

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

"He put his finger into the man's ears and, spitting, touched his tongue; then he looked up to heaven and groaned, and said to him, "Ephphatha! --- that is, "Be opened!" -Mk 7:15



The Most Reverend Austin Anthony Vetter Bishop of Helena

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September 5th - September 12th Liturgical Calendar At your Cathedral of St. Helena

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 5 - TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 7:30 AM - MASS 9 AM - MASS

11 am - Mass (livestream) Monday, September 6 - Ordinary Weekday 7 am - Mass (livestream); Rosary after Mass

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7 - ORDINARY WEEKDAY 7 AM - MASS; DEVOTIONS; ROSARY AFTER MASS 12 NOON - MASS (LIVESTREAM); DEVOTIONS

Wednesday, September 8 - Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary 7 am - Mass; Rosary after Mass 12 noon - Mass (livestream)

Thursday, September 9 - Ordinary Weekday 7 am - Mass; Rosary After Mass 12 noon - Mass (livestream)

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 10 - ORDINARY WEEKDAY 7 Am - Mass (livestream); Rosary after Mass Adoration until 12 noon

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 11 - ORDINARY WEEKDAY 8:30 am - Rosary 9 am - Mass Reconciliation after Mass until 11 am 5 pm - Mass (livestream)

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 12 - TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 7:30 am - Mass

7:30 am - Mass 9 am - Mass 11 am - Mass (livestream)

CATHEDRAL OF ST. HELENA PARISH OFFICE

	Ewing St., Helena, MT 59601
	Thurs9:00 am - 2:00 pm
	Friday 9:00 am- 12:00 noon
Phone	
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Website	www.sthelenas.org

The Cathedral Parish offices will be closed Monday, September 6, 2021. Have a blessed Labor Day weekend!

Every Friday from 8 am until 12 noon, there is Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the Cathedral. Come and spend a little time before our Lord. Please join anytime following the 7:00 A.M. Mass.



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We are in need of tied fleece blankets, crochet blankets, quilts, and store bought blankets.

Let's make sure every family gets a blanket this year!!!



A weekly seminar and support group for people who are separated or divorced. It is a place where you can hear valuable information about ways to heal from the hurt of divorce. The next session will begin Tuesday, September 21, 2021 from 6:30 until 8:30 pm. For more information, contact Kathy Surbrugg at 442-5825.



The Cathedral Parish welcomes all newcomers that have found the Cathedral of St. Helena to be their new parish home. If you are new, you can become a registered member by going on to www.sthelenas.org and click on the register button. If you want to meet the parish staff, you can come into the office Monday-Thursday from 9 am until 2 pm or Friday from 9 am until 12 noon and sign up.

September 16-19, 2021 Virtual Online Retrouvaille Weekend

Marriage Saving – the Weekend Phase – During the weekend phase of Retrouvaille a series of presentations are given by a team of three couples and a priest. The team presents a technique of communication that enables you to take a good look at most areas of your relationship. After each presentation, you have time in the privacy of your room to discuss the previous presentation. Retrouvaille is for any couple who would like to rediscover their marriage and improve communication. For more information about an upcoming Retrouvaille Weekend program for couples, contact the registration team: at 406-761-4830 or visit our website: www.HelpOurMarriage.org

A WORD ABOUT THE WORD

One of the things I love about being a Jewish convert to the Catholic Faith is seeing Jewish prophecies fulfilled by our Lord. Did you know that there are over 300 prophecies in the Old Testament about the Messiah or the Messianic age? Our first reading from the great prophet Isaiah is one of my favorites. Here it is predicted that the deaf will hear and the dumb will speak. Keep in mind that this was written hundreds of years before it ever took place! That is cool! In our Gospel reading from Mark we see the fulfillment of this prophecy as our blessed Lord Jesus allows His divinity to shine forth and He heals a deaf man. After doing this, some of those in the crowd remember what Isaiah said and realize what is happening. When you read the gospel, do you put yourself at the scene? Imagine how you would feel if you were that deaf man. Or perhaps you can use your imagination to place yourself in the crowd which watches this miracle unfold. Sometimes I think we read scripture and it goes in one eyeball and out the other. Use your imagination for good things and it will transform how you view scripture. St. James gives us great advice as well by telling us to treat others equally no matter what they may be dressed like. This is easier said than done as we tend to judge a book by its cover. We need to work on ourselves and try not to be judgmental based on appearance. There are times however when we are dealing with one who is intoxicated or under the influence of drugs. This is different as the addiction often distorts or prevents you actually talking to the real individual as they are not in their right mind. So be careful, and this week let us take some time to help out those in need. Maybe clean out that closet and donate those old clothes that someone could use to uplift their circumstances. Also, try visualizing some scripture passages. Put yourself there. Check it out and perhaps you will see things in a brand new light...Something to think about...May God richly bless you always...

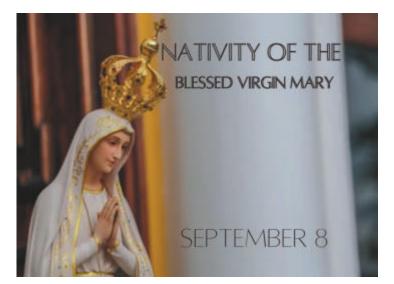




The Pope's Intention for September: An Environmentally Sustainable Lifestyle

We pray that we all will make courageous choices for a simple and environmentally sustainable lifestyle, rejoicing in our young people who are resolutely committed to this.





Helena Fertility Care

Fertility Awareness Instruction for women and couples to plan their families naturally. Creighton Model Education offered in person or online. For more information please contact helenafertilitycare@gmail.com

September 9th is the feast of St. Peter Claver. Born in Spain and ordained a priest in South America, he witnessed the harsh conditions of enslaved peoples in Cartagena and declared himself the "slave of the Negroes". He worked tirelessly to relieve suffering and baptized some 300,000 enslaved individuals. He is the patron saint of those in slavery.

The Julius Foundation

THE JULIUS FOUNDATON VIDEO PREMIERE

You are invited to attend The Julius Foundation Video Premiere on Thursday, September 23 at 7 pm by clicking the link on www.thejuliusfoundation.org website. Tune in to view updates, photos and video of progress made this past year at the Cathedral's Sister Ministry in Uganda. Due to additional Covid-19 lockdowns, Fr. Julius will be unable to visit Helena again this summer. Despite restrictions, electricity has been extended from Holy Trinity Secondary School to nearby Kawango village, and funds have been sent to complete the science lab exterior building. The video will

also be available on the website after the premiere. Donations are always welcome to TJF, 3312 Dunlap Drive, Helena, MT 59602 as life has become more difficult for them during the pandemic.



"We are so grateful for the love and continued support! The whole

village is so excited about the electricity; what was a dream is becoming a reality courtesy of the kind and generous supporters of TJF!" ~ Fr. Julius Bwowe



Children's liturgy of the word will begin again the weekend of October 3, 2021 at the 9:00 am mass. Volunteers are needed! If interested in volunteering, please call Kathy Surbrugg at (406) 449-5825 In the previous monthly period, the Cathedral Parish had 1464 registered families with 676 families receiving envelopes and 702 contributing to the upkeep of the parish. The weekend of 8/29/2021, we received through **Stewardship \$12,768.00 in envelopes, \$695.00 from online giving,** and **\$7,185.00 in loose currency** and **checks** for a total of **\$23,388.00** Our weekly goal is **\$17,561.05**.

Thank you for your generosity!

Please Note....

When you provide a check as payment, you authorize us either to use information from your check to make a one-time electronic fund transfer from your account or to process the payment as a check transaction.

(Please make your checks payable to the Cathedral of St. Helena.)



Sign-ups for 2021-22 faith formation for all age groups will take place in-person at the following times:

- September 15: 3-5pm (room 108 Cathedral Center)
- September 19: after 9am & 11am masses (Brondel Center)
 September 22: 3-5pm (room 108 Cathedral Center)

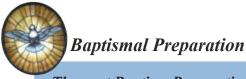
Likewise, the registration form can be found online at the Cathedral website and returned to the Cathedral office. Faith Formation begins October 6th, 2021.

> *Today, September 5, is Charitable Giving Sunday.* You can place your food donations in Mary's Chapel and a basket will be available for monetary contributions.

Marriage Preparation



Diocesan policy states that couples wait 6 months from the time they approach a priest regarding marriage to the date of their wedding. During this period, the couple must participate in preparatory classes for the Sacrament of Matrimony. The next marriage prep class will begin October 25, 2021. For more information, please contact Kathy Surbrugg at 442-5825



The next Baptism Preparation class will be Thursday, October 14 at 6 pm in room 110 of the Cathedral Center. Please call the office, 442-5825, to sign up.



Visit diocesenciena.org Stewardsnip Services for more raffie and event information. Thank you for supporting Legendary Lodge and Youth and Young Adult Ministry in the Diocese of Helena.

 The Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time September 5, 2021

 Is 35: 4-7

 "Then will the eyes of the blind be opened, the ears of the deaf be cleared."

 Ps 146: 7-10

 "Praise the Lord, my soul!"

 Jas 2: 1-5

 "Mk 7:31-37

 "He has done all things well. He makes the deaf hear and the mute speak."

Monday: Col 1:24-2:3 / Ps 62:6-9 / Lk 6:6-11

Tuesday: Col 2:6-15 / Ps 145:1-11 / Lk 6:12-19

Wednesday: Mi 5:1-4 / Ps 13:6 / Mt 1:1-16, 18-23

Thursday: Col 3:12-17 / Ps 150:1-6 / Lk 6:27-38

Friday: 1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14 / Ps 16:1-2 and 5-8, 11 / Lk 6:39-42

"There is no fear in love; perfect love casts out fear." -1 John 4:18

The Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time September 12, 2021

Is 50: 4-9 "I gave my back to those who beat me, my cheeks to those who plucked my beard." Ps 116: 1-9 "I will walk before the Lord, in the land of the living." Jas 2: 14-18 "Can that faith save him?" Mk 8: 27-35 "Peter said to him in reply, 'you are the Christ'."

ہو۔ Tours of the Cathedral have ended for the season (Memorial Day to Labor Day).

Private tours are still available for groups of 10 or more (preferably Tues, Wed, or Thurs). To schedule, please call the Cathedral office ahead of time~





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