

Sunday, November 26, 2023 Christ the King

St. Helena Ministries

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| Dec 3 | 5:00 pm | 8:30 am |
| Usher | Volunteer | Vincent Carruth |
| Collection | | Dave Eberle Charlotte |
| EMHC | | Daryl Monette |
| Lector | Volunteer | Daryl Monette |
| Gift Bearers | Volunteer | Paul and Lori Wald |
| Altar Servers | | Isaiah |

Breakfast servers for November

First one on the list contact the others

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| Dec 3 | Annah T, Kali and Macy N |
| Dec 17 | Paula T, Shannon G, Deneen M |

Weekly Giving

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| Sunday | Nov 19 |
| Adult | 1315.00 |
| Children | 7.85 |
| Plate | 128.00 |
| Total | 1450.85 |

Thank you for your generosity!

St. Patrick Ministries

Sunday Dec 3 (10:30am)

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| Lector | Pat |
| Gift Carriers | Tim and Geri |
| Altar Servers | Owen , Faith |

For the Month of December

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| Collection | Denny |
| Counters | Steve |
| Church Cleaners | Corrine, Jim Glynn Family and Faye |
| Altar Society Mtg. | After Mass on 12/10 at Family Way |

Weekly Mass Intentions

Tues. Nov 28

7:00 pm (St H) +Aloys and Angela Mastel

Wed. Nov 29

8:00 am (St H) +Sylvester and Marie Radermacher

Thur. Nov 30

8:00 am (St H) +MaryAnn Moch

9:00 am (St P) +Marv and Joan Grueniech

Fri. Dec 1 First Friday Purgatorial Society

8:00am (St H) +Philip and Agatha

5:15 pm (St. P) +Boston Hagen

Sat. Dec 2 First Saturday

8:00 am (St. H) +Jason Thielges

5:00pm (St H) +Marv and Joan Grueneich

Sun. Dec 3

8:30am (St. H) +Boston Hagen

10:30am (St P) All Parishioners

God's Gift Appeal 2023

This is MY BODY that is for you

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| Report 11-22-23 | St. Helena | St. Patrick |
| Amount | \$8250 | \$13115.45 |
| Participation | 43.42 % | 39.29 % |
| Goal | 43.56 % | 198.12 % |

Thank you for your support!

Please send bulletin submissions (by Noon on Thursday) or prayer line request to Fr. Parks or gusaas@drtel.net

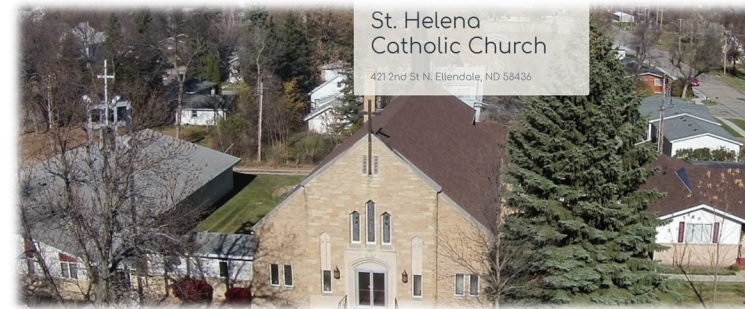
*In Our Thoughts
& Prayers*

Please Pray

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

Joanne Brokaw, Loretta Dingwall, Cindy Kelly Heupel, Val Hunt, Carla Engelstad, Betty Hahne, Ashtyn Hatlewig, Paul Brandenburger, Ivan Widhalm, Dave Eberle.

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



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St. Helena Mass Schedule
Saturday (vigil) 5pm
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
Or by appointment, call parish office



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St. Patrick Catholic Church
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St Patrick 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

Sunday, November 26, 2023
Our Lord Jesus Christ,
King of the Universe

The lesson of separating goats and sheep at the end of the day

Jesus' description of the "Son of Man", a Messianic title which points to the coming of God's anointed Ruler and Judge over the earth (John 5:26-29, Daniel 7:13ff), and his parable about the separation of goats and sheep must have startled his audience. What does the separation of goats and sheep have to do with the Day of God's Judgement over the earth? In arid dry lands such as Palestine, goats and sheep often grazed together during the day because green pasture was sparse. At nightfall, when the shepherd brought the sheep and goats to their place of rest, he separated them into two groups. Goats by temperament are aggressive, domineering, restless, and territorial. They butt heads with their horns whenever they think someone is intruding on their space.

Goats came to symbolize evil and the expression "scape-goat" become a common expression for someone bearing blame or guilt for others. (See Leviticus 26:20-22 for a description of the



ritual expulsion of a sin-bearing goat on the Day of Atonement.) Jesus took our guilt and sins upon himself and nailed them to the cross. He payed the price to set us free from sin and death. Our choice is either to follow and obey him as our Lord and Savior or to be our own master and go our own separate way apart from God's way of truth and righteousness (moral goodness).

We cannot remain neutral or indifferent to the commands of Christ. If we do not repent of our wrongdoing (our sins and offenses against God and neighbor) and obey the Gospel we cannot be disciples of the Lord Jesus nor inherit his kingdom of righteousness, peace, and joy. Separation of the good from the bad is inevitable because one way leads to sin, rebellion, and death and the other way leads to purification, peace, and everlasting life with God.

Article: www.dailyscripture.net Photo: 6th century mosaic in Basilica of Saint Apollinare Nuovo, Italy Artist: unknown

Continued from last week:

What is God’s plan and preparation for the role of Our Lady of America in the redemption of mankind and the renewing of the face of the earth in these troubled times?

The story of Our Lady of America truly began on May 10, 1846 when one Archbishop and 22 US Bishops met in Baltimore, MD, the first Catholic diocese in the US, for the 6th Provincial Council of Baltimore. On that date they petitioned Rome to have the Blessed Virgin, under the title of the Immaculate Conception, named as Patroness of these United States, 28 at the time. In 1847 that petition was granted by Blessed Pius IX, and Mary, under the title of her Immaculate Conception, became Patroness of the United States of America. It was not until eight years later, on December 8, 1854, that Blessed Pius IX would define the dogma of the Immaculate Conception in his Apostolic Constitution, Ineffabilis Deus. Less than four years later, on the feast of the Annunciation, March 25, 1858, Our Lady would confirm that dogma by identifying herself to Bernadette Soubirous in Lourdes, France, as “I am the Immaculate Conception,” that singular privilege that flows from her Divine Maternity announced by the Angel Gabriel. Moved by the great devotion to Mary of Bishop John Carroll, the first Catholic bishop of these United Saint Pius X States who had placed this young Nation under Mary’s protection, Bishop Thomas J. Shahan, rector of Washington, DC’s Catholic University of America, presented his hope for a national shrine to Mary to Saint Pius X in 1913. The Pope was so enthusiastic about the shrine that he made a personal contribution of \$400. Later in 1913 the University actually donated the land so the effort toward construction of the shrine could begin. Father Bernard McKenna of Philadelphia assisted Bishop Shahan and was made the first director of the National Shrine in 1915. Archbishop Giovanni Vincenzo Bonzano, the Apostolic Delegate, blessed the site on May 16, 1920, honoring the first American prelate Archbishop John Carroll, who is the Father of the American Hierarchy, by wearing his vestments and using the “Carroll Altar” for the celebration. On September 23 of that year, James Cardinal Gibbons of the archdiocese of Baltimore laid the cornerstone. The lower crypt church was completed in 1926 but the Great Depression and World War II halted work on the Upper Church until 1953. The Marian Year of 1954 ushered in a huge campaign for donations from America’s Catholics. Washington’s Archbishop Patrick O’Boyle, assisted by Archbishop John Noll of Fort Wayne, IN, brought the Upper Church to completion and America’s

Patronal Church, a magnificent hymn to Mary in stone, was dedicated on November 20, 1959. The body of Bishop Thomas J. Shahan is entombed in that great Upper Church to revere him as the Founder of this National Shrine of America’s Catholics. In 1990 Pope John Paul II raised the Shrine to the level of a minor Basilica. This beautiful Act of Consecration to Our Blessed Mother, written by Bishop John Carroll for the consecration of America to the Immaculate Conception, was used by Francis Cardinal Spellman, Archbishop of New York and chairman of the Shrine’s Board of Trustees, following the Solemn Pontifical Mass he offered for the dedication ceremony of the Shrine. It is such an appropriate prayer for our times and touches on the message of Our Lady of America, with its emphasis on the Blessed Trinity and the Christian Family, even though Cardinal Spellman would have had no knowledge of the message of Our Lady of America at that time.

Act of Consecration to Our Blessed Mother

Most Holy Trinity: Our Father in Heaven, who chose Mary as the fairest of your daughters; Holy Spirit, who chose Mary as your spouse; God the Son, who chose Mary as your Mother; in union with Mary, we adore your majesty and acknowledge your supreme, eternal dominion and authority. Most Holy Trinity, we put the United States of America into the hands of Mary Immaculate in order that she may present the country to you. Through her we wish to thank you for the great resources of this land and for the freedom which has been its heritage. Through the intercession of Mary, have mercy on the Catholic Church in America. Grant us peace. Have mercy on our President and on all the officers of our government. Grant us a fruitful economy born of justice and charity. Have mercy on capital and industry and labor. Protect the family life of the nation. Guard the innocence of our children. Grant the precious gift of many religious vocations. Through the intercession of our Mother, have mercy on the sick, the poor, the tempted, sinners – on all who are in need. Mary, Immaculate Virgin, our Mother, Patroness of our land, we praise you and honor you and give ourselves to you. Protect us from every harm. Pray for us, that acting always according to your will and the Will of your Divine Son, we may live and die pleasing to God . To be continued

PARISH EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENT

- Nov 26 RCIA class at the church center 6:00 -7:30 pm
- Nov 28 Adoration after Mass with Divine Mercy Chaplet and Rosary for World Peace
- Nov 29 Adoration 5:00 - 8:00pm, Simple Supper 5:30 - 6:30pm
K-6 CCD 6:30 -7:30pm, 7-12 grades CCD 6:00 -7:30pm
- Nov 28 & Nov 29 All K of C members are asked to pray a rosary for Perpetual Rosary for Respect Life



ALTAR SOCIETY NEWS

Senior Appreciation
St. Helena's Altar Society has decided to collect monetary donations for our 75+ population rather than put together Christmas bags to be used towards having special Mass intentions said in their honor. We currently have 25 parishioners. Monetary donations will be collected November 20th-December 10th. Please place your donation in an envelope and label it "75+ Mass Intentions, Attn: Altar Society".

Christmas Altar Society Social
Next meeting will be a Christmas Social on Sunday, December 10, 2023 at 5:30 PM at the Michele Thorpe home. All women of the church are invited to attend. Please reach out to our retired ladies and plan to give them a ride .

Ladies of St. Helena
Please pick up your 2024 Altar Society Activity List in the church entry.

Christmas Flowers
Christmas Flowers order sheets are in the church entry. Flowers are \$30. each and deadline to order is Dec. 4. Place payment in collection marked Christmas Flowers or give to Bernie or Kathy.

St. Helena Raffle 2024
We are seeking donations for the 2024 raffle that will be held on September 15, 2024. Any individual interested in donating, please let Kathy, Michele or Bernie know.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Perpetual Rosary for Respect Life
All members of St Helena Council 13533 are to individually offer a rosary for Perpetual Rosary for Respect Life on Tuesday and Wednesday, Nov 28 & 29 2023. Thank you for your cooperation!!

Purgatorial Society
The Purgatorial Society is an opportunity for you to have your loved one(s) remembered at the monthly First Friday Mass at 8:00 am, and 5:15 pm at St Patrick’s throughout the year and on All Souls Day. A free will offering will be accepted for names enrolled into the Society. The list of those enrolled will be placed on the altar of the Church when the Mass is offered.
Find sheets in the church entry to add your loved ones names to the society list.

NEW BULLETIN LAYOUT

By now you may have noticed the new layout for the weekly Bulletin for St. Helena and St. Patrick. Bulletins will now be published in house and the new deadline for submissions will be Thursday noon of every week. If you do have a submission, please email to Patrick.Parks@fargodiocese.org or gusaas@rtel.net If you would like your name or company listed in the Advertisers, contact Fr. Parks.

HELP NEEDED

Starting in January we will be needing more volunteers for our Wed. evening Simple Suppers. If you are able to help contact Colleen D.

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