

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 24th
Orlando Banos

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 25th
NO MASS

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 26th
Father Mark Beard, Barbara Broussard, Ann Danna, Johnnie "Lil Man" Santangelo, Roland Bourgeois, Ronald & Hazel Scioneaux, Duke McDonald, Frances Anderson, Rose & James Webb, R.D. & Elsie Bridges, Myrza Ruiz, Frank D'Amico, Alice Currier, Living & Deceased Members of Nick & Anglee Bellavia Family, Orlando Banos, Elton Shaw, Dr. Leonard A. Cheramie, David Paul Delaune, Michael Henry, Billy Higgins, Harold Beard, Jenna Blades, Imelda Blades

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 27th
Father Mark Beard, Elizabeth Causey, Burrell Carter, Russell & Dot Thompspon, Russell Thompson Jr., Dominick Cuti, Nancy Brown, Ann Danna, Charlie Baglio, Charles Robert Miller, Barbara Broussard, Kathy Dunn, John Vaccaro, Isabel Maldonado, Angela Biandolillo, Chris Primes, Frank D'Amico, Alice Currier, Harrell Griffin, David Paul Delaune, Michael Henry, Billy Higgins, Harold Beard, Law Enforcement, Ashlee Travis

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 28th
Alice Currier

SATURDAY, MARCH 1st
Myrza Ruiz

SUNDAY, MARCH 2nd | 9:00AM ENGLISH
Frances Anderson

SUNDAY, MARCH 2nd | 2:00PM SPANISH
The People of St. Helena Church

PRAYER LIST

Imelda Travis, Kenneth Travis, Suzanne Bridgewater, Nadia Haik, Janett Relan, Henry McCabe, Cathy Remondet, Becky Domiano, Josephine Capdeboscq, Hurless Clouatre, Kelly Spinks, Connie Crayton, Lynne Vance, Will Burriss, Wyatt Scuderi, Lindsey Booty, Laura Faust, Joan Scarle, Katherine Meadors, Andrew Dohrman, Tom & Myra Gentrup, Wesley Ridgedell, Evely Badaux, Sondra Sagnibene, Jean Stafford, Dori Hess Dees, David Acosta, Jim Tryniecki, Val Lambert, Cindy Frazier, Eric Tarver, Savina Campo, Katelyn Delbasty, Lorie Delbasty, Ronnie Delbasty, Diann Delbasty, Shawn Delbasty, Patrick Delbasty, Wanda Miles, Mya Arrazate, Toney Cantu, Kenneth Hill, Conner Corkern, Alice Perez, Frances Currier, Jay Ardillo, Brian Rueb, Hank & Karen Scheumacher, Douglas Hill, Ashlee Travis, John Cooper, Mac Perkins Jr., Ronnie Bardwell, Rae Bardwell, Artie Carleton, Alicia Higginbothan, (Baby A&B), Catherine Calamari, Chance Ohern, Marilyn Dees, Jenna Blades, Kim Anzalone, Heather Ramson, John Lasseigne, Ann Davis, Nolan Delatte



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.

UPCOMING YOUTH NIGHTS



JR HIGH SCHOOL NIGHTS

March 12th & 26th

HIGH SCHOOL NIGHTS

March 19th

If you would like to donate a meal, contact the Church Office @ (985)-748-9057.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE

Larry Toups, Peter Vangjel, James Hoover, Dennis Toups, William Graham, Vince Owen, Brandon Thompson, Jerry Dyer, Jamie Cutrer, Eric Russell, James Sylvester, Mark Prine, 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, Blake Blades, Aivah Noble, Joaquin Noble

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

ST. JOSEPH ALTAR MARCH 9, 2025

WORK DAYS:

Week 4: February 24th - 27th

Week 5: March 3rd - 8th

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

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



CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS BAKE SALE THIS WEEKEND AFTER MASSES



HOLY FACE DEVOTION

Monday, February 24th at 6pm. we will meet in the Church.

LENT BEGINS ON ASH WEDNESDAY, MARCH 5th



Ash Wednesday Mass Schedule

7:30am Mass at St. Helena

8am Mass at Mater Dolorosa

6pm Mass at Mater Dolorosa

7pm Spanish Mass at St. Helena

Stations of the Cross Schedule

Every Friday during Lent

5:30pm at St. Dominic and Mater Dolorosa, 6pm at St. Helena

7pm Spanish at St. Helena

OFFICE CLOSED

Monday March 3rd & Tuesday March 4th

ATTENTION 2025 GRADUATES

CDA LOCAL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Graduating Senior girls who would like to submit your application for the \$500 Local Chapter... Packets can be picked up at the Church Office and must be submitted by March 31st. If you have any questions, please contact Ginger Tastet at 985-517-4811.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SUPREME COUNCIL SCHOLARSHIPS

During the past year, the Supreme Council provided over \$1.5 million in scholarships to students attending colleges, universities, and seminaries. Go to <https://www.kofc.org/en/what-we-do/scholarships/index.html> for more information.

HOPE CORNER



Our Lady of Hope Catholic Retreat Center
Chatawa, MS - (601)-202-3137 - Ourladyofhopems.com
Upcoming Retreats: Register at Ourladyofhopems.com/events

OLOH Full of Grace Gift Shop
Monday-Saturday, 8am-3pm; Sunday after 9:00am Mass

THE GIFT SHOP WILL BE CLOSED MARCH 2nd

Perkatory Coffee Shop
Sunday Special Hot Chocolate & Powdered Cappuccinos **Buy One Get One Free**

**THE EXTRAORDINARY ACTIONS
OF SATAN AND THE EVIL
SPIRITS**

March 6-9, 2025

A 4 Day, 3 Night SILENT Retreat with
Fr. Robert-Joel Cruz

**UNDERSTANDING DIVINE
MERCY**

February 28-March 2, 2025

Make it a Day Retreat with Fr. Chris Alar on
March 2nd, or stay overnight for the weekend
starting Friday, February 28th.

IN THE KNOW...

ENCOUNTER NIGHTS AT MATER DOLOROSA CHURCH
Adoration, Praise, and Music | Every 3rd Thursday of the Month | 5:30pm-7:00pm

**MATER DOLOROSA SCHOOL
ANNUAL STEAK DINNER & DANCE | SATURDAY, APRIL 5, 2025**
\$100 per ticket includes a steak dinner, appetizers, open bar, dessert, and live entertainment. Plus, each ticket is entered into a \$1,000 cash raffle. Tickets can be purchased at the school office or online at www.mdeagles.org. Visit the "Support MDCS" tab and click "Purchase MDCS Steak Dinner and Dance Tickets."

THE 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN FOR ALL GRADES!
Register before March 10th to receive a discounted registration rate We would love to show you around our school; call or visit our website to schedule a tour.

**MEN OF THE IMMACULATA
Men's Conference March 8, 2025 at St. George Catholic Church in Baton Rouge.**
Speakers will be Jeff Cavins, Fr. Patrick Hough, SJ and Fr. Miles Walsh.
For questions contact Eddie Samson at 225-571-6898 or Johnny Dunaway at 225-266-2956.

THE ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY ANNUAL DAY OF REFLECTION - March 13th
Holy Ghost Catholic Church in Hammond. \$25 each includes lunch. 8am until 12pm.
Registration begins at 8am Fr. Bill Henry from Diocese of Jackson, MS will conduct the day. Rosary and Mass followed by lunch. Contact Bridget Fugarino at 985-320-8498 to RSVP by March 10th.

RETROUVAILLE - MARRIAGE WEEKEND MARCH 21-23, 2025
DO YOU NEED MARRIAGE HELP? RETROUVAILLE IS DIFFERENT.
Retrouvaille Is Very Different Than Other Marriage Programs. In fact, the program is entirely unique, and most couples find that this is the very thing that worked when all else failed. For more information, call 1-800-470-2230 or go to helpourmarriage.org

MERCEDARIAN SISTERS OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT DISCERNMENT RETREAT
March 21-23, 2025 **For young adult women 18-35 years old**
Cypress Springs Mercedarian Prayer Center
Please contact Sr. Heart of Jesus, HMSS at sisterheartofjesus@mercedariansisters.org before making plans to attend.

In the Diocese of Baton Rouge, Catholics can gain a plenary indulgence during the Jubilee Year of Hope by making a pious pilgrimage to St. Joseph Cathedral, or one of the five other churches designated by Bishop Duca. (Ascension of our Lord, Mater Dolorosa, Our Lady of Mount Carmel, St. Aloysius, and St. Theresa of Avila) The pious visit includes spending a "suitable" amount of time in Eucharistic adoration, either in exposition or before the tabernacle, meditation, and concluding with praying for the intentions of Pope Francis, the recitation of the Our Father, any legitimate form of the Creed, and invocations to the Blessed Virgin Mary.

IN THE KNOW...

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.



"The ultimate test of your greatness is the way you treat every human being."
Pope John Paul II

PRO LIFE

FEBRUARY 23, 2025

7th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Do not be afraid, for you have found favor with God." Consider following Christ more closely as a priest or in consecrated life. Talk to your priest or reach out to the Vocation Office at 225-336-8778 or via email: jjohnson@diorbr.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
For the return of our Lapsed Catholics
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>HOMETOWN FARM & GARDEN Hardware 301 NW Central Ave 748-9347 748-7106 Selling Lumber & Propane OPEN 7 DAYS A WEEK</p>	<p>St. Helena Catholic Church Catholic Daughters of America Court #2536 Meetings held every 2nd Sunday of the Month.</p>	<p>Bradley A. Stevens Attorney at Law 102 N. Myrtle Street P.O. Box 994 Amite, Louisiana 70422 P: (985) 748-8088 F: (985) 748-1088 brad@sthenacatholics.com www.sthenacatholics.com</p>
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February 23, 2025

7th Sunday In Ordinary Time

*"Jesus said to His disciples...
love your enemies,
do good to those
who hate you,
bless those
who curse you,
pray for those
who mistreat you..."*
- Luke 6:27-38

MASS SCHEDULE:

Mon., Wed., Thurs., Fri.,	7:30am
Tuesday	No Mass
Saturday Vigil	4:00pm
Sunday	9:00am
Sunday Spanish	2:00pm

CONFESSION SCHEDULE:

Mon., Wed., Thurs., Fri.,	7:00am
Tuesday	No Confession
Wednesday	5:00pm
Saturday Vigil	3:00pm
Sunday	8:00am
Sunday Spanish	1:00pm

1st SATURDAY MASS: 8:00am at Mater Dolorosa in Independence

OFFICE HOURS: Monday-Thursday 8am-5pm | Friday 8am-12pm