

# FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT



## THIS WEEK'S MASS INTENTIONS

### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2024

- 8:00AM George & Claire Cox
- 9:30AM Mary Grace & Thomas Guitian (*Loving Daughter, Deborah*)
- 11:00AM For The Parishioners
- 5:00PM Robert Anderson (*Debbie Marra*)
- Ludmila Benitez (*Loving Family*)
- Anna Bifulco (*Steve Giusto*)
- Katherine Clemente (*M/M Vincent Delio*)
- Anthony Giampietro (*Steve Giusto*)
- For The Intentions of C. Mannino (*Family*)
- Theresa Martinez (*Grace Cerrone & Edward Ojeda*)

### MONDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2024 PRESIDENTS' DAY

- 9:00AM Bitetto-Pepe Families (*Barbara Bitetto*)

### TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2024

- 9:00AM Angelina Weltick (*Loving Family*)

### WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2024 *St. Peter Damian*

- 9:00AM Christine Piotrowski (*Loving Daughters*)

### THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2024

- 9:00AM Rose Alfieri (*Marie & Michael Tretola*)

### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2024 *St. Polycarp*

- 9:00AM Purgatorial Society Mass

### SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2024

- 9:00AM Antonio Ariola (*Rita Ariola*)
- 5:00PM Anna Bifulco (*Vita Russo*)
- Jerry & Grace Calcagnile (*DiMaria Family*)
- Robert Cosentino (*Antal Family*)
- Benedetto Faulisi (*Faulisi Family*)
- Coraci & Dara Gaspare (*Loving Family*)
- Anthony Giampietro (*Linda DeSantis*)
- Eileen Pelligrini (*Davino & Barba Family*)
- James G. Ruane (*Rachele Sannino*)
- Santa Somma (*Loving Husband*)
- David Sullivan (*Susan & John Bellon*)

### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2024

- 8:00AM George & Ann Papandrea
- 9:30AM Enza Asaro (*Marie Terranova*)
- 11:00AM For The Parishioners
- 5:00PM Al Antino (*Loving Family*)
- Anna Bifulco (*Jean Bernardo*)
- Larry Falabella (*Sam Albano*)
- Bernice Holmes (*Jadeine & Kevin Donovan*)
- Grazia LoDuca (*William & Stephanie Marra*)
- Madeline S. Maltaghati (*Kristin Lavorino & Family*)
- Michael Nuzzi (*Jackie DeMaria*)
- Edward Vazquez (*Joanne Sobanko*)



Frank Ferrugi — Josephine Grimaldi  
John D. Perniciaro

**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.

**PLEASE NOTE:** The Intentions for the next monthly Purgatorial Society Mass will be offered **Friday, Feb. 23, 2024.**

**THE ALTAR BREAD & WINE** for this week are donated in memory of **Grazia LoDuca**, requested by **Grace Candela & Michelle DiBenedetto**.



**THE ALTAR CANDLES** for this week are donated in memory of **Marek Romańczyk**, requested by **The Wronowski Family**.

**THE SANCTUARY CANDLE** for this week is donated in memory of **Al Antino**, requested by **his loving family**.

**Please Note:** The Rectory office will be closed on **Monday, February 19th** in observance of Presidents' Day, and will reopen on Tuesday at 9:00AM.



Florence Albrecht, Amado Araneta, Beatrice Arango, Carolyn Barbiero, Joseph Barreca, Anthony Barresi, Stella Barresi, Mary Battista, Barbara Bitetto, Gail, Blanc, Helena Brophy, Mary Ann Camhi, Loraine Cammarata, 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, Florence Hauschild, Rosemarie & Joseph Guagenti, Gertrude Gwardjak, Christine Healy, Maria Hernandez, Henry J. Hinton, Genoveva Ibanez, Steven Igllo, Keri & Baby Tristan, Baby Peyton Krajcik, Dylan Labisi, Susan Leone, James Leung, Tom Mercatante, Barbara Miller, Brenda Myers, John Myers, Christine Noriega, Angela Ottomanelli-Hubbs, Cynthia Ottomanelli, Mary Palermo, Frank Palmenteri, Al Panasci, Santo Pantina, Doris Pecchillo, Nino Pedone, Rosemarie Perl, Josephine Profera, Vivian Puglissi, Theresa Quagliariello, Joseph Questore, Maureen Quinn, Recupero Family, Maria Rivera, Helen Rourke, Joseph Russo, Antoinette Sciuлло, Remington Stafford, Rubie Anna Torall, Lynn Torres, Chrissie Tremblay, Paul Tremblay, Paul John Tremblay, Sr., Sr. Joanne Walters, Sonia Zeller.

## **LENTEN SCHEDULE 2024**

**Stations of the Cross: With Benediction**      **Every Monday in Lent** at 12:30PM *(with School children)*  
**Every Friday evening** at 7:00PM

**Weekday Masses:**                      **Monday—Saturday:** 9:00AM

**Weekend Masses:**                      **Saturday** at 5:00PM  
**Sunday:** 8:00AM, 9:30AM, 11:00AM 5:00PM

**Confessions:**                              **Monday—Friday** at 8:45AM  
**Saturdays** 12:30-1:30PM, or by appointment (please call Rectory)

### **RECONCILIATION MONDAY: MARCH 25, 2024**

Throughout the N.Y. region, this day is set aside for the Celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) in preparation for Easter. Here at St. Helen, the opportunity for the Sacrament will be offered from **3:00PM thru 8:00PM**.

#### **Overcoming Hunger**

In Akwangagwel, Uganda, the climate is very hot & dry. Farmers in this region depend heavily on the rainy season for a successful harvest. But lately—due to the changing climate—the rain has been coming later than it used to and is more inconsistent. Sometimes, when it does rain, it causes flooding and ruins the crops. Learn how the farmers have taken the matter into their own hands using techniques they have learned from a Catholic Relief Services program. Visit [crsricebowl.org](http://crsricebowl.org) to read this week’s Story of Hope.

#### **Parish Lenten Mission**



Everyone is invited to attend a night of Lenten reflection with Al Barbarino on **Wednesday, February 28th** at 7:00PM in Church. Topics to be discussed:

- ◆ We Are The Church
- ◆ The True Presence of Christ in the Eucharist and Miracles
- ◆ Faith Versus Fear
- ◆ Our Lady’s Messages For These Times

*Please make plans to attend this enlightening evening!*

*Do you have a question you would like to have discussed at*



*Simply jot your question(s) below and drop it off at the Rectory or in the collection at Mass!*

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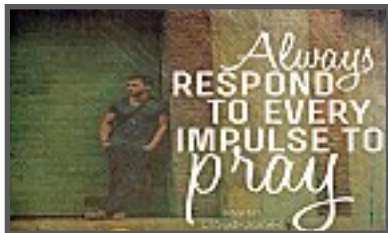


# ST. HELEN'S HOLY NAME SOCIETY



invites all men of the Parish to  
*A Day of Prayer & Recollection*  
Focusing on Great Men in the Bible

Come and Join us **Saturday, March 2, 2024** at  
**The Immaculate Conception Center**  
7200 Douglaston Parkway, Douglaston, NY



The Guest Speaker will be our own  
**Father Michael Panicali**

The cost, including both meals, is only **\$40.00**.

- ◆ Our Day will begin at **9:00AM** with a light breakfast.
- ◆ The First Session begins at **10:00AM**.
- ◆ Lunch will be served at **12:00PM**.
- ◆ The second session will continue at **1:15PM**.
- ◆ We will end the day with Holy Mass in the Bishop's Chapel.

For more information, contact Deacon Rick at 347-374-1722.

Please **RSVP** by filling out the form below and returning it with payment to the Rectory by **Monday, February 26, 2024**.

**St. Helen Holy Name Society Day of Prayer & Recollection**  
March 2, 2024 at the Immaculate Conception Center, Douglaston, NY

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

I Will Attend    Number of People in Party: \_\_\_\_\_    Amount Enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

## ST. HELEN PARISH PURGATORIAL SOCIETY MASS INTENTIONS FOR FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2024

Karl R. Albrecht (*Loving Wife*)  
 Karl R. Albrecht (*Loving Mom*)  
 All Souls in Purgatory (*Kathleen Cocchiola*)  
 The Aloise-Dabrowski Family (*Annette & Marty Gould*)  
 The Amato & Sannino Family (*Rachele Sannino*)  
 The Amendola & Migliaccio Families (*Loving Family*)  
 The Andrietta & Dantes Families (*Loving Family*)  
 Paul Auwarter (*Loving Wife Vita*)  
 Henry & Janis Auwarter (*Vita*)  
 Charles & Angela Barreca (*Loving Son & Daughter*)  
 Thomas A. Barreca (*Loving Brother & Sister*)  
 Mario & Angelina Barrella (*Loving Family*)  
 The Belulovich-Mattei-Salzano Family (*Loving Family*)  
 Gina Bender (*Loving Aunt*)  
 Frank W. Bitetto (*Barbara Bitetto*)  
 The Bongiorno & Rocco Family (*Loving Family*)  
 Paul Anthony Bono (*Mom & Dad*)  
 Maria Bournias (*Zena Basin*)  
 The Braganza Family (*Rachele Sannino*)  
 Michael Cabral (*Rachele Sannino*)  
 The Camelo & Basin Family (*Zena Basin*)  
 C. Joseph & Laura Chiarello (*Lois Chiarello*)  
 John Chiarello (*Mary Chiarello*)  
 Constance Chwalek (*Vita & Fred*)  
 Frank & Constance Chwalek (*Rachele Sannino*)  
 Marianina Fusco Cifone (*Tuttolomondo Family*)  
 Vi & Joseph Cimo (*Loving Niece*)  
 Josephine & Vincent Cirillo (*Rachele Sannino*)  
 Julius Cirillo (*Grandson & Family*)  
 The Francis Xavier Clinton Family (*Bernadette F. Clinton*)  
 Anthony J. Cocco (*Quagliariello & Madden Families*)  
 Francis & Claire Louise Colamaria (*Fr. Colamaria*)  
 The Corrigan-Vendittelli Family (*Loving Family*)  
 Roberto Cortes (*Loving Family*)  
 Gillio Costanzo (*Grandson & Family*)  
 Beth Ann Cuccurullo (*Loving Daughter, Grace*)  
 Emilia Cuttone (*Loving Niece*)  
 Vincent J. D'Amato (*D'Amato Family*)  
 Salvatore D'Angelo (*Loving Family*)  
 Patricia DeLeo (*Loving Sister*)  
 John DeRiso (*Loving Family*)  
 Concetta & Pasquale DeSantis (*Linda DeSantis*)  
 Raffaella & Joseph Digristina (*Loving Daughter, Chicki*)  
 Joseph Damian Digristina (*Loving sister, Chicki*)  
 Philip Digristina (*Loving Niece*)  
 Carol Digristina (*Loving Sis, Chicki*)  
 Carmela Digristina-O'Connell (*Loving Niece*)  
 Mary Divers (*Rachele Sannino*)  
 Sr. Maria Ercolano, OCD (*Barbara & Amelia*)  
 Giovanni Escobar Londono (*Loving Mother*)  
 Mary Faello (*Linda DeSantis*)  
 John & Anna Falco (*Loving Family*)  
 The Saverio Ferina Family (*Bernadette F. Clinton*)  
 Romeo Ferrante (*Marie & Richard Catalano*)  
 Louise & Vincent Festa (*Annette & Marty Gould*)  
 Giustina & Ralph Fiore (*Loving Granddaughter*)  
 William & Rose Fioto (*Barbara Bitetto*)  
 Frank Fogliano (*Loving Family*)  
 The Foti Family (*Loving Family*)  
 Phyllis Gaeta (*Bongiorno & Constrastano Family & Lisa*)  
 John T. & Marcella M. Gallagher (*Loving Family*)  
 Rev. William Gaughan, CM (*Deidre McVey*)  
 Giuseppe Geremia (*Nicole, Anthony & Lisa*)  
 Anthony T. Giampietro (*Loving Family*)  
 Margaret Giampietro (*Loving Family*)  
 Dorothy Giarratano (*Veda & Peter Concilio & Sherry*)  
 The Gidaro-Izzo Families (*Loving Family*)  
 The Giunta-Bernardo Family (*Jean Bernardo*)  
 The Giusto Family (*Steven Giusto*)  
 Theresa Giusto (*Linda DeSantis*)  
 The Gorycki Family (*Helen Repstad*)  
 Elizabeth & George Gould (*Annette & Marty*)  
 The Gwardjak & Kosinski Family (*Gwardjak*)  
 Richard Ingardia (*Joe & Lorraine Trotta & Family*)  
 Pasquale Izzo (*Loving Family*)

The Jaskot & Wolynski Family (*Joan Szatkowski*)  
 Eddie Juba (*Barbara Dorme*)  
 The Kerbedis-Pakenas Family (*Aukse & Robert*)  
 Elaine Larkin (*Rachele Sannino*)  
 Dominick & Angelina Librizzi (*Rosalie Librizzi*)  
 Timothy Liello (*Loving Family*)  
 Ana Lieske (*Fred & Vita*)  
 The Lumetta-MacDonnell Family (*Pauline Mantineo*)  
 Dr. Vito Luongo (*Rachele Sannino*)  
 Geraldine Madonia (*Loving Family*)  
 Justine Maguire & Daughter (*Deidre McVey*)  
 Jennie Maniscalco (*Loving Son & Family*)  
 Michael J. Mannarino (*Loving Granddaughter*)  
 Elvira Mastrosimone (*Linda, Lorraine & Madeline*)  
 Irma Medina (*Loving Family*)  
 Rose Menagh (*The Bitetto Family*)  
 The Miazga-Nervo-Togneri Family (*Loving Family*)  
 Alexander Miraglia (*Marie Miraglia*)  
 Rocco & Phyllis Miranti (*Loving Family*)  
 Lillian & Charles Monastero (*Vita Monastero*)  
 The Monastero-Iannuzzi Family (*Vita & Fred*)  
 Dorothy Montes (*Rachele Sannino*)  
 Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Mullalley (*Jane Orban*)  
 Mark Myers (*Loving Parents*)  
 Nicholas Louis Napolitano (*Loving Family*)  
 Jennie & Valentino Napolitano (*Loving Family*)  
 Krystyna Naprawa (*Friends & Coworkers*)  
 Richard Orban (*Jane Orban*)  
 Joan Mary Orban-Jones (*Orban Family*)  
 Joseph P. Ottomanelli (*Frank & Monica Ottomanelli*)  
 Joseph Pecorella (*Loving Family*)  
 Rose Ann Pecorella (*Pat & Florence Vastano*)  
 Matthew G. Pecorino (*Loving Family*)  
 Bobby Pepe (*Rachele Sannino*)  
 Dominick & Joseph Pepe (*Barbara Bitetto*)  
 Amelia Pepe (*Barbara Bitetto*)  
 The Pepe-Bitetto Family (*Barbara Bitetto*)  
 Sandy Pepitone (*Arlene, Diane, Laurie & Steve*)  
 Steve & Ann Petroglia (*Loving Niece*)  
 Mary & John Pristina (*Laura, Rita & Ray*)  
 Peter J. Pulomena (*Loving Wife*)  
 Joseph Quagliariello (*Quagliariello Family*)  
 Francis Vincent Rand (*Loving Family*)  
 Joanne Rebecchi (*Cynthia Ottomanelli*)  
 The Renschak-Trotta Family (*Loving Family*)  
 Helen Repstad (*Rachele Sannino*)  
 Fr. James Reynolds (*Rachele Sannino*)  
 Janina Romańczyk (*Quagliariello Family*)  
 Mr. & Mrs. Peter Rovtar (*Louise Rovtar*)  
 Frances Russo (*St. Helen Support Group*)  
 Lorraine Rystedt Cerulli (*The Urbina Family*)  
 Christine Ann Salegna (*Loving Parents*)  
 Maria & Luciano Sannino (*Rachele Sannino*)  
 Anthony J. Sassone (*Loving Family*)  
 Linda & James Scagnelli (*Loving Family*)  
 Dorothy Schmitt (*Loving Friend*)  
 Kay & Walter Schretzman (*John Schretzman*)  
 Frank T. Serpico (*Mom & Dad*)  
 Angelo Somma (*Loving Wife*)  
 Casimir Szatkowski (*Loving Family*)  
 Frank & Ann Tomitz (*Patricia*)  
 Maryann E. Tomitz (*Patricia*)  
 Jennifer Tubolino (*Michael & Stephanie Marrone*)  
 Margaret Tucci (*Loving Niece*)  
 Kevin Turner (*Joe & Lorraine Trotta & Family*)  
 Walter & Elizabeth Ujazdowski (*Quagliariello Family*)  
 Lorraine Vasquez (*Loving Husband, Fred*)  
 The Vasquez-Perez Family (*Vita & Fred*)  
 Carl Vigliarolo (*Loving Sister*)  
 Frank J. Vigliarolo (*Loving Daughter*)  
 Frances Vigliarolo (*Loving Daughter*)  
 Carmela & Rocco Vignola (*Loving Family*)  
 Eleanor & Joseph Visconti (*Vita & Fred*)  
 Dorothy Yap (*St. Helen Lectors*)  
 Phyllis Jean Zanghi (*Joe Barreca*)

St. Helen Catholic Academy  
Presents

# THE 13th ANNUAL CARD PARTY SPECTACULAR!

**WIN  
PRIZES**



**Friday, March 8th**

In Father Dooley Hall (Doors open at 6:00PM)

**\$50.00 Per Person**

Admission price includes 2 Bingo Cards,  
Specialty Pizza, Salad, Cake, Coffee, Tea & Water  
***Bring your own Drinks!!!***

\*No Food Items can be brought in the event\*

***Prizes to Win:***  
***Designer Bag Valued at***  
***\$1,500.00,***  
***\$1,000.00 Gift Card,***  
***Cash, and much more!***  
***Over 100 prizes!***

Additional Bingo Cards and Raffle Chances will be available for Purchase!

***Join us for an exciting evening of fun and games!***

**For tickets or additional information,  
please call Maria Ford at 718-344-1998 or Diane Joseph 917-697-5351.**

**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 home-bound 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.

The **Bereavement Group** will be held in the Rectory Meeting Room the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month from 4-6PM on **Feb. 13th, March 12th & April 9th**. In case of snow, meeting will be held the following week. This will be a safe place to share your thoughts, feelings and get support through this most difficult time of loss. Coffee/tea and pamphlets will be available. Coordinator, Lorraine Rose.



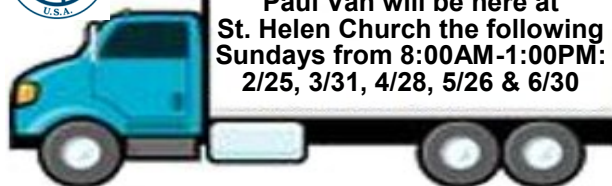
**Men's Ministry with Fr. Panicali**  
for men 18+, meets Thursdays at 7:00PM  
in the Rectory meeting room.



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.

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

**50/50  
RAFFLE**



**For your ongoing clothing donations, the St. Vincent de Paul Van will be here at St. Helen Church the following Sundays from 8:00AM-1:00PM: 2/25, 3/31, 4/28, 5/26 & 6/30**

If you miss any of these dates you may also call St. Vincent de Paul at (917) 226-8691.