Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time



SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2021

8:00AM George & Claire Cox

- 9:30AM Geraldine Gonzalez (Loving Family)
- 11:00AM Jean LeFavi (Rosalie Librizzi) 12:30PM Angela & Walter Flesche (Yvonne Flesche)

Dominic Manieri (Mike Howard) Amelia Marino (Scelfo Family) Carmen Nunez (Haiffa & Irene Vizoso) Matthew Pecorino (Scelfo Family) Geraldine Taliercio (Josephine Massino & Fam.) Antoinette Turrigiano (Vita Monastero) 5:00PM For The Parishioners

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2021 St. John Chrysostom 9:00AM Agatina Spitale (Connie Tardi & Family)

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2021 9:00AM Victoria D'Amelio (Vincent D'Amelio)

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2021 9:00AM Decd. Members of St. Helen Support Group

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2021 Sts. Cornelius & Cyprian 9:00AM Rosa & Salvatore Gambino (Loving Family)

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2021 St. Robert Bellarmine 9:00AM Julia Dimler (Julie Dimler)



Gerard Buonincontri—Anna Cabibi Joseph Catapano—Carol Digristina Maurice Puleo

THE ALTAR BREAD for this week is donated in memory of **Frank T. Serpico**, requested by **his loving family.**

THE ALTAR CANDLES for this week are donated in memory of **Agatina Spitale**, requested by **Connie Tardi & Family.**



Please join us on Mondays at 3:30PM 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.

<u>PLEASE NOTE</u>: The Intentions for the next monthly Purgatorial Society Mass will be offered next Friday, September 24, 2021.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2021

9:00AM Frank Fahy (Kathleen Fahy) 5:00PM Amando Buono (M/M Antonio Como) Antonia DeLeon (Susan Polvorosa) Ralph Fiore (Linda DeSantis) Frank LaBoccetta, Jr. (Calcagnile Family) Emma Lynch (Auber Family) Rosemary Montanino (William Pazienza) Linda Parolisi (Josephine Parolisi) Antoinette Turrigiano (Phyllis Digristina) Vito Valentinetti (Yvonne Flesche) Joan Younghese (Toby & Gerald Bekerman)

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2021

8:00AM George & Ann Papandrea 9:30AM Lisa Lasorsa (Loving Family) 11:00AM Taranto Families (Loving Family) 12:30PM John J. Barone (Loving Family) Rose Marie DeBari (Leone Family) Fidelina DeSoto LaPaix (Patti Stola) Carmela Mosti (Furman Family) Andrija Stipanovic (Salvatrice & Ivo Stipanovic) Antoinette Turrigiano (Leone Family) Antoinette Turrigiano (Rosary for Peace Group) 5:00PM For The Parishioners

Karl Albrecht, Amado Araneta, Joe Barreca, Anthony Barresi, Stella Barresi, Mary Battista, Barbara Bitetto, Mike Cabral, Michael Calamia, Connie Camelliri, Daniel Campion, Sally Capoziello, Shang Cheng, Mary Chiarello, Zena Cipolla, Lucille Claps, Patrick Delaney, 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, Gertrude Gwardjak, Christine Healy, Maria Hernandez, Henry J. Hinton, Steven Iglio, 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, Mary Palermo, Frank Palmenteri, Sebastian Panasci, Santo Pantina, Doris Pecchillo, Nino Pedone, Amelia Pepe, Rosemarie Perl, Josephine Profera, Vivian Puglissi, Joseph Questore, Recupero Family, John Secreti, Remington Stafford, Rubie Anna Torall, Lynn Torres, Chrissie Tremblay, Paul Tremblay, Paul John Tremblay, Sr., Sr. Joanne Walters.



For the month of October, St. Helen' Food Pantry has once again been selected to receive a \$1 donation for every \$10.99 Bloomin' 4 Good Bouquet (with the red circle sticker as shown) sold at the store located at 15601 Crossbay Blvd. Your participation in this en-

deavor will greatly help those in need in our community!



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



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): Oct. 10 & 24-Nov. 14

Upcoming Schedule for Baptisms (All begin at 2:00PM): Oct. 10 & 24-Nov. 14

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.

Adult Confirmation AND BECOMING CATHOLIC



Any adult who has not received the Sacraments of Eucharist or Confirmation and desires to do so, please contact the Rectory to set an appointment with Father Colamaria.

Any Adult who is curious about becoming Catholic, or to be received into the Church, is invited to contact the Parish office at 718-738-1616.

Any and all questions about Adult Sacraments can be made at any time, but September is an important deadline for the beginning of classes for Sacraments to be received in 2022.

St. Helen's Secular Franciscans sponsors a Rosary for World Peace every Tuesday at 6:30PM in Church. All are welcome and encouraged to offer decades in other languages.



Many times people come to the Rectory inquiring about memorials they can give to a *CMOU* 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.

Religious Education 2021-2022



It is with great joy we let you know that the St. Helen Religious Education classes for school year 2021-22 will be held IN PERSON. Classes will begin the week of October **25, 2021**, and will take place in the school building (83-09 157th Avenue; Howard Beach, NY) at the following times:

Monday, October 25: Wednesday, October 27: Thursday, October 28:

7:00PM - 8:15PM: Grades, 6, 7 & RCIC 3:30PM - 4:45PM: Grades, K, 1, 2 & 3 3:30PM - 4:45PM: Grades, 4 & 5

NOTE: This is dependent upon CDC & Diocesan guidelines pertaining to any possible restrictions. We look forward to seeing you in person in the fall! Please check your email regularly for further details.

SUNDAY READINGS FOR THE 24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Reading I Is 50:5-9a

The Lord GOD opens my ear that I may hear; and I have not rebelled, have not turned back. I gave my back to those who beat me, my cheeks to those who plucked my beard; my face I did not shield from buffets and spitting. The Lord GOD is my help, therefore I am not disgraced; I have set my face like flint, knowing that I shall not be put to shame. He is near who upholds my right; if anyone wishes to oppose me, let us appear together. Who disputes my right? Let that man confront me. See, the Lord GOD is my help; who will prove me wrong?

Responsorial Psalm

R. I will walk before the Lord, in the land of the living.

I love the LORD because he has heard my voice in supplication, Because he has inclined his ear to me the day I called. *R*.

The cords of death encompassed me; the snares of the netherworld seized upon me; I fell into distress and sorrow, And I called upon the name of the LORD, "O LORD, save my life!" *R*.

Gracious is the LORD and just; yes, our God is merciful.The LORD keeps the little ones; I was brought low, and he saved me. *R*.

For he has freed my soul from death, my eyes from tears, my feet from stumbling.I shall walk before the LORD in the land of the living. *R*.

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SUNDAY READINGS FOR THE 24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Reading II Jas 2:14-18

What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if someone says he has faith but does not have works? Can that faith save him? If a brother or sister has nothing to wear and has no food for the day, and one of you says to them, "Go in peace, keep warm, and eat well," but you do not give them the necessities of the body, what good is it? So also faith of itself, if it does not have works, is dead. Indeed someone might say, "You have faith and I have works." Demonstrate your faith to me without works, and I will demonstrate my faith to you from my works.

Alleluia

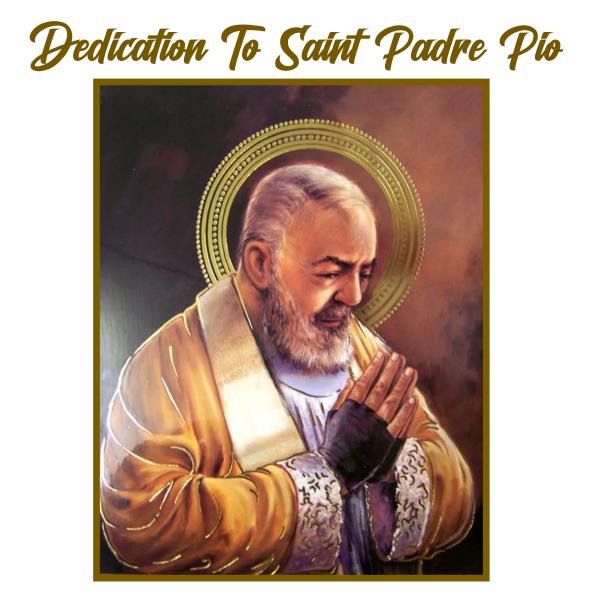
R. Alleluia, alleluia.

May I never boast except in the cross of our Lord through which the world has been crucified to me and I to the world. **R**.



Gospel *Mk* 8:27-35

Jesus and his disciples set out for the villages of Caesarea Philippi. Along the way he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that I am?" They said in reply, "John the Baptist, others Elijah, still others one of the prophets." And he asked them, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter said to him in reply, "You are the Christ." Then he warned them not to tell anyone about him. He began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer greatly and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and rise after three days. He spoke this openly. Then Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. At this he turned around and, looking at his disciples, rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan. You are thinking not as God does, but as human beings do." He summoned the crowd with his disciples and said to them, "Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me. For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and that of the gospel will save it."



All are warmly invited and welcomed to honor St. Padre Pio's life and sainthood. In commemoration of St. Padre Pio, Mass will be celebrated at **7:30PM on Thursday, September 23rd**.

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

St. Pio of Pietrelcina, pray for us.

REMEMBER TO MARK YOUR CALENDAR!