

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, MARCH 13TH
Harrell Griffin

TUESDAY, MARCH 14TH
Angelo Giardina

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 15TH
Antoinette Riley, Mike Murphy, Harold Brown, Dennis Mussare, Burrell Carter, Angelo Giardina, Harrell Griffin, Dwayne Mista, Shelby Kirby, Milton “Freddie” Anderson, Gaynell Fatzer, Gloria Giardina, Russell Conger, Joe & Sandra Schlumbrecht, Beverly Esteven, Joanne Hendrick, Micahel Henry, David Paul Delaune, Billy Higgins, Harold Beard, Souls in Purgatory, Lori Sibley, Doug Kent, Harold Wright, Law Enforcement


THURSDAY, MARCH 16TH
Dan Potts, Dennis Mussare, Harold Brown, Joanne Hendrick, Joey Gautier, Harrell Griffin, Johnnie “Lil Man” Santangelo, Russell Conger, Brian Roy Cox, Gloria Giardina, Dora Jean Edwards, Anna Marie Tassin, Brandi Taylor, RD & Elsie Bridges, Rose & James Webb, Amelia, Michael Henry, David Paul Delune, Billy Higgins, Harold Beard, Souls in Purgatory, Lori Sibley, Jerry Trabona, Doris Wright, Blaze Taylor

FRIDAY, MARCH 17TH
Joanne Hendrick

SATURDAY, MARCH 19TH
Harrell Griffin

SUNDAY, MARCH 19TH
Roy Laciura

SUNDAY, MARCH 19TH
Zeferino Flores



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


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.

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PRO LIFE

“Abortion is profoundly anti-women. Three-quarters of its victims are women: Half the babies and all the mothers.”

- Mother Teresa

IN DEFENSE OF MOTHER CHURCH

THE CARPENTER’S HOUSE

An elderly carpenter was ready to retire. He told his employer-contractor of his plans to leave the house building business and live a more leisurely life with his wife enjoying his extended family.

He would miss the pay check, but he needed to retire. They could get by. The contractor was sorry to see his good worker go and asked if he could build just one more house as a personal favor. The carpenter said yes, but in time it was easy to see that his heart was not in his work. He resorted to shoddy workmanship and used inferior materials. It was an unfortunate way to end his career.

When the carpenter finished his work and the builder came to inspect the house, the contractor handed the front-door key to the carpenter. “This is your house,” he said, “my gift to you.”

What a shock! What a shame! If he had only known he was building his own house, he would have done it all so differently. Now he had to live in the home he had built none too well.

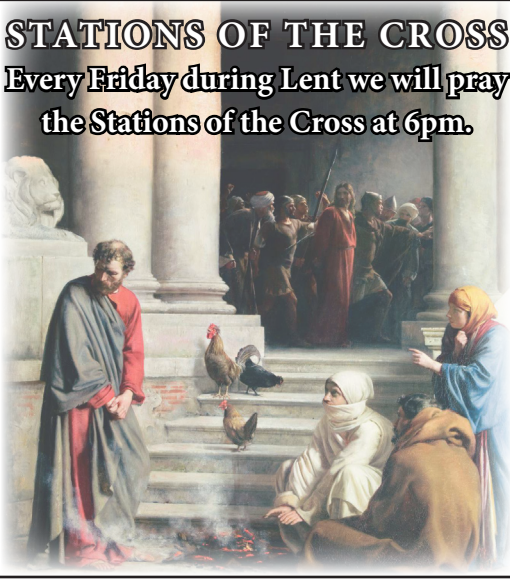
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So it is with us. We build our lives in a distracted way, reacting rather than acting, willing to put up less than the best. At important points we do not give the job our best effort. Then with a shock we look at the situation we have created and find that we are now living in the house we have built. If we had realized that we would have done it differently.

Think of yourself as the carpenter. Think about your house. Each day you hammer a nail, place a board, or erect a wall. Build wisely. It is the only life you will ever build. Even if you live it for only one day more, that day deserves to be lived graciously and with dignity. The plaque on the wall says, “Life is a do-it-yourself project.” Your life tomorrow will be the result of your attitudes and the choices you make today.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Every Friday during Lent we will pray the Stations of the Cross at 6pm.



LENTEN CONFESSIONS

AT ST. HELENA

MARCH 16th AND 23rd AT 4PM.

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.

CONFIRMATION STUDENTS

Our Confirmation Retreat is scheduled April 14th - 16th. All paperwork and payments MUST be turned in to Office by Wednesday, March 15th.

MINISTRY CORNER

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“He who sings prays twice.”

Music liturgy adds to the solemnity and dignity of the Holy Mass. The St. Helena “Grace Note” Choir is a group of dedicated individuals who offer their voices in song to God. The main choir sings at the 9:00am Sunday Mass and during special feasts. Cantors are needed for the 4:00pm Saturday Mass.

Highschool aged and older are invited to join.

Please contact Dan Keen at 985-507-0526.

MINISTRIES AT ST. HELENA

Bereavement Ministry	Bible Study
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Religious Education	Spanish Music Ministry
Spanish Prayer Group	St. Jude Bible Study
St. Vincent de Paul	Totus Tuus
Traveling Prayer Devotion	Youth

IN THE KNOW...

PSR REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN

PSR will be on June 12th - June 23rd

Online Registration is open through May 15th

Visit sthelenachurch.net/psr for online registration.

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


ST. JOSEPH’S ALTAR

MARCH 26, 2023

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

Work days:

March:13th, 14th, 15th, 16th, 20th, 21st, 22nd, 23rd, 24th



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CATHOLIC YOUTH LEADERSHIP AWARD

St. Helena Seniors: Applications for Local Competition must be submitted by March 15, 2023. Get Application forms at church office or online at louisianakc.org.

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\$2,500.00 GRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP

For those who have completed their undergraduate studies and wish to continue their education. Deadline is April 1, 2023.

CDA LOCAL GRADUATING HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR SCHOLARSHIP

Registration packets are available in the Church Office

Deadline is March 15, 2023.

RETREATS AT ST. HELENA

If you would like to schedule a retreat at St. Helena with 10 or more retreatants, consider a weekday retreat on Wednesdays.

Saturday Retreats are limited to 20 or more retreatants.

For information, please go to website www.sthelenachurch.net and click on link.

YOUTH NIGHTS

Wednesdays at 6pm-8pm | Grades 6th-12th are invited to hang out.

IN THE KNOW...

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.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY (WEDDINGS/CONVALIDATIONS)

6 Months in Advance

ST. HELENA TRAVELING 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:

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Judy Williams (985-969-4511)

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Prayer for Priest

TOURS & RETREATS

Plan a Tour or Retreat on our beautiful Campus.

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RCIA CLASSES

Sundays at 10:30am following Mass.

MARCH 12, 2023

THE THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

If we open ourselves to Jesus as did the Samaritan woman, then His grace will help us to know ourselves as He knows us and to follow His call -- perhaps as a priest, brother, or sister. If you think God is calling you to a Church vocation, call or email Rev. Joshua Johnson at (225) 336-8778, jjohnson@diobr.org

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The Third Sunday of Lent
March 12, 2023
"Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again;
but whoever drinks the water I shall give will never
thirst." - John 4:5-42

MASS SCHEDULE:
Saturday Vigil 4pm; Sunday 9am; Sunday Spanish 1:30pm

DAILY MASS:
Monday - Friday 7:30am; Thursday Spanish 6:00pm

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

1st SATURDAY:
1st Saturday Mass 8am

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

OUR MISSION:
We, at St. Helena Catholic Church, are concerned with educating, directing, and sustaining all who visit. In particular those who draw near to the teachings and traditions of Holy Mother Church. We strive to achieve this by utilizing the Cardinal Virtues of Justice, Prudence, Temperance and Fortitude.