

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, MARCH 17th
Orlando Banos

TUESDAY, MARCH 18th
NO MASS

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 19th
Father Mark Beard, Troy Armond, Mike Murphy, Angela Biandolillo, Chris Primes, Dave LeJeune, Barbara Broussard, Ann & Pete Danna, Roland Bourgeois, Ronald & Hazel Scioneaux, Rose & James Webb, RD & Elsie Bridges, Myrza Ruiz, Frank D'Amico, Alice Currier, Duke McDonald, Nolan & Rosemary Graham, David Paul Delaune, Michael Henry, Billy Higgins, Harold Beard, Beverly Rueb, Souls in Purgatory

THURSDAY, MARCH 20th
Father Mark Beard, Pete Danna, Barbara Broussard, Angela Biandolillo, Frances Anderson, Troy Armond, Frank D'Amico, Alice Currier, Harrell Griffin, Victor Giglio, Beverly Donnelly, David Acosta, Orlando Banos, Russell & Dot Thompson, Russell Thompson Jr., Dominick Cuti, David Paul Delaune, Michael Henry, Billy Higgins, Harold Beard, Souls in Purgatory, Living & Deceased Members of Kelly & Mamie Bellavia Family, Kenneth Travis, Jenna Blades

FRIDAY, MARCH 21st
Law Enforcement

SATURDAY, MARCH 22nd
Burrell Carter

SUNDAY, MARCH 23rd | 9:00AM ENGLISH
Shelby Kirby

SUNDAY, MARCH 23rd | 2:00PM SPANISH
The People of St. Helena Church

PRAYER LIST

Josephine Capdeboscq, Hurless Clouatre, Kelly Spinks, Connie Crayton, Lynne Vance, Will Burris, 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, 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, Ashlee Travis, John Cooper, Mac Perkins Sr., Angela Perkin, Ronnie Bardwell, Rae Bardwell, Artie Carleton, Alicia Higginbotham, (Baby A&B), Catherine Calamari, Chance Ohern, Marilyn Dees, Jenna Blades, Kim Anzalone, Heather Ramson, Jason Lasseigne, Ann Davis, Nolan Delatte, Michelle Robbins, Will Dorn, Heidi Carter, Imelda Travis, Kenneth Travis, Suzanne Bridgewater, Janette Relan, Doug Toney, Sandy Toney, Lee Fayette, Henry McCabe, Cathy Remondet, Fred Bourgoyne Jr.



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 Vangel, 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.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS EVERY FRIDAY DURING LENT



5:30pm at St. Dominic & Mater Dolorosa, 6pm English & 7pm Spanish at St. Helena

IN DEFENSE OF MOTHER CHURCH

KNEELING IN CHURCH

When a man feels proud of himself, he stands erect, draws himself to his full height, throws back his head and shoulders and says with every part of his body, I am bigger and more important than you. But when he is humble he feels his littleness, and lowers his head and shrinks into himself. He abases himself. And the greater the presence in which he stands the more deeply he abases himself; the smaller he becomes in his own eyes.

But when does our littleness so come home to us as when we stand in God's presence? He is the great God, who is today and yesterday, whose years are hundreds and thousands, who fills the place where we are, the city the wide world, the measureless space of the starry sky, in whose eyes the universe is less than a paricle of dust, all-holy, all-pure, all-righteous, infinitely high. He is so great, I so small, so small that beside Him I seem hardly to exist, so wanting am I in worth and substance. One has no need to be told that God's presence is not the place in which to stand on one's dignity. To appear less presumptuous, to be as little and low as we feel, we sink to our knees and thus sacrifice half our height; and to satisfy our hears still further we bow down our heads, and our diminished stature speaks to God and says, Thou art the great God; I am nothing.

Therefore let not the bending of our knees be a hurried gesture, an empty form. Put meaning into it. To kneel, in the soul's intention, is to bow down before God in deepest reverence. On entering a Church, or in passing before the Altar, kneel down all the way without haste or hurry, putting your heart into what you do, and let your whole attitude say, Thou art the great God. It is an act of humility, an act of truth, and everytime you kneel it will do your soul good.



-Romano Guardini, Sacred Signs, "Kneeling"
(Translated by Grace Branham)

THIS MONTH HOLY FACE DEVOTION WILL BE HOSTED AT ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH IN PONCHATOULA

On Monday, March 24th, Holy Face Devotion will be hosted at St. Joseph at 6pm. The Devotion will be presented by Fr. Miles Walsh in the Church. We will NOT have Holy Face Devotion at St. Helena this month. Please join us for this special event.

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

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

IGNATIAN, CHARISMATIC, CONTEMPLATIVE: THREE SPIRITUALITIES THAT SKYROCKET OUR FAITH

April 3-6, 2025 - Presented by Fr. John Auther, S.J.

At the end of the 20th century, three spiritualities revolutionized the lives of many Christians. But these rarely were allowed to work together in the life of any given person. This retreat attempts to correct that and skyrocket us toward Heaven. The retreat format will include presentations, prayer and quiet time alone, Mass, and opportunities for confession and spiritual direction.

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. 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."

2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR REGISTRATION IS OPEN FOR ALL GRADES!

RETRouvaille - MARRIAGE WEEKEND MARCH 21-23, 2025
DO YOU NEED MARRIAGE HELP? RETROUVAILLE IS DIFFERENT.
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.

The Marian Servants of the Visitation will be hosting
COME HOLY SPIRIT DAY OF EMPOWERMENT
March 22, 2025 at St. Albert Catholic Student Center | Presenter: Kevin McCall
Register by March 10th via text to Connie at 985-974-1790

The Diocesan Office of Life, Peace and Justice and the Theology Dept. of FranU will be hosting
THE DIGNITY OF THE HUMAN PERSON AND THE END OF LIFE
May 1, 2025 at Westerfield Conference Center from 6-8pm
If you have questions about palliative care, hospice care, the Church's position on the definition of death, organ donation, the Church's teaching on euthanasia and the other end of life topics, this is a great presentation to attend. Refreshments will be provided. Registration is required <https://diobr.org/rle-event>

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.



PRO LIFE

**MARCH 16, 2025
SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT**

“This is My beloved Son, listen to Him!”
Could the Lord be calling you to proclaim His name as a priest or in consecrated life? Listen to Him and 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
Prayer for Peace*

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

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Second Sunday of Lent

*“Jesus took Peter, John, and James and went up the mountain to pray...”
- Luke 9:28b-36*

MASS SCHEDULE:

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| Mon., Wed., Thurs., Fri., | 7:30am |
| Tuesday | No Mass |
| Saturday Vigil | 4:00pm |
| Sunday | 9:00am |
| Sunday Spanish | 2:00pm |
| 1st Saturday at Mater Dolorosa | 8:00am |

CONFESSION SCHEDULE:

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

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