

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 2ND

Raella Armand

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3RD

No Mass

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4TH

Father Mark Beard, Mike Murphy, Jet Keen, Alice Currier, Nolan & Rosemary Graham, Raella Armand, Buddy Cox, Ronald & Hazel Scioneaux, Roland Bourgeois, GG McElveen, Barbara Broussard, Ann Danna, Louella Hunsinger, John Lane, Carter Church, Carole Church Grout, Sal Perez, Mary Howard, Doland Graves, Harold Wright, Marie Cain, Brenda Latino, John DePhillips, David Paul Delaune, Michael Henry, Billy Higgins, Harold Beard, The Vilcan Family, Jenna Blades

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 5TH

Father Mark Beard, Jet Keen, Harrell Griffin, Christie Sharp, Barbara Broussard, Raella Armand, Alice Currier, Nolan & Rosemary Graham, Ann Danna, Norma Donahue, Rose & James Webb, RD & Elsie Bridges, Mike Agnello, Brian Cox, Joann Levet, Dona Jane & Mike Puma, Eddie Barker, Sylvia Hastings, Nancy Brown, Laura Costanza, David Paul Delaune, Michael Henry, Billy Higgins, Harold Beard, President Trump

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 6TH

Barbara Broussard

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7TH

Burrell Carter

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8TH | 9:00AM ENGLISH

Christine Sharp

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8TH | 2:00PM SPANISH

The People of St. Helena Church

PRAYER LIST

Hope LaFleur, Martie Fellom, Chuck Reid, Jason Lasseigne, Billy Smith, Darlene Smith, Jerry Smith, Catherine Calamari, Jean Staffer, Janet Relan, Shirley Durnam, Connie Crayton, Jojo Holden, Robbie Beyl, Marilyn Dees, Jenna Blades, Morgan Edwards, Pete Drude, Fran Poche, Larry Roberts, Lisa Carrier, Mark Thompson, Jim St. James, Jared Guidry, Dylan Guidry, Cheyanne Smith, Imelda Travis, Kenneth Travis, Shan Grout, Case Lee, Stoney Ware, Suzanne Bridgewater, Heath Rohner, Myrza Ruiz, Doris Wright, Bonnie Walker, Lindsey Booty, Jerry Sharp, Laura Faust, Dolores Lejeune, Jeff Austin, Phyllis Masson, Lois Domiano, Debra Covelli, Cindy Frazier, Trudy Durnin, John Catalanotto, Eric Tarver, Susie Cox, Savina Campo, Katelyn Delbasty, Lorie Delbasty, Ronnie Delbasty, Diann Delbasty, Wanda Miles, Lucinda Voight, Mya Arrazate, Toney Cantu, Kenneth Hill, Conner Corkern, Alice Perez, Frances Currier, Jay Ardillo, Brian Rueb, Hank & Karen Scheumacher, Douglas Hill, Ashley Travis, Tisa & John Cooper, Mac Perkins Sr., Juanita Dugar, Luke Gay, Sondra Sagnibene, Melissa Liberto, Jean Stafford, Fred Bourgoyne Jr., Finn Blumenthal



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.

MINISTRY SPOTLIGHT



CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF AMERICA

Formed in 1903 the Catholic Daughters of the Americas (CDA) is one of the oldest and largest organizations of Catholic women in the Americas. Members donate to charities, administer scholarship programs and strive "to be helping hands where there is pain, poverty, sorrow or sickness."

MINISTRIES AT ST. HELENA

If you would like to learn more about the following Ministries, please take a card at the end of your pew and send response to email listed on the card.

Bereavement Ministry	Nursing Home Ministry
Catholic Daughters	Spanish Ministry
Finance & Pastoral Council	St. Vincent de Paul
Full of Grace	Thursday Bible Study
Jr. Catholic Daughters	Traveling Prayer Devotion
Knights of Columbus	Youth
Maintenance Committee	

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, Dewayne 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, Judson Sandifer, Blake Blades

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

IN DEFENSE OF MOTHER CHURCH



I was asleep in bed with my wife. Suddenly, I awoke. I sat up very quickly and looked to my left. At the entrance to our bathroom, adjoined to our bedroom, was an enormous man. He was praying on both knees with his head lowered and his hands pressed together under his chin. Our vaulted ceilings are about thirteen feet tall. Even so, the back of his head was grazing the ceiling, so the size of this creature when standing would have been at least twenty-five feet tall. His white, ankle-length garment also glimmered with gold, and a solid-gold-colored sash was wrapped around his waist. His hair was a color in between blonde and light brown, and his feet, also very large but in proportion with the rest of his body, were strapped in brownish-bronze woven sandals. I could plainly see a cut or bruise on his upper left cheek, and while his garment was beautiful, it was soiled and discolored from what appeared to be wounds underneath the fabric. He looked extremely sad and very tired.

I was startled to say the least, not only by his presence in my own room, but by the sheer size of him. I jumped out of bed and quickly reached in my night-stand drawer to grab a firearm I keep in my room for protection. No sooner did I point the weapon in the creature's direction, when he turned his head and looked at me, saying, "Please don't do that." At these words, a great calm came over me. I lowered the weapon to my side and just stared at him. His face was gentle, as were his eyes, but he still appeared heavy-hearted. He then said, "Tell the people to pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy, every day, and to offer it in reparation for the sins committed by the United States."

Then the visitation stopped. In the days that followed, through contemplation and prayer, I was shown that this being is the Guardian Angel of the United States, and he is losing the battle for our country to Satan and his demons. Our prayers, specifically the one he requested, strengthen not only him, but also all the angels who fight with him. He is petitioning us for help. I came to understand that we empower angels through our prayers, just as we empower demons with our sin. Our sins and indifference open the doors to the devils and their curses, but our prayers and petitions open the doors to God's strength and blessings.

We are in grave need of prayer and penance, and sacrifices for love of God that give way to waterfalls of grace. May we surrender all that we are and all that we have to Jesus before the Day of Justice arrives. Woe to those who would take this period of mercy for granted and put off their conversions, thinking that they can wait until the last hour. To grow in holiness can only come by way of God's grace and mercy. To grow in holiness takes time. And that time for grace and mercy is now.

Thanks to the volunteers who have stepped up, The Coffee Shop and Gift Shop will reopen on Sundays after 9:00am Mass.

The Gift Shop and Coffee Shop will be closed on Labor Day.



THE CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON MONDAY IN OBSERVANCE OF LABOR DAY. WE WILL NOT HAVE DAILY MASS.

OCIA CLASSES

OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Do you know someone who wants to learn more about our Catholic Faith?

If so, please encourage them to call the Church Office 985-748-9057

and register for the OCIA Inquiry Sessions.

HOPE CORNER



Our Lady of Hope Catholic Retreat Center

Chatawa, MS - (601)-202-3137 - OurLadyofHopeMS.com

Upcoming Retreats: Register at ourladyofhopems.com/events



THE EXTRAORDINARY ACTIONS OF SATAN AND THE EVIL SPIRITS

March 6-9, 2025

A 4 Day, 3 Night SILENT Retreat with Fr. Robert-Joel Cruz

Love on Earth as it is in Heaven

A Couples Retreat with Father Philip Scott

OCTOBER 4 - OCTOBER 6



Perkatory Coffee Shop
Coffee, Snacks, Peace and Quiet
Hours Below

Our Lady of Hope Full of Grace Gift Shop & Perkatory Coffee Shop
Monday-Saturday, 8am-3pm | Sunday after 9:00am Mass

IN THE KNOW...

ADORATION AT ST. HELENA

Monday-Saturday 6am-6pm

Interested in signing up for Eucharistic Adoration? -- Call Diane Murphy at 985-320-7123

St. Therese of Lisieux Feast Day

October 1st - Mass will be celebrated at St. Dominic in Husser at 6:00pm. All are welcome to attend.

St. Francis of Assisi Feast Day

October 4th - The Blessing of the Pets at 5:00pm Please park across the street and bring your pets to the East pedestrian gate.

Women's Prayer Breakfast

GUEST SPEAKER: DENNY CHARBONNET

Saturday, October 5th 9:00am-12:00pm

Mater Dolorosa KC Hall, Independence, LA

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BBQ CHICKEN DINNER

October 25, 2024 | \$12 Donation per Box

Ticket Information to Come.



13th ANNUAL

TRUNK R TREAT

Wednesday, October 30, 2024

5:30-7:00pm

Diocese of Baton Rouge 2nd Adoration Chapel Passport Pilgrimage

SEPTEMBER 1, 2024 – APRIL 27, 2025

Pick up a passport from a participating church or chapel. We encourage you to attend as many chapels as possible. When you visit each chapel, check, stamp, or date the box on the passport next to the chapel. If by the deadline, you have visited at least 5 chapels, mail or return to the drop box at Our Lady of Holy Rosary for entry into drawing on Divine Mercy Sunday for a Passport Pilgrimage Prize.

For questions or chapel information, email adore2024passport@gmail.com

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.

“Woe to me if I should prove myself but a halfhearted soldier in the service of my thorn-crowned Captain.”
- St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen



SEPTEMBER 1, 2024
22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
“Keep the commandments of the Lord.”
Seek a life deeply aligned with His divine will and purpose. If you feel He is calling you to become a priest or religious brother or sister, talk to your priest or reach out to the Vocation Office at 225-336-8778 or via email: jjohnson@diobr.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
For the return of our Lapsed Catholics
Prayer for Peace

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<p>St. Vincent de Paul Call 985-747-2223 for assistance.</p>	<p>State Farm Providing Insurance and Financial Services Home Office, Bloomington, Illinois 61710 Robbie Lee, Agent 227 N.W. Central Avenue Amite, LA 70422-2426 Bus 985 748 9000 Res 985 748 2022 Cell 985 989 1300 Fax 985 748 5888 www.robbielee.net Like a good neighbor, State Farm is there.</p>	<p>This space available. Contact St. Helena Catholic Church 985-748-9057</p>
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September 1, 2024

22nd Sunday In Ordinary Time

“Nothing that enters one from outside can defile that person; but the things that come out from within are what defile.”
-Mark 7:1-8

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

DAILY MASS:
Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday 7:30am

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

1st SATURDAY:
1st Saturday Mass 8am at Mater Dolorosa

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