

July 12, 2020

15<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time

The word of God is described by the prophet Isaiah like the rain and snow falling to earth, "making it fertile and fruitful." God's word does not return to him "void" but does His will. Jesus in the Gospel also speaks of the word of God like seed. If it falls on good ground- someone who receives the Word with faith and openness of heart. If the word falls on rocky ground or among thorns, - on people without faith or preoccupied with other things, it cannot produce its effects. In every Mass, we receive the Word of God. Open your heart and mind to welcome the Word of God.

PLEASE NOTE:

On Saturday 6/27 a socialist group organized a protest against the Penny Hill State Police. The television and newspaper reporting may have given the impression that it was a St. Helena's Parish protest. **It was not!**

St. Helena's, like every Catholic Church, is committed to working for true social justice and racial equality. But many of the demonstrations in our nation have gone beyond those principles and are clearly political. Our Church does not take a stand in political affairs.

No one asked to use our Parish property for the demonstration and such permission would not have been given.

Please pray for our beloved nation and for those who protect our lives and property.

**For daily Mass at 7am (Tues, Thurs and Fri) or 9am. Please enter church by the side doors near the altar area. The Church will remain open for private prayer after the 9am daily Mass until 10:00am.**

The Offertory Collections for the weekend 6/28 was \$3,427.00 and the on-line collection was \$1,809.00 for a total of \$5,236.00. Thank you.

PLEASE SEE OUR WEBSITE

<https://www.sainthelenas.org>

**Coronavirus News Important Update!**

**Friday Reflections with Msgr. Russell**

Friday Reflections 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. You can even arrange for YouTube to let you know every time we add a new video!

**Reminder!** We'll be broadcasting Mass on Facebook Live Saturday at 5pm, and save it to YouTube afterward for people to watch.

CAN YOU HELP OUR PARISH?

We lost about \$100,000 income because we could not have our Carnival. Bingo has been a great blessing bringing about \$ 50,000 profit last year.

We do not know when the State will allow Bingo to resume. Most of our workers are willing to help again. But some folks feel uncomfortable because of the virus. Can you help us even one or two nights of the month? Bingo is on Thursday beginning at 7pm. There are several different kinds of jobs that have to be done. If you would like more information, please call Hummy Pennell 302-762-4280 or Msgr Russell at 302-764-0328 ext. 108. Please help us!

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

AIDES needed for Religious Education Program which will be starting in September. Our program meets on Monday nights from 6:30p to 7:45p. If you have an hour to share along with your faith, please email Ms Hummy at [hpennell@sainthelenas.org](mailto:hpennell@sainthelenas.org). No experience needed - just a love of children!

Please Pray For Our Sick Parishioners

Ruth Bower, Jayne Davenport, Bob Davis, Julia Davis, Gerri Episcopo, Sara Garrison, Sarah Hess, Ella Kirksey, 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 Nicolas Childs, Alfred Palmer, Bridget Robinson, Fr. Charles Dillingham, Tony Cutrona, Sande Richardson



**PLEASE NOTE**

Those helping with the reopening of our Church will be entering Church by the priest's sacristy entrance beforehand. Please maintain 6 ft. distance from non-family members while waiting. When you enter there will be a parishioner standing at a table inviting you to use the hand sanitizer on the table and take a copy of instructions.

All MUST WEAR A MASK except children under 13. If you do not have a mask, you can receive one from the person who greets you. Thank you to the parishioners who are helping us to reopen our church for our celebration of Mass.

Because we need to follow procedures to help maintain a safe situation for all:

- No one can enter the Church if you are sick or have been exposed to someone with the virus within the last 14 days. Or if you will not wear a mask.
- Every other pew will be roped off to help social distancing.

If you need to come to the Rectory we ask that you please call 302-764-0325 THANK YOU!

**WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS**

**Saturday, July 11**

5:00pm (SR) Joseph Wierzbicki

**Sunday, July 12**

7:00am (SR) John Waters

9:00am (EF) People of the Parish

11:00am(SR) Anne F. Dunn

**Monday, July 13**

9:00am (SR) Velma Corey & Irene Shaffer

**Tuesday, July 14**

7:00am (EF)

9:00am (SR) Joan Carelli

**Wednesday, July 15**

9:00am (SR) Anne Owsiany

**Thursday, July 16**

7:00am (SR)

9:00am (EF) Lavina Luzzo & Tony Luzzo

**Friday, July 17**

7:00am (EF)

9:00am (SR) Joseph Bower

**Saturday, July 18**

9:00am (SR) Ann Raign

5:00pm (SR) Ann McDonough

**Sunday, July 19**

7:00am (EF)

9:00am (SR) Mary C. Roggero

(65<sup>th</sup> Anniversary)

11:00am(SR) People of the Parish



**WEEKLY CALENDAR**



**Sunday, July 12**

**The 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection: Church in Africa/Eastern Europe**

7:00pm Youth Group-Religious Ed Office

**Sunday, July 19**

**The 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection: Parish Social Ministry**

## WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

**Time together!!** Do you think that the lockdown has taught you some new things about your spouse? It is possible to get to know the person you married in an even more loving and compassionate way! Learn how on our next Marriage Encounter weekend which is November 6-8, 2020 in Rehoboth Beach, DE. For more information visit our website at [www.wvme-delmar.org](http://www.wvme-delmar.org) or to register for the weekend, please call Tony and Linda Massino at 302-220-9833.

### Parish Social Ministry



Please be sure to leave all groceries on the porch of the rectory. **Do not** leave any at the front door as they can get rain soaked (and full of critters) and will have to be discarded. Thank you.

Listen to *Catholic Forum* every Saturday morning at 11:00 on Relevant Radio 640. Next Saturday, July 18th, learn about the mental health challenges some face during the coronavirus pandemic and how Catholic Charities is helping people meet those challenges when Ms. Lisa Ritchie is the guest. After it airs, listen online anytime at [cdow.org/CatholicF...](http://cdow.org/CatholicF...), or search "Catholic Forum" on Apple, Spotify, or iHeartRadio podcasts. For photos, information regarding upcoming guests, links and more, "Like" Catholic Forum on Facebook at [facebook.com/Catho...](https://facebook.com/Catho...)

### 2020 Annual Catholic Appeal – Seeing Christ in the Faces of Others

To date, \$46,999.00 has been received representing 74.6% of our parish's \$63,000 goal. **THANK YOU!**

If you would like more information about the Annual Catholic Appeal, go to [www.cdow.org/annualcatholicappeal](http://www.cdow.org/annualcatholicappeal). **Your generosity is deeply appreciated.**

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SOUP SALES - PICKUP & DELIVERY



Support Christopher Council's charitable good works by purchasing homemade soup. Soups are frozen and can be delivered or picked up.

Pick up will occur in front of Holy Rosary Church Mondays and Thursdays, 11:00 am - 12:00 pm and 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm starting Thursday, June 4, 2020.

Soup can also be delivered to an address within 5 miles of Holy Rosary. Deliveries will be the same days as pick up (Mondays and Thursdays). You will be contacted to arrange best delivery time.

Flavors include Turkey with Pasta & Vegetable, Moroccan Vegetable, Moroccan Clam Chowder, Potato Leek, Mushroom, Chicken & Pasta, and Split Pea & Ham. Quantities are limited. Orders will be filled in order of payment received. You will be contacted if the flavor you request is sold out. You can order online and pay credit card using the link below or call or contact Mike Ashby at (302)379-4360 / email: [3182knights@gmail.com](mailto:3182knights@gmail.com) <https://christopher-council-annual-soup-sales.cheddarup.com>



The drawing for the Pit Barrel BBQ was held on July 1 and the winning number was 1505, belonging to Chip Beaver of Claymont, DE. **Congratulations to Chip!** Thank you for your participants in Christopher Council's first virtual raffle. Your generous donations helped the council raise over \$700 towards our charitable works in the church and community. **THANK YOU!**

## *Changes in Light of the Novel Coronavirus from Bishop Malooly...*

### **Delaware parishes of the Diocese of Wilmington may resume daily Masses and the Sacrament of Reconciliation beginning Monday, June 1, 2020.**

The dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass issued on March 12, 2020 remains in place for the Diocese of Wilmington. Parishes should continue to make Masses available to the faithful through such means as internet livestream or recording, ensuring that the faithful may maintain a spiritual connection with their local church.

Those who are symptomatic or who have been exposed to the virus within 14 days are not permitted to enter the church, in accordance with national, state and local health directives. All attendees are asked to check their temperature at home before coming to church for any reason. Likewise, anyone with a persistent cough or who otherwise does not feel well should not come to church.

Parishioners who are particularly vulnerable (e.g. over the age of sixty, existing heart or lung conditions, diabetes, or otherwise immuno-compromised) are **STRONGLY ENCOURAGED**, for their own health, to avoid the risk of attending public celebrations of the Church until all restrictions have been lifted.

Individuals are the primary protectors of their own health; during this current situation, there is always risk coming into public spaces. To that end, coming into an open church building carries that same risk. Individuals assume that risk for themselves in these circumstances.

All liturgical celebrations should observe limitations on gathering sizes and ensure social distancing.

All members of the assembly and all ministers, except the priest-celebrant, are to wear face coverings at all times while in church. The priest-celebrant is *permitted* to wear a covering during Mass but not *required* except during the distribution of Communion.

All members of the assembly and all ministers are to sanitize their hands upon entering the church.

Home visits to the sick by Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion continue to be prohibited until further notice.

The Sacrament of the Sick should only be administered in danger of death situations only.

We will continue to monitor the situation and adjust policy as necessary.

Let us continue to pray for our diocese, our health care workers, and for all affected by the coronavirus.