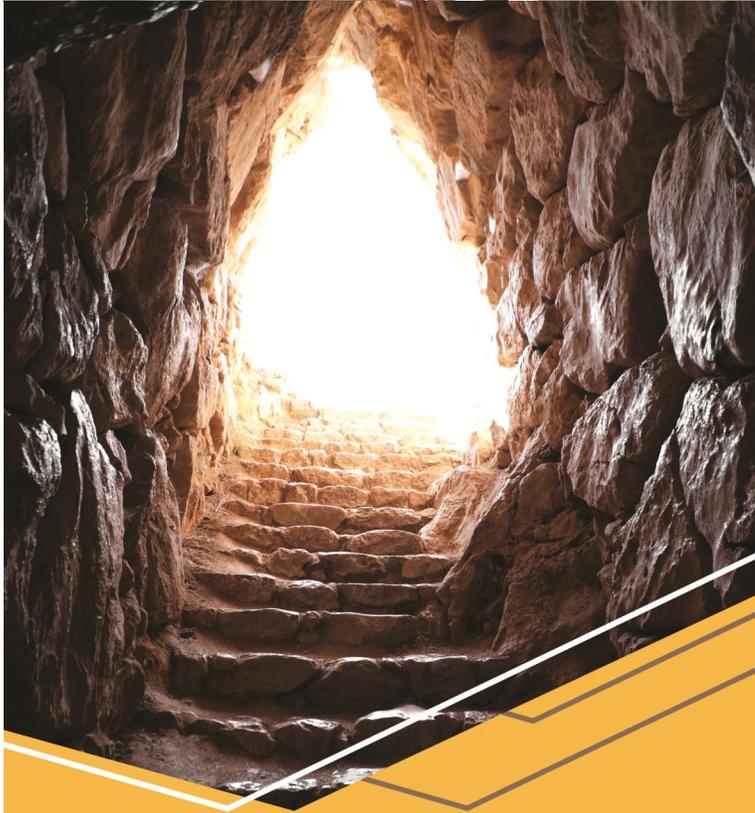




ST. HELENA ST. PATRICK

WELCOME TO OUR PARISHES!



EASTER SUNDAY

The women who had come from Galilee with Jesus took the spices they had prepared and went to the tomb. They found the stone rolled away from the tomb; but when they entered, they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus.
- Lk 24:1b-3

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LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Alleluia, Christ is risen! What a glorious and holy day. The resurrection of Christ speaks of freedom, new life, restored faith and enduring, unconditional love. The huge stone, separating death and life, has been moved, allowing God's radiant power to usher in eternal life. When we see the truth of Christ's resurrection through eyes of love, we see the fullness of timeless beauty, truth, and wonder revealed. The emptiness of the tomb is filled with the eternity of love. We have many stones and boulders blocking the path to freedom, love, and joy. They are often too big for us to move, and they cripple us. We can take a leap of faith today and believe with all our heart, mind, and soul that there is much more than can be seen by the naked eye. There is something very holy, sacred, and eternal stirring within us. We want to live forever! Christ's resurrection brings us joy and allows us to see ourselves as we are meant to be seen, as God's children destined for glory!

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Mass Schedule

Saturday (vigil) 5pm, St. Helena
Sunday 8:30am (1st, 3rd, 5th Sundays)
10:30am (2nd, 4th Sundays)
Tue 7pm
Wed-Fri 8:00am

Confession Schedule

Saturday 3:30-4:30pm
Sunday Before 8:30 am mass (1st, 3rd, 5th Sundays)
Tuesday 6:30-6:50pm
Wed-Fri Before 8:00 am daily Mass | By appointment, call parish office
Adoration
Wed 5pm-8pm



ST. PATRICK PARISH

Mass Schedule

Sunday 10:30am
(1st, 3rd, 5th Sundays)
8:30 am (2nd, 4th Sundays)
Thursday 9:00am

Confession Schedule

Sundays after 10:30 am Mass
By appointment - call parish office

Throughout this Lenten journey, I have maintained that God wants all human beings to be “holy souls,” and thus “friends of God, and prophets.” I hope that you have experienced God’s desire for your friendship and your corresponding desire to be God’s friend. I am convinced that the only way to the fulfillment of God’s dream for our world is for more and more human beings to accept God’s offer of friendship and to begin to live out the consequences. God wants friendship with you and with me and with all our brothers and sisters in the world. That’s what our Lenten journey is all about. So let’s take the offer, shall we?

Loving God, I accept your offer of friendship.

—William A. Barry, SJ, in *Lenten Meditations: Growing in Friendship with God*

Once I was contemplating the Prodigal Son. I was the father, waiting out on the road every day, searching the horizon for my son to return. One day I again scanned the familiar skyline and hills in front of me, and then I saw the speck moving far down the road—my son returning home. All of my love for him rushed into my heart, and I was overwhelmed with the realization that nothing he had done could possibly matter, if only I could hold him in my arms again and tell him how much I love him. I ran down the road toward him as fast as I could, panting and yelling with joy. My son was home!

It was that extraordinary experience

of prayer that brought home to me how much God wants a loving friendship with me—with each of us. I often had the same sort of experience with my own children. These two young people that I adored with all of my heart often ignored me, disobeyed me, and went their own ways. Yet, I could feel how nothing they did could dim my deep and lifelong love for them. I might be frustrated or angry with them as they stormed from a room or slammed a door, but my children could not escape my love.

On this Lenten journey, we have been invited first to imagine and then accept that God wants a friendship with us. I think we have such a difficult time picturing God as *wanting* to be in a friendship with us because our imaginations can’t do better than to picture God loving the way we love. We give God our own limited, human version of love.

In our heads we might allow ourselves to think that God loves us endlessly, but in our hearts, we whisper that we are really not worthy of that love. We know too well our own flaws and shortcomings, and we are certain that if God really knew us, God would be disappointed. But the dizzying fact is that we have a God who reaches out to us, who *wants* our friendship. “You did not choose me, but I chose you,” Jesus assures us (John 15:16).

Accepting this friendship with God means putting aside our fears and asking God to help us start.

You chose me, Lord, and I accept. Help me start up the road and come into your long-waiting embrace.

- 4/19 No Mass—Fr Parks home for Easter 4/17– 4/20
- 4/20 Religious Ed, Adoration 5—8pm
- 4/24 Divine Mercy Sunday— 2pm Talk 3pm Chaplet, rosary in church
- 4/24-4/26 Diocesan Spring Education Days—Fr Parks in Carrington
- 4/22 Finance Council Meeting 7am St Helena



“Humanity will not find peace until it turns trustfully to divine mercy.”
(St. Faustina’s Diary, p. 132)

Through private revelation to St. Faustina, Jesus revealed, *I want to grant a complete pardon to the souls that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion on the Feast of My Mercy (1109). The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion will obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment (699). And we must trust in Divine Mercy.*

According to Robert Stackpole, the director of the John Paul II Institute of Divine Mercy, an apostolate of the Marian Fathers of the Immaculate Conception, “**The most special grace promised by our Lord for Mercy Sunday is nothing less than the equivalent of a complete renewal of baptismal grace in the soul: “complete forgiveness (remission) of sins and punishment.”**

St. John Paul II not only declared Divine Mercy Sunday a universal feast of the Church, but in 2002 he attached a plenary indulgence to it. This made private revelation’s promise “official” as “the Holy See institutionalized the Promise in the form of an Indulgence.” First there are the usual or standard three conditions of sacramental confession, Eucharistic Communion, and prayer for the intentions of Supreme Pontiff. Next, the specific conditions or “work” required: “On Divine Mercy Sunday...

- in any church or chapel, in a spirit that is completely detached from the affection for a sin, even a venial sin, take part in the prayers and devotions held in honor of Divine Mercy
- or, in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament exposed or reserved in the tabernacle, recite the Our Father and the Creed, adding a devout prayer to the merciful Lord Jesus (e.g. “Merciful Jesus, I trust in you!”).

YOUTH UPDATES

**Young Disciples
Teams will resume
the summer of 2022**

To be considered for the team, please make complete the following steps in the application process. Applicants must be between ages 18-32, and must not be married

Go online to: <https://fargodiocese.org/ym-team-application>

1. Fill out and complete the online application by clicking the link.
2. Download, print, and complete the **background authorization form**
3. Find individuals to fill out **references** on your behalf
 - **Two** references must come from an Employers/ Supervisors, Pastor/Parish Priest, Teacher/Professor, or Youth Minister/DRE
 - If you are under the age of 21, **a third** reference must be completed by a parent
 - Send a prayerful Picture



ST HELENA MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Apr 23/24	(5:00pm)	(10:30am)
Usher	Volunteer	Rick Ulmer
Collection		Dave Eberle
Lector	Volunteer	Jeff Ulmer
EMHC	Volunteer	
Gift Bearers	Volunteer	Rick and Mary Ulmer
Altar Servers	Courtney	Volunteers

St. Helena Breakfast Servers

WEEKLY GIVING

April
Sunday April 10

Adult NA

Children

Plate

Total

Thank you for your generosity!

ST. PATRICK MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Sunday Apr 24 (8:30 am)

Lector	Ruby
Gift Carriers	Rich Gramlow Family
Altar Servers	Alivia, Allen

For the Month of April

Breakfast Server	Megan and Alana
Collection Counters	Denny and Ruby
Church Cleaners	Alana and Christy
Altar Society Meeting	Following Mass on April 10

God's Gift Appeal 2022 Steadfast in Faith, Joyful in Hope

Report as of 4/1/22

St. Helena: \$5,333.00, 24.4% participation, 30.23% of goal
St. Patrick's: \$3,811.00, 25% participation, 63.33% of goal

Thank you for your support!

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Tue. Apr 19

7:00 pm †Steve Colliton

Wed. Apr 20

9:00am (St H) †Larry Evenson

Thu. Apr 21

8:00am (St H) Schelonka Family

9:00 am (St. P) †Jeanne Glynn

Fri. Apr 22

8 am †Joan Gruen

Sat. Apr 23

5:00pm Deceased Volk Relatives

Sun. Apr 24

8:30 am (St. P) †Roger Bomersbach

10:30 am (St. H) All Parishoners

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...for all who are sick, elderly or alone

Joanne Brokaw, Loretta Dingwall, Linda Siro, Cindy Kelly Heupel, Edna Scherman, Val Hunt, Carla Engelstad, Susan Lacina, Betty Hahne, Ashtyn Hatlewig, Jerry Kelsh.

If you or someone you know would like to be added to, or removed from this list please call the parish office.

