

May 19, 2024
Pentecost



We rejoice in the solemnity of Pentecost. We celebrate that moment when the Holy Spirit came upon the Apostles and energized the infant Church to go forth and proclaim the ‘good news’ of Christ. It is the culmination of the whole Lenten-Easter Season. We have celebrated again the mystery that is at the heart of our Christian lives. We have united with the Crucified and Risen Lord in the mystery of the Cross. Jesus has returned to the Father who sent Him to us. But Jesus also remains with us – in the Spirit.

We who have been baptized and confirmed have the Spirit as the ‘soul’ of our life. The Spirit is the soul of the whole Church. The spirit is the source of all life and His gifts.

“Come Holy Spirit!”

If you are interested in becoming a parishioner of St. Helena Church, please complete the form linked to this QR code.



Our goal is **\$67,933.00**. So far, we have received pledges of **\$45,993.39**. We are at **68%** of our goal with **\$21,939.61** 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.

PARISH COUNCIL ELECTIONS
ARE THIS WEEKEND!



Parish Council Elections

This weekend at all Masses, you are invited to cast a ballot for those who will represent you on our Parish Council. We will elect **three** of these six candidates:

Samantha Brown
Zach Crafton
Kathy Quinn
Christopher Phillips
Trishia Julian
Janice Tigani

WEEKLY INTENTION

Saturday, May 18th

5:00 pm (SR) People of the Parish

Sunday, May 19th - PENTECOST

7:00 am (SR) Rose Picollelli

9:00 am (SR) Santana & Veronica Gracias

Living Intention

11:00 am (RB) Mother's Day Novena

Monday, May 20th

9:00 am (SR) Cecilia Fiore

Tuesday, May 21st

9:00 am (SR) Paul O. Knight

Wednesday, May 22nd

9:00 am (SR) Frances & John Danchak

Thursday, May 23rd

9:00 am (SR) The Holy Spirit

to guide Pope Francis

Friday, May 24th

9:00 am (SR) Dr. William J. Holloway

Saturday, May 25th

9:00 am (SR) Jason & Vielka Gracias

Living Intention

5:00 pm (SR) Dolores Dusa & Family

Sunday, May 26th - HOLY TRINITY

7:00 am (SP) Mary Louis Monaghan

Living Intention

9:00 am (SR) Joseph Stirparo

11:00 am (SR) People of the Parish

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, May 19th - PENTECOST

2nd Collection - Social Ministry

11:00 am Children's Liturgy (Church)

12:15 pm Confirmation Meeting (Masci Hall)

2:00-7:30 pm Concert Rehearsal (Church)

7:30-9:00 pm Concert (Church)

Parish Council Elections

Monday, May 20th

6:00 pm Young-At-Heart Meeting (Masci Hall)

Tuesday, May 21st

10:00 am Staff Meeting (Rectory)

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

7:00 pm Young-At-Heart Crafters (Convent)

7:00 pm Parish Council Meeting (Masci Hall)

Wednesday, May 22nd

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

Thursday, May 23rd

5:30 pm Bingo (Masci Hall)

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

Saturday, May 25th

After 9:00 am Mass - Pray the Miraculous

Medal Novena

Sunday, May 26th - HOLY TRINITY

No 2nd Collection

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Sunday Church Chuckle



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 Schauber, 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.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

The offertory collection for the weekend of April 28, 2024 was \$4,474.00 and the online collection was \$1,732.00 for a total of \$6,206.00.

Thank you!

ST. HELENA'S OPEN PRAYER

TUESDAYS and THURSDAYS

May 2nd - 30th | 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.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES: LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR

Little Sisters of the Poor

185 Salem Church Road, Newark, DE, 19713

1. Certified Nursing Assistant

Full Time: 3:00 pm - 11:00 pm

2. Maintenance Assistant

Full Time Day shift

Please contact Jerry Walker,
Human Resources Director at

hwsnewark@littlesistersofthepoor.org

(include resume if possible)

or call 302-368-5886



**The Rectory will be closed next Monday,
May 27th for the Memorial Day holiday.**

PRIEST ORDINATION ANNIVERSARY

This is the time of year when many priests celebrate the Anniversary of their Ordination.

***Monsignor Russell will celebrate his
63rd Anniversary of Ordination on May 27th***

Please pray that more will accept the Lord's call to serve His people as a priest.

JOIN US THIS SUNDAY, 5/19!

Join St. Helena's Music Ministry for *"You'll Never Walk Alone: A Musical Offering of Hope and Healing"* today, Sunday, May 19, 2024 at 7:30 pm. Together with the choirs of Ursuline, Padua, and Salesianum and a professional orchestra, we celebrate Mary, our mother, and true beacon of light in challenging times. During this event, we will come together as a larger community to especially support those in need of comfort and support. Mary is our ultimate role model and we celebrate her example of faith in this moving tribute to lift us all up in difficult times.

If you have questions, email Laura
at hullinger@mac.com.

YOUNG-AT-HEART MAY MEETING



The upcoming Young-at-Heart Group's May meeting will be our Potluck Dinner, tomorrow, May 20th at 6:00 pm in Masci Hall. All members are invited and asked to bring their favorite dish to share. If possible, please let Adele Williams (arwilliams47@gmail.com) know what you are bringing. The doors will open at 5:30 pm and we will gather for dinner at 6:00 pm. Looking forward to seeing everyone there for an evening of camaraderie and relaxation. Happy Spring!

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.



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RETROUVAILLE: REDISCOVER THE LOVE IN YOUR MARRIAGE

Tens of thousands of couples have healed their marriages through Retrouvaille (pronounced **Retro-vy**). If you know anyone who could benefit from this program, please pass this on. Couples learn to build communication skills and to increase intimacy. It provides help for marriage problems, difficulties or crises. The next program will be held August 9th-11th, 2024 and again on October 4th-6th at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA. For more information, or to register, visit www.HelpOurMarriage.org or call 215-766-3944 or 800-470-2230. All inquiries are strictly confidential.