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## Sunday Mass

*Saturday* 4:00 P.M.  
*Sunday* 8:30 and 10:00 A.M.

## Daily Mass

*Monday through Saturday* 8:00 A.M.

## Holy Day Mass

*Evening Before* 5:30 P.M.  
*Holy Day* 8:00 and 10:00 A.M.

## Sacrament of Penance

*Saturday* 3:00–3:30 P.M.

## Sacrament of Baptism

A Baptism Preparation Program is required for all registered first-time parents. Please call the Director of Pastoral Care.

## Sacrament of Marriage

The bride or groom must be an active registered parishioner for at least six months prior to scheduling a wedding at St. Helena.

## Nursery

Services available during the 10:00 A.M. Sunday Mass.

## Parish Registration

To register in the parish, please fill out a registration form and return to the Parish Office. Registration forms are available at the entrances of the Church. Return completed form to the Parish Office.

**Email:** [church@sainthelena.us](mailto:church@sainthelena.us)  
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# The Church of St. Helena

**Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**July 18, 2021**

*When he disembarked and saw the vast crowd,  
his heart was moved with pity for them,  
for they were like sheep without a shepherd;  
and he began to teach them many things.*

-Mk 6:34



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## THE WORD

St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta once met with St. Pope John Paul II, who asked her to have her sisters teach the Faith to young people. She informed the Pope that her sisters were not trained in catechetics (the methods of teaching the Faith), and his reply to her was: "Well, train them!"

Discussion ended! She proceeded to train her sisters how to communicate the Faith to young people.

In today's Gospel, we hear about our Lord seeing the crowds of people and "His heart was moved with pity for them, for they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things."

We as Baptized and Confirmed followers of our Lord are asked to imitate our Lord. In those sacraments we are made (and strengthened as) priests, prophets, and kings, and a prophet is one who teaches and proclaims the word of God.

Are our hearts moved with pity of the crowds in society who lack knowledge and understanding about their eternal destiny? If they are moved, are we able to teach them or are we like St. Mother Teresa's sisters who didn't know how?

All of us are teachers, whether we are in an academic setting or not. Parents are the primary teachers of their children; grandparents instruct their grandchildren; aunts and uncles give advice; and friends, neighbors, and co-workers influence all of us with words of wisdom.

All of us fit into one of these categories, so all of us are

teachers in one way or another or in many capacities. Many of us are reluctant to be teachers for others, and there are reasons for this hesitancy. First of all, we don't know what to teach—we're not informed about the Faith. That can be remedied by listening to CDs or Relevant Radio, watching EWTN, or taking classes on the Faith. That takes time and energy.

But more importantly, we need courage to open our mouths and enthusiastically teach others. That means there's a possibility of being rejected, ridiculed, or engaged in some intense discussions.

Effective teaching is not easy. It's an art, and the only way to perfect an art is to practice the art. Yes, any teacher is going to make mistakes. It's the master teacher who knows how to bring a person from one point to a totally different viewpoint. It takes time and patience.

But, is it worth it? You bet it is. The salvation of others is dependent upon our Lord's truths. But, we have the Holy Spirit to help us teach and to move the minds and hearts of the hearers.

Ask the Holy Spirit to help you. "Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and enkindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created. And you shall renew the face of the earth."

John Sondag  
Director of Religious Education

**ROSARY BEFORE DAILY MASS**—The Rosary is recited Monday through Saturday before Mass at 7:25 AM. All are welcome to join in prayer.

**FOOD SHELF**—Minnesota Summer is here and WOW is it a hot one! Thank you for your kindness and generosity to our local food shelf. Here are some fresh ideas for the summer: Sun block, Wet Ones, paper towels, napkins, granola bars, cereal, peanut butter and jelly, fruit snacks, nuts, crackers and drink mixes, and of course Macaroni and Cheese. All items that are brought in are appreciated. *"You will be enriched in every way for all generosity, which produces thanksgiving to God through us."*

2. 2 Corinthians 9:11-13

**BETHANY HOUSE FOR WOMEN DISCERNING CONSECRATED LIFE**—Bethany House Discernment Program: August 29, 2021 – May 28, 2022 – accepting applications! Bethany House is a place, set apart, with an environment of support and encouragement for Catholic women as they intentionally discern consecrated life. The women live in community, pray together, have meals together, host Religious Sisters and participate in a discernment book study during the program. For more information and to request an application, see [1000vocations.org](http://1000vocations.org)

**THIS YEAR'S AUTUMN DAZE BIG RAFFLE IS DOUBLE THE FUN!**—The spirit of AUTUMN DAZE is indeed alive and well, so much so that this year's \$5,000 RAFFLE has become the \$10,000 RAFFLE. Each ticket is still \$100, but instead of offering 100 tickets for the first session, 200 WILL BE SOLD. The winner of that drawing will receive \$10,000 (or half the amount of tickets sold, if 200 are not sold). You can get your raffle ticket early. Stop by the Parish Offices or call 612-729-7344 to purchase a ticket. Or call 651-260-5722 or 612-275-0431, and we'll arrange for you to purchase one or more tickets to enter the NEW AND IMPROVED \$10,000 RAFFLE.

**BUSINESS HOURS—REMINDER**—The Parish Offices are open Monday through Thursday, 9:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. and on Friday from 9:00 A.M. to 12:00 Noon.

**FESTIVAL DROP-OFF**—If you plan to deliver items after our business hours, please call John Sondag at 612-275-0431 to schedule a drop-off time.

**STAPLING RAFFLE TICKET AND ASSEMBLING BUTTONS**—We're stapling raffle tickets and assembling buttons on this Friday evening, July 23, at 7:00 P.M. in Rowan Hall. Everyone (young and old) is welcome.

**DOUGHNUTS AND COFFEE AFTER THE 8:30 AND 10:00 MASSES—EVERY SUNDAY**—You are invited to “Doughnuts and Coffee” downstairs in Rowan Hall after the 8:30 A.M. and 10:00 A.M. Masses on Sunday mornings. It’s a great way to meet and visit with parishioners.

**PUBLIC SCHOOL CHILDREN: ENROLL IN THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM** —Parents of public school children in grades one through eight can enroll them in the 2021-2022 Wednesday Night Religious Education Program by calling John Sondag at 612-275-0431.

**THE 2021-2022 CONFIRMATION PROGRAM**—Children in St. Helena parish in the eighth grade (and high school, if they have not yet been Confirmed) will receive the sacrament of Confirmation in the Spring of 2022. If you are not in St. Helena grade school, please enroll now in the 2021-2022 Confirmation Program to prepare for the sacrament by calling John Sondag (612-275-0431).

**DO YOU KNOW ANYONE INTERESTED IN BECOMING A CATHOLIC?**—Please let that individual know that the Church of St. Helena offers a program that prepares people to become Catholic. It is held on Tuesdays at 7:30 P.M. in the Parish Office Building. To take the program does not mean that you must become a Catholic. Also, if Tuesday evenings are impossible to make, another time can be arranged. For more information, call John Sondag at 612-275-0431.

**YOU CAN STILL VOLUNTEER FOR “AUTUMN DAZE” FESTIVAL**—Volunteer now for the “Autumn Daze” Festival scheduled for September 17, 18, and 19. You may sign up for Children’s Games, Games of Skill, Games of Chance, Food Booths, Auction, Baskets, Miscellaneous Booths, Bingo, Set-Up and Clean-Up, Decorations, and much more. Even if you are going to be gone on that weekend, we need many volunteers to help with projects for the festival which take place before and after the event. Volunteer sheets are in the bulletin racks or the Parish Offices. For more information please call 612-275-0431.

**ARE YOU A PARISHIONER WHO NEEDS HELP?**—Parishioners who might be out of work, sick and unable to work, or struggling because of financial difficulties can receive help from the St. Vincent de Paul Conference in the parish which reaches out to individuals and families in the parish who are having difficulties. (Your name will be kept confidential.) If you need more information or help, please call John Sondag at 612-275-0431.

**DO YOU HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT THE CATHOLIC FAITH?**—The Church of St. Helena has a program that helps people to know more about the Catholic Faith and have their questions answered. For more information, call John Sondag at 612-275-0431.

**VIRTUAL ROSARY—FRIDAY EVENINGS AT 7:00 P.M.**—Pray the Rosary with parishioners on Fridays at 7:00 P.M. Call 612-275-0431 to get the Zoom ID and Password.

**BE PART OF THE ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CONFERENCE**—The St. Vincent de Paul Conference in the parish reaches out to individuals or families who need assistance. Conference members visit their homes to assess how they can be of service and in a very personalized and confidential way give them help. The next meeting is Thursday, July 29, 2021, at 6:30 P.M. in the Parish Offices. For more information, call John Sondag at 612-275-0431.

**GO SHOPPING AT THE SUMMER FESTIVAL SALE**—Go to [www.sainthelena.us](http://www.sainthelena.us) and click on Summer Festival Sale to discover many household items, furniture, toys, and more being sold by Autumn Daze.

**WANTED: GOOD, USED FURNITURE AND HOUSEHOLD ITEMS**—Donate good, used furniture and household items to the “Autumn Daze” Festival for the Auction, Attic Treasures, or other areas connected with the festival. Bring the items to the Parish Offices, or call 612-275-0431 to have them picked up. (No clothes, stoves, electronic musical organs, refrigerators, exercise equipment, or couches, please.)

**WANTED: CASES OF POP FOR “AUTUMN DAZE”**—Please donate cases of cans of pop (Pepsi, Diet Pepsi, Mountain Dew, Sierra Mist and Brisk Lemonade). If a store has a sale on pop, pick up some cases for the “Autumn Daze” Festival. Bring the pop to the Parish Office for “Autumn Daze.”

**DO YOU HAVE GOOD, USED TOYS AND STUFFED ANIMALS?**—We need good, used toys and stuffed animals for "Autumn Daze." You can bring them now to the Parish Offices.

**DO YOU HAVE A GIFT CARD FOR A RESTAURANT THAT YOU'RE NOT GOING TO USE?**—The restaurant is a good one, but it’s out of the area or serves food that your diet restricts. Donate that gift card to the “Autumn Daze” Festival. We can use it as a prize or in some other area connected with the festival. Just put it in an envelope labeled “Autumn Daze,” and drop the envelope in the collection or bring it to the Parish Offices.

**WE NEED CROCHETED, EMBROIDERED, OR KNITTED ITEMS**—The Harvest Gift Shoppe at "Autumn Daze," can use items that are crocheted, embroidered, or knitted. Donate your crafted items to the Festival on Friday, September 17 or Saturday, September 18.

**GOOD, USED BOOKS FOR THE FESTIVAL**—Give your good, used books (fiction or non-fiction) to the "Autumn Daze" Bookstore. No romance novels, please. You can bring them to the Parish Offices, but if you need them picked up, call 612-275-0431.

**DO YOU HAVE OLD BASEBALL CARDS?**—This year, at the "Autumn Daze" Festival, we are going to have a new booth which will sell sealed envelopes having baseball cards. So, donate your good, used cards, and we can re-sell them. Bring them to the Parish Offices or call 612-275-0431.

**“AUTUMN DAZE” FESTIVAL  
SEPTEMBER 17, 18 & 19, 2021**



**SCRIPTURE # 1155**

**Jer 23:1-6  
Eph 2:13-18  
Mk 6:30-34**

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**8:00 AM**

<b>Monday</b>	<b>Julie Montgomery</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>† Mary Boisvert</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>† Rosemary Mosiniak</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>† Maryls Ripplinger</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>† Duane Stoick</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>† Frank &amp; Apalonea Hansen</b>

**SACRISTY LINENS—Ann Holleschau**

**WEEKLY SCRIPTURE READINGS**

*July 19:* Ex 14:5-18, Ex 15:1bc,-2, 3-4, 5-6 [1b], Mt 12:38-42

*July 20:* Ex 14:21—15:1, Ex 15:8-9, 10 and 12, 17 [1b], Mt 12:46-50

*July 21:* Ex 16:1-5, 9-15, Mt 13:1-9

*July 22:* Sg 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17, Jn 20:1-2, 11-18

*July 23:* Ex 20:1-17, Mt 13:18-23

*July 24:* Ex 24:3-8, Mt 13:24-30

*July 25:* 2 Kgs 4:42-44, Eph 4:1-6, Jn 6:1-15

**PARISH CALENDAR**

***July 19***

***July 20***

***July 21***

***July 22***

-Virtual Rosary, 7:00 pm  
 -Festival Exec. Committee Mtg., Parish Offices,  
 7:30 pm

***July 23***

-Women's Prayer Group, Church, 8:30 am  
 -Virtual Rosary, 7:00 pm  
 -Raffle Ticket Stapling & Button Assembly,  
 Rowan Hall, 7:00 pm

***July 24***

-Confession, Church, 3:00 pm  
 -Mass, Church, 4:00 pm

***July 25***

-Mass, Church, 8:30 am & 10:00 am  
 -Doughnuts & Coffee, RH, after 8:30 & 10:00 Masses

***July 26***

***Daily Mass, Monday-Saturday, Church, 8:00 am***

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### **FR. DALY BREAD – Evangelization**

In 1975 Blessed Pope Paul VI, issued a landmark document, *Evangelii Nuntiandi* (“Evangelization in the Modern World”). Drawing together the teaching of the Second Vatican Council, Pope Paul described evangelization as the church’s deepest identity and mission.

“Evangelizing is in fact the grace and vocation proper to the Church, **her deepest identity. She exists in order to evangelize**, that is to say, in order to preach and teach, to be the channel of the gift of grace, to reconcile sinners with God, and to perpetuate Christ’s sacrifice in the Mass, which is the memorial of His death and glorious resurrection” (*Evangelii Nuntiandi*, 14).

**Thank you** to the Missionaries of Charity sisters, middle school leaders, parents and teachers who were like Peter and the Apostles, evangelizing and making disciples last week at the K-8 Vacation Religion Program. The Holy Spirit seemed to bring a peaceful calm to the chaos, and I pray the fruit overflows into our hearts and homes!

Peace, Fr. Michael

**SAFE ENVIRONMENT UPDATE**—All volunteers who have regular interaction with youth and vulnerable adults need to be certified under the Archdiocesan Safe Environment standards. Together we can work to protect God’s children and the most vulnerable among us. Thank you for your shared commitment to the achievement of this goal. In addition, the Archdiocesan Victim Assistance line is 651-291-4475.

**WOMEN OF ST. HELENA**—Every Friday morning a group of women meet at Church after the 8:00 Mass for quiet time, and prayer. If you would like to join us, please call Barb Kaluza at 612-721-2504 or Shirley Balster at 612-722-8847. All are welcome and encouraged to come and share the blessings of praying with women of varied ages.

### ***Saint Helena School News***

Dear St. Helena Families & Friends,

I hope your summer has been happy and healthy! We are hosting a Family Night with Magician Brian Richards on July 27, from 5:00—7:00 P.M. with the show at 6:00 P.M., and we’d appreciate you helping us spread the word. The event is ideal for Pre-K through 2nd grade. Current school parents that invite other families to the event, who then fill out our referral slip, will be entered in a raffle for a \$100 gift card!

Mrs. Ellen Rian, Ed.S  
Principal



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