

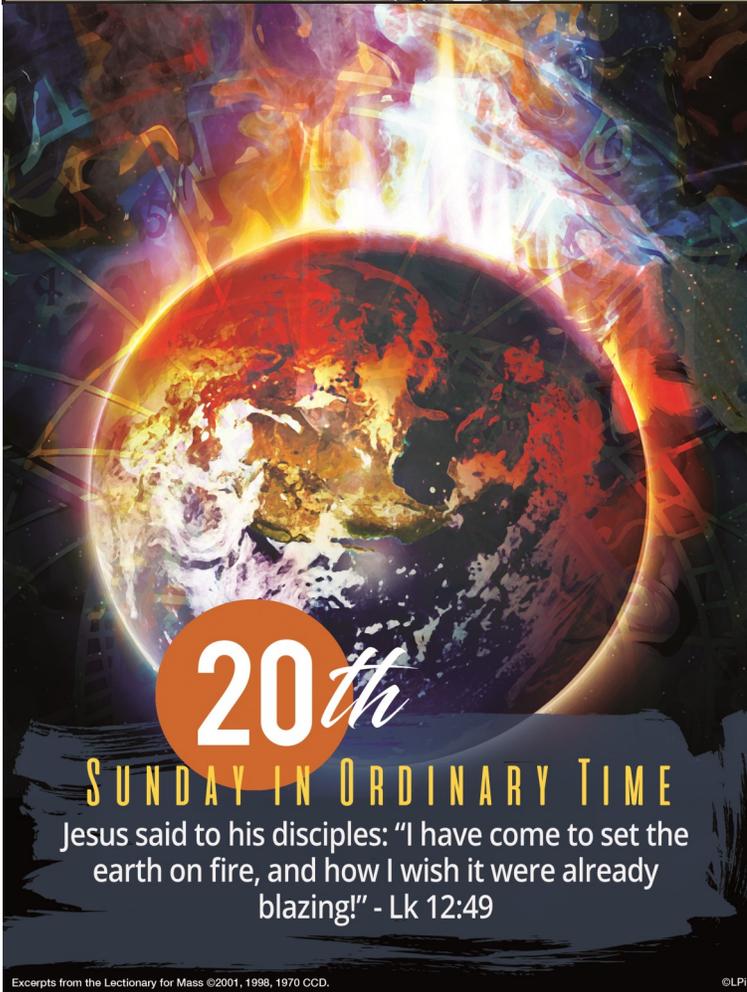


ST. HELENA ST. PATRICK

WELCOME TO OUR PARISHES!

LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

There is a “great cloud of witnesses” found in the official saints of the church and in ordinary people we meet every day. They are faith-filled inspirations who, by their example, help us to persevere in our faith. Living in a sea of conflict, change, challenge, and confusion, it is easy to grow tired and get weary. With so many things in competition for our attention, it is challenging to keep our eyes fixed on Jesus and the Kingdom of God. We have to keep running the race and continue proclaiming the Good News. This message is not always welcome. It can cause division, challenge accepted mindsets, ruffle peoples’ feathers, and cause some folks to become defensive. God’s ways are not always our ways. Even though often rejected by the world, the message of God in Jesus Christ must continue to be preached. We can rely on the examples of faith before us and around us and not lose heart. As Jesus endured the voices of opposition, so too can we.



SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jesus said to his disciples: “I have come to set the earth on fire, and how I wish it were already blazing!” - Lk 12:49

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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

Continued from last week

A New Visionary

It was not long before most of the girls believed in the apparitions, but the school authorities wondered if the devil was the instigator of all these mysterious events. Marie-Claire became increasingly agitated in the matter and began spying on the seers more closely, peeking at their letters and diaries and inventing nastier tactics to unmask the “connivers.” She was sure that the devil was involved, and she was determined to uncover the conspiracy. She went so far as to inform the local bishop, who told her that he was already aware of the events.

Then, on March 1, 1982, Marie-Claire fainted while walking in the gardens. When she regained consciousness, she found herself in a dark place that repulsed her. When she awoke from the nightmare, she found two friends supporting her, questioning her and advising her to return to the dormitory. Unable to answer her friends’ questions, the distraught Marie-Claire began to pen a letter to her mother asking permission to come home. But before she could finish the letter, she fainted again and was back in the gloom. Out of the darkness emerged two ominous figures, warning her that they would return with others. When she awoke she found herself on the floor in the chapel. In spite of this, she maintained that Alphonsine and Anathalie were the source of the trouble.

The next day—March 2—as the class processed into chapel, Marie-Claire again lost consciousness. When she opened her eyes, she found herself in a most beautiful place—a grassy plain filled with sparkling droplets of color. She then heard a gentle voice sweetly inviting her not to be afraid. All her doubts vanished, as she understood that she was speaking with the Mother of God. Our Lady made her aware of her wrongful persecution of the other two seers. When she awoke, she once again found herself on the floor of the school chapel. Thirty astounded students had witnessed Marie-Claire in ecstasy.

Marie-Claire was completely changed. Now she was constantly praying and tearfully asking forgiveness of the Virgin for her previous misdeeds. Under the guiding hand of Our Lady, her feisty, rude behavior ceased. During one of Marie-Claire’s visions, Our Lady told her that she had come to Rwanda because she was still able to find humble souls who were not attached to wealth. “Pray my Seven Sorrows rosary to find repentance,” she said, charging Marie-Claire with the distinctive mission of propagating this chaplet.⁹ Vision: Heaven, Hell and Purgatory

In 1982, Our Lady conducted Alphonsine and Anathalie on separate journeys to heaven, hell and purgatory. Before she led Alphonsine to the other world, she warned her that she would appear to be dead and that others would want to bury her. A few days later, Alphonsine did not appear for dinner. When one of the nuns went to check on her, she



found Alphonsine quite motionless on the bed, like a corpse. Many others soon arrived: the school nurse to take her vitals and assess her medical condition; a Red Cross Official to conduct tests; a member of the Commission of Enquiry to note the facts; Abbot Augustin Misago, the spiritual guide (later the Bishop of Gikongoro, who would officially make a declaration in favor of the authenticity of the apparitions); and two seminarians, along with the entire school staff. She was completely unresponsive and even too heavy to be moved by four men. The group concluded that she was truly with Our Lady on some mysterious expedition;

they had no choice but to wait. Eighteen hours later, they were astonished to behold a suddenly wide-awake Alphonsine, smiling and serene. She recounted to her eager listeners her experience of a dark “place of despair” and another place full of laughter and joyous voices ringing praises to God.

Anathalie was likewise escorted on supernatural tours. She was taken to a land of light—a “place of communion”—where she saw seven angels singing indescribably beautiful hymns in praise of God. She was then led to the “place of the cherished of God,” where she saw millions of people with white garments who were happy, but not with the same degree of rapture as the seven angels. They next traveled to “Isesengurwa”—a place of purification where the light was dim—the inhabitants of which were at peace but also suffering. The last place, hell, was a most fearsome hot furnace where the only light was a shade of red that reminded Anathalie of “congealed blood.” Anathalie had to avert her gaze from the horrific scene of anguish and misery. When she awoke, she had to be carried to her bed, where she remained for two days without saying a word: Our Lady had instructed her to spend that time in silence, meditating on what she had witnessed.

Warning

Perhaps the most significant vision occurred on August 15, 1982, the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. By that time, news of the apparitions had already spread far and wide. In eager anticipation, thousands of pilgrims descended upon Kibeho for the occasion of the Solemnity, many looking for miracles, cures for themselves or for family members, answers to prayers or spiritual healings.

Entering into ecstasy, Alphonsine began to sing her accustomed song of welcome to Our Lady, but she stopped abruptly. Six times more she began the song, but Our Lady interrupted her every time. Alphonsine was struck by the deeply sorrowful countenance of Our Lady. The Virgin was silent for some minutes, and then she began to weep. When Alphonsine asked why she was crying, Our Lady shed even more copious tears.

To be Continued

PARISH EVENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 8/16 —7pm Mass followed by Adoration, Rosary, and Chap for world peace
- 8/17 – Adoration 5-8pm. Could use more adorers
- Raffle tickets are avail in the church entry. Drawing Sept 25th
- Religious Ed signup sheets are in the church foyer
- August 16 Fullerton Council Meeting 7am
- Sept 6th Ellendale Council Meeting 7am

Red River Retrouvaille – Help for Hurting Marriages

Retrouvaille is a three-month long program designed to assist couples in troubled marriages. Beginning with an intense weekend experience, husbands and wives will receive help to re-establish communication and restore trust and intimacy in their relationship. The weekend is followed by six critical aftercare sessions that deepen the skills learned during the weekend and provide a foundation for the long-term health of the couple's marriage. Retrouvaille is open to any married couple struggling in their relationship regardless of faith tradition.

For more information about Retrouvaille, visit the Retrouvaille International website: <https://www.helpourmarriage.org/>
Upcoming weekends:

October 7-9, 2022: Fargo, ND

Communion for the Sick and Homebound

Fr. Parks will be available to offer Holy Communion on Thursdays and Fridays. Please call Fr. At 701-349-3297 to make arrangements.

Baptism

To schedule a baptism please contact the parish office.

Matrimony

Those preparing for marriage, please contact Fr. Parks at least six months prior to the wedding date.

Anointing of the Sick

This sacrament is available anytime. Talk with the priest before or after Mass, or call the parish office to make an appointment. Don't hesitate to call, especially if you are preparing for a medical procedure or surgery.

Altar Society Announcements

St. Helena's Altar Society is looking for a volunteer to be Kitchen chairperson for the fall dinner. If you are interested, there is a signup sheet in the church entry.

Raffle tickets are avail in the church entry. Drawing will be the Sept 25th

YOUTH UPDATES

Search Retreats 2022-2023

The cost for the weekend is \$75.00.

The retreat starts on Friday evening (please arrive between 5:00 and 5:30 p.m.) and runs through Sunday afternoon.

Weekends can fill up fast, so get your application in quickly.

Approximately 1-2 weeks prior to the weekend, information will be sent to you to help you prepare.

Full or partial scholarships are available based on need. All scholarship applications must be submitted prior to the weekend.

November 4-6, 2022

Deadline for participant application: October 17th

January 6-8, 2023

Deadline for participant application: December 19th

February 24-26, 2023

Deadline for participant application: February 6th

April 14-16, 2023

Deadline for participant application: March 27th

How to Register

Complete the online registration form. <https://fargodiocese.org/search-registration>.

ST HELENA MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Aug 20/21st (5:00pm)		(8:30am)
Usher	Volunteer	Matt Thorpe
Collection		Rick Ulmer
Lector	Volunteer	Michele Thorpe
EMHC		
Gift Bearers	Volunteer	Davis Family
Altar Servers		Volunteers (ed)
St. Helena Breakfast Servers for June/July		
Aug 10	Altar Society Meeting 5:30pm	
Aug 21	Darcy S, Mary J, Kristi G, LeAnn R	
First one on the list please contact others		

WEEKLY GIVING

Sunday	July 31	Aug 7
Adult		2924.00
Children		2.00
Plate		92.00
Total		3018.00

Thank you for your generosity!

ST. PATRICK MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Sunday Aug 21 (10:30 am)	
Lector	Jim
Gift Carriers	Denny and Virginia
Altar Servers	Porter and Katie
For the Month of August	
Breakfast Server	Layna and Faye
Collection Counters	Alan and Allen
Church Cleaners	Linda and Laura
Altar Society Meeting	None this month

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

Report as of 7/29/22

St. Helena: \$11,898.00 40.00% participation, 67.44% of goal
 St. Patrick's: \$11,322.35 42.86% participation, 188.14% of goal

Thank you for your support!

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Tue. Aug 16

7:00 pm Mr and Mrs Raitor

Wed. Aug 17

8:00 am Joe Betthausen

Thu. Aug 18

8:00 am (St H) Brian Arnold

9:00 am (St. P) Kay Moorhead

Fri. Aug 19

8:00 am Jason and Ellen Bethausen

Sat. Aug 20

5:00pm +Cheryl Bucklin

Sun. Aug 21

8:30 am (St. H) End of Abortion

10:30 am (St. P) All Parishioners

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Please Pray

...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, Connie Dingwall

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

