

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**MINISTRY SPOTLIGHT**

**IN DEFENSE OF MOTHER CHURCH**

**HOPE CORNER**

**MONDAY, AUGUST 14<sup>TH</sup>**  
Ann LaBarbera

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 15<sup>TH</sup>**  
Jet Keen

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 16<sup>TH</sup>**  
Father Mark Beard, Jet Keen, Harrell Griffin, Dennis Mussare, Ann LaBarbera, Veda Misita, Harold Wright, Antoinette Riley, Russell Conger, Dora Jean Edwards, Linda & Harold Brown, Milton "Freddie" Anderson, Isabel Niswonger, Burrell Carter, Tommy Kopfler, Vivian Trabona, Beatriz G. Wallace, Michael Henry, David Paul Delaune, Billy Higgins, Harold Beard, Lori Sibley, Catherine Calamari, Belinda Nelson, Law Enforcement

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 17<sup>TH</sup>**  
Mike Murphy, Ann LaBarbera, Harrell Griffin, Johnnie "LilMan" Santangelo, RD & Elsie Bridges, Rose & James Webb, Dora Jean Edwards, Harold Wright, Jet Keen, Veda Misita, Tommy Kopfler Jr., Virginia Carreca, Chris & Corky Coxwell, Lennie Riste, Michael Henry, David Paul Delaune, Billy Higgins, Harold Beard, Souls in Purgatory, Lori Sibley, Jerry Trabona, Catherine Calamari, Belinda Nelson

**FRIDAY, AUGUST 18<sup>TH</sup>**  
Hazel Scioneaux

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 19<sup>TH</sup>**  
James Tarver

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 20<sup>TH</sup>**  
Veda Misita

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 20<sup>TH</sup>**  
Isaac Segura

**TRAVELING MARY PRAYER DEVOTION**

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<i>Holy Face Devotion</i>	<i>Jr. Catholic Daughters</i>
<i>Knights of Columbus</i>	<i>Music Ministry</i>
<i>Nursing Home Ministry</i>	<i>Religious Education</i>
<i>Spanish Music Ministry</i>	<i>Spanish Prayer Group</i>
<i>St. Jude Bible Study</i>	<i>St. Vincent de Paul</i>
<i>Totus Tuus</i>	<i>Traveling Prayer Devotion</i>
<i>Youth</i>	

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

Portrait, as in a self-portrait. A painting of oneself.  
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If you and I were to paint a picture of Peter, this would have been the Gospel that we would have painted. Here he is in a boat with the other eleven. The Good Lord is out, because remember, the first time he's with the Good Lord, it's just him and the Good Lord fishing... It's midnight, because they fish at night. Remember, this is the Sea of Galilee. As a result, he says "Lord, I've been out fishing all night." "Throw your nets over Peter." You know how Peter threw the nets out. "Lord, I'm the fisherman. You're a carpenter. You want the nets out? Great, great, there, they're out." They catch so many fish that it almost sinks the boat. He drops in the boat and says "Depart from me Lord, I'm a sinful man." Just him and the Good Lord... The next time Peter's in a boat, a storm's coming. The Good Lord's asleep in the bow. You know the story. "Lord, do you care that we're about to perish." He didn't wake Him up because, you know why? Because He's just a carpenter. I'm the fisherman. I've been on this scene my whole life. Man, this is my home away from home. I'm the man. And now, all of a sudden, he can't even take care of a storm... This time the Good Lord is saying "Yeah, Peter, you have confidence in Me when I'm right here. Well, this time I'm going to be 50 yards out there." "Lord if it is You tell me to come." "Come"... My brothers and sisters in Christ, that's the portrait we painted of Peter. He's walking on water, the wind begins to blow, he turns his head, and, man, next thing you know he's drowning. That's the portrait we paint, but I bet you if we ask the Good Lord to paint him, I bet you He would paint it differently. I bet He would paint Peter crucified upside down, and I bet the words at the bottom of the painting would say "This is My rock, and I did build My church on him." My brothers and sisters in Christ, that's the portrait that God painted for Peter, not the one that you and I paint all too often.

...Here you and I sit 2,000 years later. My brothers and sisters in Christ, if somebody was to paint a portrait about you, what would we put in the picture? Would we put all of our diplomas on the back wall so everybody can notice how intellectual we are? ... Maybe we could put a bank statement at the bottom, so they could show how much money we accumulated as if it was ours? Maybe they had all our sports memorabilia?... My brothers and sisters in Christ, don't you understand? Every one of those items are immediately worthless upon our death. The minute that portrait was painted, it is now useless because not one of those things will go forward with us. My brothers and sisters in Christ, if you painted a portrait of yourself, would there be anything on you that somebody would look and say "Look, right there, in the top right hand corner, on the shelf, behind those six books, to the right, down an inch. I think it's a rosary?" Would you even have a rosary in your picture? Would you be carrying a crucifix in your hands? Would behind you be an image of Christ?... My brothers and sisters in Christ, ask yourself "What would be in your portrait that would go with you to life everlasting, and what in that portrait would be of this world, the world that will come to an end? If Christ painted your portrait, which he will, and is doing as I speak, what would he put in the picture? ... You came in on this day, we're going home on this day... You have all this time in between to make a portrait of yourself...

My brothers and sisters in Christ, I leave you with this... Make sure the portrait that you paint has some relic of Christ, more relics of Christ than relics of the secular world, for that is going to be the portrait that Christ will come to.

**PSR HOMESCHOOL PACKETS ARE DUE**  
If you are bringing back your packets please put them in the mailbox at the Office door. Thank you.



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**IN THE KNOW...**

**FIRST COMMUNION SCHEDULE**

Please note all dates below:

Class Spanish & English (2nd-5th gr. room 205)	August 19 <sup>th</sup>	9-10am
Class Spanish & English (6th-11th gr. room 201)	August 19 <sup>th</sup>	9-10am
English 1 <sup>st</sup> Communion Practice	August 19 <sup>th</sup>	10am
Spanish 1 <sup>st</sup> Communion Practice	August 19 <sup>th</sup>	10:30am
English 1 <sup>st</sup> Communion Saturday August 27 <sup>th</sup> at 4pm		
Spanish 1 <sup>st</sup> Communion Sunday August 28 <sup>th</sup> at 2pm		

**HELP US FIND A KIDNEY FOR EDGAR**



Edgar is the 14 year old son of Isabel Mendez of sister Tamara & Prudence, one of COOM's very first and long-standing vendors.

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**BLOOD TYPE O+**

On Sunday, August 20 starting at 10:30 a.m., at St. Joseph's Pavillion the Hispanic Community will host a fundraiser to support the family of Miguel and Isabel Méndez. Since birth their son, Edgar Mendez 14, has suffered from kidney disease and now urgently needs a new kidney. They will have food, drinks, snacks, desserts and much more. They will also have a Mexican lottery with prizes available to win. Come have fun and support this family. Please keep Edgar and his family in your prayers.

*Thank you for all your kind words, phone calls, messages in the last week. We are extremely blessed to have you all share in the joy and blessings that have been recieved in the twelve years at St. Helena with our beloved priest. St. Helena & Our Lady of Hope Staff*  
May the blessing upon you be two-fold, like that of Elisha...

The Church Office will be closed next week.

**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

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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

**NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (AUGUST 13, 2023)**

Peter received his special call when He acknowledged Jesus as Messiah. We who receive Jesus as our Lord and Savior also receive a special call, especially if we are called to the priesthood or religious life. If you think God is calling you to a Church vocation, call or email Rev. Joshua Johnson at (225) 336-8778, [jjohnson@diobr.org](mailto:jjohnson@diobr.org)

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**August 13, 2023**

**19th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
"Truly, You are the Son of God" - Matthew 14:22-33

**MASS SCHEDULE:**  
Saturday Vigil 4pm; Sunday 9am; Sunday Spanish 2pm

**DAILY MASS:**  
Monday - Friday 7:30am

**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.