

January 9, 2022
Baptism of the Lord



We celebrate the Baptism of the Lord - the conclusion of our Christmas-Epiphany season. Jesus, the sinless One, insisted on taking His place in the muddy waters of the Jordan River- to show His oneness with all of us sinners. Jesus is manifested as the Son of the eternal God- the long awaited Savior!

The Feast of the Baptism of the Lord concludes the Church's Christmas - Epiphany season

St. Helena's Church seeks a Parish Secretary/Receptionist

Who will provide a full range of duties efficiently, professionally, and with the desire to minister to all. The successful candidate will exhibit strong interpersonal skills and attention to detail. Their responsibilities will include maintaining the parishioner database and reconciling parishioner donations. They will work with volunteers and report to the Parish Business Manager. Requires comfort level with computers including experience with Word, Excel, and Outlook. Flexible hours (9 - 2 would be ideal). Learn more about this great opportunity by contacting us at 302-764-0325 x-102 or rrebmann@SaintHelenas.org (Rick).

ANNUAL ELECTION OF LAY TRUSTEES

Congratulations and Thank You to Timothy Kelleher and John Hughes on becoming St. Helena's Lay Trustees for 2022.

BREAKFAST BUFFET

8:00AM TO 1:00pm

TODAY

Sunday January 9, 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 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.

The Offertory Collection

For the weekend of 12/12 was \$4,249.00 and the on-line collection was \$2,647.00 for a total of \$6,896.00.

For the weekend of 12/19 was \$4,760.10 and the on-line collection was \$2,237.00 for a total of \$6,667.10 Thank You!



Please Pray For Our Sick Parishioners

Ruth Bower, Julia Davis, Gerri Episcopo, Sara Garrison, 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 MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, Jan 8
11:00 am (SR) Jennifer Marie Holmwood
Sunday, Jan 9
7:00am (SR) Edward Mendez
9:00am (EF) Dora Amoroso
11:00am (SR) People of the Parish
Monday, Jan 10
9:00am (SR) Pat & Tom Conner
Tuesday, Jan 11
7:00am (EF) Bernadette Crago
9:00am (SR) Nancy McFadden
Wednesday, Jan 12
9:00am (SR) Ronald Joseph Dumont
Thursday, Jan 13
7:00am (EF) Patti Grimes (Living)
9:00am (SR) Stanley J. Russell
Friday, Jan 14
7:00am (EF) James Hansen
9:00am (SR) Grace Hayman
Saturday, Jan 15
9:00 am (SR) Paul O. Knight
11:00 am (SR) Fr. Thomas Peterman
Sunday, Jan 16
7:00am (EF) People of the Parish
9:00am (SR) Mary Elizabeth Donahue
11:00am (SR) John J. Loudon

WEEKLY CALENDAR



Sunday, January 9 The Baptism of the Lord

9am/11am Children's Lit/Word-Church
8:00am Second Sunday Breakfast-Masci Hall
Today we celebrate the second 'epiphany' - the Baptism of the Lord. It concludes the Christmas - Epiphany season.

Monday, January 10

6:30pm Religious Ed Classes-School
6:30pm Adult Scripture Study-Zoom

Tuesday, January 11

1:00pm Young at Heart Mgt- Masci Hall
7:00pm Finance Council -Rectorly

Wednesday, January 12

7:00pm Parish Council Exe. Mtg-Rectorly

Thursday, January 13

5:30 pm Bingo-Masci Hall

Sunday, January 16

2nd Collection: Catholic University & Communication



COUNT YOUR BLESSINGS.
NAME THEM **ONE BY ONE.**
COUNT YOUR **MANY BLESSINGS**
SEE WHAT **GOD** HAS DONE.



Every Thursday Evening
In Masci Hall
Doors open at 5:30pm
Games begin at 7:00pm

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Children's Liturgy of the Word is temporarily suspended at the 9am and 11am masses for the safety of the children who are not able to be vaccinated at this time. Thank you for your understanding. Ms. Hummy

PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY

An aide is requested by one of Saint Helena's parishioners: Schedule: one hour in the morning at 9:30 a.m. Assist the person with dressing and preparation for the day. One hour in the evening at 6:30 p.m. assist with preparation for bed time. Prefer: A person who lives in the area. If interested, then please call Saint Helena's Parish Outreach at 302-764-7545.

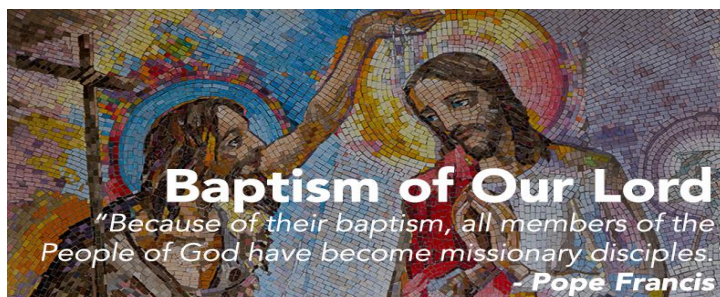
YOUNG-AT-HEART

Happy New Year from all of us with Young-At-Heart! Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, January 11th at 1 p.m. The entertainment for this meeting will be Bingo. Hope to see you there.

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, please pass this on. 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.



LISTEN TO THE CATHOLIC FORUM

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from Catholic Forum. Catholic Forum returns from the holiday break on January 8th when Mr. Rusty Gilles from St. Mary of the Assumption Church in Hockessin, Delaware will discuss the history of the parish as they begin their 250th anniversary year. Catholic Forum airs on Saturday afternoons at 1:30pm 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.



Marriage Moments and Parenting Pointers By Susan Vogt

Marriage Moments: A new year has begun. Perhaps you've made a New Year's Resolution. Perhaps not. Today, just think about today! What kindness can you offer your beloved today?

Parenting Pointers: What difference has Baptism made in your life? Think about something specific. Once you have your own answer, talk to your children about their baptisms. Perhaps show photos. Reenact it.



The National Prayer Vigil for Life will take place from Thursday, January 20th through Friday, January 21th at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, DC. The January 20th Opening Mass will begin at 5:30 p.m. (Eastern) and will be immediately followed by a 7:00-8:00 p.m. Holy Hour for Life, concluding the evening portion of the Vigil program. Both the Mass and Holy Hour will be televised live by EWTN so that millions can participate remotely. The following morning, the Closing Mass on January 21st will take place once again at the Basilica at 8:00 a.m. (Eastern), and will also be televised by EWTN. The latest update concerns attendance for the Vigil. Both for the evening of January 20th and the morning of January 21st, **the on-site prayer events at the Basilica will be open to the public.** *There is no longer a seating limit. No advance reservations are needed. No tickets are required.* Everyone is welcome to attend any part of the Vigil program. As always, there is no reserved seating inside the Basilica for the public, and everyone will be accommodated on a first-come, first-served basis. Please also note, due to the pandemic, that the Basilica will still be enforcing its guidelines for entry for individuals and groups attending the Vigil. For additional information about the 2022 Vigil for Life, please visit the Basilica www.nationalshrine.org/event/2022-national-prayer-vigil-for-life/ and the USCCB National Prayer Vigil <https://www.usccb.org/national-prayer-events-for-life>.



A PRAYER FOR PEACE

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace!
Where there is hatred . . . let me sow love.
Where there is injury . . . pardon.
Where there is doubt . . . faith.
Where there is despair . . . hope.
Where there is darkness . . . light.
Where there is sadness . . . joy.
O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek
To be consoled . . . as to console.
To be understood . . . as to understand.
To be loved . . . as to love.
for
It is in giving . . . that we receive.
It is in pardoning . . . that we are pardoned.
It is in dying . . . that we are born to eternal life.

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.*

