

MASS INTENTIONS

MINISTRY SPOTLIGHT

IN DEFENSE OF MOTHER CHURCH

HOPE CORNER

MONDAY, MAY 22ND
Burrell Carter

TUESDAY, MAY 23RD
Wanles Kellem

WEDNESDAY, MAY 24TH
Eunice Van Zandt, Antoinette Riley, Mike Murphy, Joanne Hendrick, Burrell Carter, Gaynell Fatzner, Samuel Joseph Wallace Jr., Carolyn Baham, Father Eugene Callan OMI, Russell Conger, Dora Jean Edwards, Gloria Giardina, Quinn Beckman, Dennis Mussare, Harrell Griffin, Anna Marie Tassin, Abigail Rachel Pickard, Burrell Carter, Michael Henry, David Paul Delaune, Billy Higgins, Harold Beard, Souls in Purgatory, Lori Sibley, Catherine Calamari, Danny & Jet Keen, Patsy Colgan, Grant Armand, Bill & Connie Donahue

THURSDAY, MAY 25TH
Jackie Hodges, Dennis Mussare, Harrell Griffin, Russell Conger, Johnnie "Lil Man" Santangelo, Dora Jean Edwards, RD & Elsie Bridges, Tommy Davis Jr., Joe & Sandra Schlumbrecht, Charles Branch Sr., Ann Marie Tassin, Hannah Elizabeth Cox, Michael Henry, David Paul Delaune, Billy Higgins, Harold Beard, Souls in Purgatory, Lori Sibley, Jerry Trabona, Harold & Doris Wright, Carl Ledet

FRIDAY, MAY 26TH
Dora Jean Edwards

SATURDAY, MAY 27TH
Harrell Griffin

SUNDAY, MAY 28TH
RD & Elsie Bridges

SUNDAY, MAY 28TH
Spec McClendon

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



PSR Begins June 12th.
Thank you for allowing us to educate your children in the teachings and traditions of Holy Mother Church.

MINISTRIES AT ST. HELENA

Bereavement Ministry	Bible Study
Catholic Daughters	Full of Grace
Holy Face Devotion	Jr. Catholic Daughters
Knights of Columbus	Music Ministry
Religious Education	Spanish Music Ministry
Spanish Prayer Group	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, Dwayne 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

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

Written by Maria Valtorta. From POEM OF THE MAN-GOD, Volume 5, Chapter 634. Farewell and Ascension of the Lord.

24th April 1947.
... I thank you for your faithful love. I thank all of you. You, My friend Lazarus, you, Joseph, and you, Nicodemus, who took pity on the Christ when to do so might have been very dangerous... And you, good women disciples, stronger, in your kindness, than Judith... Blessed be the Earth with its herbs and flowers, and its fruits that have given Me pleasure and refreshment so many times. Blessed be the Earth with its waters and its tepidness, for its birds and its animals that many a time exceeded man in giving relief to the Son of Man. May you be blessed, sun, and you, sea, and you, mountains, hills, plains. Blessed you, stars, My companions in My night prayers and in My sorrow. And you, moon, who illuminated Me as I wandered around in My pilgrimages of the evangelizer. May all you creatures be blessed, the works of My Father, My companions in this mortal hour, friendly to Him Who had left Heaven to relieve tortured Mankind of the troubles of the Sin that separates from God. And may you also be blessed, you innocent instruments of My torture: thorns, metals, wood, twisted hemp, because you have assisted Me in fulfilling the will of My Father! »

... He says to His disciples: « Stop the people where they are, and then follow Me. »

He climbs farther up, as far as the highest summit of the mountain, the one closer to Bethany, which it dominates from above, than to Jerusalem. Close to Him are His Mother, the Apostles, Lazarus, the shepherds and Marjiam. Farther away, in a semicircle, are the other disciples to hold the people back.

Jesus is standing on a large stone, that protrudes a little and stands out in its whiteness among the grass of a clearing. He is brightly illuminated by the sun that makes His garment shine as white as snow and His hair like gold. His eyes sparkle in a divine light. He opens out His arms in the gesture of an embrace. He seems to be wishing to press to His chest the multitudes of the Earth, whom His spirit sees represented in that crowd. His unforgettable inimitable voice gives the last order: « Go! Go in My Name to evangelize the peoples as far as the ends of the Earth. God be with you. May His Love comfort you, may His Light guide you, may His Peace dwell in you until you reach eternal life. »

He becomes transfigured in beauty. Handsome! As handsome and even more so than He was on Tabor. They all fall on their knees worshipping. While He is already rising from the stone on which He is standing, He looks once again for the face of His Mother, and His smile reaches a power that no one will ever be able to express... It is His last goodbye to His Mother. He rises, rises... The sun, now more free to kiss Him, as no foliage, not even a thin leaf, intercepts its beams, brightens with its splendor the God-Man, Who with His most Holy Body is ascending to Heaven, and displays His glorious Wounds that shine like living rubies. The rest is a pearly smile of light. And it is really the Light that is revealing itself for what it is, at this last moment as on Christmas night. Creation sparkles in the light of the Christ Who is ascending. A light exceeding that of the sun. A superhuman and most blissful light. A light descending from Heaven to meet the Light ascending to it... And Jesus Christ, the Word of God, disappears from the sight of men in this ocean of brightness...

On the earth, only two noises in the deep silence of the ecstatic crowd: the cry of Mary when He disappears: « Jesus! », and the weeping of Isaac. The others are struck dumb with religious astonishment, and they remain there, as if they were waiting, until two snow-white angelical lights, in human form, appear repeating the words mentioned in the first chapter of the Acts of the Apostles...



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PRO LIFE

"The Word of the LORD came to me: Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born I dedicated you, a prophet to the nations I appointed you." - Jeremiah 1:4-5

IN THE KNOW...

PSR at St. Helena Catholic Church

June 12th - 23th



We will have PSR Registration Forms available in Church Office & website.
If you have not yet registered your child for PSR, Registration is still available with a \$10 Late Fee.

Homeschool Packets are available if you can not attend PSR. Packets will be available for pickup on July 5th and MUST be returned by August 11th.

CONGRATULATIONS SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS!

Ian Trahan is the winner of the **KC Catholic Youth Leadership Award**.
He will be attending Belhaven University and will Major in Sports Medicine and Exercise Science

Ava Malnar is the winner of both the **KC Catholic Youth Leadership Award** and the **Catholic Daughters Senior Scholarship**.
She will be attending Southeastern Louisiana University and will Major in Pre-Med Microbiology.

The Church Office will be closed on May 29th in observance of Memorial Day

ATTENTION TAMALES LOVERS

The Spanish Community will be selling Tamales Next week, May 28th after 9am Sunday Mass.



PRAYER LIST

Alice Currier, Kathy Lapeyrouse, LaDonna Patton, Katie Cali, Joe & Joy Lowe, Patsy Colgan, Brian Rueb, Joann Montalbano, Grace Baham, Karen Schumacher, Douglas Hill, Doris Wright, Harold Wright, Lori Sibley, Lucille Scheurer, Ashley Travis, Tisa Cooper, Marilyn McGee, Catherine Calamari, Jerry Trabona, Imelda Travis, Kenneth Tr avis, Joy Lowe, Jennifer Brown, Al Travis, Kenny Wenning, Jet Keen, Carl Ledet, Kay Bourgeois, Deacon Mike Agnello, Eric Tarver, Henry McCabe, Hank Shumacher, Colette Taillon, Travis Stoner, Linda Binder, Charlie Ladner, Kenny Wenning, Emily Thompson, Kelly Wayne Russell, Liz Forshag, Frank Guzzardo, Fannie Guzzardo, Ann LaBarbera, Savina Campo, Katelyn Delbasto, Lorie Delbasto, Ronnie Delbasto, Diann Delbasto, Abram Cantu, Wanda Miles, Lucinda Voight, Mya Arrazate, Toney Cantu, Kenneth Hill, Conner Corkern, Raella Armand, Nolan Graham, Joyce Annette Davis, Sherrie Buras Manton, Alice Perez, Jake Liberto, Judy Liberto, Frances Currier

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

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For the return of our Lapsed Catholics
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For information, please go to website www.sthelenachurch.net and click on link.

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

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD (MAY 21, 2023)

God's love and mercy continue to be shown today as He calls men and women to follow His Son as a priest, sister, or brother. If you think God is calling you to a Church vocation, call or email Rev. Joshua Johnson at (225) 336-8778, jjohnson@diobr.org

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

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The Ascension of the Lord May 21, 2023



“Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit...” - Matthew 28:16-20

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.