

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



THIS WEEK'S MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2023

- 8:00AM George & Claire Cox
- 9:30AM Rose Pecorella (*Scelfo Family*)
- 11:00AM DeCrescenzo, Gennaro & Tremont Families (*Louis DeCrescenzo*)
- 12:30PM Maria Chiarenza (*Loving Son*)
Anna Maria Iannuzzo (*Melissa Palmaccio*)
Phyllis Miranti (*Loving Family*)
Marie Palmaccio (*Melissa Palmaccio*)
Matthew Pecorino (*Loving Family*)
Kevin Turner (*Steven Giusto*)
Anastasio Vavladelis (*Melissa Palmaccio*)
- 5:00PM For The Parishioners

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2023 9/11 ANNIVERSARY

- 9:00AM 9/11 Anniversary Mass

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2023 Most Holy Name of Mary

- 9:00AM Robert R. Keighron (*Loving Family*)

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2023 St. John Chrysostom

- 9:00AM Bernard Gallitelli (*Janet Gallitelli*)

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2023

- 9:00AM Victoria D'Amelio (*Alesio D'Amelio*)

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2023 Our Lady of Sorrows

- 9:00AM Julia Dimler (*Loving Daughter*)



Antonina Tambene—Jennifer Tubolino

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.

Sacrament of Baptism: Please call the Rectory to register for the baptism of your child. Baptisms will be held on the 2nd and 4th 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.

PLEASE NOTE: The Intentions for the next monthly Purgatorial Society Mass will be offered **Friday, Sept. 29, 2023.**

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2023 St. Peter Cornelius

- 9:00AM Shelli Steinberg (*Zdonowski Family*)
- 5:00PM Anna Berritto (*Gurino Family*)
Domenica DeVito (*James Pelser & Marie*)
Antoinette Fusco (*M/M Bongiorno*)
Rosemarie Guagenti (*Lauren Libretti*)
Timothy McCarthy (*Margaret Butler*)
Patricia Meadys (*Susan Bellon*)
Laura Belle Romano (*Thomas Farrell*)
Michele Sottile (*Carmela Maio*)
Ralph Trapasso (*Loving Family*)
Jimmy Vaccaro (*Sheila Gross*)

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2023

- 8:00AM George & Ann Papandrea
- 9:30AM Stefano Blandino (*Panduri Family*)
- 11:00AM Kazimieras Kerbedis (*Susan Getchell*)
- 12:30PM Ann Berritto (*Joe & Lorraine Trotta*)
John "Cubo" Cuminale (*Steve Giusto*)
Blas Ople, Jr. (*Galang Family*)
Susan Toots Ople (*Galang Family*)
Toti Ople (*Galang Family*)
Rose Pecorella (*Belmonte Family*)
Nicola Scivetti (*Emily DePalo*)
- 5:00PM For The Parishioners



Men's Ministry with Fr. Panicali
for men 18+, meets Thursdays at 7:00PM in the Rectory meeting room.
Rosary, fellowship, coffee.
Build your masculine Christian spirituality!

KEEP THEM IN YOUR PRAYERS

Florence Albrecht, Amado Araneta, Beatrice Arango, Carolyn Barbiero, Anthony Barresi, Stella Barresi, Mary Battista, Barbara Bitetto, Gail, Blanc, Helena Brophy, Mary Ann Camhi, Loraine Cammarata, Daniel Campion, Mary Chiarello, Zena Cipolla, Lucille Claps, Rose Curti, Domenic Dell'Anno, Toni Ann Diaz, Virginia DiGangi, Mark Esposito, Jennie Federici, Adeline Florio, Dawn Franceschetti, Clementine Gagliardi, Tony Giampietro, Florence Hauschild, Rosemarie & Joseph Guagenti, Gertrude Gwardjak, Christine Healy, Maria Hernandez, Henry J. Hinton, Genoveva Ibanez, Steven Igllo, Keri & Baby Tristan, Baby Peyton Krajcik, Elaine Lazzeri, Susan Leone, James Leung, William J. Litt, Tom Mercatante, Barbara Miller, Brenda Myers, 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, Remington Stafford, Rubie Anna Torall, Lynn Torres, Chrissie Tremblay, Paul Tremblay, Paul John Tremblay, Sr., Sr. Joanne Walters, Sonia Zeller.



MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

SEPTEMBER 22, 2023

This year the Padre Pio Mass will be celebrated by

Bishop Nicholas DiMarzio at 7:00PM

A candlelight procession outside of Church and veneration of his relic will follow (weather permitting).




Please join us on Thursdays at 3:00PM in Church to pray the special prayers to **The Devotion of 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.



All women of the Parish are invited to join the Rosarians at their first meeting **this Sunday, September 10th** after the 9:30AM Mass in the School Cafeteria. Light refreshments will be served.

RCIA Right of Christian Initiation of Adults
Any adult Catholic interested in receiving the Sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation, please contact the Rectory, as classes will begin in September. Any adult interested in becoming Catholic, please contact the Rectory as well to begin the process of initiation into the Catholic faith.

 **St Helen Holy Name Society** will be having their monthly meeting **this Sunday, September 10th** in Fr. Dooley Hall, immediately following the 8:00AM Mass. All men of the parish are invited to attend. Breakfast and prayer are served.

St. Helen's Support Group is open to new members. Twice a month (the 1st & 3rd Wednesday) we provide emotional and social support. We encourage the homebound parishioners to venture out from their home and spend a few hours with us. Please call Joan (718-848-9173) or Rosemary (718-738-4628) for more information.

ST. HELEN CYO BASKETBALL REGISTRATION

Open to boys & girls grades 2-8 

Sat. & Sun. 9/9 & 9/10: 1-4PM
Wed. & Thur. 9/13 & 9/14: 7-8:30PM
Wed. & Thur. 9/20 & 9/21: 7-8:30PM

Fee is \$200 with uniform (\$170 no uniform)
(Payment due at time of registration. Any registration received after 9/21 fee is \$225.)

Tryouts to determine skill knowledge will be held for players in grades 6, 7 & 8 after registration is complete.

Sweatshirts For Sale: Youth sizes \$35—Adult sizes \$40—Extended sizes: \$45. Limited quantities available.

For more info call Anthony Leone at (917) 494-9569 or email sthelencyobb@gmail.com

Religious Education Registration for 2023 - 2024



We are now registering children for the 2023 - 2024 school year; a parish registration number is required for all religious education registrations. The religious education registration form may be obtained online at the St. Helen's Parish website: sthelen.org. or you may email your request to: info@sthelensreled.org.

The program is available to children in kindergarten through 7th grade.

The registration fee for forms received or postmarked by July 14, 2023, is \$100 per child; the fee for forms submitted after July 14, 2023, will be \$125 per child. A copy of your child's baptism certificate is required for children not baptized at St. Helen. If you do not have one available, contact the rectory of the church where your child was baptized; most parishes take a couple of weeks to process a baptismal certificate. Place your request now so your registration for our program will not be delayed.

The registration form for children currently enrolled in our program was given out in class in early March. Parents wanting to enroll an additional child that was not previously attending the program must fill-out a new student registration form for that child.

If you have any concerns or questions, please contact us at 718-322-7700 or email us at: info@sthelensreled.org.

**ST. HELEN CATHOLIC ACADEMY
PRESENTS**

RADIO BINGO!

Hosted by DJs@work

Name That Tune Meets Bingo!

**Friday, September 29, 2023
7:00PM**

in Father Dooley Hall
Game starts promptly at 7:30PM

Adult Only Event

\$50 Per Person

*Includes Radio Bingo game cards,
Wraps, Chips, Cake, Water & Coffee*

Dancing!

Bring your own Beverages!

**To make reservations, or for more information
please contact Diane Joseph (917) 697-5351
or Maria Ford (718) 344-1998**

50/50!

Prizes!



Second Annual
ST. HELEN
5K

Family, Faith, Community

Presented By
ST. HELEN CATHOLIC ACADEMY

Run, walk, bike, all are welcome

Come enjoy local vendors on display before, during, and after the event

For questions for race registration, sponsorship or vendor registration, please call:

Billy Valley
646-208-2730

Diane Joseph
917-697-5351

Maria Ford
718-344-9118

10/7/23

9am in front of
 Father Dooley Hall

For info and to register for the event please visit:

www.eventbrite.com/e/st-helen-5k-2023-tickets-629333261727

Our Parish COMMUNITY

September 10, 2023

Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

Ezekiel 33:7-9 / Romans 13:8-10 / Matthew 18:15-20



Tweaked by God

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

While the Scripture readings this week remind us we are responsible for one another, do any of us really want someone serving as our conscience, telling us what to do? A national insurance company once aired a TV ad in which “Cynthia” takes it upon herself to make sure everyone was abiding by the established regulations of the subdivision. She checks to make sure everyone is breaking down cardboard, cuts down hanging flower baskets that are contrary to regulations, and takes a chainsaw to mailboxes that are even two inches too high.

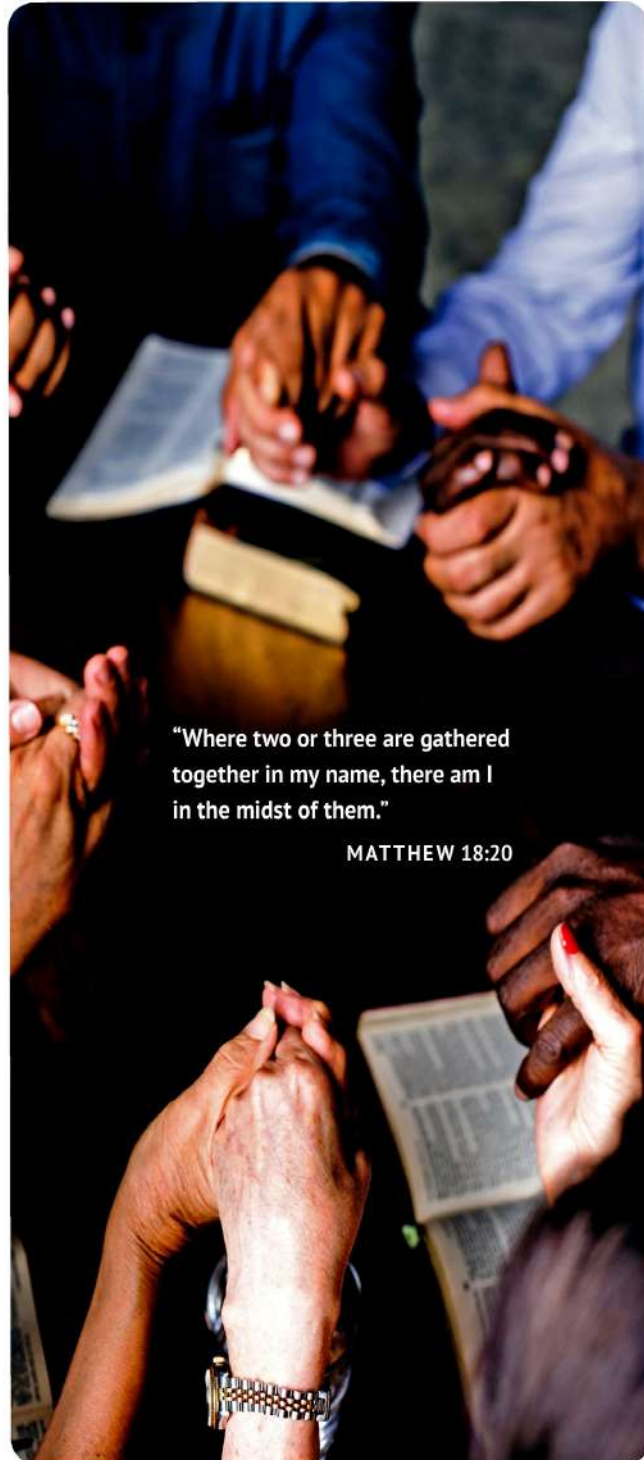
None of us want a “Cynthia” for a neighbor. It may be that it takes a community to raise a child, but once we have become adults—well, thanks but no thanks. So what do we do with these readings?

The Gospel adds the ingredient of community to the “cake batter.” Praying with a faith community can help correct our personal opinion, remind us what we might be blind to, and broaden our vision by affirming that we are a part of a larger world, all from the perspective of faith.

A faith community that reflects “Cynthia” thinking is a church that seeks to control. It motivates by fear, discourages prayerful reflection, and expects everyone to march in unison. A healthy faith community is a church that respects everyone as serious individuals of faith, encourages study and dialogue to seek out truth, and recognizes that growth in faith occurs in different ways. Prayerful, respectful communities of faith are how God tweaks our lives. ●

Reflect

What role does the faith community play in your religious practice and your spirituality?



“Where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them.”

MATTHEW 18:20