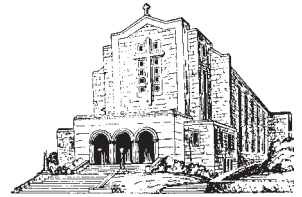




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CHURCH OFFICE

The church office in the rectory is open Monday thru Friday from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM, except for the 12:00 to 1:00 lunch hour.

MASSES

Saturday Vigil - 4:30PM Mass in English

Sunday - 8:00 AM Mass in English

9:30 AM Mass in Vietnamese

11:00 AM Mass in English

12:30 PM Mass in Spanish

Weekdays - 6:30, 8:00 AM

Saturdays 8:00 AM

Obligatory Holy Days - (except Jan. 1 & Christmas)

6:30, 8:00, 9:00 AM and 7:00 PM

First Fridays - 6:30, 8:00,

(also 9:00 AM & 7:00 PM DURING THE SCHOOL YEAR)



SACRAMENTS

Confession

Saturdays 4:00-4:30 PM; 15 minutes after Mass (5:30 - 5:45)

Baptisms

Baptismal Preparation Classes the 1st Sunday of each month at 3:00pm in Room E. Please call the rectory to set up an interview with one of the priest before you begin planning for the baptism. Spanish Baptisms - 3rd Sunday of each month. English Baptisms - 4th Sunday of each month. Baptisms take place in the chapel at 2:00 pm

Christian Initiation of Adults

Sundays 11:00 AM Mass followed by session until 1:30 PM in Room E

Sick Calls

Priests & Eucharistic Ministers regularly visit shut-ins. Please phone the rectory if you are confined to the house or enter-

Parish Religious Education Classes

Sunday 9:15 AM - 10:30 AM

DEVOTIONS

Eucharistic Adoration - Every Thursday in Chapel 8:30 AM to 5:00 PM followed by Evening Prayer.

Daily Rosary - Monday through Friday after the 8 AM Mass

Miraculous Medal - Saturdays 7:45 AM

Our Lady of La Vang Devotions - Saturday 8:30 AM

Grupo Carismático - Tenemos circulo de oración en español todos los miercoles a las 7:00 pm en la iglesia de abajo. Estan todos invitados.

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETINGS

Senior Citizens - 2nd & 4th Thursdays of each month, 12 Noon Room 4 of the upper school.

Parent School Committee - meets monthly

Pastoral Council - meets six times a year

Finance Council - meets four times a year

Cub Scouts - Tuesdays, 7-8 PM - School Hall

Boy Scouts - Wednesdays, 7-9 PM - School Hall

Evangelization Committee - 3rd Tuesday of the month, 7:00 PM in Rectory Meeting Room.

Liturgy Committe - 4th Tuesday of the month, 7:00 PM in the Rectory Meeting Room

SERVICE MINISTRY

(Community Neighborhood Organizing) - Meets Monthly

Aid for Friends - an organization providing the elderly with food and friendship

Parish Nurse Facilitator- Sr. Anna Marie Lesutis, RSM, 215-329-0110

WE WELCOME NEWCOMERS! PLEASE PHONE 215-424-1300 TO MEET WITH A PRIEST.

(July 6, 2008) 14th Sunday of Ordinary Time

ST. HELENA CHURCH IS A TITHING & EVANGELIZING PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

We, the Parish of St. Helena, are rooted in Jesus Christ and nourished by Eucharist. We are aware of our present diversity and the changes that enrich us. We strive with all that God has given us to live and to share the Gospel of love by creating a welcoming and united community. We seek to integrate actively people of all ages, races, and cultures into every area of life.

Masses for the Week of July 5th to 13th

SATURDAY, July 5, 2008

:30PM Robert Patrick

SUNDAY, July 6, 2008 14th Sunday of Ord. Time

8:00AM (E) Marie Balitsky
9:30AM (V) Personal Intention
11:00AM (E) Sarah Lehmann
12:30PM (S) St. Helena Parishioners

MONDAY, July 7, 2008

8:00AM John L. Tetley

TUESDAY, July 8, 2008

8:00AM Peter Huan Tran

WEDNESDAY, July 9, 2008 St. Augustine Zhao Rong & Companions

8:00AM Isabel deRamos (10th Birthday)

THURSDAY, July 10, 2008 St. Thomas the Apostle

8:00AM James Colleran

FRIDAY, July 11, 2008 St. Benedict

9:00AM Sherron Family

SATURDAY, July 12, 2008

8:00AM Peter Huan Tran
4:30PM Joseph Magalski

SUNDAY, July 13, 2008 15th Sunday of Ord. Time

8:00AM (E) Ed, Stella, & Dorothy Quinn
9:30AM (V) Personal Intention
11:00AM (E) Frances McBride
12:30PM (S) St. Helena Parishioners

God helps us when our burdens are heavy.



Jesus said, "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened and I will give you rest." There is no reason for you to struggle with burdens that are too heavy for you. If you will turn to Jesus and trust in him, he will help you. *Dear Jesus, we are thankful that when we struggle under the load of life's burdens, you are there to help us carry the load. Amen.*

WELCOME TO ST. HELENA CHURCH



Our Church is a center for spiritual growth, where positive attitudes are developed, where good people become better, where hurts are healed, where lessons are learned, where friendships are developed, where marriages are strengthened, where families are bonded, where the restless find peace, where love is alive, where God is understood, where the Holy Spirit leads, and where Jesus Christ is Lord. Together, let us spread the message of the Gospel to our neighbors.

We Remember in Prayer

Our sick and those who care for them

Charles Crane	Maureen Gallagher
Paul Macolono	Margaret Barr
Bruno Tommassie	Joyce Deussing
Veronica Hellwig	Charles Ball
Martha Skinner	Cindy Halleck
Judy Kovescek	Marie Halleck
Chiet Doan	John Adair
Charles McBride	Kathleen Miller
Jim Kennedy	Helen Robinson
Madaline Burke	John Quinn
Charles Salmon	Rosemary Kane
Joan A. Lowery	Gerry Devlin
Lawrence Arockiaswamy	Bill Sadler
Emma Vockenhuber	Alton Fenstermaker
Marie Riehl	Patricia Komly
Bob Moffatt	

We Remember in Prayer

Those who have died, especially Mary Styles Zitomer (daughter of Marie Zitomer).

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK

SUNDAY, July 6, 2008 14th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Zec. 9: 9-10 Rom 8: 9, 11-13
Mt 11: 25-30

MONDAY (07) Hos 2: 16-18, 21-22
Mt 9: 18-26

TUESDAY (08) Hos 8: 4-7, 11-13
Mt 9: 32-38

WEDNESDAY (09) Hos 10: 1-3, 7-8, 12
Mt 10: 1-7

THURSDAY (10) Hos 11: 1, 3-4, 8-9
Mt 10: 7-15

FRIDAY (11) Hos 14: 2-10 Mt 10: 16-23

SATURDAY (12) Is 6: 1-8 Mt 10: 24-33

St. Helena Jackpot Lottery

The winning numbers for June 26th, 2008 were: 5 – 18 – 23 – 28 – 37. We had "NO" winners last week. If no jackpot winner on the July 3rd, the Jackpot for July 10th will be \$57,500.00.

Want to earn extra dollars or help with tuition...become a Lottery Ticket Seller.

See Sr. Sophie for more information



Children registered for “*Surfing with the Scriptures*” *Beach Party VBS*

...ages 5 to 8 the week of July 7th to 11th and
...ages 9 to 11 the week of July 14th to 18th

Cost is \$12.00 per day (per child) or \$50.00 for the week (per child)

If interested, see Sr. Sophie.

Children are to arrive at 8:45am in front of the
Lower School off of Spencer Street
& bring towel and bathing suit each day!



Jubilee Year of St. Paul June 28, 2008 to June 29, 2009

Life and work of St. Paul ~ Part 1: Birth and Education

From St. Paul himself we know that he was born at Tarsus in Cilicia (Acts 21:39), of a father who was a Roman citizen (Acts 22:26-28; cf. 16:37), of a family in which piety was hereditary (2 Timothy 1:3) and which was much attached to Pharisaic traditions and observances (Philippians 3:5-6). St. Jerome relates, on what ground is not known, that his parents were natives of Gischala, a small town of Galilee and that they brought him to Tarsus when Gischala was captured by the Romans. This last detail is certainly an anachronism, but the Galilean origin of the family is not at all improbable.

As he belonged to the tribe of Benjamin he was given at the time of his circumcision the name of Saul, which must have been common in that tribe in memory of the first king of the Jews (Philippians 3:5). As a Roman citizen he also bore the Latin name of Paul. It was quite usual for the Jews of that time to have two names, one Hebrew, the other Latin or Greek, between which there was often a certain assonance and which were joined together exactly in the manner made use of by St. Luke. It was natural that in inaugurating his apostolate among the Gentiles Paul should have adopted his Roman name, especially as the name Saul had a ludicrous meaning in Greek.

As every respectable Jew had to teach his son a trade, young Saul learned how to make tents (Acts 18:3) or rather to make the mohair of which tents were made. He was still very young when sent to Jerusalem to receive his education at the school of Gamaliel (Acts 22:3). Possibly some of his family resided in the holy city; later there is mention of the presence of one of his sisters whose son saved his life (Acts 23:16). From that time it is absolutely impossible to follow him until he takes an active part in the martyrdom of St. Stephen (Acts 7:58-60; 22:20). He was then qualified as a young man, but this was very elastic appellation and might be applied to a man between twenty and forty.

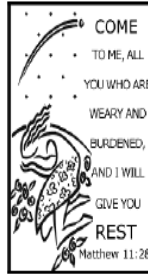
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“For the Young of Heart at St. Helena’s”

Rest for the Weary

"For my yoke is easy and my burden is light." Matthew 11:30 (NIV)

Based on Matthew 11:28-30 (NIV)



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St. Helena Parish Annual Flea Market Saturday, July 12th & 19th (weather permitting)

8:00am to 1:00pm
Sidewalk on 5th Street
Unload and Park in
School yard

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Call Sr. Sophie at 215-317-9168
to reserve a spot or table
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Reminders for St. Helena School

- **PAPER RECYCLE CONTEST**...Please keep the paper coming! Help us to fill up our green and yellow paper bins quickly so our school can be a winner in the paper recycle contest and earn money for our school. The contest began on May 1st and will continue through the summer until the end of August. Help us to be a winning school!
- **REMINDER**...There is no vacation from the Lord! We remind all parents of Catholic children of their obligation and responsibility to see that their children attend Mass each Sunday and receive the Sacraments during the summer.
- **2008-2009 SCHOOL REGISTRATION** for St. Helena School **Pre-K 3, Pre-K 4, Kindergarten and Grades 1 to 8**... please call the school office at 215-549-2947 to schedule an appointment. **Age Requirements:** Pre-K 3 – must be 3 by September 1, 2008, Pre-K 4 – must be 4 by September 1, 2008, Kindergarten – must be 5 by September 1, 2008, Grade 1 – must be 6 by September 1, 2008.

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St. Helena Parish is a Tithing Parish since Jan. 19, 2003. God has provided for us in wonderful ways and we are committed to "making a return to the Lord for all His goodness to us." All we are and have is due to God's goodness.



Stewardship Report



7/02/06	\$6327.00
7/01/07	\$6225.00
6/29/08.....\$61 37.00

Number of Envelopes from Mass 303
Envelope Collection from Mass \$4427 .00

Loose Collection from Mass \$1132 .00
Drop Off Collection \$578 .00

Peter's Pence Collection.....\$1946.00

Last But Not Least



*“Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened,
and I will give you rest.”*



Today we celebrate the *Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*...we are already into July and I hope that you are all able to take some time to relax and recharge before the summer is over...I have just returned from a vacation in Vietnam where I visited with family, did some needed work and was also able to get some rest and relaxation...Father Steve is now away and will return the end of the month...I hope he too is able to relax and comes back, ready to face the new year ahead.

My *sincere thanks* to *Maria Nguyen and the Vietnamese Community* for donating their *time, talent and treasures* to purchase and erect the *statue of St. Joseph* on the rectory lawn...I also thank them for *completing the tile, painting and floor in the lower church bathroom*...also, thanks to *Viet Nguyen & Sinh Vo* for once *again trimming all of the bushes on the property*...without their volunteer help these projects would not have been possible.

Vacation Bible School will begin this week from *July 7th to 11th for 5 to 8 year olds* and next week from *July 14th thru 18th for 9 to 12 year olds*...we still have some openings...if interested, contact Sr. Sophie.

I remind you that we still have some *openings in our classrooms for the upcoming school year...the school office is open Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 9:00 am until 12:00 Noon for registrations*...call the office at 215-549-2947 to make an appointment. *Anyone who still owes Tuition, Lunch or Cares Fees may come to the rectory office Monday thru Friday from 9:00 am until 4:00pm* to take care of these bills...children may not begin in September if these are any balances from 2007-2008 or if your July 2008 tuition payment is not up to date. Thank you for your attention to these matters. Thanks for reading...have a great week.

Your Brother & Shepherd,
Rev. Msgr. Joseph Trinh

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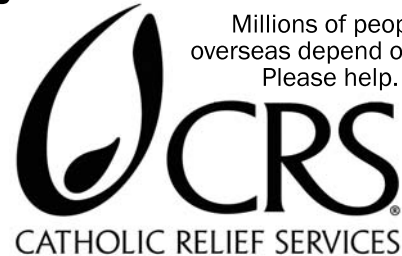
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