



ST. HELENA ST. PATRICK *E*

WELCOME TO OUR PARISHES!



THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

This is what John the Baptist proclaimed: "One mightier than I is coming after me. I am not worthy to stoop and loosen the thongs of his sandals. I have baptized you with water; he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."
- Mk 1:7-8

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

©LPI

JANUARY 10, 2021

CONTACT US |

St. Helena Catholic Church
421 2nd St N, PO Box 796
Ellendale, ND 58436
701-349-3297

St. Patrick Catholic Church
207 Monroe St N
Fullerton, ND 58441

Rev. Jason Asselin, J.C.L.
sthelenascatholicparish.org

LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

We carry a greater depth of self-confidence and chance of succeeding when we have affirmation, a sense of direction and clear purpose in life. Each of these serve to provide our lives with meaning, allowing us to clearly establish priorities and goals. They also are necessary for integrity, which is the conviction and single mindedness that keeps us grounded in the truth of who we are. "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased." Jesus' baptism provides him with exactly what he needs to get about the business of his mission as the Son of God. He is given what he needs to be successful in fulfilling the purpose for which he was sent. Our baptisms give us these same gifts. We receive the affirmation we need from God, knowing that we are one of his beloved daughters and sons. We are gifted with the direction and clear purpose we need in order to be productive stewards and faithful Christians. Are we ready and willing to answer the call?

Please look for weekly/daily updates for Parish events via Flocknote. Sign up instructions on page 3.



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

Creative Courage

Dear friends in Christ,

Being creative takes courage; complaining is feeble.

Creativity acts; complaining is complacent.

Courage needs creativity, especially these days.

Another name for courage is fortitude. Fortitude is one of the cardinal virtues (not the bird or mascot). Cardinal derives from the Latin *cardo*, 'hinge'. Doors have hinges. Trap doors have hinges that open in such a way as to catch something—permitting entrance with no exit.

We are celebrating a special year of St. Joseph. The letter declaring this celebration, *Patris Corde* (With a father's heart), contains a section titled, "A creatively courageous father." Think about the life of St. Joseph. Engaged to Mary and BOOM, she is pregnant before the wedding! Joseph did not complain. He is filled with courage after the angel appears to him. Later when they are expecting the baby, the census is mandated. Now Mary and Joseph must travel to Bethlehem. Mary is ready to give birth and no room at the Inn! Joseph again avoids complaining and creatively prepares a space for the baby in the rough stable. The Holy Family is forced to flee into Egypt to avoid King Herod. St. Joseph lived courageously.

Patris Corde says, "In the face of difficulty, we can either give up and walk away, or somehow engage with it." Reading the stories of Jesus' birth and infancy "...can often give the impression that the world is at the mercy of the strong and mighty... but God always finds a way to carry out his saving plan... God always finds a way to save us, provided we show the same creative courage as the carpenter of Nazareth, who was able to turn a problem into a possibility by trusting always in divine providence."

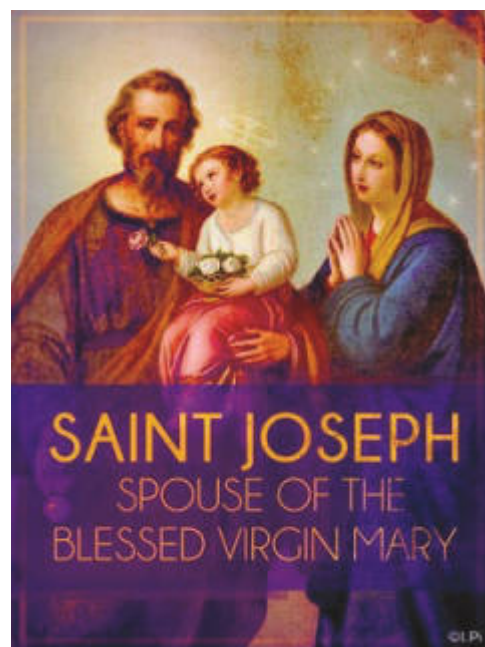
Consider today's feast: The Baptism of the Lord. Jesus did not need baptism. We need it! And even more, we

Christians must live our baptismal promises with creative courage like St. Joseph. Since March of 2020 we have witnessed many acts of creative courage in the face of COVID-19. Healthcare professionals, priests and so many others who discovered creative ways to bring cheer, and more importantly, to bring Christ to others. *Patris Corde* highlights the story of the paralytic in Luke's Gospel and how he is creatively lowered to Jesus through the roof (Lk 5:17-26). That is a display of creative faith (and job security for roofers!)

The virtue of fortitude, "ensures firmness in difficulties and constancy in the pursuit of the good" (CCC #1837).

Creative courage must be directed to the ultimate truth, the supreme good. Occasionally I feel the effects of the pandemic have swung the hinges of a trap door too deep for escape. However, thinking like that displays a lack of creativity and courage. My goal, and yours, dear baptized Christians, must be to stand on the shoulders of the great men and women (the saints) who have gone before us, and reaching the latch, to be creative in proclaiming the only name that saves, Jesus Christ.

Fr. Asselin



PARISH EVENTS CALENDAR |

- Tuesday, 1/12—Adoration and Confession 7pm



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?* Catholic apologist Trent Horn, from Catholic Answers, will be presenting his recent book, *Hard Sayings: How to Answer Bible Difficulties*. His talk will provide sound principles for understanding Scripture the next you encounter a Bible difficulty. The presentation will be at 7:00pm on January 26 at Sts. Anne and Joachim Catholic Church, Fargo. The event is free and no prior registration is required.

Help for Hurting Marriages

Retrouvaille is a peer-run program designed to help hurting couples find new hope and healing in their

marriages. More information available at HelpOurMarriage.org. The Retrouvaille weekend for couples scheduled in the Fargo area is: March 5-7, 2021. Find out more by calling 701-356-7962.

REDEEMED Trusted Sisters Women's Conference:

Mark your calendar: The REDEEMED Women's Conference has been rescheduled for Feb 19-20, 2021 at the Delta Hotel in Fargo. Featured speakers will include Dr. Helen Alvaré, Dr. James Link, Marcie Stockman (foundress of Well Read Mom), and Andrea Thomas of the Vigil Project. The event will also include performances and worship led by the Vigil Project. This conference will be available to attend both in person as well as via livestream. More information at: fargodiocese.org/redeemedwom

In the waters of baptism we welcome...

Olivia LoraAnne

Daughter of

Matthew and Brandy Maxon.



Register for free: FORMED

FORMED.ORG is a digital media platform with thousands of Catholic titles. Audio, video and family movies to inspire! Go to formed.org/signup

Select your parish Register with your name and email address

Check that email account for a link to begin using FORMED

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 Uno the sheep is waiting for you to join!



SACRAMENTS

Baptism

To schedule a baptism please contact the parish office.

Matrimony

Those preparing for marriage please contact Fr. Asselin at least six months prior to the wedding date.

Anointing of the Sick

This sacrament is available any-time. Talk with the priest before or after Mass, or call the parish office to make an appointment. Don't hesitate to call, especially if you are preparing for a medical procedure or surgery.

ST HELENA MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Jan 16 & 17	5:00	8:30am
Usher	Volunteer	Pete Flynn, Jr
Collection		Bob Radtke
Lector	Volunteer	Darell Wall
EMHC		
Gift Bearers		
Altar Servers	Macy N, Annah T	Isaiah C, Anton C

WEEKLY GIVING

	Dec 25,27	Jan 1,3
Adult	\$2019.	\$517.
Children	\$16.	\$9.
Plate	\$63.	\$105.
Total	\$2098.	\$631.

Thank you for your generosity!

ST. PATRICK MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Sunday January 17 (10:30 am)

Lector	Chuck Glynn
Gift Carriers	
Altar Servers	Madi, Harper

For the Month of January

Breakfast Server	
Collection Counters	
Church Cleaners	Corrine Glynn, Linda Glynn, Layna Gramlow
Altar Society Meeting	



Advertiser of the Week
 Merxbauer-Maier Dental
 Thank you for supporting our bulletin!

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Tue. Jan 12

8:00 am †John Linder

Wed. Jan 13

8:00 am †Ray & †Mary Henn

Thu. Jan 14

8:00 am (St. H) Taylor Gross

9:00 am (St. P) Beau Grunefelder

Fri. Jan 15

8:00 am †Karen Hubbard

Sat. Jan 16

5:00 pm Carson Piatz

Sun. Jan 17

8:30 am (St. H) †Bert Schumacher

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

Extending our Prayers and Sympathy

To the family of

Loretta Scherman

Loretta died peacefully
with her family in Idaho.

*Eternal rest grant unto her,
O Lord.*



Please Pray

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

Dennis Horsager, Joanne Brokaw,
Loretta Dingwall, Linda Siro, Cindy Kelly
Heupel, Edna Scherman, 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.

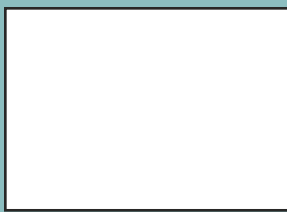


Participate in Weekly Mass or the Rosary on the radio
Real Presence Radio
 AM 1280/Fargo or AM 1370/Grand Forks
 Sunday Mass 7am
 Daily Rosary 8:30pm Lamb Radio
 FM 88.9/Aberdeen - Sunday Mass (Sacred Heart Parish, Aberdeen) 9:30am
 Morning Prayers including Rosary 6am

SPREAD THE WORD
 A Thriving, Vibrant Community Matters



SUPPORT OUR ADVERTISERS



Z's Fresh MARKET & Deli
 121 1st St N
 Ellendale, ND 58436
 (701) 349-3244

MERKEL CPA
 CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT & CONSULTANT

Tax • Bookkeeping
 Payroll • Audit

(701) 349-1040

Carlsen FUNERAL HOME AND CREMATORY

Michael & Lisa Carlsen
"Trusted Throughout the Region"
 Ellendale, ND (701) 349-3266



GROW YOUR BUSINESS WHILE SUPPORTING YOUR LOCAL PARISH.



Purchase a bulletin ad today!

AVAILABLE FOR A LIMITED TIME

ADVERTISE YOUR BUSINESS HERE

Contact **Mike Metivier** to place an ad today!
 mmetivier@4LPi.com or (800) 477-4574 x6632

ADT-Monitored Home Security
 Get 24-Hour Protection From a Name You Can Trust

- Burglary
- Fire Safety
- Flood Detection
- Carbon Monoxide

ADT Authorized Provider | SafeStreets | 1-855-225-4251



Ellendale True Value

139 Main St. Ellendale
 701-349-3274

Hoven Funeral Chapel

300 1st St South
 Ellendale, ND 58436
 701-349-3233
 www.hovenfuneralchapel.com

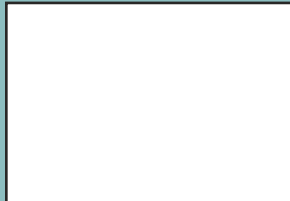


Culver's FROZEN CUSTARD BUTTERBURGERS

ERx ELLENDALE PHARMACY
 117 Main St. • Ellendale
 701-349-3390

Prairie Winds Motel
 Ellendale
 70 5th Street North
 P.O. Box 236 58436
 701.349.3771

Schwab AUDIOLOGY
 3001 6th Ave SE | Suite 2
 Aberdeen, SD 57401
 605.725.4455
 schwabaudiology.com



CHAD'S ELECTRIC, INC
 Residential - Farm Commercial
 Serving Ellendale, Oakes, Frederick & Surrounding Areas
 349-3472

NEVER MISS A BULLETIN !

Sign up to have our weekly parish bulletin emailed to you at www.parishesonline.com




KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
 IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.

All Men of St. Helena and St. Patrick encouraged to join
 Call Mark for more information
 701-349-3476

FamilyDENTAL Care

Dr. Jason J. Grebner, DDS
 Dr. Thomas J. Kaiser, DDS
 Dr. Robert J. Sanders, DDS
 (605) 226-1867
 aberdeenfamilydentalcare.com



DICKEY & LAMOURE COUNTY ABSTRACT & TITLE COMPANY
 121 Main Ave. • Ellendale, ND
 701.349.3450



AgCountry Farm Credit Services
 LaMoure, ND 883-5291 or 800-520-5291



Thorpe Excavating


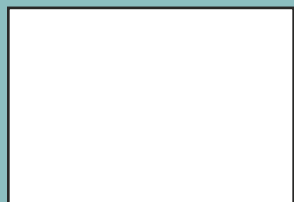
6903 99TH ST SE
 ELLENDALE, ND 58436
 701-320-5066



Qual Hearing Aid Service
 Terri Qual, BC-HIS
 Licensed Hearing Instrument Specialist
 805 A 10th St. SE
 Jamestown 701-252-0706

Merxbauer-Maier Dental
 Aberdeen, SD
 605-725-0800
 New Patients and Emergencies Always Welcome

David Lee Merxbauer, DDS Taylor M. Maier, DDS

Too Sick for Mass?
 SUPPORT OUR PARISH NO MATTER WHERE YOU ARE!

Sign-up to get your bulletin delivered right to your inbox!
 www.parishesonline.com



PROTECTING SENIORS NATIONWIDE MEDICAL ALERT SYSTEM

\$29.95/MO PLUS SPECIAL OFFER
 BILLED QUARTERLY

CALL NOW! 1.877.801.7772
 WWW.24-7MEDALARM.COM

