

## MASS INTENTIONS

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26<sup>TH</sup>**

Rose & James Webb

**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27<sup>TH</sup>**

Father Mark Berad, Jet Keen, Richard Walsh, Harrell Griffin, Dennis Mussare, Ann LaBarbera, Veda Misita, Harold Wright, Antoinette Riley, Ronald & Hazel Scioneaux, Father Isidoro Bui Van Tang, Ann Thibodaux, Isabel Niswonger, Russell & Dot Thompson Sr., Russell Thompson Jr., Dominick Cuti, Dora Jean Edwards, Michael Henry, David Paul Delaune, Billy Higgins, Harold Beard, Catherine Calamari, Belinda Nelson

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 28<sup>TH</sup>**

Father Mark Beard, Barbara Broussard, Mike Murphy, Ann LaBarbera, Harrell Griffin, Johnnie "Lil Man" Santangelo, Dora Jean Edwards, Jet Keen, Veda Misita, Richard Walsh, Radar Currier, Marie Kershner, Beverly Esteven, Ronnie Hayden, Nell Rackley, Liz Forshag, Michael Henry, David Paul Delaune, Billy Higgins, Harold Beard, Lori Sibley, Jerry Trabona, Catherine Calamari, Belinda Nelson, Mike Allen, Mike Ginart

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 29<sup>TH</sup>**

RD & Elsie Bridges

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30<sup>TH</sup>**

Burrell Carter

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1<sup>ST</sup>**

Beverly Esteven

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1<sup>ST</sup>**

Tomas Reyes-Villarreal

## PRAYER LIST

Gail Keller, Linda Henry, Patsy Colgan, Brian Rueb, Karen Schumacher, Douglas Hill, Doris Wright, Lori Sibley, Lucille Scheurer, Ashley Travis, Tisa & John Cooper, Sarah Calderera, Law Ponder, Nancy Brown, Bob Gunther, Nat Vicknair, Catherine Calamari, Jerry Trabona, Imelda Travis, Kenneth Travis, Kay Bougeouis, Kelly Wayne Russell, Edward Dugar, Christine & Jerry Sharp, Tommy & Carla Davidson, Deacon Mike Agnello, Valerie Agnello, Julia Dykes, Gracie Green, Kristy Harson, Nenetta Fantauzzo, Eric Tarver, Hank Schumacher, Henry McCabe, Craig Forrest, Tom & Myra Gentrup, Pam Elder, Ryan Jenkins, Frank Guzzardo, Fannie Guzzardo, Savina Campo, Katelyn Delbasty, Lorie Delbasty, Ronnie Delbasty, Diann Delbasty, Abram Cantu, Wanda Miles, Lucinda Voight, Mya Arrazate, Toney Cantu, Kenneth Hill, Conner Corkern, Raella Armand, Nolan Graham, Alice Perez, Frances Currier, Hailey Gauff, Charles Hoyt Cuti Jr., Alice Currier



**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

### JR. CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS

If you are interested, please contact Ginger at 985-517-4811. JrCDA will meet once a month. They do service projects, the main project is to assist with Angel Wish Tree. They love to help other organizations at the Church, including recently St. Vincent de Paul with Uniform for kids.

## 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	Thursday Bible Study
Catholic Daughters	Full of Grace
Jr. Catholic Daughters	Knights of Columbus
Maintenance Committee	Nursing Home Ministry
Spanish Ministry	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, 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

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

## IN DEFENSE OF MOTHER CHURCH

### PRAY LIKE PAUL

The great preacher gave us the words to get unstuck from our own prayer loop.

Pray like Paul? I tend to think of Paul as the great preacher, bringing the good news to the Gentiles from Galatia to Thessaloniki to Corinth to Rome. After all, his epistles make up a massive chunk of the New Testament, the earliest documents we have of the church.

But recently, as I've been reading Paul—and sometimes I can't get enough of him—I keep stumbling over prayers in his writing. He frequently exhorts others to pray, exclaims how he prays for the people he's writing to, and his very words form prayers. Here are a few:

Don't be anxious about anything; rather bring up all of your requests to God in your prayers and petitions, along with giving thanks. Then the peace of God that exceeds all understanding will keep your hearts and minds safe in Christ Jesus. (Philippians 4:6-7)

May the God of peace himself sanctify you wholly; and may your spirit and soul and body be kept sound and blameless at the coming of you Lord Jesus Christ. (1 Thessalonians 5:23)

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit. (Philemon 25)

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope. (Romans 15:13)

*If you cannot preach like Peter, you can pray like Paul.*

By Rick Hamlin

## THIS WEEKEND HOT TAMALES AFTER SUNDAY MASS WILL BE SOLD



### RCIA CLASSES BEGIN SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8<sup>TH</sup> 10:30AM - NOON

Do you know someone who wants to learn more about our Catholic Faith or have a refresher on their Catholic Faith?

If so, please encourage them to call the Church Office 985-748-9057 or register on our website [sthelenachurch.net](http://sthelenachurch.net).

(Go to Formation on top of website and click RCIA. Choose either RCIA Candidate Form or RCIA Refresher Course Form. Everything must be filled out and submitted)

St. Helena would like to welcome Carolina Dauzon. She will be helping with the Spanish Ministry at St. Helena. If you are someone you know needs help in the Spanish Community, please call the Church Office 985-748-9057 and speak with Carolina.



**12<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL TRUNK R TREAT**  
**Wednesday, October 25, 2023**  
**5:30-7:30pm**

## HOPE CORNER



**Our Lady of Hope Catholic Retreat Center**  
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### I BEG YOU, MY LORD, ANSWER MY PRAYER

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**October 12-15, 2023**

### ON EARTH AS IT IS IN HEAVEN

A 3 Day Retreat with Fr. Philip Scott  
 Music by Kitty Cleveland

"We were born to taste heaven on earth. God must create a hunger for things of heaven and must purify our heart, because only the pure of heart begin to taste heaven and see reality, which is God himself!"

**October 20-22, 2023**

### Our Lady of Hope - Full of Grace Gift Shop & Perkatory Coffee Shop

Monday-Saturday, 8am-3pm; Sunday after Mass

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## IN THE KNOW...

### 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

### OCTOBER IS PRO-LIFE MONTH



During the month of October, a cradle will be placed in the entrance of Church by the Catholic Daughters. They are asking for your help. Please bring any baby items, which will be donated to Women's Life Ministries. The cradle will be in the Church throughout the month of October. Any donations would be greatly appreciated.

### ST. THÉRÈSE OF LISIEUX FEAST DAY

Friday, September 29<sup>th</sup> 7:30am Mass

In honor of St. Therese of Lisieux Feast Day on Sunday, October 1<sup>st</sup>, a vase will be placed at the Altar step if you would like to bring a rose to Mass.

### ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI FEAST DAY

Thursday, October 5<sup>th</sup>, 5-6pm

In honor of St. Francis Feast Day on October 4<sup>th</sup>, we will celebrate the 'Blessing of the Pets'. Please park across street and bring your pets to the east pedestrian gate.



### "The Eucharist & The Spiritual Life" Moving through the "Science of Sainthood"

November 4-5, 2023

Guest speakers: Matthew Leonard, Dr. Brant Pitre, Curtis Mitch and music provided by The Vigil Project. For more information visit [www.fullnessoftruth.org](http://www.fullnessoftruth.org) or call: 1-877-218-7884.

### YOUTH NIGHTS

Wednesday nights 6pm-8pm. Open to all children in 6th-12th grade.

# 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**  
 "Life is a gift from the Creator, to be spent in the service of one's brothers and sisters. It is to be accepted, respected, and promoted with every means available, and defended from every threat." - Saint Pope John Paul II

### TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME SEPTEMBER 23, 2023

Today's readings encourage us to present our lives to God in the form of prayer and petitions that are full of gratitude. Let us, therefore, pray for an increase of vocations to the priesthood and 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)

### CAMPUS TOURS

Plan a Tour on our beautiful Campus. For information, please go to website [www.sthelenachurch.net](http://www.sthelenachurch.net) and click on link.

### 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:

**Catherine Calamari (504-236-8983)**

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Audio & Written versions of Father Mark's Homilies are available on our website, [www.sthelenachurch.net](http://www.sthelenachurch.net).

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## 25<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

*"The kingdom of Heaven is like a landowner..."*  
**Matthew 20:1-16a**

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

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

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

**1<sup>st</sup> SATURDAY:**  
 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday Mass 8am

**OFFICE HOURS:**  
 Monday-Thursday 8am-5pm;  
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