## St. Helen Church



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Est. as a Parish - January 1, 1986

Pastor: Rev. Krzysztof Szczepanik Book keeping: Lidia Molinaro

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#### Office hours:

Monday: 10:00am - 12:00pm Tuesday - Friday: 10:00am - 2:00pm

Closed all Statutory holidays

Website: www.sthelenscatholic.ca

## **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.

#### **Chronic Care Facilities:**

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

#### **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.

#### 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: Angela Villella

#### St. Edward School

Principal: Jeff Moccia

#### **Contacts:**

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#### **Prayer Warriors/Requests:**

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#### **Parish Pastoral Council:**

Chairperson: Anthony van Engelen st.helen.ppc@gmail.com

Envelopes will be on the round table in the foyer the following weekend.			
☐ New Parishioner*	☐ Change of address	☐ Moving	
Name	Phone	E-mail	
Address		City	
☐ I would like to use offertory envelopes*		<b>Postal Code</b>	

## 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B **November 10, 2024**

Mass Intentions November 12- November 17, 2024 As we gather, let us remember and pray for . . .

..St. Josaphat, Bishop & Martyr... Nov. 12th Tue.~ 9:00am In Honour of Padre Pio (by Giuseppina Elia) 12:00pm St. Mark School Mass ......St. Frances Xavier Cabrini.... Nov. 13th Wed. ∼ + Gerard McMillan 9:00am (by Angus Reid) **12:00pm** + Tony D'Archi (by Anna D'Archi) Thurs.~ 9:00am + Restituto Francisco Flores (by Carmel, Aurelia Borg & family) Nov. 15th Fri. ~ + Kay Coady 10:00am (by Mary O'Gorman - Sankar) Menno Sat. ~ 5:00pm Pro Propulo Dei Sun. ~ 9:00am + Anita Crevatin (by Maria & John Crevatin) 11:00am + Peter Paszynski (by Paszynski Family)

#### PRAYER FOR OUR PRIESTS

Lord Jesus Christ, You love Your church and those called to share your priesthood. With our love and prayers, we join You in asking our Heavenly Father to continue to pour out His gifts of holiness, compassion and ardent zeal on your priests everywhere. Inspire each of them to offer his life as an "Ambassador of Christ," bringing reconciliation and healing to the world.

Mary, Mother of all Priests, inspire us to live in peace and joy and pray this prayer with us. Amen.

#### REMEMBRANCE DAY NOVEMBER 11TH



Canadians pause today in silence to remember those who died in war and to pray for the victims of aggression and inhumanity throughout the world. This is a day to pray for peace and for those who gave their lives in war, for the Armed

Forces of Canada and for those who work for peace. We should consider what we are doing as individuals, as a community and as a nation to bring God's peace into the world. This is a day when a believing community should rededicate itself by prayer and action to the ideals Jesus gives us in the Beatitudes.

This week the Sanctuary Lamp burns in memory of

#### **DECEASED MEMBERS OF BURNS FAMILY**

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

#### SANCTUARY LAMP

If you would like to book the lamp in memory of your loved one or any intention for 2025, please contact the office. Cost is \$35.00 per week.

#### **DIOCESAN SEPARATED & DIVORCED HEALING MINISTRY SUPPORT GROUP**

We meet every second and fourth Monday at Mt. Carmel Spiritual Centre. Next session will be Monday, November 11 from 7:00 to 9:00 pm - Topic: Working Through Anger. For more information please call 905-356-4113 or email: separateanddivorced@saintcd.com.

#### POPE FRANCIS' NOVEMEBER INTENTION

For anyone who has lost a child:

We pray that all parents who mourn the loss of a son or daughter find support in their community and receive peace and consolation from the Holy Spirit.

#### CWL WARMVEMBER

All parishioners are welcome to participate in our Warmvember efforts to provide unused mitts, gloves, toques, scarves and hats to the needy. Drop-off basket can be found in the front of the church office.





#### 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

#### 32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The widow made a little cake and brought it to Elijah (I Kings 17)

Christ appeared once for all to remove sin by the sacrifice of himself. (Hebrews 9)

The poor widow has put in more than all the rest *Mark 12* 



The kingdom of God is realized only in our embracing Christ's spirit of servanthood: servanthood that finds fulfillment and satisfaction in the love, compassion

and kindness we can extend to others, that enables us to place the common good and the needs of others above our own wants and narrow interests.

Greatness in the reign of God is not measured by what is in our portfolios, bank accounts or resumes, but by the love in our hearts that directs the use and sharing of those

The faithful discipline honours the dignity of the servant above the power of the rich, canonizes humility over celebrity and is inspired by the total generosity of the widow rather than the empty gestures of the scribe.

The widow's "reckless" giving from her poverty rather than from her abundance challenges our concept of carefully planned, tax deductible, convenient and painless giving. Jesus' concept of charity is centered in the kind of total and unconditional love that makes such sacrificial giving a joy.

In the economy of God, numbers are not the true value of giving: it is what we give from our want, not from our extra, that reflects what we truly value, what good we actually want to accomplish, what we really want our lives and world to be.



#### HOSANNA CHRISTMAS CHOIR CONCERT

Come celebrate Christmas with 120+ voices - Hosanna Christmas Concert in support of Choose Life Niagara and Clarity Pregnancy Options, Friday, November 15 at 7:30pm, Zion Free Reformed Church, 1075 Boyle Road, Fenwick. Refreshments, freewill offering.

#### **SUNDAY MISSALS 2025**

Missals for 2025 liturgical year are available for purchase this coming week/weekend either at the office or after Mass. Cost is \$5.00 Limited number available.



At all the Masses during the month of November, we will pray for the souls of our loved ones. Use the **Remembrance Envelope** to submit the names of the deceased for whom you wish parish prayers and Masses offered. (Extra envelopes available on the round table.) **CLEARLY** print the names of the deceased loved ones and friends on the envelope and drop it in the collection box or bring it to the parish office.

#### ANNUAL DEO GRATIAS COLLECTION



Deo Gratias This weekend, our parish is taking up "Thanks be to God" special collection for our priests' retirement, **Deo Gratias**. This collection will support the Clergy Aid Society,

which provides a monthly benefit as well as health insurance to priests at age 75. As you may know, the retirement years can be difficult for our retired priests. No longer supported by their parish communities, they rely on minimal CPP benefits and Old Age Security, along with their benefit from the Clergy Aid Society to pay for basic needs including food, rent, and car expenses. Please show your gratitude to those priests who have cared for and ministered to our community by prayerfully reflecting on how you can best help support our priests' retirement with a gift to the **Deo Gratias** special collection. You may return your special collection envelope at Mass or to the parish office.

#### **OUR CONDOLENCES**

Our condolences and prayers are extended to the family and friends who mourn the loss of:

#### JOSEPHINE KOZLOWSKI

Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. May she rest in peace.

#### <u>ANNUAL TURKEY ROLL UPDATE</u>

A huge **THANK YOU**, to the entire fundraising committee and all the parish and community volunteers who worked tirelessly and joyfully to execute this event! Planning meetings were fun, comradery was wonderful and the team's efforts were well rewarded with the witness to people having a good time at the Turkey Roll. Great thank you to all who donated items to our Silent Auction table. See you in 2025!

#### PRAYER TEAM / WARRIOR



To become a member of this ministry or to submit your prayer request, please contact sandbmac@gmail.com

#### **CWL MEMBERS**

Nominations for a new Executive are underway. Please watch for your information package. Completed forms may be dropped off at the church in the box at front office.



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