

# NOVEMBER 17, 2024

## 33<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

*go teach all nations.*

As I turned right to drive down the long driveway leading to St. Mary's Seminary, memories of my years of study returned. There is nothing quite like seeing the words "Go teach all nations" for the first time. The question, Why am I here? is answered. We came to learn, be formed, and prepare to proclaim the gospel. Teach anyone that would listen why God sent his son to us and the mystery of our salvation. I returned this week to learn how to best serve you as an administrator and hopefully serve you as your pastor. We as a parish are growing. Each week, new families are receiving welcome letters. It is because you are a caring and welcoming group of people, living out the gospel message daily. Keep going – we're growing.

This past weekend, months of work presented itself in the celebration of our annual Christmas Bazaar. People arrived at 5:15 in the morning to get in line, and the lines at the registers were steady most of the morning and into the afternoon. Thank you everyone!

Another reason we are growing is because of your generous support of the victims of the recent natural disasters. You have filled the porch of the rectory three times with cleaning supplies, warm clothing, and blankets. But beyond the material things, you filled the porch with your love for people you don't know and may never meet.

You are the living example of the words "Go teach all nations." I am so proud of you and filled with gratitude and hope. May God bless you. May God bless St. Helena—to God be the glory, honor, and praise—now and forever.

*Fr. Hanley*

### Offertory Collection

The offertory collection for the weekend of **October 27, 2024** was \$4,296.00 and the online collection was \$2,817.00 for a total of \$7,113.00.

**Thank You!**



Please join us at our  
**Santa Breakfast**  
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2024  
8:00 A.M. TO 1:00 P.M.\*  
SANTA & MRS. CLAUSE WILL JOIN US FROM 9 - 11:30 AM

**\$12.00 per Adult and Children 12+**  
**\$ 5.00 per Child under 12**  
**\$4 Mimosas, Bloody Mary or Poinsettia**

Breakfast Buffet includes the return of Eggs Benedict and Eggnog French Toast.

While you are here, visit the Attic Treasures or "Young At Heart" Club's tables and take a chance on our monthly 50-50 raffle.

\*The buffet is served until 12:45 p.m.

## Weekly Intention

### Saturday, November 16<sup>th</sup>

5:00 pm (RW) Betty Rae & John R. Quinn, Sr.

### Sunday, November 17<sup>th</sup> - 33<sup>rd</sup> SUNDAY/ORDINARY

7:00 am (CH) People of the Parish

9:00 am (RW) John L. Schultz

11:00 am (SR) Leo Hannon

### Monday, November 18<sup>th</sup>

9:00 am (RB) Bart Meriggi

### Tuesday, November 19<sup>th</sup>

9:00 am (RB) Edwin Blevins

### Wednesday, November 20<sup>th</sup>

9:00 am (RB)

### Thursday, November 21<sup>st</sup>

9:00 am (RB)

### Friday, November 22<sup>nd</sup>

9:00 am (RB) Mary & Tony Immediata

### Saturday, November 23<sup>rd</sup>

9:00 am (SR)

5:00 pm (SR) Christopher Lauer

### Sunday, November 24<sup>th</sup> - KING OF THE UNIVERSE

7:00 am (SR)

9:00 am (RB) Paul Duke, Sr.

11:00 am (RB) People of the Parish

## Weekly Calendar

### Sunday, November 17<sup>th</sup> - 33<sup>rd</sup> SUNDAY/ORDINARY

#### **2<sup>nd</sup> Collection - Fuel Offering**

11:00 am Children's Liturgy (Future Leaders of the Church Conference Room)

12:15 pm Reconciliation - Child Only (Masci Hall)

### Monday, November 18<sup>th</sup>

5:30 pm Religious Ed Dinner (Masci Hall)

6:00 pm Christmas Spectacular Rehearsal (Church)

6:00 pm Youth Choir (Church)

6:30 pm Religious Ed (School)

6:30 pm Scripture Study (RE Office)

6:30 pm Weekly Walk (School Parking Lot)

### Tuesday, November 19<sup>th</sup>

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

7:00 pm Parish Council Meeting (Rectory)

### Wednesday, November 20<sup>th</sup>

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

### Thursday, November 21<sup>st</sup>

5:30 pm Bingo (Masci Hall)

7:30 pm Adult Choir (Church)

### Sunday, November 24<sup>th</sup> - KING OF THE UNIVERSE

#### **No 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection**

11:00 am Children's Liturgy (Future Leaders of the Church Conference Room)

## Please Pray for our Sick Parishioners



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, Dorothy Medeiros, Juliann Congo, Catherine Williams, Janice Tigani, Staci McCoy, Carrie Spurlock, Dawn Williams, Tom Cassidy, Florence Morales, Paul Gildea, Thomas Trojak, Linda Lotsis, Jeannie Fitzpatrick, & our friends at the Kutz Home.

## The Christmas Spectacular



## Religious Education

Religious Education classes return tomorrow, Monday, November 18<sup>th</sup> with a 5:30 pm dinner for our families in Masci Hall. Please join us for a relaxing dinner before classes begin!

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## Food Closet Donations Needed

The Food Closet is in need of **Peanut Butter, Canned Fruit, Mac & Cheese, and Ramen Noodles**. Thank you for your generosity!

*The Christmas Spectacular is coming soon!*  
More details to come. **Children's Pageant rehearsals begin tomorrow, Monday, November 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm in the church.** All children up to Grade 8 are welcome to participate - parishioners and non-parishioners! If your child is interested in participating, please follow this QR to sign up.

Questions? Email [hullinger@mac.com](mailto:hullinger@mac.com).



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## Coats for Kids

Christopher Council will be handing out warm winter coats to children of struggling families on Sunday, November 24<sup>th</sup> at 12:30 pm, after the Mass in Holy Rosary's Church Hall. Multiple sizes are available from child to teen. Child must be present to receive a coat. Any questions please contact [thomasfcassidy@gmail.com](mailto:thomasfcassidy@gmail.com), 302-543-3076 or Neal Potts [npotts823@gmail.com](mailto:npotts823@gmail.com), 302-632-8436.

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## Ulster Project Delaware

Ulster Project Delaware (UPD) is currently seeking adventurous teens aged 14-16, for its annual month-long peace, service, and leadership project in July 2025. American teens and their families host Protestant and Catholic teens from Northern Ireland as they seek to learn tolerance, build understanding and gain lifelong friendships. The cost is minimal and the experience is priceless! Come learn more at an Information Session on December 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:30 pm at Brandywine Hundred Library.

Applications are now being accepted. Visit [www.ulsterprojectdelaware.org](http://www.ulsterprojectdelaware.org) for more information and email any questions to [applyupd@gmail.com](mailto:applyupd@gmail.com) or call 302-333-7313.

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## Ursuline Academy Theater: Beehive the Musical

Ursuline Academy Theater under the direction of our very own music director, Joe Loudon, is presenting *Beehive- the Musical*. This is an awesome show re-telling the history of the 1960's with all the amazing musical hits sung by the Ursuline cast and Joe on the keys with his amazing band. Friday, November 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7:30 pm, Saturday, November 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7:30 pm, and Sunday, Nov. 24<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 pm. Tickets can be purchased at

<https://www.onthestage.tickets/show/ursuline-academy>

## **Birthright Bottles for Babies Update**

Please return your bottles this weekend, November 16<sup>th</sup>/November 17<sup>th</sup>, if you haven't done so already. So far, we have collected 67 bottles. We have about 100 accounted for, but we are missing 50. If you could be so kind as to return them, this helps to keep Birthright's cost down for future fundraisers. Thank you!

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### **ANGEL GIVING TREE PROGRAM**

Saint Helena's Social Ministry is asking for your support to help our clients during this Christmas season. With the price of food and general merchandise continually rising, many of our clients are having a difficult time providing basic needs for their families. Your contributions to the Angel Giving Tree will go a long way towards making a needy family's Christmas season a blessed occasion. Your donation will allow St. Helena to purchase Food Lion or Shop Rite gift cards to be distributed to our clients so that they may purchase food for their Christmas dinner. In addition, St Helena will also be able to purchase Walmart or Target gift cards to be distributed to our adult clients or minor children so that they may purchase a small gift for them. And as has been our tradition for many years, we will be able to provide gift cards to the residents of Martha's House.

To participate, we ask that you complete the attached voucher, place it in an envelope marked "ANGEL GIVING TREE" along with your donation and place it in the Offertory collection at Mass or in the mail slot of the Rectory front door. All donations should be made by the first Sunday of Advent, December 1. Checks can be made payable to "St. Helena Church".

To those who have already donated at our Christmas Bazaar or otherwise, THANK YOU! And from Parish Social Ministry and on behalf of the many clients we serve, we thank you for your prayers, consideration and continued generosity.

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### **ANGEL GIVING TREE PROGRAM**

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