

January 30, 2022

4th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Jeremiah the prophet received the Word of the Lord at the beginning of his ministry:

“Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born I dedicated you...” God promised Jeremiah He would be with him when people would not accept him and his message. Jesus in the Gospel returned to His hometown but people rejected Him and His message.

Next weekend we will celebrate the traditional Blessing of the Throats after all Masses.

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.

St. Helena’s Parish Expenses

In the month of December our parish paid 67 bills totaling \$58,176.48.

Included was:

- \$345 for monitoring fire alarms
- \$5,879.23 for School air conditioning & Church heat pumps
- \$245.75 for Rectory Cable service.
- \$4,960.74 for Delmarva Power
- \$17,000 for Diocesan Assessment (quarterly)
- \$312.52 for months mailing of offertory envelopes
- \$845.44 to replace bad motor in 1 Convent building zone.
- \$460.00 for Immaculate Conception flowers
- \$1,753.48 for church and votive candles
- \$189.63 for Suez Water
- \$448.54 for Verizon Telephone service
- \$874.62 for trash removal.
- And \$26,017.90 in payroll expenses.

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].



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, January 30

Postponed -Child. Liturgy/Word-Church

Monday, January 31

6:30pm Religious Ed Classes-School

6:30pm Adult Scripture Study-School

Thursday, February 3

5:30 pm Bingo-Masci Hall

Friday, February 4 First Friday

9:30am -Adoration-Church

Sunday, February 6

St. Blaise-Throat Blessings -All Masses

2nd Collection: Maintenance and Repair

12:15pm- Confirmation Meeting-

Candidate/Sponsors-Masci Hall

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, Jan 29

5:00pm (SR) Linda Schofield

Sunday, Jan 30

7:00am (EF) People of the Parish

9:00am (SR) Mass of Thanksgiving (Living)

11:00am (SR) John H. Matthews

Monday, Jan 31

9:00am (SR) Bernadette Noronha

Tuesday, Feb 1

7:00am (EF) Rush Limbaugh

9:00am (SR) Charles Schmidt, Jr.

Wednesday, Feb 2

9:00am (SR) Edwin Blevins

Thursday, Feb 3

7:00am (EF) Jan Wisniewski

9:00am (SR) Francis Sarro, Sr.

Friday, Feb 4

7:00am (EF) Frances & John Danchak

9:00am (SR) William McNeal

Saturday, Feb 5

9:00 am (SR) Mary & Danny Paiano

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

BINGO

Every Thursday Evening
In Masci Hall

Doors open at 5:30pm

Games begin at 7:00pm



The Offertory Collection

The weekend of 1/9 was \$5,775.00 and the on-line collection was \$3,277.00 for a total of \$9,052.00. THANK YOU!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Confirmation Meeting for Candidates and Sponsors will be in Masci Hall NEXT SUNDAY, February 6, at 12:15pm. If a sponsor cannot attend 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 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...](https://www.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.



LISTEN TO THE CATHOLIC FORUM

Listen to Catholic Forum each week. Next Saturday, February 5th, learn about the devastating tornados that demolished parts of Kentucky, when Dr. Patricia Williams, a Mayfield, Kentucky physician, is the guest. 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 facebook.com/CatholicForum @CatholicForum.



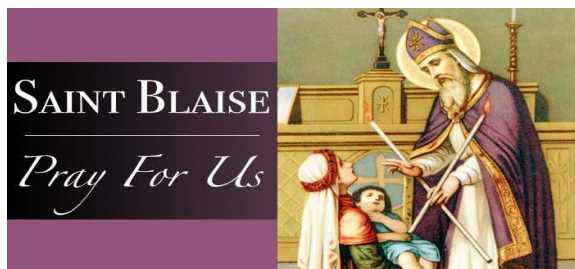
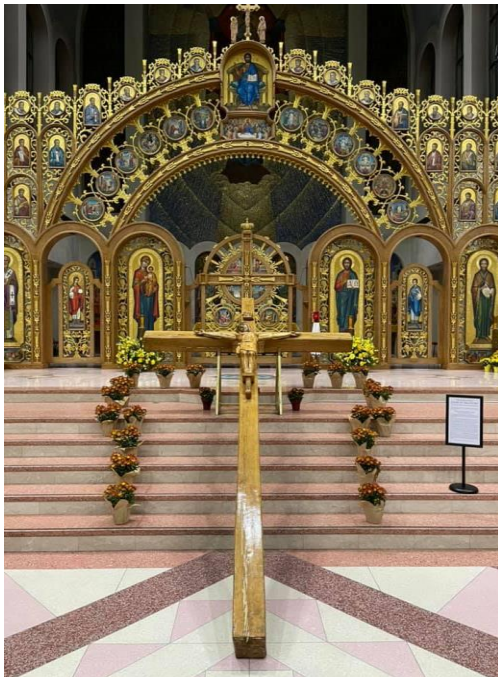
PILGRIMAGE WITH A CROSS OF
GRATITUDE TO ALL CAPITALS OF THE
WORLD

The pilgrimage of gratitude began in Lviv, Ukraine in November 2005 with a large oak cross and a figure of our crucified Savior upon it. Since then, it has visited forty-six cities and currently is in the United States with future visits planned for South America, Asia, Africa, Indonesia and Australia. The aim of the pilgrimage is to unite all nations of the world into one family at the Cross of Jesus and that He gives us the gift of eternal life.

We are highly honored with the cross coming to St. Nicholas Ukrainian Catholic Church at 800 West Lea Blvd., Wilmington, DE 19802, which will be open for veneration on the following days and hours:

Saturday, January 29th - 10:00am to 2:00 pm

Final Day Sunday, January 30th - 12 noon to 4:00 pm



"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, 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!



**PADUA THEATER PRESENTATION OF
A LITTLE MERMAID**

Event: A "Shellabration" to raise money for this year's Padua Theater presentation of "A Little Mermaid"

Date: Saturday, February 5th

Time: 6:30 - 8:30

Admission Cost: \$10 adult, \$5 for 12 and under

Included in admission: Live performances by cast members, as well as 5 tickets to use on Photo ops with cast, raffles, games, crafts and concessions. Additional tickets

available for purchase at 3 for \$5. Masks are

required per state mandate. For more

information, contact Lisa Kowalski at

lkowalski@paduaacademy.org.