St. Helen Church



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Est. as a Parish - January 1, 1986

Pastor: Rev. Krzysztof Szczepanik

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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:

Name

Address

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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Parish Pastoral Council:

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

	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*	☐ Change of address	□ Moving

☐ I would like to use offertory envelopes*

Sixth Sunday In Ordinary Time - Year C February 16, 2025

Mass Intentions February 18 -23 2025 As we gather, let us remember and pray forFeb. 18th Tue.∼ 9:00am + Tim Turner (by Bonehill Family) Feb. 19th Wed. ∼ 9:00am + Elsa Ansari (by Barua Family) Thurs.~ Feb. 20th + Barbara Hack 9:00am (by Coleen Drake) Fri. + James Morrison Feb. 21st (by Angus Reid) Menno Sat. ~Chair of St Peter, the Apostle.... Feb. 22nd **5:00pm** + Compagnone Deceased Members (by Giuseppe & Lina Compagnone) Feb. 23rd Sun. ~ 9:00am Pro populo Dei 11:00am + Jim Atkinson (by Jean Barlow)

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 he parish office directly. These donations are processed once a month, on or about the 15th of each month.

POPE FRANCIS' FEBRUARY INTENTION

For vocations to the priesthood and religious life:

Let us pray that the ecclesial community might welcome the desires and doubts of those young people who feel a call to serve Christ's mission in the priesthood and religious life.

2025 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

2025 offertory envelopes are available at the parish office. If you would like to use the envelopes and don't have it contact the office. Please discard and recycle any old offertory envelopes from 2024 and prior years. Those numbers may be reassigned to someone else and your

numbers may be reassigned to someone else and your contributions would be posted to another account. You can also contribute via e-transfer or AFT.

If you need more info please contact parish office.

This week the Sanctuary Lamp burns in memory of



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

SANCTUARY LAMP

The next available opening for the Sanctuary Lamp is **June 22, 2025.** 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.

DIOCESAN SEPARATED & DIVORCED HEALING MINISTRY SUPPORT GROUP

We meet every second and fourth Monday at Mount Carmel Spiritual Centre. Next session will take place on Monday, February 24th from 7:00pm - 9:00pm Topic: Understanding Loss and Grief For more information please call 905-356-4113 or email: separateanddivorced@saintcd.com.

SPEAKER SERIES: MESSAGES OF HOPE



Speaker: Fr. Rico Passero **Subject:** Hope for Today **Date:** February 24, 2025

Time: 7:00 pm

Location: Catholic Centre 3400 Merrittville Hwy, Thorold

2024 TAX RECEIPTS

Tax receipts are ready for pick up at the end of each Mass. They will be located at the entrance of the parish or can be picked up at our parish 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

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

When Jesus blesses the poor and curses the rich, is he congratulating the economically deprived and



condemning those with ample possessions? Although many argue that Matthew's "poor in spirit" dilutes Luke's "poor", there is a growing consensus that by "poor," Jesus means not a social class but those who know their need for God.

Of course, it frequently happens that those who feel the pinch of poverty, have a lively sense of their need for God, whereas the affluent, with needs well provided for, often become numb to their need for God.



JUBILEE YEAR 2025

Summary of the Holy Father's Pope Francis Wednesday catechesis:

Today we will reflect on the event of Jesus birth in Bethlehem. "Jesus Christ our Hope." "To you is born this day a Saviour, who is Christ the Lord." (Lk 2,11). We now reflect on the humility of the Son of God, who chose to enter our human history not with resounding proclamations, but in poverty and simplicity. Born in Bethlehem, a town whose name means, "House of Bread", Jesus - the Bread came down from heaven to satisfy the hunger of the world (cf. Jn 6:51) - is laid in a manger because there is no room for him in the inn. The joyful news of the Saviour's birth is proclaimed first to the lowly shepherds. Here we see that in God's plan, "it is the humble and the poor who greet the event of the Incarnation" (Admirabile Signum, 5). Like the shepherds, may we rejoice in the marvel of God's love, revealed in hiddenness and weakness, and confess our hope in the silent power of that love so that it may transform our lives.

LIFT JESUS HIGHER RALLY



POWER FROM ON HIGH will take place on:

Saturday, March 29, 2025 from 9am to 5:30pm at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre (North Building).

Join us for Compelling Speakers, Inspiring Personal Testimonies, Powerful Praise & Worship Music, Prayer Ministry for Healing & Empowerment, Confessions, Chaplet of Divine Mercy, Eucharistic Adoration & Procession. Adult Rally \$49, Youth Rally \$25 For tickets and information, visit www.LJHR.ca





Praying Fasting Almsgiving

Wednesday, February 19th (max 80 people) or Saturday, March 1st (max 100 people) at: Mount Carmel -7020 Stanley Avenue, Niagara Falls please arrive between 8:00a.m. - 8:45a.m. program starts at 9:00a.m. - bring a journal! Cost \$50.00 per person (includes lunch) (no afternoon session; Retreat ends after lunch) Guest Speaker: Domenic Inneo

"Freedom in Christ: Understanding and Removing Common Blockers"

Cheque payable to: CWL of Canada-St. Catharines
Diocese

To register contact the president: either cwlsc005@gmail.com or call Alda 289-493-1704.

PARISH MISSIONAL HEALTH ASSESSMENT

Bishop Bergie is asking as many parishioners as possible across the Diocese complete the Parish Missional Health Assessment. This is a tool to help define a clear, realistic picture of every parish's strengths and growth areas. Please visit https://dpc4olay0gt.typeform.com/
MissionalHealth and take a few minutes to complete the brief survey. You will get instant, personalized results delivered straight to your inbox. All results are also submitted anonymously to the diocese to give a comprehensive overview of how we are fulfilling our missionary call to evangelize.

ADULT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR SUNDAY CHILDREN'S LITURGY

We are looking for adult volunteers to help with the Sunday children's liturgy. Commitment would be 1-2 times a month. Sign up sheet will be available at the back of our church or you may also contact the parish office.

LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS

Can you help 4 hrs/month to help clean the church? With winter colds, flus, and vaccinations, we often find ourselves short of help. Please consider this worthwhile ministry which keeps our parish looking clean and fresh. To join our team of dedicated cleaners, please contact the parish office.

RETROUVAILLE

Retrouvaille is a marriage program that helps couples restore their marriage and rebuild a loving relationship. Retrouvaille helps to improve communication, build stronger marriages and helps couples to reconnect. The next Hamilton Retrouvaille weekend is **March** 7-9, **2025.** For more info visit www.retrouvaille.org or e-mail 1013r@helpourmarriage.org.



Join us daily for the Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament after 9:00am Mass



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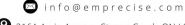
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