



# ST. HELENA ST. PATRICK *Eg*

WELCOME TO OUR PARISHES!

**28<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

# FEAST

“Go out, therefore, into the main roads and invite to the feast whomever you find.’ The servants went out into the streets and gathered all they found, bad and good alike, and the hall was filled with guests.” - Mt 22:9-10



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OCTOBER 11, 2020

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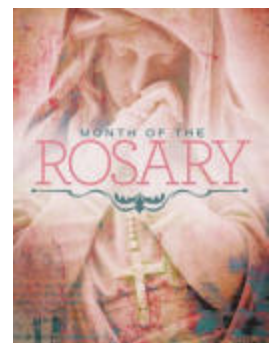
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### Join us for Marian Devotions in October

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 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

### Freedom or me-dom?

Dear friends in Christ,

The title of this article contains a made-up word. There are many made-up ideas of freedom in today’s world. Our Gospel passage highlights the respect God gives to our personal freedom (see Mt 22:1-14). Ask for a definition of freedom and the gamut of responses could fill several pages.

I try not to make these reflections *just another homily*. Today’s column is an assignment: read the Gospel selection again, and ponder the following quotations.

**Catechism paragraph 1703:** Endowed with a “spiritual and immortal” soul, the human person is “the only creature on earth that God has willed for its own sake.” From his conception, he is destined for eternal beatitude.

**Catechism paragraph 1705:** By virtue of his soul and his spiritual powers of intellect and will, man is endowed with freedom, an “outstanding manifestation of the divine image.”

**Catechism paragraph 1706:** By his reason, man recognizes the voice of God which urges him “to do what is good and avoid what is evil.” Everyone is obliged to follow this law, which makes itself heard in conscience and is fulfilled in the love of God and of neighbor. Living a moral life bears witness to the

dignity of the person.

**Catechism paragraph 1707:** Man is divided in himself. As a result, the whole life of men, both individual and social, shows itself to be a struggle, and a dramatic one, between good and evil, between light and darkness.

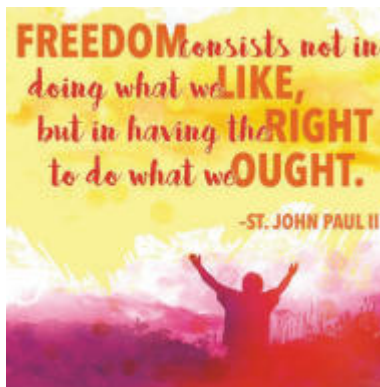
A final passage from the section on freedom and responsibility.

**Catechism paragraph 1734:** Freedom makes man responsible for his acts to the extent that they are voluntary. Progress in virtue, knowledge of the good, and asceticism enhance the mastery of the will over its acts.

I could continue to fill this space with more quotations, definitions, and exhortations but these passages and the Gospel are enough for now. On the day of our baptism we received an invitation to the divine wedding banquet. In the years that followed that holy sacrament, we may or may not have received the promptings to develop the free gift of faith given to us. We may or may not have responded to God’s invitation personally.

Freedom or me-dom? His Kingdom or the world? The mark of baptism is permanent and until we leave this world we have the opportunity to RSVP to our Divine Savior, Jesus Christ.

Fr. Asselin



## PARISH EVENTS CALENDAR |

- 10/11—Marian Devotions, 3:00pm
- 10/13—Eucharistic Adoration & Confessions, 7-8pm
- 10/18—Marian Devotions, 3:00pm
- 10/20—Eucharistic Adoration & Confessions, 7-8pm



### Altar Society News

Matthew and Brandy Maxon are expecting a baby! There is a tote in the entry of the church to welcome Baby Maxon who should be born soon. Please feel free to add items for this new addition.

A box for Peyton Merkel is located in the church entry. Peyton is serving overseas and items that could be used are shampoo, deodorant, laundry soap, hand soap, chips, and candy. Please place items in box before November 1, 2020.

### Edgeley Fall Dinner

Sunday, October 18, 2020  
Take-Out Only (please use south entrance) \$12 per meal (cash or check only) Transfiguration Parish Hall, Main Street, Edgeley, N.D., 10:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

### 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](mailto: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.



## YOUTH NEWS

### NET Retreat

Holy Rosary in LaMoure is hosting a NET retreat for 7-12th graders, Sunday Oct 18, 1:30-7:30pm. NET Cost: \$25 Check out [www.netusa.org](http://www.netusa.org) or Call: 701-883-5987 for more information.

### Search For Christian Maturity

Do you need a "retreat" from the world around you? Experience God in a personal and real way. SEARCH for Christian Maturity has a retreat coming up November 6-8, 2020 at Maryvale Convent in Valley City, ND. Youth and young adults, 16 and older, are invited to attend. Details and application are at <https://fargodiocese.net/searchcm> or call/text Dori at 952-210-2219 with questions. Applications are due Monday, October 19th Space is limited.

### March for Life

The youth pilgrimage through the Diocese of Fargo has been canceled. The March in DC is still scheduled to take place but with the restrictions for travelers to the DC area and for our own safety due to COVID it is not feasible for us to go this year. We are scheduled to go in January 2022. Prayers are powerful from any location!

## ST HELENA MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Oct 17 & 18 (5:00 pm) (8:30 am)

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Usher	Matt Thorpe	Bill Carruth
Collection		Rick Ulmer
Lector	Michele Thorpe	CarolLee Carruth
EMHC		
Gift Bearers		
Altar Servers	Annah T, Drew T	Anton C, Jack B
Rosary Leader		Thielges Family

### St. Helena Breakfast Servers

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Breakfast Not at this time

## WEEKLY GIVING

October 4

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Adult	\$1,321
Children	\$10
Plate	\$45
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,376</b>

Thank you for your generosity!

## ST. PATRICK MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Sunday October 18 (10:30 am)

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Lector	Kayce
Gift Carriers	Lennon and Archur
Altar Servers	Kate
Rosary Leader	Chuck

### For the Month of October

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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 10/2/2020

St. Helena's: \$15261: 90% of goal 42% participation

St. Patrick's: \$15608: 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 13

8:00 am †Sylvester & †Marie Radermacher

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### Wed. Oct 14

8:00 am †Kelly Breidenbach

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### Thu. Oct 15

8:00 am (St. H) Special Intention

9:00 am (St. P) †Tom Braunberger

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### Fri. Oct 16

8:00 am †Bert Schumacher

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### Sat. Oct 17

5:00 pm Joe & Tess Wood Family

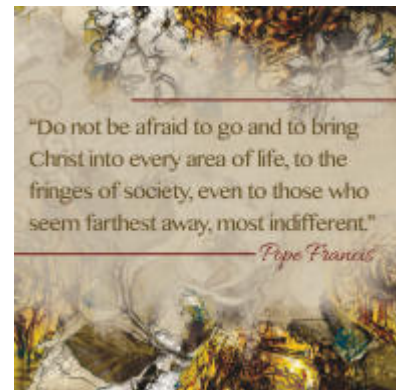
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### Sun. Oct 18

8:30 am (St. H) †Glenn Graves

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

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### Please Pray

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

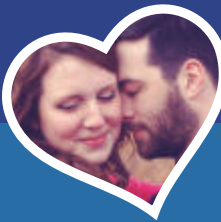
Joanne Brokaw, Loretta Dingwall, Linda Siro, Cindy Kelly Heupel, Edna Scherman, Deacon James & Val Hunt, Carla Engelstad, Susan Lacina, Richard Rodlund.

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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