



ST. HELENA ST. PATRICK *E*

WELCOME TO OUR PARISHES!



27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



"The stone that the
builders rejected has
become the cornerstone."
- Mt 21:42ab

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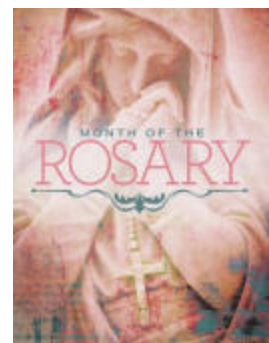
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Join us for Marian Devotions in October

October is the month of the Holy Rosary. Marian devotions will be offered at St. Helena's on **Sundays at 3:00 pm**. All are invited to attend (about 40 minutes). The format is as follows: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Rosary, Marian hymn, Litany of the Blessed Virgin Mary and Benediction. Your prayers are needed for family life and for the world!
October 4, 11, 18 at 3:00 pm



Location Change! Please note: 5:00pm Mass on Saturday is now at St. Helena's in Ellendale



ST. HELENA PARISH

Mass Schedule

Saturday (vigil) 5pm, St. Helena

Sunday 8:30am (1st, 3rd, 5th Sundays)

10:30am (2nd, 4th Sundays)

Tue–Fri 8:00am

Confession Schedule

Saturday 3:30–4:30pm

Sunday Before 8:30 am mass (1st, 3rd, 5th Sundays)

Tuesday 7:00–8:00pm

Tues–Fri Before 8:00 am daily Mass | By appointment, call parish office



ST. PATRICK PARISH

Mass Schedule

Sunday 10:30am

(1st, 3rd, 5th Sundays)

8:30 am (2nd, 4th Sundays)

Thursday 9:00am

Confession Schedule

Sundays after 10:30 am Mass
By appointment - call parish office

FROM OUR PASTOR

Pilgrimage in a pandemic?

Dear friends in Christ,

World travel is at a standstill. For certain people and businesses this is problematic; for others, the comfort of their own home is perfectly fine. Whether or not you are the world-traveler type, making a pilgrimage has been part of our Christian faith and devotion for centuries. Let's define 'pilgrimage' and 'devotion,' and consider whether such things are possible in a time of pandemic and fear.

Our faith is expressed in many ways: gestures, signs, symbols, and wearing emblems that signify our belief in Jesus. The Church's directory on Popular Piety says that such actions, "should be careful to ensure the transmission of the truth of the faith together with the greatness of the Christian mysteries." Pilgrimage is another expression of our faith. We are truly pilgrims on this earth; we are on the journey to our eternal homeland in heaven. A pilgrimage is connected to a shrine or other holy place. Visiting a shrine or holy place is meant to feed our faith and devotion with greater fervor. "The joy of a Christian pilgrimage is a continuation of the joy experienced on Israel's pious pilgrimage to Jerusalem: "I rejoiced when I heard them say: 'let us go up to God's house' (Ps 122:1); pilgrimage can be a break from the monotony of daily routine; it can be an alleviation of the burdens of everyday life..." (Directory on Popular Piety).

A pilgrimage contains an element of worship: "A pilgrim goes to a shrine to encounter God, to be in His presence, and to offer Him adoration in worship, and to open his heart to Him."

Therefore, a pilgrimage is a particular kind of devotion. What are devotions? The Directory on popular piety states: "...this term is used to describe various external practices (e.g. prayers, hymns, observances attached to particular times or places, insignia, medals,

habits or customs). Animated by an attitude of faith, such external practices manifest the particular relationship of the faithful with the Divine Persons, or the Blessed Virgin Mary in her privileges of grace and those of her titles which express them, or with the Saints in their configuration with Christ or in their role in the Church's life."

Marian Devotions at St. Helena's. I am pleased to offer Marian Devotions at 3:00pm on the Sundays in October and May. You are invited to join us for a short (40 minutes) time of prayer and worship. The prayers include: The Holy Rosary, a Marian song, the Litany of the Blessed Virgin Mary, and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. All of these prayers are intended to recall the goodness of God and his care for us. The different titles of Mary in the litany speak to each of us in the many different moments of life. Please join us on October 4, 11, 18 for an in-town pilgrimage of faith!

Consider a "virtual" pilgrimage. I know everyone is tired of Zoom meetings and online video calls! But there are many good movies out there to take us on a virtual tour of our faith. The lives of the saints provide endless opportunities for children and adults. Let me highlight a recent movie, **Fatima**. Released in August 2020 (PG-13), the film will take you to Portugal without the hassle of passports and TSA officials! Make some popcorn, gather the family together and learn how our Blessed Mother appeared to three young shepherd children. It is too easy for us to fall into the trap of thinking our faith is too complicated, too difficult to learn, and too challenging to live every day.

Sometimes we need these external devotions to boost our lives of faith. Without traveling on an overseas pilgrimage, it is possible to foster devotion in our own backyard!

Fr. Asselin

PARISH EVENTS CALENDAR |

- 10/4—St. Helena Altar Society Meeting, following 8:30 Mass
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- 10/4—Marian Devotions, 3:00pm
- 10/6—Eucharistic Adoration & Confessions, 7-8pm
- 10/7—CCD & Eucharistic Adoration 6:30-7:30pm
- 10/13—Eucharistic Adoration & Confessions, 7-8pm
- 10/11—Marian Devotions, 3:00pm

Fall Raffle 2020

THANK YOU to everyone who helped make our Fall Raffle a success. A special thanks to those who donated prizes for the raffle.

The prize winners from the raffle drawing are:

- Quilts: Reis Family, Carol Ann Miller
- Cash Prizes: Mark Thielges, Dina Davis, Angela Mastel, Abby Peterson, Bridget Henning, Sue Durham, Ken Bright, Brenda Heine, Paul Brandenburger
- Baskets: Kerry Brunelle, Sue Boniek, Carson Durham, Sue Durham



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LOOKING AHEAD...



Religious Education—CCD

Please visit our parish website for CCD information and registration. A simplified registration form is located on the website; submit your payment online too!

40 Days for Life

You are called to be part of this important prayer effort to bring an end to abortion across our nation and world. 40 Days for Life ND will take place Sept. 23-Nov. 1 in front of the abortion facility, 512 1st Ave. N, Fargo. Our campaign will provide a peaceful, prayerful presence on the sidewalk 7 days a week, 24 hours a day. You can pray on the sidewalk at the abortion facility or in your own homes or churches. Your prayers are needed now more than ever!


Sign up today on the 40 Days for Life website or contact the Pregnancy Help Center at (701) 284-6601, or in Fargo (701) 356-7979 or phc@polarcomm.com

Hard Sayings: How to Answer Bible Difficulties:

Does Genesis contradict biology? How do we know the Bible is historically reliable? What about the "immoral" Bible verses atheists love to bring up? Trent Horn, an apologist from Catholic Answers, will be presenting Hard Sayings: How to Answer Bible Difficulties to provide sound principles for understanding Scripture the next you encounter a Bible difficulty. The presentation will be at 7pm on November 19 at Sts. Anne and Joachim Catholic

Church, Fargo. The event is free and no prior registration is required, but seating will be limited due to social distancing.

Connect with us on FLOCKNOTE

Our parish is using  Flocknote to communicate important information about parish events. Receive text messages or emails, join the groups you want. You can Text to Join. Text the word: Helena to: 84576 or visit: flocknote.com/sthelenal Uno the sheep is waiting for you to join!

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ST HELENA MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Oct 10 & 11 (5:00 pm) (10:30 am)

Usher	Volunteer	Darell Wall
Collection		Bob Radtke
Lector	Volunteer	Michele Thorpe
EMHC		
Gift Bearers		
Altar Servers	Carson & Courtney D	Devin W, Riley T
Rosary Leader		Graves Family

St. Helena Breakfast Servers

Breakfast Not at this time

WEEKLY GIVING

September 27

Adult	\$1611
Children	\$10.65
Plate	\$10
Total	\$1631.65

Thank you for your generosity!

ST. PATRICK MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Sunday October 11 (8:30 am)

Lector	Mona
Gift Carriers	Denny and Virginia
Altar Servers	Porter & Lennon
Rosary Leader	Mona

For the Month of October

Breakfast Server	Judy W and Christy
Collection Counters	Virginia and Christy
Church Cleaners	Judy W and Kyle G Family
Altar Society Meeting	Following Mass October 11

God's Gift Appeal 2020

Seek First the Kingdom of God

Report as of 9/25/2020

St. Helena's: \$15161: 90% of goal 41% participation

St. Patrick's: \$15583: 271% of goal 62% participation

Please consider making a donation if you have not already done so. Thank you.

Advertiser of the Week

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WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Tue. Oct 6

8:00 am †Frances & †Sylvester Eberle

Wed. Oct 7

8:00 am †Bert Schumacher

Thu. Oct 8

8:00 am (St. H) †Leonard Leier

9:00 am (St. P) Open

Fri. Oct 9

8:00 am †Ed & †Marie Braun

Sat. Oct 10

5:00 pm †Joe Nolz

Sun. Oct 11

8:30 am (St. P) †Sylvester & †Marie Radermacher

10:30 am (St. H) For the Parishioners



Mass intentions needed:

The greatest prayer this side of heaven is the Mass. Remembering our deceased family members and friends at the altar during the celebration of Mass is a wonderful blessing. The usual offering for a Mass is \$10. Please use the envelopes in the back of the church to request a Mass for your loved ones.



Please Pray

...for all who are sick, elderly or alone

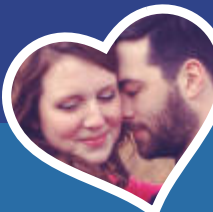
Joanne Brokaw, Loretta Dingwall, Linda Siro, Cindy Kelly Heupel, Edna Scherman, Deacon James & Val Hunt, Carla Engelstad, Susan Lacina, Richard Rodlund.

If you or someone you know would like to be added to, or removed from this list please call the parish office.



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