinas Catholic High School

Falcon Fest 2024

Featuring: Cowboy Mouth

March 23rd - Gates open at 6:00pm.

For more info, please email: jammie.dowden@stafalcons.org

MINISTRIES AT ST. HELENA

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY (WEDDINGS/CONVALIDATIONS)
6 Months in Advance

PARISH OFFICE NOTIFICATION

We are asking that you notify the Parish Office if a family member is Ill, Homebound or Hospitalized.

BAPTISMAL SEMINARS

Please contact the Church Office in advance to register for a class.

“Actions speak louder than words; let your words teach and your actions speak.”



- Saint Anthony of Padua

**FEBRUARY 18, 2024
FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT**

“I establish My covenant with you.” If in your listening to the Lord you are sensing the invitation to follow Christ as a priest, sister, or brother, talk to your priest or reach out to the Vocation Office at 225-336-8778 or via email: jjohnson@diobr.org

CAMPUS TOURS

Plan a Tour on our beautiful Campus. For information, please go to website www.sthelenachurch.net and click on link.

TRAVELING STATUE PRAYER DEVOTION

If you would like to sign up for the Traveling Prayer Devotion and host one of the Marian statues in your home, please contact one of the following:

Catherine Calamari (504-236-8983)

For the Families of St. Helena

Yvonne Hulsey (985-969-5058)

For the Souls in Purgatory

Wendy Danna (985-687-8208)

*For the return of our Lapsed Catholics
Prayer for Priest*

Judy Williams (985-969-4511)

*For St. Helena Church
Our Children of St. Helena*

Lupe Calderon (985-222-8096)

*For St. Helena Church
Prayer for Peace*

Audio & Written versions of Father Mark's Homilies are available on our website, www.sthelenachurch.net.

Please support the local businesses who place Ads in our Bulletin.

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<p>Commodore's PIZZA Hammond Amite (985)-345-9726 (985)-247-2999</p>	<p>St. Helena Catholic Church Catholic Daughters of America Court #2536 Meetings held every 2nd Monday of the Month.</p>	<p>Faust Farms Amite, Louisiana</p>
<p>St. Vincent de Paul Call 985-747-2223 for assistance.</p>	<p>St. Helena Catholic Church Knights of Columbus, Council 10911</p>	<p>AMITE LIVESTOCK SALES, INC. P.O. Box 219 Amite, Louisiana 70422 Website: amitelivestock.com Livestock Sales Every Tuesday @ 11:30 am. \$100 Saturday @ 10:00 a.m. Poultry Sales Every Day KRISTIAN LORENZO Call: 985-748-4291 ED LORENZO Call: 985-517-5978</p>
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First Sunday of Lent

*“...This is the time of fulfillment.
The kingdom of God is at hand!”*

-Mark 1:12-15



MASS SCHEDULE:
Saturday Vigil 4pm;
Sunday 9am;
Sunday Spanish 2pm

DAILY MASS:
Tuesday - Friday 7:30am

CONFESSION:
Wednesday 5-6pm;
Thursday 5-6pm

1st SATURDAY:
1st Saturday Mass 8am

OFFICE HOURS:
Monday-Friday 8am-5pm