

MASS INTENTIONS

MINISTRY SPOTLIGHT

IN DEFENSE OF MOTHER CHURCH

HOPE CORNER

MONDAY, JULY 10TH
Joe & Frances Currier

TUESDAY, JULY 11TH
Mario Scramuzza

WEDNESDAY, JULY 12TH
Mike Murphy, Jet Keen, Harrell Griffin, Dennis Mussare, Harold Wright, Antoinette Riley, Carmela Marciano, Dr. William Ferrante, Luke Anthony DeJean, Sarah O.E. Odioing, Carol Ann Parrino, Margaret Domian Perkins, Russell Conger, Dora Jean Edwards, Anna Marie Tassin, Michael Henry, David Paul Delaune, Billy Higgins, Harold Beard, Lori Sibley, Anthony Liuzza, Larry Barman, Catherine Calamari, Law Enforcement

THURSDAY, JULY 13TH
Harrell Griffin, Joe & Sandra Schlumbrecht, Johnnie "Lil Man" Santangelo, Dora Jean Edwards, Harold Wright, RD & Elsie Bridges, Rose & James Webb, Hazel Scioneaux, Jet Keen, Russell Conger, Verda Dunn, Tom Waterman, Ryan Parrish, Merrell J. Fischer, Margaret Master, Michael Henry, David Paul Delaune, Billy Higgins, Harold Beard, Souls in Purgatory, Lori Sibley, Jerry Trabona, Catherine Calamari, Lucinda Liuzza, Chuck Pulliam, Tom Kopfler

FRIDAY, JULY 14TH
Joanne Hendrick

SATURDAY, JULY 15TH
Burrell Carter

SUNDAY, JULY 16TH
James Tarver

SUNDAY, JULY 16TH
Amy McClendon

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

For the period of January thru March 2023 St. Vincent de Paul made 36 home visits to our neighbors providing spiritual support and relief from some of the burdens of life totaling \$9,959.00 for the quarter. Here is a breakdown of some of the assistance given to our neighbors in need:

Utilities: \$7,886.00
Rent \$2,032.00
Prescription Drugs: \$341.00
Food: \$300.00

We appreciate all the support of our ministry as we seek to live our mission: Our mission, through person-to-person contact, mass feeding, sheltering and other channels, encompasses every form of aid which alleviates suffering and promotes dignity and integrity.

MINISTRIES AT ST. HELENA	
Bereavement Ministry	Bible Study
Catholic Daughters	Full of Grace
Holy Face Devotion	Jr. Catholic Daughters
Knights of Columbus	Music Ministry
Nursing Home Ministry	Religious Education
Spanish Music Ministry	Spanish Prayer Group
St. Jude Bible Study	St. Vincent de Paul
Totus Tuus	Traveling Prayer Devotion
Youth	

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

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KEEP YOUR FORK!

There was a young woman who had been diagnosed with a terminal illness and had been given three months to live. So as she was getting her things 'in order,' she contacted her Pastor and had him come to her house to discuss certain aspects of her final wishes. She told him which songs she wanted sung at the service, what scriptures she would like read, and what outfit she wanted to be buried in. Everything was in order and the Pastor was preparing to leave when the young woman suddenly remembered something very important to her.

"There's one more thing," she said excitedly.

"What's that?" came the Pastor's reply.

"This is very important," the young woman continued. "I want to be buried with a fork in my right hand."

The Pastor stood looking at the young woman, not knowing quite what to say.

"That surprises you, doesn't it?" the young woman asked.

"Well, to be honest, I'm puzzled by the request," said the Pastor.

The young woman explained.

"My grandmother once told me this story, and from that time on I have always tried to pass along its message to those I love and those who are in need of encouragement. In all my years of attending socials and dinners, I always remember that when the dishes of the main course were being cleared, someone would inevitably lean over and say, "Keep your fork."

It was my favorite part because I knew that something better was coming like velvety chocolate cake or deep-dish apple pie. Something wonderful, and with substance! So, I just want people to see me there in that casket with a fork in my hand and I want them to wonder... "What's with the fork?" Then I want you to tell them: "Keep your fork ... the best is yet to come."

The Pastor's eyes welled up with tears of joy as he hugged the young woman goodbye. He knew this would be one of the last times he would see her before her death. But he also knew that the young woman had a better grasp of heaven than he did. She had a better grasp of what heaven would be like than many people twice her age, with twice as much experience and knowledge. She KNEW that something better was coming.

At the funeral people were walking by the young woman's casket and they saw the cloak she was wearing and the fork placed in her right hand. Over and over, the Pastor heard the question, "What's with the fork?" And over and over he smiled.

During his message, the Pastor told the people of the conversation he had with the young woman shortly before she died. He also told them about the fork and about what it symbolized to her. He told the people how he could not stop thinking about the fork and told them that they probably would not be able to stop thinking about it either.

**Remember ... keep your fork!
The BEST is yet to come!**

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PRO LIFE

"Although you have hidden these things from the wise and the learned, you have revealed them to little ones."
Today's Gospel
Matthew 11:25-30

IN THE KNOW...

YOUTH NIGHTS
Bring your youth to St. Helena this summer for great fun!!
Wednesday nights 6pm-8pm
Open to all children going into 6th-12th grade.

UNIFORM FOR KIDS FUNDRAISER

Our St. Vincent de Paul Ministry once again will be providing uniforms for children in need in the North Tangipahoa area.

Last year, we distributed (2) uniforms to 490 kids at a cost of \$15/set. Please help us fund this effort for the 2023-2024 school year. A bulletin board with the child's name will be set up at the back of church July 15-31.

Make checks payable to St. Vincent de Paul Uniforms for Kids.
You can return your donation in the box provided.
Help Us Make a Difference

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
SPAGHETTI DINNER**
Friday, July 28th | \$10 a Dinner
Tickets available at Church Office.




PSR Homeschool Packets are available for pickup at the Church Office and MUST be returned by August 11th.

FIRST COMMUNION SCHEDULE

Please note all dates below:

Class Spanish & English (2nd-5th gr. room 205)	August 19 th	9-10am
Class Spanish & English (6th-11th gr. room 204)	August 19 th	9-10am
English 1 st Communion Practice	August 19 th	10am
Spanish 1 st Communion Practice	August 19 th	10:30am

English 1st Communion Saturday August 27th at 4pm
Spanish 1st Communion Sunday August 28th at 1:30pm

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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TOURS & RETREATS

Plan a Tour or Retreat on our beautiful Campus.

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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

14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (JULY 9, 2023)

Paul assures us that the Holy Spirit helps us in our weakness. Ask the Holy Spirit, then, what you are to do with your life. Is it possible you are being called to the priesthood or religious life? If you think God is calling you to a Church vocation, call or email

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14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 9, 2023

"Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me... For My yoke is easy, and My burden light."
- Matthew 11:25-30

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.