

May 19, 2019
5th Sunday of Easter

Our reading from the Acts of the Apostles tells us that St. Paul and St. Barnabas were preaching the “good news” of salvation to non-Jews! This was something “new” for those who had been raised as good Jews and thought they alone were “chosen”. The second reading from the Book of Revelation shows us the vision given to John of a “new heaven and new earth.” Jesus on His heavenly throne says: “Behold, I make all things new.” And in our Gospel we hear Jesus at the Last Supper giving us “a new commandment: love on another.” Yes, Jesus is transforming our tired old world by the power of His redeeming love that He has poured into our hearts and calls us to show to one another.

PARISH COUNCIL ELECTIONS ARE
TODAY



This year's candidates for Parish Council are: **Jim Clark, Sue Dunn, Jim Flynn, John Hughes, Roy McIntyre, Kristen Murray, Sandy Salvatore, and Janice Tigani.** Photos and biographies for each will comprise the ballot available this weekend. Please look for a ballot in your pew and cast your vote for three candidates you think will serve our parish well. Thank you!

The Offertory Collection for the weekend 5/5 was \$5,134.00 and the on-line collection was \$1,890.00 for a total of \$6,934.00. **Thank You.** The **second collection** today will benefit the retired priests of our diocese. Please pray for our retired and aging priests, and please be generous.

2019 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

Thank you to all who have responded to our Annual Catholic Appeal. So far we have reached a total of \$58,206 in pledges toward our goal of \$63,000. Thank you!

CONCERT IN THE CHURCH SATURDAY,
TODAY, 7:30P.M. CARMINA BURANA



What's Carmina Burana about? The work by composer Carl Orff was written in 1935 and consists of 20 songs based on 24 poems from a secular medieval transcript. The poems touch on fate, springtime, love, even bar brawls! The text is a mixture of Latin and High German. There's even mention of a Helena (of Troy, not our patroness!) in a lovely song. Please join us today at 7:30pm.

ST. HELENA'S SUMMER MUSICAL CAMP 2019

Musical Theater Production of Frozen Jr. under the Direction of Joe Loudon and Tori Healy
Grades 3-12

Camp Dates

Monday- Friday July 8th-July 12th
9:00am-4:00pm

Monday-Friday July 15th-July 19th
9:00am-4:00pm

Performances (2)

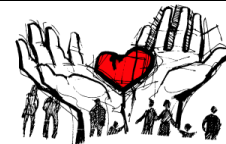
Friday-July 19th 2:30pm Matinee

Saturday-July 20th 7pm Performance

For information go to:

www.summerstageatsthelena.com

YOUNG AT HEART



Our general meeting will feature our Annual Covered Dish Dinner in Music Hall on Monday, May 20 at 6pm. Our splendid entertainment will be the talented singer, Shari McCarthy, performing for our listening and dancing pleasure. Please inform Renee at 302-746-7670 if you and your guests will be attending, and what you will be bringing. It will be a delightful evening. See you there!

PARISH MINISTRY

Lazarus Ministry: An opportunity to reach out with kindness and compassion to bereaved members of St. Helen's Parish Community by volunteering to be a greeter at funeral masses. If interested, please call Dorothy Medeiros at 302-764-7545. Blessings!

The logo for the BINGO event, featuring the word "BINGO" in white capital letters inside five red, glossy spheres that resemble bingo balls.

Every Thursday Evening
In Masci Hall

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

Cookie Jar, Door Prizes, Food!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

CONGRATULATIONS! To our First Communicants who celebrated the Sacrament this last weekend. Thanks to all of the parents who helped prepare their children and especially for Donna McDonough and Sandy Salvatore who taught both 2nd grade Religious Ed and Sacramental classes throughout this past year. Many thanks to Joe Loudon and Laura Hullinger for inspiring all of us with such beautiful music and to Msgr Russell for making the 2 celebrations special!

Youth Group meets tonight (SUN) at 7 pm in the old Religious Education Office. Come prepared for kick ball!

YOUTH GROUP REUNION

Saturday, June 1, 2019

Dougherty Hall

7p - 10p

Come and join Ms Hummy as she prepares to start her 20th year here at St. Helena's.

Listen to the music of your past and meet up again with friends from Youth Group years. Feel free to bring a "significant other" to share the fun! Reach out to other members of your group so I didn't forget anyone. Please RSVP Ms Hummy at hpennell@sainthelenas.org or call/text 598-1011 so I have enough food and adult beverages for everyone.

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, James Lafferty, Edward Mebs, Gay Meriggi, Dan Moley, Dora Pacitti, Fr. Roy Pollard, Terri Reed, Dorothy Rich, Helen Rupnicki, Kathleen Schaubert, Irma Shock, Caitlin Soper, Frank Sullivan, William Thomas, Catherine Thomson, James Whisker, Ann Wilson, Cindy Zych, Anita Tyrawski, Mary Gabel, Chris Molitor, Alline Da Grossa, Toni Di Lezio, Sister Dorothy Prettyman, Sharon Dean, Janet Szubieolski, Geri Crockett, Catalina Weddle, Ray Altamuro, Marie Spinden, Viola Zappacosta, Jane Parsons, Linda Schofield, Bill Hufnell, Nicholas Childs, Morgan Medeiros, Barbara Thomas, Cecilia Hoopes



Last call for tickets!

Our sale ends 5/27, but we still have great seats for the game against the New York Mets on Monday, June 24, 2019 at 7pm. Tickets in Section 310 can be purchased for only \$20, plus for every ticket purchased \$10 will be donated to the Social Ministry. To reserve tickets, email JimClark.StHelenas@verizon.net or call (302)388-7676 by Memorial Day!

Saint Paul Catholic Church in Wilmington, Delaware is celebrating its 150th Anniversary. The first celebration is a Mass commemorating the actual ground breaking of our church on May 24, 1869. We are inviting all former and current parishioners, alumni, teachers, staff, priests, deacons, and anyone with a connection to our parish history. The Mass will be celebrated by Most Reverend Bishop Francis Malooly on Sunday, May 19, 2019 at 10:30am, at Saint Paul Church, 4th and Jackson Street, Wilmington, Delaware. A fellowship gathering with light refreshments will follow immediately after Mass.

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, May 18

5:00pm (SR) Nick Murphy

Sunday, May 19

7:00am (SR) People of the Parish

9:00am (WK) Santano & Veronica Gracias
(Living)

11:00am (SR) Mother's Day Novena

Monday, May 20

9:00pm (SR) Mother's Day Novena

Tuesday, May 21

7:00am (DV) Robert Murray

9:00am (SR) Patricia A. Austin

Wednesday, May 22

9:00am (SR) Edward Rich Sr.

Thursday, May 23

7:00am (SR) Marie Bradley

9:00am (WK) Judy Pelkey

Friday, May 24

7:00am (CAP) Holy Souls in Purgatory

9:00am (SR) Judy Pelkey

Saturday, May 25

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

5:00pm (SR) Jason & Vielka Gracias
(Living)

Sunday, May 26

7:00am (SR) Deceased Members of the
Kiloski & Paytash Families

9:00am (WK) Eric Acevedo-Palencia

11:00am (SR) People of the Parish

Friday, May 31st, Celebrate the Feast of the Visitation with Fr Brian Lewis at St Joseph on the Brandywine 10 Old Church Road, Wilmington 19807. Prayer begins at 5PM with Eucharistic Adoration for the preservation and protection of the sanctity and dignity of all human life from conception to a natural end. Followed by Mass at 6PM, with the Blessing of the Diocesan Life-Sized Rosary, made by the Iannone Family and praying of the Rosary afterwards. For more information call (302) 897-3022



WEEKLY CALENDAR

Spring

Sunday, May 19, 2019

The 2nd Collection: Diocesan Priests Retirement

Parish Council Elections-Church

Monday, May 20

Produce Day-Dougherty Hall

7:00pm YAH Meeting - Masci Hall

Tuesday, May 21

7:00pm Parish Council-Masci Hall

Wednesday, May 22

7:00pm Prayer Shawl-Convent

Thursday, May 23

5:30pm Bingo-Masci Hall

7:30pm Adult Choir-Church

"Everyone is invited to attend the 60th annual Memorial Day field Mass will be held 10:00 A.M. on Monday May 25, 2019 at All Saints Cemetery located at 6001 Kirkwood Highway. The principal celebrant is the Most Rev. W. Francis Malooly, Bishop of the Diocese of Wilmington. Music and liturgical ministers will be student from St. Elizabeth High School in Wilmington. Before Mass VFW Post 475 will present a military tribute consisting of the raising of the American flag, a 3 round volley, and taps. Protection from the weather and seating are provided. Attending this Mass is a good way to remember those who dies in defense of our country and preserving freedom we can sometimes take for granted. All Saints Cemetery has been serving the local community for 61 years."



Many thanks to all our Carnival volunteers! WE COULD NOT HAVE A CARNIVAL WITHOUT YOU!

THANKS SO MUCH TO OUR FABULOUS SETUP TEAM AND OUR SMALL BUT DEDICATED CLEANUP CREW WHO HAD TO SLOSH AROUND IN THE RAIN!

THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU!
TO OUR CARNIVAL FAMILY—BOTH ON
THE FRONT LINES AND BEHIND THE
SCENES—YOU ARE THE GREATEST
COMMITTEE IN THE WORLD!!! – Sue &
Doug

Thank you to our Parish Maintenance Crew
Thank you to the following for your support:
Gebhart Funeral Homes
County Councilman John Cartier
Delmarva Communications
HyPoint Dairy
Mazzella's Restaurant
Peco's Liquors
Pepsi-Cola
Rita's Water Ice, Philadelphia Pike, Bellefonte

It's all over but the paperwork. We are working hard to get to the bottom line. As soon as all the bills are in, we will let you know the outcome.
Sue & Doug

Congratulations to the following winners:

\$1250 Grand Prize

Judi MacBride

Basket of Cheer

Laurie O'Brien

Patio Set

Vincent Funcich

YOUNG AT HEART
BASKET WINNERS

Wine – Sue Phillips

Woman's Beauty Basket – Susan Turchen

Phillies – Diane DiCar

Money Tree – Stefanie Kreider

River Road Pool – Susan Morris
Family Fun Time – Nancy Sledge
Vera Bradley – Giovanna White
Dining Around Town– Kathy Quinn
Anytime Fitness – Melanie Hurst
St. Edmonds Basketball Camp-Sue Leonard
Italian Basket – Bill Schofield
Continental Jeweler's Necklace- Dolly Albanese
Raggedy Ann Dolls- David Bilinski
Picnic Basket- Joyce Vari
Pet Basket- Ryan Yocum
Kitchen Basket- Susan Turchen

Thank you to the following for donations to Young at Heart Basket Raffles

Phillies Organization
Continental Jewelers
River Road Pool
St. Edmund's Academy
Nancy Cobb-2nd Sunday Breakfast
Anytime Fitness
Young at Heart and Crafts
Perfect Nails Salon
Mrs. Robino's Restaurant
Gallucio's Restaurant
Lucky's Coffee Shop
8th & Union Kitchen
Stanley's Tavern
Sullivan's Steakhouse
Walter's Steakhouse
Season Pizza
Bertucci's Restaurant
Metro Diner
Touch of Italy
Corner Bistro
Attilio's Restaurant
Mexican Post
Mazzella's Restaurant
Green Turtle Restaurant
Hollywood Grill