



ST. HELENA ST. PATRICK *Eg*

WELCOME TO OUR PARISHES!



“BE OPENED!”
- MK 7:34

23RD SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME

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Life can be challenging and frightening. Sometimes, it really hurts to be a human being. We face brokenness of all kinds: physical, emotional, and spiritual. For no apparent reason, life can quickly fall apart. What we knew to be familiar is gone and something we relied upon is taken away. We are left sitting with our incompleteness and swimming in the pools of our sadness. Be strong! Fear not! These admonitions flow from the mouths of prophets and are echoed by Jesus. It is difficult to trust that restoration, healing, and rejuvenation will one day come, and remain steadfast in our faith. But we are here because of a God who loves us, not as the result of a random occurrence. When we reach for that truth about who we are and who God is, life changes for us. We are healed from our old distorted way of seeing things. Our eyes, heart, and soul are opened to the beauty and magnificence of life. The pulse of our loving Creator is felt in all things and we can't wait for God to come and touch us again. God made us, God loves us, and God keeps us. He has done all things well.

Please look for parish updates and events via [Flocknote](#).



ST. HELENA PARISH

Mass Schedule

Saturday (vigil) 5pm, St. Helena

Sunday 8:30am (1st, 3rd, 5th Sundays)

10:30am (2nd, 4th Sundays)

Tuesday– 7pm

Wed–Fri 8:00am

Confession Schedule

Saturday 3:30–4:30pm

Sunday Before 8:30 am mass (1st, 3rd, 5th Sundays)

Tuesday 6:30pm

Wed–Fri Before 8:00 am daily Mass | By appointment, call parish office

Adoration Schedule

Wednesday 5:00–8:00pm



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



Adorer Testimony

When I reflect upon one of Christ’s names, Immanuel, I feel such joy knowing that it means “God with us”! This is exactly what Jesus is in the Blessed Sacrament. He is God with us under the appearance of wine and bread. I know this is true for 3 reasons: First, Jesus promised and foretold it in Scripture, like in John 6:48-59. Second, the saints and the Holy Catholic Church teachings also confirm this fact. Lastly, the third reason I know He is truly present in the Eucharist is that I have been blessed with so many answered prayers as an adorer. For example, have you ever prayed for someone’s conversion to the faith, and it seemed like the prayers were not being answered? I have. Several years ago, I prayed daily for my Mom’s conversion. I never understood why my prayers did not seem to be answered. Around 3 years ago, I became my mom’s caregiver. Since I was an adorer, I got into the practice of sometimes taking my mom with me to adoration. During this time, I never talked about my faith or tried to convince her to join. I had given that up years previously, because my mother had always had a strong opinion against the Catholic faith.

We got into the habit of spending quiet time alone before Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament on a regular basis. I will never forget the day my mom said out of the blue that she wants to become Catholic. Again, I had not been evangelizing to her or even continuing to pray fervently that she would be converted. The only thing I was doing on a regular basis was taking her to adoration, where we both spent quiet time before Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament! I have other beautiful testimonies of how God has blessed and touched my life since I have been praying to Him during the Blessed Sacrament. He is the source of everything good, holy, and worthy of praise in my life. He has added so much beauty to my life. He has given me so much that I do not deserve, because God knows I am so unworthy and imperfect. Please consider visiting Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament, our Immanuel, “God with us.” Just because He is not in human form does not make Him any less Divine. Remember this beautiful Scripture verse that Jesus stated to doubting Thomas: **John 20:29 – Then Jesus told him, “Because you have seen me, you have believed; blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed.”**

PARISH EVENTS CALENDAR |

9/7—8am Mass time moved to 7pm with confession at 6:30pm

9/8—Tuesday Adoration moved to Wednesday 5pm to 8pm.

9/15— Parent teacher meeting 6:30

9/22—First Religious Ed class



What is RCIA?

The RCIA, which stands for Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, is a **process** through which non-baptized men and women enter the Catholic Church. It includes several stages marked by study, prayer and rites at Mass. Participants in the RCIA are known as catechumens. They undergo a process of conversion as they study the Gospel, profess faith in Jesus and the Catholic Church, and receive the sacraments of baptism, confirmation and Holy Eucharist.

What is meant when people refer to men and women coming into "full communion with the Church"?

Coming into full communion with the Catholic Church describes the process for entrance into the Catholic Church for men and women who are baptized Christians but not Roman Catholics. These individuals make a profession of faith but are not baptized again.

Contact Fr Parks if you are interested—701-261-4816



Adoration at Ellendale.

It is my hope that we can increase the amount of adoration here at St Helena. To make this possible I will move adoration to Wednesday evening to give parents a chance to take advantage of the day ad time change on the night they bring their children to Religious Ed. My prayer is that their will be two committed adorers for each hour between the hours of 5pm to 8pm. All religious Ed classes will also be able to take advantage of the new time slot on a regular basis.

Please prayerfully consider signing up for 5pm to 6pm, 6pm to 7pm, or 7pm to 8pm. Call Fr Parks at 701-261-4816 to schedule your hour.

Remember many graces and blessings come to those who freely give to the Lord an hour of their time. St Helena will also be blessed in many ways.

New Mass Time

Starting September 7th the Tuesday morning 8am Mass will move to Tuesday evening at 7pm. This will allow for working people to be able to go to Mass once a week. Confession will begin at 6:30 or earlier as needed.

RAFFLE TICKETS and FALL DINNER

Please turn in raffle tickets when sold and remember the Fall Dinner is on Sept 26. Sign up sheets are in the church entry.

YOUTH EVENTS:

Historically, the Diocese of Fargo has held a Senior High Youth Rally in the fall and a Middle School Rally in the Spring. This year though, we will be trying something new and having the **Middle School Youth Rally** on Friday, October 22, 2021 at Red Willow Bible Camp in Binford, ND. More information will be sent out in the upcoming week or two.

Details about the Rally

Date: Friday, October 22, 2021

Location: Red Willow Bible Camp, Binford, ND

Time: 9:30 am – 6:30 pm

Cost: \$50.00/participant (youth or adult)

Who: All students in grades 6-8

What's New:

Praise and Worship Band

Inflatable games

Door Prizes (grand prize: air pods)

**CYO and CCD
Classes begin Wednesday,
September 22, 6:30pm**

**CCD and CYO Parent and Teacher Meeting
Wednesday, Sept 15, 6:30 PM**

ST HELENA MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Sept 11/12	(5:00pm)	(10:30am)
Usher	Volunteer	Ivan Widham
Collection		Rick Ulmer
Lector	Mary Johnson	Darcy Seefeld
EMHC		
Gift Bearers	Chad Durheim Fam	Thielges Family
Altar Servers	Volunteer	Volunteer

St. Helena Breakfast Servers

Sept 5	Drew, Madeline and Annah
Sept 19	Bernie T,

WEEKLY GIVING

Sunday Aug 28/29

Adult	1329.00
Children	23.00
Plate	211.00
Total	1563.00

Thank you for your generosity!

ST. PATRICK MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Sunday Sept 12 (8:30 am)

Lector	Gene
Gift Carriers	Boston, Lennon
Altar Servers	Porter, Harper

For the Month of September

Breakfast Server	Laura and Amy A
Collection Counters	Ruby and Brian
Church Cleaners	Pat and Alana
Altar Society Meeting	None this month

God's Gift Appeal 2021

Steadfast in Faith, Joyful in Hope

Report as of 8/27/2021

St. Helena's: 42% participate \$10,797.00 62% goal

St. Patrick's: 45% participation, \$11,725: 211% of goal,

Thank you for your support!

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Tue. Sept 7

7:00 pm †John Carruth

Wed. Sept 8

8:00 am (St. H) †Duane Mastel

10:00am (BLC—E) †Sylvester & †Marie Radermacher

Thu. Sept 9

8:00 am (St. H) †Donald Asselin

9:00am (St. P) †Anthony Buhl

Fri. Sept 10

8:00 am † Ann Fettig

Sat. Sept 11

5:00 pm †Greta Monette

Sun. Sept 12

8:30 am (St. P) †Joe Glynn

10:30 am (St. H) For all Parishioners

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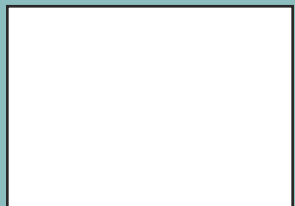
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