

# FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



## THIS WEEK'S MASS INTENTIONS



### SUNDAY, MAY 8, 2022

- 8:00AM Mother's Day Novena
- 9:30AM Mother's Day Novena
- 11:00AM Mother's Day Novena
- 12:30PM Elaine Duca-Abrahams (Thomas Farrell)
- Maximino Guadalupe (Dylan A. & Family)
- Aurora Hidrobo (Loving Family)
- Maria & Gaspare Libranti (Loving Family)
- Vincent Libranti (Loving Family)
- Rosalia Macaluso (Casillo Family)
- Peter Tommasino (Spina Family)
- 5:00PM For The Parishioners

### MONDAY, MAY 9, 2022

- 9:00AM Mother's Day Novena

### TUESDAY, MAY 10, 2022 St. Damien de Veuster

- 9:00AM Mother's Day Novena

### WEDNESDAY, MAY 11, 2022

- 9:00AM Mother's Day Novena

### THURSDAY, MAY 12, 2022 Sts. Nereus, Achilleus & Pancras

- 9:00AM Mother's Day Novena

### FRIDAY, MAY 13, 2022 Our Lady of Fatima

- 9:00AM Mother's Day Novena

### SATURDAY, MAY 14, 2022 St. Matthias

- 9:00AM Mother's Day Novena
- 5:00PM Karl Albrecht (Peperone Family)
- Florence Cawley (Kenny Family)
- Josephine Cirelli (Lina Melisi)
- Francis Colamaria (Leone Family)
- Tomasz Gawrys (Anthony Delluomo)
- Marilyn Krajcik (Loving Sister)
- Yolanda Malone (Leone Family)
- Linda Messina (Peperone Family)
- Catello Punzone (Lillian Esposito)

### SUNDAY, MAY 15, 2022

- 8:00AM Rosaria Scardino (Loving Family)
- 9:30AM Maria Keevan (Loving Friend, Ann Ciullo)
- 11:00AM Jean & Aldovino Fochetta (Belmonte Family)
- 12:30PM Ida Colletti (Loving Family)
- Francis Colamaria (Albert Corkett)
- Rosalia Macaluso (Juana Erice)
- Carmella Picchioni (Steve Colletti)
- Dorothy Pizzo (Loving Family)
- Daniel Salegna (Angela & Pat Salegna)
- Adolph & Frances Zangrillo (Maguire Family)
- 5:00PM For The Parishioners



Carmine Fiorillo—Amelia Pepe  
Yolanda Reese—Donata F. Roberts



**THE ALTAR BREAD** for this week is donated in memory of **Dorothy Leibman**, requested by her loving family.

**THE ALTAR CANDLES** for this week are donated in memory of **Carmela Foti**, requested by **Vita & Fred**.

**New Families:** All are welcome to St. Helen Parish, and are asked to please register at the Rectory during office hours, or online at [www.sthelen.org](http://www.sthelen.org).

**Sacrament of Baptism:** Please call the Rectory to register for the baptism of your child. Baptisms will be held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month (no Baptisms during Lent).

**Sacrament of Confession:** Saturdays 12:30PM to 1:30PM.  
**Weekdays:** 15 minutes prior to the 9:00AM Mass.

**Sacrament of Marriage:** Couples should contact the Rectory at least **one year** in advance of the desired date. Please call for an appointment for the initial interview.

**Communion Calls:** Please call the Rectory to arrange for one of the priests to bring Holy Communion to a sick person who is confined to home due to a serious illness.

**Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick:** Anyone who expects to be hospitalized (or in an emergency) and wishes the Anointing of the Sick, should call the Rectory.



Amado Araneta, Joe Barreca, Anthony Barresi, Stella Barresi, Mary Battista, Barbara Bitetto, Mike Cabral, Loraine Cammarata, Daniel Campion, Kathleen Cassata, Shang Cheng, Mary Chiarello, Zena Cipolla, Lucille Claps, Rose Curti, Patrick Delaney, Domenic DellAnno, Domenica DeVito, Toni Ann Diaz, Virginia DiGangi, Mary Divers, Colin F., Jennie Federici, Clementine Gagliardi, Dennis Giammalvo, Tony Giampietro, John Joseph Gleeson, John Pierce Gleeson, Rosemarie & Joseph Guagenti, Frank Guerra, Gertrude Gwardjak, the Hagen Family, Christine Healy, Maria Hernandez, Henry J. Hinton, Genoveva Ibanez, Steven Iglio, Keri & Baby Tristan, Elaine Lazzari, Susan Leone, James Leung, William J. Litt, Tom Mercatante, Barbara Miller, John Myers, Angela Ottomanelli-Hubbs, Mary Palermo, Frank Palmenteri, Sebastian Panasci, Santo Pantina, Doris Pecchillo, Nino Pedone, Rosemarie Perl, Josephine Profera, Vivian Puglissi, Joseph Questore, Recupero Family, Maria Rivera, Joseph 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 **Friday, May 27, 2022**.



Don't forget to drop your 50-50 envelope in the collection basket! **Please, only \$1 per envelope! Good Luck To All!**

*To All Moms,  
For all you do and all you are,  
we are thinking of you  
with much love today!*

*Happy  
Mother's Day!*



## READINGS FOR THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

### Reading I

*Acts 13:14, 43-52*

Paul and Barnabas continued on from Perga and reached Antioch in Pisidia. On the sabbath they entered the synagogue and took their seats. Many Jews and worshipers who were converts to Judaism followed Paul and Barnabas, who spoke to them and urged them to remain faithful to the grace of God.

On the following sabbath almost the whole city gathered to hear the word of the Lord. When the Jews saw the crowds, they were filled with jealousy and with violent abuse contradicted what Paul said. Both Paul and Barnabas spoke out boldly and said, "It was necessary that the word of God be spoken to you first, but since you reject it and condemn yourselves as unworthy of eternal life, we now turn to the Gentiles. For so the Lord has commanded us, *I have made you a light to the Gentiles, that you may be an instrument of salvation to the ends of the earth.*"

The Gentiles were delighted when they heard this and glorified the word of the Lord. All who were destined for eternal life came to believe, and the word of the Lord continued to spread through the whole region. The Jews, however, incited the women of prominence who were worshipers and the leading men of the city, stirred up a persecution against Paul and Barnabas, and expelled them from their territory. So they shook the dust from their feet in protest against them, and went to Iconium. The disciples were filled with joy and the Holy Spirit.

### Responsorial Psalm

**R.**    *We are his people, the sheep of his flock.*

Sing joyfully to the LORD, all you lands;  
 serve the LORD with gladness;  
 come before him with joyful song. **R.**

Know that the LORD is God;  
 he made us, his we are;  
 his people, the flock he tends. **R.**

The LORD is good:  
 his kindness endures forever,  
 and his faithfulness, to all generations. **R.**



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### Reading II

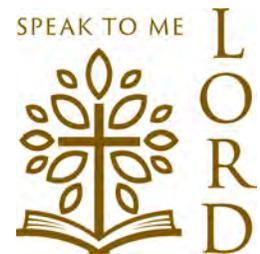
*Rev 7:9, 14b-17*

I, John, had a vision of a great multitude, which no one could count, from every nation, race, people, and tongue. They stood before the throne and before the Lamb, wearing white robes and holding palm branches in their hands. Then one of the elders said to me, “These are the ones who have survived the time of great distress; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

“For this reason they stand before God’s throne and worship him day and night in his temple. The one who sits on the throne will shelter them. They will not hunger or thirst anymore, nor will the sun or any heat strike them. For the Lamb who is in the center of the throne will shepherd them and lead them to springs of life-giving water, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.”

### Alleluia

I am the good shepherd, says the Lord;  
I know my sheep, and mine know me. **R.**



### Gospel

*Jn 10:27-30*

Jesus said:

“My sheep hear my voice;  
I know them, and they follow me.  
I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish.  
No one can take them out of my hand.  
My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all,  
and no one can take them out of the Father’s hand.  
The Father and I are one.”

**Are you new to St. Helen Parish?** If so, for easier and faster service **please register through our web-site at [www.sthelen.org](http://www.sthelen.org)**, or you may stop in at the Rectory for a registration card.

**If you are already registered, please, please help us by using the personalized bar-coded envelopes that are being sent to you, which will also ensure that you are being credited properly!**

*Thank You!*

**GOOD SHEPHERD STATUE**



We would like to thank **Frank Ladone**, 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.

The next **Holy Name Society** meeting will be held next **Sunday, May 15th**, after the 8AM Mass in the school cafeteria with a light breakfast. All men of the parish are invited to attend.



Many times people come to the Rectory inquiring about memorials they can give to a family who has lost a loved one. The following are available:

**Altar Bread, Altar Wine, Altar Candles or the Sanctuary Candle** in memory of a loved one for one week (\$50.00 each).

**Votive Candles** for one year (\$100.00).

**A plaque** permanently placed on the **Anniversary Wall** (\$350.00).

**For further information, you may either call or visit the Rectory.**



**The Knights of Columbus Hall**, 94-04 Linden Blvd., Ozone Park, NY, is **now available for rent for parties and functions!**

Hold your party with us. We can hold up to 50 people, and the rent is \$450.00. If you are a parishioner of St. Helen Church, we will discount to \$400.00! For more information, or to book your function, please call Charlie or Donald at (718) 843-9188.



**St. Helen will share in the profits! For each car, truck or van, running or not, The Society of St. Vincent de Paul will give back to our Church \$50/\$100 per vehicle. Call The Society today if you have a vehicle to donate!**



**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): June 12 & 26 — July 10 & 24***

**Upcoming Schedule for Baptisms**

***(All begin at 2:00PM): June 12 & 26 — July 10 & 24***

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.**

**St. Helen's  
Boy's Basketball 3 on 3 Spring League  
For Grades 5 – 7**

**Registration:**

**Wednesday May 11<sup>th</sup> & Thursday May 12<sup>th</sup>  
6:30 – 8:00 PM (at Father Dooley Hall)**

Cost: \$70.00 Per Player (Cash Only)  
6 Games and Playoffs

*Games will be played during the week.  
Days of games will be determined  
once teams are formed.*



**St. Helen's  
Girl's Basketball 3 on 3 Spring League  
For Grades 5 – 8**

**Registration:**

**Wednesday May 11<sup>th</sup> & Thursday May 12<sup>th</sup>  
6:30 – 8:00 PM (at Father Dooley Hall)**

Cost: \$70.00 Per Player (Cash Only)  
8 Games and Playoffs

*Games will be played during the week.  
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