

January 7, 2024  
The Epiphany of the Lord



Today we celebrate the Epiphany of our Savior. The Greek word, “epiphania”, means “manifestation”. We celebrate God showing Himself in our human flesh—first to the three Magi; second at the Baptism of Jesus at the Jordan River; third, at the wedding feast at Cana and all the miracles of Jesus. We rejoice for we are all searching, like the Magi, for the One who can answer our hopes and dreams. We too, follow the Star of Faith and we too, offer our God and Savior gifts: the gold of our love, the frankincense of our worship and the myrrh of our suffering.

FROM MONSIGNOR RUSSELL

How are you voting every Sunday? When a Diocese is forced to close a parish because of the shortage of priests, one of the things they look at is the number of people coming to Sunday Mass. We thank all who are participating in Sunday Mass. In effect, you are voting to keep your parish church open. Catholics who do not come to Sunday Mass are, in effect, voting to close their church.

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ANNUAL ELECTION OF LAY TRUSTEES  
TODAY, JANUARY 7, 2024

The Annual Election of Lay Trustees will be held after the 9:00 am Mass in the Church today, January 7<sup>th</sup>. This election is required by the laws of the State of Delaware. All adult members of the parish are eligible to participate.

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PARISH JOB OPPORTUNITY



Saint Helena’s seeks a **Maintenance Supervisor** to manage Parish facilities to support the ministries of the Church and the needs of tenants. Responsible for maintaining electrical, plumbing, and mechanical systems. Requires knowledge and experience with building systems. Full-time (35 hrs/wk) w/Benefits. Part-time **Maintenance Helper** also needed w/some experience. Part-time (10-20 hrs/wk).

Contact Business Manager:

[rrebmann@sainthelenas.org](mailto:rrebmann@sainthelenas.org)

or 302-764-0625 x-102

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## WEEKLY INTENTION

### Saturday, January 6<sup>th</sup>

5:00 pm (SR) People of the Parish

### Sunday, January 7<sup>th</sup> - EPIPHANY

7:00 am (DV) Catherine Spillan

9:00 am (SR) Claire Laprade

11:00 am (SR) Helen Tancredi

### Monday, January 8<sup>th</sup>

9:00 am (SR) Janet O'Donnell

### Tuesday, January 9<sup>th</sup>

7:00 am Mary Louise Monaghan

Living Intention

9:00 am (SR) Mary Jerman

### Wednesday, January 10<sup>th</sup>

9:00 am (SR) John Grow, Jr.

Living Intention

### Thursday, January 11<sup>th</sup>

7:00 am Mary Elizabeth Kirk

9:00 am (SR) Russell Waha

### Friday, January 12<sup>th</sup>

7:00 am Harold Robinson & Anita Tyrawski

9:00 am (SR) Janet O'Donnell

### Saturday, January 13<sup>th</sup>

9:00 am (SR) Stanley J. Russell, Sr.

5:00 pm (SR) People of the Parish

### Sunday, January 14<sup>th</sup>

7:00 am (SR) Donna Socorso Roehsler

9:00 am (RB) Henry C. Lynch, Jr.

11:00 am (SR) Nicholas Cekine

## WEEKLY CALENDAR

### Sunday, January 7<sup>th</sup>

11:00 am Children's Liturgy (Church)

7:00 pm Youth Group (Religious Ed Office)

Food Collection All Masses

### Monday, January 8<sup>th</sup>

6:00 pm Youth Choir (Church)

6:30 pm Religious Ed Classes (School)

6:30 pm Scripture Study (Religious Ed Office)

7:30 pm Liturgy Meeting (Rectory)

### Tuesday, January 9<sup>th</sup>

7:00 pm Finance Council (Rectory)

### Wednesday, January 10<sup>th</sup>

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

### Thursday, January 11<sup>th</sup>

5:30 pm Bingo (Masci Hall)

7:30 pm Adult Choir (Church)

### Sunday, January 14<sup>th</sup>

8:00 am-12:45 pm Breakfast Buffet (Masci Hall)

The Rectory will be **closed** on Monday, January 15<sup>th</sup> for Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



*Ms. Hummy Pennell:*

[hpennell@sainthelenas.org](mailto:hpennell@sainthelenas.org)

**Youth Group** meets tonight in the Religious Education Office at 7:00 pm.

**Religious Education** and **Adult Scripture** returns tomorrow night (Monday) at 6:30 pm.

HUSBANDS ARE THE BEST  
PEOPLE TO SHARE  
SECRETS WITH.  
THEY'LL  
NEVER  
TELL ANYONE,  
BECAUSE THEY  
AREN'T EVEN LISTENING.



### *Please Pray for Our Sick Parishioners*

Dolly Albanese, 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, James 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, Denise Lopes, Donna Dougherty, Gerri Fedena, Joseph Coen & our friends at the Kutz Home.

## OFFERTORY COLLECTION

The Offertory Collection for the weekend of December 17, 2023, was \$4,124.00 and the online collection was \$2,002.00 for a total of \$6,126.00.

**Thank you!**

## “COME AND SEE” MEN’S RETREAT: ENCOUNTERING JESUS CHRIST IN DISCIPLESHIP

Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish welcomes all Men for a 10-week retreat held Monday Evenings, 7:30 - 9:00 pm, January 8<sup>th</sup> - March 18<sup>th</sup>. Inspired by the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius, “Come and See” is a retreat for those who desire to deepen their relationship with God through daily prayer and reflection. Experience the movements of a discerning soul using the prayer methods, teachings and wisdom of St. Ignatius of Loyola. This Retreat is directed by Gregory Vigliotta, Spiritual Director and co-founder of Our Lady of the Way, [www.ourladyoftheway.org](http://www.ourladyoftheway.org). To RSVP, contact [Gregory.Vigliotta@gmail.com](mailto:Gregory.Vigliotta@gmail.com).

## ST. MARY OF THE ASSUMPTION: 2024 WOMEN’S RETREAT

**Saturday, January 27<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 am - 3:00 pm**  
Experience a One-Day Retreat for Women titled “Becoming Women of the Word: How to Answer God’s Call with Purpose and Joy.” Featuring Sarah Christmyer: Catholic author, Bible teacher, and speaker. Cost: \$35, which includes all retreat materials, continental breakfast and boxed lunch. Located at St. Mary of the Assumption Church in Hockessin, DE. Learn more and register at [www.smachurch.com/retreat](http://www.smachurch.com/retreat).

## BINGO: HELP NEEDED

We are looking for 2 or 3 people to help in the kitchen at BINGO one or two times a month. The time would be from 4:45 pm - 7:30 pm on Thursday nights. We presently have 2 faithful parishioners who would enjoy cutting back to 2 nights a month. Someone would be available to show a newcomer the ropes. Please email Ms. Hummy at [hpennell@sainthelenas.org](mailto:hpennell@sainthelenas.org) if you are interested. Bingo is a very lucrative event which brings in much needed funds to the parish. Any help would be most appreciated. Thanking you in advance for your kindness and consideration.

## SECOND SUNDAY BREAKFAST

### *black tie breakfast*

**Sunday, January 14<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 am - 12:45 pm**

Join us a black tie-themed breakfast featuring a large assortment of hot foods, baked goods, fresh waffles, omelets, beverages and more. \$12 for adults and kids 12+/\$4 for kids under 12. More information or for reservations: contact Nancy, 302-598-8685 or [Natiesmom@me.com](mailto:Natiesmom@me.com).

## 2023 FAITH AND CHARITY CATHOLIC APPEAL: SHINING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST



To date, **\$62,308.64** has been received representing 97.32% of our Parish’s **\$66,276.00** goal. **THANK YOU!** If you would like more information about the Annual Catholic

**Appeal:**

[www.cdow.org/annualcatholicappeal](http://www.cdow.org/annualcatholicappeal).

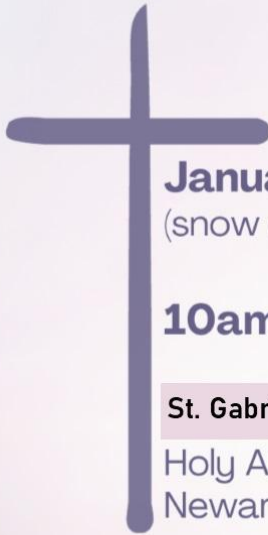
**Your generosity is deeply appreciated.**

# LET'S TALK HEALING

AN INFORMAL BOOK STUDY AND CONVERSATION  
ON DR. MARY HEALY'S BOOK:

## “HEALING: BRINGING THE GIFT OF GOD'S MERCY TO THE WORLD”

Led by Terry Haar/ aRise healing ministry



**January 6, 13, 20, (not the 27th), Feb 3**  
(snow date make-up Feb 10, if needed)

**10am - 12noon**

**St. Gabriel Conference Room in the San Damiano Center**

Holy Angels Campus, 82 Possum Park Road  
Newark, DE 19711

Books can be purchased at the Parish.  
Please read the first 66 pages prior to the first meeting.

All interested are welcome.  
Coffee/refreshments provided.  
Free.

Preregistration is required.  
(302) 731-2219 or [arise@holyanimals.net](mailto:arise@holyanimals.net)

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