

AUGUST 18, 2024

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time



The week has been busy with all kinds of adoration and praise and contemplation of the body of our Lord Jesus in the Holy Eucharist. Each day more and more came to adore and give glory to God. Our patroness, Helena, left us a great example of charity and love. As she went from town to town, and city to city, her gaze was on the common men and women. The peasants if you will of her time. She was a peasant girl herself and knew their plight and their struggles. Our response in 2024 has been heartwarming, when I appealed to you for help for disaster victims your generosity has been a wonderful surprise. Thank you to all who helped and donated. As we turn to the coming week, the opportunity to pray with your brothers and sisters is available on Tuesday and Thursday with open prayer. The weeders and the gardeners are out in force and continue to steadily make progress each week. On Thursday this is the place to be in the evening, for community prayer, volunteering and gathering as a community in Christ. Keep your eye on the bulletin and our website, we are updating everything, and your patience and understanding are appreciated. Finally, we need you to share your gifts with us. There will be an Usher and Lecture, Eucharistic Minister and Alter Server sign up in the entry way of the church. I will try and train you as a group but will also be available to train interested volunteers individually. Have a great week proclaiming the gospel, by living the gospel daily.

Fr. Hanley

Offertory Collection

The offertory collection for the weekend of **July 28, 2024** was \$3,385.00 and the online collection was \$1,542.00 for a total of \$4,927.00.

Thank You!

2025 Mass Book Opens for the month at noon.

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.

Our next **Second Sunday Breakfast** is September 8th, celebrating the return of Football (Go Birds!!!)



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 17th

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

11:00 am (CH) Greg & Annie Bilinski

Living Intention

7:00 pm St. Helena Novena (CH) David Deeney

Monday, August 19th

9:00 am (CH) Battista & Jenny Turcol

Tuesday, August 20th

9:00 am (CH) Elizabeth Ann Dougherty

"Betty Ann"

& Francis "Doc" Dougherty

Wednesday, August 21st

9:00 am (SR) Frank Reilly

Thursday, August 22nd

9:00 am (CH) Paul O. Knight

Friday, August 23rd

9:00 am (CH) Artie & George Blevins

Saturday, August 24th

9:00 am (CH) Baptisto Mendes

5:00 pm (RB) John T. Fedena

Anniversary

Sunday, August 25th - 21st SUNDAY/ORDINARY TIME

7:00 am (CH) William Spillan, Sr.

9:00 am (RW) William & Peggy Schmidt

11:00 am (CH) People of the Parish

Weekly Calendar

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

SAINT HELENA FEAST DAY

2nd Collection - Cathedral of St. Peter

St. Helena Novena -

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

Monday, August 19th

6:30 pm Weekly Walk (School Parking Lot)

Tuesday, August 20th

6:30-7:30 pm Open Prayer (Church)

7:00 pm Parish Council Meet & Greet (Masci)

Wednesday, August 21st

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

Thursday, August 22nd

EDR Casserole Drop-off

5:30 pm Bingo (Masci Hall)

6:30-7:30 pm Open Prayer (Church)

Saturday, August 24th

After 9:00 am Mass - Pray the Miraculous

Medal Novena

Sunday, August 25th - 21st SUNDAY/ORDINARY TIME

No 2nd Collection



Rectory Hours

Monday - Thursday 8:30 am - 2:00 pm

Friday 8:30 am - noon

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

Religious Ed - if you have not yet received your registration for classes please email Ms. Hummy at hpennell@sainthelenas.org. Parent Meeting is on September 9th at 6:30 pm in the school hall.

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 Father 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@sainthelenas.org if you would like to help.

St. Helena's St. Monica Tear Drop Devotional Mass

Would you like to know how to bring your loved ones back to the Catholic Faith? Please join us in praying for our families and friends on the **Feast of St. Monica on Tuesday, August 27th**. Our celebrant will be Father Christopher Hanley. We will be praying together to bring back all those who have fallen away from the Church at our special Devotional Event. A Rosary will begin at 6:30 pm, and Mass will begin at 7:00 pm. Come fill out a Tear Drop card for your loved ones and all who have fallen away from the church. All are welcome. For more information email: 12374columbiettes@gmail.com.

Open Prayer

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! **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.



Thank
You



With warm appreciation and thanks for your efforts making Monsignor Russell's Retirement Dinner a great success! If we missed anyone, please let us know so you can be recognized.

Volunteers

Adele Williams
Barbara Brodoway
Bob Borchester (KOC)
Christine Fitzpatrick
Cynthia Whisker
Dawn Williams
Don Lewis, Jr. (KOC)
Don Lewis, Sr. (KOC)
Eileen & Paul Duke
Jack Potts (KOC)
John & Jeannie Fitzpatrick
John Garzia (KOC)
Kathy Quinn
Laura & Faith Hullinger
Margie Laprade

Mena D'Amato
Mike Ashby (KOC)
Mike Panfile (KOC)
Mike Potts (KOC)
Nancy Cobb
Paulette Sacher
Ray Cobb
Rob Ferguson (KOC)
Sandy & Frannie Salvatore
Sandy Chakrapani
Sue & Steve Dunn
Suzanne Scolis
Trish Horne
Trisha Julian

Youth Group (Past & Present)

Anna Wagner & Fero
Anthony
Claire
Eva
Faith
Margaret
Paige
Victoria
William

Staff

Abigail Rowe
Annie Duncan
Anthony Coco
Carol Ann Plunkett
Hummy Pennell
Patrick Lomascolo
Peggy Kulesza