

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER (DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY)



THIS WEEK'S MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, APRIL 11, 2021—DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

- 8:00AM George & Claire Cox
- 9:30AM Christine Ann Salegna (*Loving Mom & Dad*)
- 11:00AM Ignatius Licato (*John Licato*)
- 12:30PM George Cristescu (*Janet & Don Balsamo*)
- Concetta Dabrowski (*Annette & Marty*)
- M/M Giuseppe DeMartino (*Auriemma Family*)
- M/M Vincenzo DeMartino (*Auriemma Family*)
- Tommaso DeMartino (*Auriemma Family*)
- Joseph DiMarco (*Nicole & Christopher Delano*)
- Ann Romani (*Raymond & Joan Mehlmann*)
- 5:00PM For The Parishioners

MONDAY, APRIL 12, 2021

- 9:00AM Paul Auwarter (*Steven Giusto*)

TUESDAY, APRIL 13, 2021 *St. Martin I*

- 9:00AM Paul Auwarter (*Casillo Family*)

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 14, 2021

- 9:00AM Paul Auwarter (*Annette & Marty*)

THURSDAY, APRIL 15, 2021

- 9:00AM Jennie Maniscalco (*Loving Daughter*)

FRIDAY, APRIL 16, 2021

- 9:00AM William C. Corrigan (*Mary Jo & Will Vendittelli*)

SATURDAY, APRIL 17, 2021

- 9:00AM Paul Auwarter (*St. Helen Franciscans*)
- 5:00PM Joan C. Anastasio (*M/M J. Pantaleo*)
- Salvatore Amato (*Vita Monastero*)
- Mariam Arnold (*Theresa Matheis*)
- George Buonocore (*Steven Giusto*)
- John Chariacano (*Alfred Porcari*)
- Anthony Corozzo (*Tamburo Family*)
- Rose Goffredo (*Steven Giusto*)
- Ana Lieske (*Vita Monastero*)
- Arturo R. Noriega (*M/M R. Noriega*)
- Frank Zupo (*Joe & Lorraine Trotta*)

SUNDAY, APRIL 18, 2021


- 8:00AM George & Ann Papandrea
- 9:30AM Benito R. Santiago (*Janet S. Valenzuela*)
- 11:00AM Ruocco & DeRiso Families (*Joan DeRiso & Fam.*)
- 12:30PM Philip T. Barresi (*Loving Wife, Linda*)
- George Cristescu (*Dzienisiewski Family*)
- Maria Giacalone (*M/M Bongiorno*)
- Carmine Giuliano (*Pasqualina DeSarno*)
- Geraldine Gonzalez (*Loving Family*)
- Salvatore Montalbano (*Mary Chiarello*)
- Louise Sedita (*Loving Family*)
- 5:00PM For The Parishioners



Andrea Talaverano


GOOD SHEPHERD STATUE

Send us shepherds We would like to thank **Vita Monastero**, who has been keeping the statue. Anyone interested in keeping the statue in their home and praying for vocations for one week should contact the Rectory.



Please join us every Tuesday at 1:00PM in Church to pray the special prayers to **The Holy Face of Jesus** in reparation for the crimes of communists, blasphemers, the profaners of his Holy Name and of the Holy Day of Sunday.

Are you new to St. Helen Parish? If so, please stop in at the Rectory to register your family, or for easier and faster service please register through our website at www.sthelen.org



Amado Araneta, Joe Barreca, Anthony Barresi, Stella Barresi, Mary Battista, Gianna Bintas, Barbara Bitetto, Theresia Brech, Daniel Campion, Sally Capozziello, Shang Cheng, Zena Cipolla, Marge D'Auria, Patrick Delaney, Domenica DeVito, Toni Ann Diaz, Virginia DiGangi, Mary Divers, Colin F., Jennie Federici, Jean Fochetta, Clementine Gagliardi, Dennis Giammalvo, Tony Giampietro, John Joseph Gleeson, John Pierce Gleeson, Rosemarie & Joseph Guagenti, Gertrude Gwardjak, Christine Healy, Maria Hernandez, Henry J. Hinton, Steven Igllo, Marilyn Krajcik, Keri & Baby Tristan, Elaine Lazzeri, Susan Leone, James Leung, Patricia Lipari, William J. Litt, Tom Mercatante, Barbara Miller, John Myers, Angela Ottomanelli-Hubbs, Michael Palermo, Frank Palmenteri, Sebastian Panasci, Santo Pantina, Doris Pecchillo, Nino Pedone, Amelia Pepe, Josephine Profera, Vivian Puglissi, Joseph Questore, Recupero Family, Frances Russo, John Secreti, Remington Stafford, Rubie Anna Torall, 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 on **Friday, April 30, 2021.**



You are invited for the yearly Celebration of the

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

THIS SUNDAY, APRIL 11, 2021

with devotion from 2:00-3:00PM in Church

The celebration will include St. Faustina’s Way of the Cross, Eucharistic Exposition, St. Faustina’s Prayer for sinners, Recitation of the Chaplet of Divine Mercy, Recitation of St. Faustina’s Praises, Benediction, and Veneration of St. Faustina’s Relic.

There will be an opportunity for Confession immediately after the Service. Preparation for gaining Indulgence: Reception of Holy Communion that day, Sacrament of penance approximately two weeks prior or after Divine Mercy Sunday, and prayer for the intentions of the Holy Father.

Jesus, King of Mercy, We Trust In You.



Parents seeking Baptism for their children *who live within the territory of St. Helen Parish* are asked to register as members of the parish before requesting an initial interview for Baptism. Registration is easily done at the parish office anytime during business hours.

Parents seeking Baptism for their children *who live outside the territory of St. Helen Parish* are asked to obtain a letter from the parish in which they live authorizing the Baptism to take place at St. Helen.

Initial meetings with parents seeking Baptism for their children **who have already been born** will normally take place **on the second Wednesday of each month from 7:00–9:00PM and on the fourth Saturday of each month from 10:00AM–12:00PM.**

Upcoming Mornings of Preparation (Required Before a Baptism)

(All begin at the 11:00AM Mass and continue in the Msgr. McGinness Room): **May 23 — June 13 & 27**

Upcoming Schedule for Baptisms (All begin at 2:00PM): **May 23 — June 13 & 27**

Dates for the Morning of Preparation and Baptisms are the same for the convenience of the Celebrant. It is **strongly suggested** you plan on taking the Baptism class **prior** to the date of your child’s baptism.

Please call 718-738-1616 for more information and/or to schedule an appointment.



NYPD Rosary Rally

Saturday, April 17, 2021
11:30AM

157th Avenue
(in front of St. Helen Catholic Academy)

Bring a chair if needed!

Sponsorship Certificates: If you have been asked to be a godparent for baptism, or sponsor for Confirmation, you will need a Sponsorship Certificate form which can be completed by one of the priests or deacons **in the Church directly after any of the weekday morning or weekend Masses.** Appointments are not made for these at the Rectory. You must come yourself—you cannot send someone else to get the form for you.

BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND!

ST. HELEN CATHOLIC ACADEMY’S 2ND CHANCE



200 TO 1 RAFFLE!!



\$10,000 Grand Prize (\$100 per ticket)

Drawing will take place on
Friday, May 21, 2021 at 7:00PM

Live Streamed on
St. Helen RC Church Facebook Page

To purchase tickets or for additional information please call

**Maria Ford 718-344-1998 or
Diane Joseph 917-697-5351**

Tickets sold on a first-come first-served basis.

Only 200 tickets will be sold!



READINGS FOR THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

Reading I

Acts 4:32-35

The community of believers was of one heart and mind, and no one claimed that any of his possessions was his own, but they had everything in common. With great power the apostles bore witness to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great favor was accorded them all. There was no needy person among them, for those who owned property or houses would sell them, bring the proceeds of the sale, and put them at the feet of the apostles, and they were distributed to each according to need.

R. Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting.

Let the house of Israel say,
“His mercy endures forever.”

Let the house of Aaron say,
“His mercy endures forever.”

Let those who fear the LORD say,
“His mercy endures forever.” ***R.***

I was hard pressed and was falling,
but the LORD helped me.
My strength and my courage is the LORD,
and he has been my savior.

The joyful shout of victory
in the tents of the just: ***R.***

The stone which the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone.
By the LORD has this been done;
it is wonderful in our eyes.
This is the day the LORD has made;
let us be glad and rejoice in it. ***R.***



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Reading II

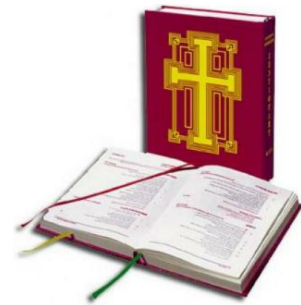
1 Jn 5:1-6

Beloved: Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ is begotten by God, and everyone who loves the Father loves also the one begotten by him. In this way we know that we love the children of God when we love God and obey his commandments. For the love of God is this, that we keep his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, for whoever is begotten by God conquers the world. And the victory that conquers the world is our faith. Who indeed is the victor over the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God? This is the one who came through water and blood, Jesus Christ, not by water alone, but by water and blood. The Spirit is the one that testifies, and the Spirit is truth.

Alleluia

R. *Alleluia, alleluia.*

You believe in me, Thomas,
because you have seen me, says the Lord;
Blessed are those who have not seen me,
but still believe! **R.**



Gospel

Jn 20:19-31

On the evening of that first day of the week, when the doors were locked, where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in their midst and said to them, "Peace be with you." When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. The disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained." Thomas, called Didymus, one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples said to him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands and put my finger into the nailmarks and put my hand into his side, I will not believe."

Now a week later his disciples were again inside and Thomas was with them. Jesus came, although the doors were locked, and stood in their midst and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands, and bring your hand and put it into my side, and do not be unbelieving, but believe." Thomas answered and said to him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you come to believe because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed." Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples that are not written in this book. But these are written that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that through this belief you may have life in his name.

CONGRATULATIONS to the following St. Helen Catholic Academy students on the Principal's List for the first marking period. To achieve this honor a student must attain an overall average of 95%.

Grade 5

Kassandra Albanese-Vasquez
 Scarlett Arango
 Cooper Byrne
 Rosalia Casillo
 Ava DiBenedetto
 Lilianna Fochetta
 Unjali Frank
 Matthew Godlewski
 Justin Greenberg
 Maria Longo
 Amelia Marrero
 Isabella Mihaila
 Olivia O'Connor
 Alexa Paziienza
 Alyssa Rajab
 Calogero Troia
 Francesca Trotta
 Alphonse Trucchio
 Gemma Vallely
 Lorelai Villalona

Grade 6

Julian Bravo
 Francesco Casillo
 Annabella Chinosi
 Alexa Chirico
 Nicholas Corozzo
 Gienna Fasano
 Isabella Krumdieck
 Hailey Limitone
 Sophia Maldari
 Alessia Mohan
 Emma Perlicki
 Gia Piccirillo
 Taylor Roesch
 Julia Spadaccini
 Amy Valic
 Katelyn Vargas



Grade 7

Alessia Arcabascio
 Ava Campanella
 Joseph Caracciolo-Vitale
 Jahnna Crasto
 Justine Fleming
 Alyssa Longo
 Sienna Martorella
 Joseph Mullaly
 Vanessa Parrales
 Olivia Pudlowski
 John Rodriguez
 Kaitlyn Rodriguez
 Tehya Ross
 Olivia Scarpitta
 Jayden Sturge
 Raymond Tomins
 Victoria Voli

Grade 8

Gabriella Alcaide
 Alisson Antunez
 Sofia Borg
 Michael Frank Casillo
 Gerardo DiBenedetto
 Julia DiPiazza
 Ilenia Graffagnino
 Kathleen Greenberg
 Anthony Hermann
 Andrea Salazar
 Sophia Tejada
 Jessica Tesoriero
 Julianna Troia

