

# St. Helen Church



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Opened - October 2, 1938

Est. as a Parish - January 1, 1986

**Pastor:** Rev. Krzysztof Szczepanik

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## Office hours:

Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday 10:00am - 2:00pm  
Closed on Monday & Thursday and all Statutory holidays

**Website:** [www.sthelenscatholic.ca](http://www.sthelenscatholic.ca)

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## Sunday Masses:

Saturday: 5:00pm  
Sunday: 9:00am & 11:00am

## Weekday Masses:

Tuesday - Friday: 9:00am  
(unless otherwise posted in the bulletin)

## Adoration:

Daily after morning Mass weekdays

## Sacraments

### Baptism:

Sundays at 12:30pm  
Call parish office.

### 1st Communion & Confirmation

Contact the Parish Office.

### Reconciliation:

Every Saturday 4:00pm - 4:30pm or by  
appointment with the priest.

### Marriage:

Arrangements six months in advance.  
Marriage preparation is required.

### RCIA & RCIC:

Contact the Parish Office.

### Anointing of the Sick:

Please let us know when someone has  
a serious or prolonged illness or is to  
have surgery. This sacrament  
celebrates the healing of mind and  
body and the forgiveness of sins.

### Catholic Funeral Rites:

When a death occurs in your family,  
please call the Parish Office and we  
will assist you in making the  
necessary liturgical arrangements.

### Chronic Care Facilities:

Pastoral visits are made monthly.  
Reception of Holy Communion is  
available to residents.

### Homebound:

Notify the Parish Office when serious  
illness occurs. When the sick, aged or  
incapacitated are confined to home for  
an extended time, pastoral visit can be  
arranged.

## Schools

### St. Mark School

Principal: Jennifer DeCoff  
Vice-Principal: Joe Tolomeo

### St. Edward School

Principal: Maria Romano

## Contacts

### Music Ministry:

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### Prayer Warriors/Requests:

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*Kindly complete the following and place in the collection box.*

*Envelopes will be on the round table in the foyer the following weekend.*

New Parishioner\*

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to use offertory envelopes\*

Change of address

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Moving

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

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# 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B

## June 30, 2024

### Mass Intentions July 2 - July 7, 2024

As we gather, let us remember and pray for . . .

Tue.~	.....	July 2nd
9:00am	+ Maurice Charbonneau <i>(by Nancy Winslow)</i>	
Wed. ~	..... <b>St. Thomas, Apostle.....</b>	<b>July 3rd</b>
9:00am	+ Wally Waselovich <i>(by Rose &amp; John Luppino)</i>	
Thurs.~	.....	July 4th
9:00am	+ Herman Lemmen <i>(by Yvonne MacNiven)</i>	
Fri.	.....	July 5th
9:00am	+ Margaret Daoust <i>(by Marilyn Daoust Savoie)</i>	
Sat.	.....	July 6th
9:00am	Pro Populo Dei	
5:00pm	+ Mary Viscek <i>(by Anna Ricciotti)</i>	
Sun.	.....	July 7th
10:00am	+ Pietro & Ursula Elia + Michael & Olga D'Alessio <i>(by Louis &amp; Connie Elia)</i>	

### OUR PARISH PRAYER

Jesus, open our hearts, enabling us to embrace your teachings and to love one another. Holy Spirit, lift us and lead us, deepening our desire to serve God through serving each other. Amen.

### POPE FRANCIS' JULY INTENTION

*For the pastoral care of the sick*

We pray that the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick confer to those who receive it and their loved ones the power of the Lord and become ever more a visible sign of compassion and hope for all.

**PREAUTHORIZED DEBIT (PAD)** is offered for our Mortgage Debt Reduction. If you are interested in using this convenient way to make your offerings to the church, please fill the card which you can find in the pew or call the parish office directly. These donations are processed once a month, on or about the 15th of each month.



This week the Sanctuary Lamp burns in memory of

**JOHN PACHEREVA**

The Sanctuary Lamp burns to remind us of Christ's presence in the Blessed Sacrament of the altar.

### SANCTUARY LAMP

We have an opening for the Sanctuary Lamp for **July 14 & 28 and August 4, 11 & 25**. If you would like to book the lamp in memory of your loved one or any intention please contact the office sooner rather than later as the year is filling up. Cost is \$35.00 per week.

### ST. HELEN PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

St. Helen Parish Pastoral Council meets 4 times a year. The members are: *Anthony van Engelen, Marcel & Carol van Ruyven, Rebecca Williams, Veronica Haining, Kelly Burns, Loredana Pijl, Georgina Belanger.*

To have an input or to hear from the parishioners PPC did set up the box at the office window where you can drop off any suggestions/ideas you might have. Thank you for your engagement.

**CATHOLIC ENGAGED ENCOUNTER (CEE)** is a Diocesan-approved marriage preparation program that provides quality marriage preparation in a weekend retreat format. The weekend is open to any engaged couple wanting to prepare for a deeper, more meaningful life together and who are considered free to marry according to the teachings of the Roman Catholic Church. The current CEE weekend schedule for the Diocese of St. Catharines is **September 13-15, 2024** at Jericho House (10845 Rathfon Rd, Port Colborne). The cost is \$425.00 which includes all administration fees, accommodations, and meals. Please visit [www.ceeast.org](http://www.ceeast.org) for more info and to register.



### THURSDAY MORNING BINGO

In the St. Helen Church Hall  
4106 Mountain Rd., Beamsville, ON  
Doors open at 10:00am, Bingo games start at 11:00am  
Delicious Lunch Available

### FRIDAY EVENING BINGO

Pizza available at 6pm, games start at 7:00pm

## 13TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Through the devil's envy, death entered the world. (*Wis 1*)  
Your present abundance should cover their needs. (*2 Cor*)  
Little girl, get up! (*Mk 5*)



This coming week we are celebrating **FIRST THURSDAY** (Holy Name of Jesus), **FIRST FRIDAY** (Sacred Heart of Jesus) and **FIRST SATURDAY** (Immaculate Heart of Mary). Adoration and litany will follow **9:00am** Mass. Sacrament of Reconciliation available afterwards.

### SAINT MICHAEL CATHOLIC MEN'S SPEAKER SERIES

Gentlemen of all ages are invited to attend a spiritual talk & activity designed to strengthen our faith; a social hour with refreshments will follow.

**Tuesday July 16 at 7:30pm @** Cathedral of St. Catharine of Alexandria (67 Church Church St. St. Catharines) with Fr. Paul McDonald.

- Our Lady's "Sacrament"
- Under the mantle of Her protection
- Blessing and conferral of the Brown Scapular
- Invite your wife & children; open to everyone
- Bring scapulars to have blessed

### SECRETARY POSITION FOR ST. HELEN


St. Helen Parish is looking to hire a part time secretary. Post-secondary education preferred. The successful candidate should have a good understanding and respect for Catholic doctrine. Requirements include good language and organizational ability as well as knowledge of Microsoft Word, Excel and Windows. Some IT knowledge would be a great asset to that position as well. Please send resume to parish office at [office@sthelenscatholic.ca](mailto:office@sthelenscatholic.ca).

### WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY

The **IV World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly** will be celebrated on Sunday, **July 28, 2024**. The theme chosen by the Holy Father – **"Do not cast me off in my old age"** (Psalm 71:9) – is meant to call attention to the fact that, sadly, loneliness is the bitter lot in life of many elderly persons, so often the victims of the throw-away culture. By cherishing the charisms of grandparents and the elderly, and the contribution they make to the life of the Church, we seek to forge bonds between the generations and to combat loneliness. As Scripture states – **"It is not good for man to be alone"** (Gen 2:18)

### VIRTUAL SUMMER BOOK CLUB: THE ROCKING CHAIR PROPHET

You are invited to join in a Virtual Summer Book Club. The featured novel is *The Rocking Chair Prophet* by Matthew Kelly. Using this beautiful story of transformation, participants will reflect and share their own experiences of faith through the lens of the novel's plot, characters and themes, while learning the art of witness and testimony. Two sessions are being planned - one in July and the other in August; each with two opportunities to share your thoughts. Free to join but limited by the novels available. Register at <https://forms.gle/zCSzjwr1hUdneyLH8If> if you have questions, please contact Book Club organizer, Terri Pauco from the Family and Youth Office by phone at 905 684 0154, #209 or email, [familyandyouth@saintcd.com](mailto:familyandyouth@saintcd.com)



Like the wailing mourners at the little girl's bedside, we sometimes resign ourselves to defeat as the regular order of things, to death as the logical conclusion. In the healings of Jairus' daughter and the hemorrhaging woman, Jesus shows us the life and hope we can bring into our world through the providence of God and the goodness everyone possesses.

For many moms and dads, their joys and dreams are inextricably linked to their children's. Jairus, in today's Gospel, is just such a dad: to save his beloved daughter, Jairus does not hesitate to risk his standing in the community and career to approach the controversial rabbi reputed to work wonders. A parent's complete and unconditional love is the very reflection of the love of God in our midst.

The "touch of Jesus' cloak" can be experienced in a simple act of generosity or a kind word offering forgiveness.

Jairus' love for his daughter enables him to risk his considerable standing in the community to approach the controversial rabbi Jesus. Through such complete and unconditional love – like the love of God our Father for us, his children – we can lift up the fallen, heal the sick and suffering and restore life to the dead.

The sick woman realizes not only the power Jesus possesses but also the depth of his compassion and love for her. To possess her depth of faith compels us to seek God and realize God's presence – especially when God seems most absent.

The hemorrhaging woman counts for little in the social structure of her time; her problems and illness elicit neither concern nor care from those around her. Her hemorrhages, in fact, mark her as unclean, someone to be avoided. But the "power" of Jesus transcends the woman's isolation. Our embracing of that same compassion and peace enables us to seek out the needy, the lost and despairing in our midst.

### WELCOME

Through the celebration of the Sacrament of Holy Baptism we welcome to St. Helen Parish Family our new member:

**MATEO PETER ANDREW IZZO**



May God bless you as you begin this beautiful spiritual journey with our Lord and Saviour Jesus.



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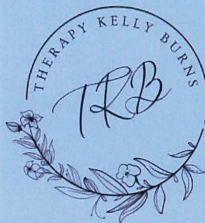


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