

PENTECOST SUNDAY



THIS WEEK'S MASS INTENTIONS

Please be advised that **every Mass that has an intention will be offered, albeit not publicly.** This means that, yes, if you have requested a Mass to be celebrated for a loved one, that Mass will be said for that intention, but not publicly. We are in uncharted and treacherous waters, and are taking things very slowly and cautiously. We appreciate your patience and understanding during these difficult days.

SUNDAY, MAY 31, 2020



Eustacia Calderon (*Noreen, Joe & Family*)
Jose Galang (*Loving Family*)
Fred Pane (*Loving Family*)
Rosario Chiamonte (*Loving Wife, Anna*)
For The Parishioners

MONDAY, JUNE 1 2020

Harold & Rose Stanton (*Rosemary & Tony Matteo*)

TUESDAY, JUNE 2, 2020

Tudda Family (*Casillo Family*)

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 3, 2020

Nicholas L. Napolitano (*Loving Family*)

THURSDAY, JUNE 4, 2020

Josephine Licata (*Phyllis Digristina*)

FRIDAY, JUNE 5, 2020

M/M Joseph Mullalley (*Jane Orban*)

SATURDAY, JUNE 6, 2020

William DiPietra (*Loving Parents*)
Joseph Damian Digristina (*Michele Carollo*)
Frank LeFavi (*Tom & Mary Ann Turner*)
Dominick Monaco (*St. Helen Catechist*)
Dominick Papa (*Tom & Mary Ann Turner*)

SUNDAY, JUNE 7, 2020

William Dipietra (*Loving Parents*)
Elena Galang (*Loving Family*)
Frank LeFavi (*Rosalie Librizzi*)
Joseph P. Ottomanelli (*Loving Family*)
Gasparina & Jack Rabito (*Arline Rabito & Diane Sama*)
Luciano Sannino (*Rachele Sannino*)
Joseph J. Vetrano (*Loving Family*)
For The Parishioners

PRIVATE PRAYER TIME IN CHURCH

If you plan on visiting St. Helen Church for private prayer, please remember to read and abide by all guidelines on the next page or posted on our Facebook page. Your cooperation and understanding will be needed and appreciated at this time!



William Barbiero
Francis Roccaforte
Frances Zangrillo



Amado Araneta, William J. Barbiero, Joe Barrreca, Anthony Barresi, Stella Barresi, Mary Battista, Barbara Bifetto, Daniel Campion, Sally Capozziello, Shang Cheng, Zena Cipolla, Anthony Corozzo, Arsenio DaRita, Marge D'Auria, Patrick Delaney, Domenica DeVito, Virginia DiGangi, Richard H. Dimler, Mary Divers, Jennie Federici, Jean Fochetta, Clementine Gagliardi, Dennis Giammalvo, Tony Giampietro, John Joseph Gleeson, John Pierce Gleeson, Joan Grieco, Rosemarie & Joseph Guagenti, Gertrude Gwardjak, Christine Healy, Maria Hernandez, Marilyn Krajcik, Keri & Baby Tristan, Elaine Lazzeri, Susan Leone, James Leung, Patricia Lipari, William J. Litt, Tom Mercatante, Barbara Miller, Angela Ottomanelli-Hubbs, Michael Palermo, Frank Palmenteri, Sebastian Panasci, Santo Partina, Vivian Doris Pecchillo, Phillip Pecchillo, Nino Pedone, Amelia Pepe, Joseph Questore, Frances Russo, John Secreti, Remington Stafford, Rubie Lynn Torres, Chrissie Tremblay, Paul Tremblay, Paul John Tremblay, Sr., Sr. Joanne Walters.

PLEASE NOTE: The Intentions for the next monthly Purgatorial Society Mass will be offered privately on Friday, June 19th.



Visit us on
Facebook

For the Latest
News and Updates!

Dear Parishioners of Saint Helen,

The Diocese of Brooklyn has created a special task force led by NYPD Chief Esposito, to coordinate the reopening of Churches during this Covid-19 crisis. This task force is in close communication with public and state health officials, and has recently issued a missive permitting Churches in the Diocese of Brooklyn to be opened for limited amounts of time for personal prayer and devotion, and for the celebration of Sacraments.

The protocols for the opening of Churches is quite detailed and does carry with it numerous restrictions to preserve public health and safety. **The following is a summary:**

- Churches in the Diocese of Brooklyn are now open.
- ONLY 10 PEOPLE ARE PERMITTED IN THE CHURCH AT ANY GIVEN TIME.
- Churches are to be open for 4 hours. Saint Helen Church will be open from 11:00AM to 3:00PM (Monday thru Friday). This time is assigned for private prayer and devotion.
- The Church will also be open for the following:
 - * Funerals (Funeral Liturgy without the Distribution of Communion)
 - * Weddings
 - * Baptisms
- The Church is not open for personal prayer and devotions during Funerals, Weddings, or Baptisms.
- At this time there is no public celebration of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass.

The following directives are to be observed upon entering the Church:

- All who enter the Church are required to wear a mask.
- Please maintain social-distancing (6 feet apart).
- Families may sit together.
- Please sit in designated seating areas.
- Do not attempt to sit in restricted areas.
- Do not enter the Sacristy.
- Please enter and exit through the front doors only.
- If a line forms outside the church please maintain social distancing (6 feet apart).
- During the time of personal prayer and devotion (11:00-3:00) there is to be no congregating of people (i.e. gathering to say the Rosary together).
- It goes without saying, if you are unwell, are experiencing illness or fever...stay home!
- Please use the bathroom, at home, before coming to Church.
- Please refrain from touching statues. That being said, if you wish to light a candle, press only the candle you desire to light, obviously do not attempt to light a candle that is already lit!
- There will be no distribution of Tablets, bulletins, or Holy Water at this time.

Furthermore, I have my own directives for Saint Helen Parish:

If a large crowd forms outside the Church during the time for personal prayer and devotion, I will limit the time in the Church to 10 minutes. Upon that ten minute interval a bell will indicate that everyone politely exit the Church. I am sorry to impose this limit, but we normally have 2000 people come to Church on Sunday, and I envision many people coming to the Church in the first few days of its opening. The time for personal prayer and devotion will be more like making a visit. If there is no line of people outside the Church, your stay may be prolonged. Please cooperate with parish staff and volunteers.

There have been many restrictions issued by the State and the Diocese about the reopening of Churches, and I understand many of them impact your personal prayer life, and I appreciate your cooperation and patience. Hopefully these restrictions will lift soon and we may go about our lives and our prayer lives, as we once did!

Looking forward to seeing you at your spiritual home.
Father Colamaria