

AUGUST 11, 2024

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time



My brothers and sisters in Christ,

Today the Novena to St. Helena begins. We have an opportunity to ask our Patroness to pray for us in heaven. She will give praise and glory to God our Father, Christ our Lord and the Holy Spirit. We as Catholics, do not pray to a saint rather than directly to God, we ask a saint to pray for us in heaven.

“The prayer of the Church, nourished by the word of God and the celebration of the liturgy, teaches us to *pray to the Lord Jesus*. Even though her prayer is addressed above all to the Father, it includes in all the liturgical traditions forms of prayer addressed to Christ” (CCC 2665)

So, as we pray to Jesus, we also pray to God and the Holy Spirit – the triune God. No, I am not going to explain the trinity, maybe in a future bulletin. Saint Helena had a humble start in this life and remained humble even after being named empress.

Join us this week, at 6:00 pm. We gather as one, to adore, to praise, to glorify – to get God’s blessing upon us. We ask Helena to pray for us in heaven and then we receive what we glorified in adoration. I look for to seeing you all week,

Fr. Hanley.

Offertory Collection

The offertory collection for the weekend of **July 21, 2024** was \$3,245.00 and the online collection was \$1,877.00 for a total of \$5,122.00.

Thank You!

2025 Mass Book Opens for the month at noon.

8/5 - January 2025

8/12 - February 2025

8/19 -March 2025

8/26 - April 2025

9/3 - May 2025

9/9 -June 2025

9/16 - July 2025

9/23 - August 2025

9/30 - September 2025

10/7 - October 2025

11/4 - November 2025

12/2 - December 2025

Would you like to become a Eucharistic Minister, Lector, Usher, and Greeter for our Masses? Training will be held in August and be announced in the bulletin and Flock Notes updates. Interested? Contact Annie Duncan at the rectory Ext 106 or aduncan@sainthelenas.org.

PLEASE NOTE: on August 15th, Assumption the evening Mass will be at 7:00 pm (not 7:30 pm).

! SCAM ALERT

Please be advised that Fr. Hanley will **NEVER** send an email or text requesting funds or gift cards, nor will any person on the staff. Please share this information with anyone that you feel may be vulnerable.

Weekly Intention

Saturday, August 10th

5:00 pm (CH) Catherine Kozak

Sunday, August 11th - 19th SUNDAY/ORDINARY TIME

7:00 am (CH) Mary Lou Swiderski

9:00 am (CH) Greg & Annie Bilinski
Living Intention

11:00 am (RW) People of the Parish

Monday, August 12th

9:00 am (CH) Dominic F. Roggero

Tuesday, August 13th

9:00 am (CH) C. Natalie Meriggi

Wednesday, August 14th

9:00 am (SR) Paul O. Knight

Thursday, August 15th

FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION

7:00 am (CH) Marcella Jacobs

9:00 am (CH) Mary & Bernard Fiore

12:00 pm (CH) Dolly Albanese

7:00 pm (CH) Catherine Kozak

Friday, August 16th

9:00 am (CH) Regina & Dennis Bilinski

Saturday, August 17th

9:00 am (CH) Catherine Kozak

5:00 pm (CH) People of the Parish

Sunday, August 18th - 20th SUNDAY/ORDINARY TIME

7:00 am (RW) Helen Chominski

9:00 am (RB) John Dusik

Anniversary - Delayed

11:00 am (CH) Greg & Annie Bilinski
Living Intention

Weekly Calendar

Sunday, August 11th - 19th SUNDAY/ORDINARY TIME

2nd Collection - Social Ministry
& Feast Assumption

8:00-12:00 pm Breakfast Buffet (Masci Hall)

St. Helena Novena - 6 pm Adoration, 7 pm Mass

Monday, August 12th

6:30 pm Weekly Walk (School Parking Lot)

St. Helena Novena - 6 pm Adoration, 7 pm Mass

Tuesday, August 13th

St. Helena Novena - 6 pm Adoration, 7 pm Mass

Wednesday, August 14th

After 9:00 am Mass - Stay to Pray the Rosary

St. Helena Novena - 6 pm Adoration, 7 pm Mass

Thursday, August 15th

Feast of the Assumption

Masses: 7:00 am, 9:00 am, Noon, & 7:00 pm

5:30 pm Bingo (Masci Hall)

St. Helena Novena -

6 pm Adoration, 6:45 pm Novena, 7 pm Mass

Friday, August 16th

St. Helena Novena - 6 pm Adoration, 7 pm Mass

Saturday, August 17th

After 9:00 am Mass - Pray the Miraculous
Medal Novena

St. Helena Novena -

4 pm Adoration, 4:45 pm Novena, 5 pm Mass

Sunday, August 18th - 20th SUNDAY/ORDINARY TIME

2nd Collection - Cathedral of St. Peter

St. Helena Novena -

6 pm Adoration, 6:45 pm Novena, 7 pm Mass

Please Pray for our Sick Parishioners

Ruth Bower, Geri Crockett, Julia Davis, Toni Di Lezio, Sr., Susan Denis, Carly Fedena, Jim Fedena Sr., Paul Farren, Sr., Mary Gabel, Regina Gemignani, Michael Giberson, Patti Grimes, Felicia Hallahan, Sarah Hess, Ella Kirksey, Charlie Lafferty, Leila Lahan, Thomas Leo, Joseph Lichota, Aliyah Miller, Sara Murphy, Alex Newton, Dave Pacitti, Jane Parsons, Fr. Roy Pollard, Bridget Robinson, Helen Rupnicki, Kathleen Schaubert, Irma & Wally Schock, Eva Smith, Frank Sullivan, Janet Szubieolski, Mary Tabler, Catherine Thomson, Rose Marie Turcol, Catalina Weddle, Vaughn Whisker, Ann Wilson, Cindy Zych, Kathy Hope, Donna Dougherty, Gerri Fedena, Joseph Coen, Mary Smith, Peter Lauer, Robert Pagenkemper, Evelyn Deeney, Chuck Williams, Eve Archangelo, Kay Volk, Gay Meriggi, Pamela Grow, Walter Thomas, Abigail Cushing, Susan Watkins, John Fitzpatrick, Dorothy Medeiros, Juliann Congo, Catherine Williams, Janice Tigani, Staci McCoy, Carrie Spurlock, Dawn Williams, Tom Cassidy & our friends at the Kutz Home.



St. Helena's goal is \$67,933.00

Please consider a donation to help us reach this goal using the envelopes in the pews or by donating online at www.cdow.org. Thank you!

Social Ministry Donations Needed

Our food closet could use: Juice, mac & cheese, and jelly (large and small).
Thank you for your generosity.

Religious Education

Confirmation is celebrated at St. Helena's in the spring for 8th graders. If you have a student attending St. Edmond's or Ursuline Academy please call Ms. Hummy at 302-762-4280 or email her at hpennell@sainthehenas.org to register. Students attending our Religious Education program are already enrolled.

St. Helena's Annual Parish Picnic

Sunday, September 22nd
12:00 Noon - 3:00 pm

Come and join other parishioners as we take this opportunity to welcome Fr. Chris Hanley to St. Helena's. Enjoy picnic fare generously provided and cooked to perfection by the Knights of Columbus and other parish groups. Bounce House etc. for the kids. Dine inside or out under the tents. Please email Ms Hummy at hpennell@sainthehenas.org if you would like to help.

Become a Parishioner

If you are interested in becoming a parishioner of St. Helena Church, please complete the form linked to this QR code. You may also register on our website <http://www.sainthehenas.org>. Click on 'How Do I' in the top menu or call the rectory office at 302-764-0325.



Open Prayer

*NO OPEN PRAYER THIS WEEK DUE TO
ST. HELENA NOVENAS*

TUESDAYS and THURSDAYS

August 1st - 29th | 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm

Options - rosary, quiet prayer,
music ministry, and more.

Uncomfortable about coming? Come anyway.

Ask for Laura when you arrive.

Enter through church door
marked with a yard sign.

St. Helena's Walking Club



A group will be walking each Monday evening at 6:30 pm this summer starting 6/10! **Join our growing group whenever you'd like!** All are welcome! We will determine a route(s) each evening depending on walkers' abilities. Lots of routes are possible in Bellefonte! - varying from just once around the block to longer routes on flat side streets to even more challenging hills! Meet in the St. Helena's parking lot by the school.



2024 St. Helena Novena Schedule

Day 1 Saturday, August 10 Helena - Dying to Self

3:30-4:00 pm confessions

4:00-4:45 pm Adoration

5:00 pm Mass

Day 2 Sunday, August 11 Helena - The Bread of Life

6 pm Adoration

7 pm Mass

Day 3 Monday, August 12 Helena - Is She the Sheep or is She the Shepherd?

6 pm Adoration

7 pm Mass

Day 4 Tuesday, August 13 Helena - Accepting the Nails

6 pm Adoration

7 pm Mass

Day 5 Wednesday, August 14 Helena - Gathering the People

6 pm Adoration

7 pm Mass

Day 6 Thursday, August 15 Helena - Blessed are They that Hear the Word

6 pm Adoration

7 pm Mass

Day 7 Friday, August 16 Helena - For the Sake of the Kingdom

6 pm Adoration

7 pm Mass

Day 8 Saturday, August 17 Helena - The Kingdom of Heaven Belongs to Everyone

3:30-4:00 pm confessions

4:00-4:45 pm Adoration

5:00 pm Mass

Day 9 Sunday, August 18 Helena - The Bread from Heaven is in Our Midst

6 pm Adoration

7 pm Mass