

February 6, 2022

5th Sunday of Ordinary Time

In our Scriptures today we hear the calling of the prophet, Isaiah. He experienced a vision of the all holy God and realized he was a sinful person but an angel came from God to cleanse him and send him as a prophet. In the Gospel we see Jesus worked a miracle. Peter realized he was a sinner in the presence of the Holy one, but Jesus told him not to be afraid; Jesus forgives and uses us to reach out to others.



Blessings

Today after all Masses, we celebrate the traditional Blessing of Throats in honor of St. Blaise, Bishop and Martyr: and we ask God's healing mercy upon all the sick.

PLEASE SEE OUR WEBSITE

Both Sunday Mass and Friday Reflections can be viewed at <https://www.sainthelenas.org/> and ALSO Friday **Reflections with Msgr. Russell** is a weekly check-in video with Msgr. Russell. Please visit our YouTube Channel to watch this week's video, and be sure to **SUBSCRIBE** to our channel. **Reminder!** We'll be broadcasting Mass on YouTube afterward for you to watch.

COVID-19 UPDATE

As you have heard, the Governor is calling on us to return to measures to reduce the possibility of spreading Covid-19. Churches are exempt from the mandate to wear a mask but we are encouraged to do so voluntarily.

BREAKFAST BUFFET

8:00AM TO 1:00pm

Sunday February 13, 2022

\$10/Adults ~ \$4/Children under 12

Leave the cooking to our Breakfast Crew for an all you care eat Buffet on the 2nd Sunday of the month. Join us for an after the holidays breakfast and leave the cooking to us. Relax and enjoy your Family and Friends for a full Breakfast Buffet. Served up in a warm and festive atmosphere. For questions/reserve a table for 6 or more, please contact Nancy Cobb [302-598-8685 or Natiesmom@me.com].

Girl Scout Cookies will be available for purchase on February 13th from 8:30 to 12:30 in the school hall (during Second Sunday Breakfast.) Most boxes of cookies are \$5, but some \$6. Maria Puka's Girl Scout Troop 311 are currently working on their Gold Award projects.



Please Pray For Our Sick Parishioners

Ruth Bower, Julia Davis, Gerri Episcopo, Sarah Hess, Ella Kirksey, Fr. Roy Pollard, Susan Denis, Dorothy Rich, Kathleen Schaubert, Frank Sullivan, Catherine Thomson, Vaughn Whisker, Ann Wilson, Cindy Zych, Mary Gabel, Toni Di Lezio, Sr., Dorothy Prettyman, Janet Szubieolski, Catalina Weddle, Marie Spinden, Jane Parsons, Friends at the Kutz Home, Nicolas Childs, Bridget Robinson, Geri Crockett, Jim Fedena, Sr., Carly Fedena, Judy Wilbank, Aliyah Miller, Theresa Kelleher Cassidy, Karen Cheeseman, Sara Murphy, Antoinette Medeiros, Rose Marie Turcol, Charlie Lafferty, Stephanie Bidwell, Helen Rupnicki, William Lytle, Dolly Albanese, Sande Richardson, Morgan Medeiros, Thomas Leo, Wally Schock, Regina Gemignani, Kathleen McDermott, Pattie Grimes, Nicole Miller

WEEKLY CALENDAR



Sunday, February 6

St. Blaise-Throat Blessings –All Masses

The 2nd Collection: Maintenance and Repair

12:15pm- Confirmation Meeting-
Candidate/Sponsors-Masci Hall

Monday, February 7

6:30pm Religious Ed Classes-School

6:30pm Adult Scripture Study-School

Tuesday, February 8

1:00pm Young at Heart-Masci Hall

7:00pm Finance Council-Rectory

Wednesday, February 9

7:00pm Parish Council Exe. Mtg-Rectory

Thursday, February 10

5:30 pm Bingo-Masci Hall

Sunday, February 13

**The 2nd Collection: Black, Indian & Home
Missions**

Social Ministry Sunday

8:00am Second Sunday Breakfast-Masci Hall

9:00am/11:00am Children's Lit/Word – Church



BINGO

Every Thursday Evening
In Masci Hall

Doors open at 5:30pm
Games begin at 7:00pm



WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, Feb 5

5:00pm (SR) Steve Schantz

Sunday, Feb 6

7:00am (EF) People of the Parish

9:00am (SR) Ann Hagan

11:00am (SR) Adelaide C. Russell

Monday, Feb 7

9:00am (SR) Brian Hopkins

Tuesday, Feb 8

7:00am (EF) Harold Robinson

9:00am (SR) Linda Fedena

Wednesday, Feb 9

9:00am (SR) Paul O. Knight (10th Anniversary)

Thursday, Feb 10

7:00am (EF) Joseph Fedena

9:00am (SR) John Schmidt

Friday, Feb 11

7:00am (EF) Gary Hurley

9:00am (SR) Michael P. Kelly, Sr.

Saturday, Feb 12

9:00 am (SR) Carrie Konitzer

5:00pm (SR) John Louden

Sunday, Feb 13

7:00am (SR) Stanley J. Russell, Sr.

9:00am (WK) James Flynn, Sr.

11:00am (SR) People of the Parish



The Offertory Collection

The weekend of 1/16 was \$4,595.00 and the on-line collection was \$1,727.00 for a total of \$6,322.00.

The weekend of 1/23 was \$4,610.00 and the on-line collection was \$2,397.00 for a total of \$7,007.00. THANK YOU!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Confirmation Meeting for Candidates and Sponsors will be in Masci Hall THIS SUNDAY, February 6th, at 12:15pm. If a sponsor cannot attend, then a parent can attend.

PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY

A family leaving a homeless shelter and moving to an apartment is requesting dishes: white Corelle. Call Social Ministry at 302-764-7545 if you are able to meet the request. Blessings with Peace.

YOUNG AT HEART

Please be advised the next monthly meeting for the Young-At-Heart Social Group will be Tuesday, February 8, 2022 at 1 p.m. The guest speaker for this meeting will be Financial Advisor, Merrill Mirman. Come on out with your financial questions for Mr. Mirman and also enjoy some camaraderie and goodies with our members. Hope to see you there. Have a Fabulous February from the Young-At-Heart group!

RETRouvaille REDISCOVER THE LOVE IN YOUR MARRIAGE:



Tens of thousands of couples have healed their marriages through Retrouvaille (pronounced Retro-vy). If you know anyone who could benefit from this program, then please pass this announcement on to them. Couples learn to build communication skills. It provides help for marriage problems, difficulties or crises. The next program begins the weekend of February 11-13, 2022 at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA. For more information, or to register, visit HelpOurMarriage.org... or call 215-766-3944 or 800-470-2230. All inquiries are strictly confidential.

Please pray for our nation in this very difficult time. Prayer cards are available at church entrances.

*O Blessed Mother, Pray for the USA
Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception,
Patroness of the United States of America,
please help our country.*

Help us to return to what is decent, right, and proper.

Help us to return to respect for ourselves and others, to truth in dealing with ourselves and others, to self-control and self-discipline, and especially, to a deep love for your Son and his teachings.

Protect us from those who would destroy us from within.

Our Lady, we place ourselves and our country under your mantel, Pray for us and help us.

Amen.



STEHM, INC. (Supportive Transitional & Emergency Housing Ministry), a non-profit transitional home for women & children is in search of a **House Manager/Client Monitor**. This position has a tentative start date of 2/1/22. Men need not apply. Days and evenings required for this PART-TIME position. Salary is commensurate with experience. Exceptional communication skills, both verbal and written, with fervent organizational skills is strongly preferred. Please respond with a resume to stehmkate@gmail.com.

LISTEN TO THE CATHOLIC FORUM

Listen to Catholic Forum each week. Next Saturday, February 12th, Fr. Glenn Evers and Ms. Arline Dosman will give an update as to the progress of the Diocese of Wilmington's Synod 2021 – 2023 activities. Catholic Forum airs on Saturday afternoons at 1:30 on Relevant Radio 640. You can listen online anytime at cdow.org/CatholicForum, or by searching "Catholic Forum" on Apple, Spotify, iHeartRadio, or Amazon Music podcasts. For photos, information regarding upcoming guests, links and more, "Like" Catholic Forum on Facebook at [@CatholicForum](https://facebook.com/CatholicForum).



"SOUPER BOWL" FOOD DRIVE

In support of St. Helena's Food Closet, the Knights of Columbus, Christopher Council with the help of Cub Scout Pack 61 are collecting nonperishable food. Please pick up a grocery bag after Mass and return it Sunday, February 13th Super Bowl Sunday. The food closet particularly needs nonperishable food such as canned fruit & vegetables, spaghetti sauce, pasta, baked beans, elbow macaroni, pancake syrup and apple juice, chili, stew, canned chicken, tuna, cereal, rice, peanut butter, jelly, crackers, soup, and macaroni & cheese. If you would like to make a monetary donation, then please scan the QR code (<https://2022-souper-bowl-food-drive.cheddarup.com>) or make a check payable to St. Helena Church Food Closet and mail it to St. Helena Church 602 Philadelphia Pike, Wilmington, DE 19809
Thank you for your support!



Victims Assistance of the Diocese of Wilmington

If you have been sexually exploited or abused by a priest, brother, sister or lay person employed by the Diocese of Wilmington or by a church volunteer in service to a parish or school or other church organization call the **Victims Assistance Coordinator** by telephone (302) 656-0651 and report the incident to the **Delaware State Attorney Generals Office** (302)577-8310