

June 9, 2024
10th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Our first reading from the Prophet Ezekiel and the Gospel of Mark speaks of the growth of a plant, a seed, a shoot from a tree. They speak of God acting in our World and His grace bearing fruit in our lives and in our world. Jesus used parables- stories that would make people think!



*Happy Father's Day to all Dads
in our community of faith!*



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.sainthelenas.org>. Click on 'How Do I' in the top menu or call the rectory office at 302- 764-0325 Monday through Thursday, 9 am-2 pm, Friday 9 am-12 pm.



Our goal is \$67,933.00. So far, we have received pledges of \$50,973.39. We are at **75%** of our goal with \$16,959.61 to go. Pledge cards are available at all exits of the church. Thank you for your generosity!

Participants in the 2024 Faith and Charity Catholic Appeal can expect to receive their first payment reminder on or about May 31st. Additional reminders will continue through December. **Please mail all payments in the self-addressed, return envelope provided with your mailing.** Do not submit payments to the parish office or through the Offertory collection.

THANK YOU
FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS!

Thank you to our generous parishioners who have participated in the Faith and Charity Catholic Appeal. Your contributions are not just financial; they are the building blocks of our vibrant community, making a significant impact on the lives of many.

If you haven't yet donated, we urge you to consider participating. Whether it's your first time or a renewal of your past generosity, your support is crucial in helping us increase participation and strengthen our parish's commitment to serving others. Together, as a united community, we can reflect our vibrant community's values and ensure a bright future for all. Your participation is a crucial part of this collective effort.

WEEKLY INTENTION

Saturday, June 8th

5:00 pm (SR) People of the Parish

Sunday, June 9th - 10th SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

7:00 am (SP) Mary Louise Monghan
Living Intention

9:00 am (SR) Anita Tyrawski

11:00 am (SR) Sally Doll

Monday, June 10th

9:00 am (SR) Renee Muscolino

Tuesday, June 11th

9:00 am (SR) Paul O. Knight

Wednesday, June 12th

9:00 am (SR) Patricia Darmanin

Thursday, June 13th

9:00 am (SR) Samuel & Marie Emmi

Friday, June 14th

9:00 am (SR) Ervin Steele

Saturday, June 15th

9:00 am (SR) Bishop Peter Muhich

5:00 pm (SR) Deceased Members of

The Krupa & Quinn Families

Sunday, June 16th - 11th SUNDAY/ORDINARY TIME

7:00 am (SR) Francis Riley

9:00 am (RB) People of the Parish

11:00 am (SR) Kelly Crawford

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, June 9th - 10th SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

2nd Collection - Social Ministry

8:00 am Breakfast Buffet (Masci Hall)

1:00 pm Rosary Rally (Church Grounds)

Boys of Summer - Phillies

Tuesday, June 11th

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

7:00 pm Finance Council (Rectory)

Wednesday, June 12th

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

7:00 pm P.C. Executive Council (Rectory)

Thursday, June 13th

5:30 pm Bingo (Masci Hall)

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

Saturday, June 15th

After 9:00 am Mass - Pray the Miraculous

Medal Novena

Sunday, June 16th - 11th SUNDAY/ORDINARY TIME

FATHER'S DAY

2nd Collection - Father's Day Mass

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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, & our friends at the Kutz Home.

Interested in enrolling your children in Religious Education? Please contact Ms. Hummy Pennell, Director of Religious Education and Youth Ministry at **302-762-4280** or by email hpennell@sainthelenas.org.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

The offertory collection for the weekend of May 19, 2024 was \$4,437.00 and the online collection was \$2,192.00 for a total of \$6,629.00.

Thank you!

PARISH COUNCIL ELECTION RESULTS

As a result of the Parish Council Elections that were held on the weekend of May 20th and 21st, we would like to congratulate **Zack Crafton, Kathy Quinn, and Janice Tigani** for their election to Parish Council for a three-year term. Thank you to all who participated in the Election.

Congratulations to **Sue Leonard**, our dedicated secretary in our Religious Education office. She has received the Coach Jim Blunt Memorial Award from the Diocesan Catholic Youth Office. The award recognizes persons who “help promote those Christian values and help provide a safe environment for our children.” She began as a referee when she was 15 (in the late 1960’s) in St. Hedwig’s High School. She continues to be a referee.

PARISH LIFE MEETING

The next Parish Life Meeting will be on **Wednesday, June 19th, at 7:00 pm in Masci Hall**. The heads off all parish committees are expected to attend this meeting. If a committee head is unable to attend, please make every effort to have the committee represented by another member. The meeting is open to all parishioners. Recent and upcoming parish activities will be discussed, as well as some upcoming changes within the parish. Please feel free to attend, and let your voice be heard!!

ST. HELENA’S OPEN PRAYER

Open Prayer

TUESDAYS and THURSDAYS

June 4th – 27th | 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.

PIANO STUDIO OPENING

Margaret Louden, who recently graduated from Catholic University, with a bachelors in music, is opening up a piano studio within the community! She will be teaching any age, from beginners to advanced players. Please call **302-605-6090** or email margaretlouden02@gmail.com for more information, or pick up a flyer at the organ after mass.

ST. ANTHONY’S ITALIAN FESTIVAL

Sunday, June 9th – Sunday, June 16th

The hours are: Sunday, June 9th 4:00-10:30 pm. Monday, June 10th – Friday, June 14th 6:00-10:30 pm. Saturday, June 15th 4:00-10:30 pm. Sunday, June 16th 2:00-6:00 pm. Includes options for Italian and carnival food, live music, traditional dances, rides and games. **It is almost exclusively cashless.** The event accepts all major credit cards, and gift cards and entry passes are available in advance and also on-site. Parking for the event is available at the gravel lot across 18th Street from Salesianum School, with a shuttle operating each day from 30 minutes before the opening until 30 minutes after closing. For more information, go to sapde.org/italianfestival.

On Wednesday, June 26th, Monsignor Russell will cease to be the Pastor of St. Helena's Church and will enter retirement at his home in Bellefonte that he inherited from his parents. He had submitted his letter of resignation in 2011 as required by church law at the 75th birthday. Bishop Malooly asked in view of the clergy shortage if he could stay a bit longer - which turned out to be 13 years!

Father Chris Hanley, ordained 15 years and serving in Newark parishes, will be appointed Administrator. (The Diocese has been appointing new men with this title until it is clear that everything is working out and then the title 'Pastor' is given.)

DIOCESAN JUNE LEGACY GIVING



God. You. Your legacy. What's the connection? God is the source of all gifts. What you do with those gifts is your legacy. We are here to help you establish and nurture your god-honoring legacy, one that demonstrates your commitment to your cherished causes and benefits your family for years to come. Learn which estate-planning vehicle best suits your needs by visiting our Planning Giving page at cdow.giftlegacy.com/

Have you considered leaving a legacy gift to St. Helena's Church?