

January 19, 2020
2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Church calendar says we are now in “ordinary time.” But every year on this Sunday the scripture readings are not “ordinary.” They always seem to echo the thoughts and themes of the recent Christmas – Epiphany season.

Today we hear again the prophet Isaiah – in fact, it is the second of the prophet’s “Suffering Servant songs” (last week, we heard the first of these passages).

In the Gospel we again hear St. John the Baptist giving his witness to Jesus. Twice John says: “I did not know him, but...”

John proclaims Jesus is “the Lamb of God.” He proclaims “...he is the Son of God.”

But today we begin to hear St. Paul in his First Letter to the Corinthians. We will listen to this scripture every Sunday of Ordinary Time up to Lent.

Our Christmas Bazaar, with all bills paid, has realized a profit for our parish of \$29,600.74 - a NEW RECORD!!

Our Thanks and congratulations to Chairperson Sue Garrett and the whole Bazaar organizing committee and especially the leaders of the Attic Treasures – Nancy and Ray Cobb, Barbara Brodaway and all who worked so hard and contributed so much to the success of the Bazaar.

The Offertory Collections for the weekend of 12/29 was \$7,554.00 and the on-line collection was \$2,405.00 for a total of \$9,959.00. THANK YOU!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

NO RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES tomorrow night (MONDAY) – enjoy your families and see you back next Monday.

CATECHISTS and AIDES we will be having our Post-Holiday Party and short in-service tomorrow night at 6:30p. If you cannot come, please email Ms Hummy.

CHOIR NEWS - FESTIVAL OF SPIRITUALS RETURNS



The annual Festival of Spirituals will return to St. Helena’s for its twelfth edition, entitled *Bright Mansions Above*, on Sunday, February 9, 2020 at 3:00. St. Helena’s Church Choir will host the Choir School of Delaware, Concord High School Chorale, and Rowan University’s Voces XII ensemble. Each choir will perform its own set of spirituals, and then all choirs will join for a mass finale. The church will literally be filled with more than 100 voices. There is no admission, but a free will offering will be taken. Net proceeds will be donated to World Central Kitchen, a non-profit, non-governmental organization that provides emergency food relief when natural disasters strike. This is a can’t miss event each year, so please mark your calendars!

St. Helena’s Parish Expenses

In the month of December our parish paid 86 bills totaling \$77,011.43. Included was our quarterly payment of the Diocesan assessment of \$ 18,750. Also

- \$923.97 for trash removal
- \$684.30 for Home Depot purchases
- \$475.00 for pipe organ tuning
- \$5,425.50 for 1st of 4 annual payments for health insurance for clergy and retired priest.
- \$4,000.00 for annual contribution to clergy pension fund.
- \$898.62 for Convent circulator pump and school heating float switch.
- \$1,075 for Christmas musicians
- \$5,960.29 for Delmarva Power
- \$218.25 for water bill
- \$979.53 for Church votive candles
- \$3,480.00 for Gym boiler repair
- \$602.95 for School boiler maintenance
- \$952.93 for School & Church boiler treatment

Please Pray For Our Sick Parishioners

Ruth Bower, Charles Brumbaugh, Patricia Darmanin, Jayne Davenport, Bob Davis, Julia Davis, Gerri Episcopo, Sara Garrison, Sarah Hess, Ella Kirksey, Shirley Kosek, Edward Mebs, Gay Meriggi, Dora Pacitti, Fr. Roy Pollard, Terri Reed, Dorothy Rich, Helen Rupnicki, Kathleen Schaubert, Irma Shock, Caitlin Soper, Frank Sullivan, Catherine Thomson, James Whisker, Ann Wilson, Cindy Zych, Anita Tyrawski, Mary Gabel, Alline Da Grossa, Toni Di Lezio, Sister Dorothy Prettyman, Janet Szubieolski, Catalina Weddle, Ray Altamuro, Marie Spinden, Jane Parsons, Francis Medeiros, Friends at the Kutz Home, Amy Jo Schosie-Jones, Nicolas Childs, Alfred Palmer, Bridget Robinson



WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, January 19

2nd Collection: Catholic University & Communications

11:00am Child. Liturgy/Word-Church

Monday, January 20 Martin Luther King Day
Refectory Closed

Produce Day-Masci Hall

7:00pm YAH Meeting -Masci Hall

Tuesday, January 21

7:00pm Parish Council-Masci Hall

Wednesday, January 22

7:00pm Prayer Shawl- Convent

Thursday, January 23

5:30pm Bingo-Masci Hall

7:30pm Adult Choir-Church

Parish Social Ministry

Diocesan Rice Bowl collection: Saint Helena's Parish Social Ministry received a donation of \$1200 from the Diocesan Rice Bowl Collection. Blessings upon Saint Helena's parishioners, who donated so generously to the Rice Bowl collection in October, 1029.

Saint Helena's Parish Social Ministry received and answered 2803 phone calls from 10/7/2019 to 12/31/2019.

BINGO

Every Thursday Evening
In Masci Hall

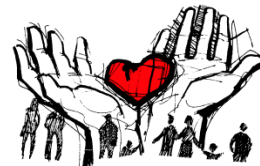
Doors open at 5:30pm

Games begin at 7:00pm

Cookie Jar, Door Prizes, Food!

YOUNG AT HEART

As our New Year, 2020 begins, our first general meeting will be held on Monday evening, January 20th, from 7pm Masci Hall and will feature BINGO, As is our custom, members are asked to bring refreshments, which are served to our guests. Please plan on joining us, and bring a friend! Yearly dues of \$18.00 are now due for 2020. In case of inclement weather, contact Carmela on 302-584-7892 to find out if the meeting will be held!



PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

Our meetings are on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month at 7pm in the Convent. Each meeting begins with recitation of the Chaplet of Mercy or the Rosary. Members, friends and parishioners donate home-made items for those in need of prayers and comfort. Material is available at no cost and many members create items conveniently at home. You are invited to join our group. Any interested in learning to knit and crochet can join our program. Call Dolly, 302-764-3465 or Carmela, 302-762-9057 for more information or for questions about inclement weather.

Please Help the Food Closet

The food closet is in need of pancake syrup, small jar of jelly, large juice and snacks.
THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY.

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, January 18

5:00pm (SR) Joseph Marini

Sunday, January 19

7:00am (EF) People of the Parish

9:00am (SR) James J. Palmer, Sr.

11:00am (SR) Ceil Haywood

Monday, January 20

9:00pm (SR)

Tuesday, January 21

7:00am (EF)

9:00am (SR) Frances Bleistine

Wednesday, January 22

9:00pm (SR)

Thursday, January 23

7:00am (SR) Adelaide Russell

9:00am (WK)

Friday, January 24

7:00am (CAP)

9:00am (SR)

Saturday, January 25

9:00am (SR) Deceased Members of the
Russell and Sullivan Families

5:00pm (SR) Gerald "Gerry" Conaty

Sunday, January 26

7:00am (SR) Joseph Finnochiario, Jr.

9:00am (WK) People of the Parish

11:00am (SR) Veronica J. Hesling

Via Crucis - The Way of the Cross

St. Anthony of Padua Church

9th and DuPont Streets

Wilmington, Delaware

Liturgical drama called the *Via Crucis*. The *Via Crucis* was first presented in St. Anthony of Padua Church in 1933. Your participation can be credited towards community service or other scholastic requirements. All grade-school age to college-age boys and girls are welcome. Bring along your friends and relatives as well!

Sign-Ups Additional sign-upon 1/19/20 at 1:30 and first rehearsal immediately following from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm in St. Anthony of Padua Church at 9th and DuPont Streets. Practices are: Jan. 26 and Feb. 2, 9, 16, 23, 442020 from 2:00 to 4:00

Performances are: Feb. 26, Mar. 6, 13, 20, 27 and April 3, 10, 2020 from 7:30 to 8:30PM. We welcome your participation. For further details, please contact me at: stanthony.viacrucis@gmail.com or Call 302-545-5047

Christmas Decorations Donations

Mr. & Mrs James Czachorowski
Mr. & Mrs. Richard Pierce, Jr
Mr. & Mrs. James S Fedena, Sr
Mr. & Mrs. Louis A Masci
Mr. & Mrs. Timothy J Kelleher
Mr. & Mrs. Edwin Blevins
Mr. & Mrs. David Nemeth
Mr. & Mrs. John Quinn
Mr. & Mrs. Santano Gracias
Mr. & Mrs. William Doll, Jr.
Mr. & Mrs. James Campion, Jr.
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Mr. & Mrs. William Lacombe
Mr. & Mrs. Larry Gladnick, Jr.
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Mr. & Mrs. Raymond E Finocchiaro
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Mr. & Mrs. James McFadden
Mr. & Mrs. Andrew M Lazar
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Mr. & Mrs. Francis Finocchiaro
Mr. & Mrs. Antonio Damasceno
Mr. & Mrs. James K. Williams, Sr.
Mr. & Mrs. Sean C Callaghan
Mr. & Mrs. James Zdimal
Mr. & Mrs. Wayne Luzzo
Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Denelsbeck
Mr. & Mrs. Douglas Garrett
Mr. & Mrs. Michael McGee
Mr & Mrs. Christopher Destafney

Christmas Decorations
Donations Continued

Mrs. Marie E Milewski
Mrs. Andrew T Denis
Mrs. Michael Friel
Mrs. Nathan Ragan
Mrs. Lois Shelton
Mrs. Gertrude Kelleher
Mrs. Mary Kok
Mrs. Catherine Canna
Mrs. Gerald O'Neill
Mrs. Phyllis Robinson
Mrs. Kathleen Kozur
Mrs. Elizabeth M O'Connor
Mrs. Janet Angeline
Mrs. Susan Breckenridge
Mrs. Linda Lotsis
Mrs. Irene Calvarese
Mrs. Mary K Jernoske
Mrs. Elizabeth Dorsey
Mrs. Patricia Patton
Mrs. Kathaline Mauro
Ms. Margaret A Harris
Ms. Frances Kelleher
Ms. Carina Konitzer
Ms. Susan Delcollo
Ms. Kathleen S Rowan
Ms. Shannon Taylor
Ms. Claire Haggett
Ms. Eugenia P Vanover
Ms. Augustine Williams
Ms. Nancy M Hill
Ms. Joan C McLaughlin
Ms. Cynthia Paponette
Ms. Theresa L Amoroso
Ms. Agnes C. Maguire
Ms. Michiline Disabatino
Miss Lilia S Romero
Mr. John B Conroy
Mr. Michele P Coppola
Mr. Joseph M Taggart
Mr. Lawrence F Bulat
Mr. Charles J. Fox
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Thomas & Virginia O'Shea
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Bill & Mena D'Amato
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Marie Rule
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