

Masses for the Week

SATURDAY, February 27, 2010

4:00PM (SH) Leo Rafte—(Birth.) - Bill & Heleene Brewer
 Cliff LaCombe—(13 Anniv.) - Wife, Anna
 William & Evelyn Vaughn-Daughters, Peg & Mary Lou
 5:45PM (HF) Deceased Mem. Of the Zuinn Family—John
 McCouliff

SUNDAY, February 28, 2010 Second Sunday of Lent

8:45AM (HF) Marilyn Walker—The Doug Shue Family
 10:30AM (SH) Allie Silsby—Stanley Babiarz

MONDAY, March 1, 2010

9:00AM (HF) All Souls Intentions—Parishioners

TUESDAY, March 2, 2010

7:00AM (SH) All Souls Intentions—Parishioners

WEDNESDAY, March 3, 2010 St. Katharine Drexel

7:00AM (SH) Nicholas Kines—(Anniv.) - Family
 Special Intention—Anonymous

THURSDAY, March 4, 2010 St. Casimir

NO MASS

FRIDAY, March 5, 2010

9:00AM (HF) Grace Hooper—Brother-in-law, Art Hedderich
 7:00PM (HF) Stations of The Cross

SATURDAY, March 6, 2010

4:00PM (SH) Dick Mumford-(Wedd. Anniv.) - Wife, Joanne
 Basil Ariglio—Joe Ricotta
 5:45PM (HF) Margaret Golowski—Husband, Chester

SUNDAY, March 7, 2010 Third Sunday of Lent

8:45AM (HF) Martha Rugg—Andrea Brown
 10:30AM (SH) Kathy Dorman—The Robinson Family



NEXT WEEKS MINISTERS

ST. HELENA'S

Sat., Mar. 6, 4:00PM

(L) John Barron; (EM) John Waldron, Chuck
 & Sue McIntyre; (AS) Alexandra Bennett & Addie Szczerba

Sun., Mar. 7, 10:30AM

(L) Jeff Gilbert; (EM) Jo Marie Ferrucci, Kristyn Crumb,
 Joanne Mumford; (AS) Tate Tiller & Nick Fletcher

Children's Lector—Bonnie VanDreason, **Chaperone**—
 Lauren MacDonald

HOLY FAMILY

Sat., Mar. 6, 5:45PM

(L) Jennifer Sharkey; (EM) Michael Masi & Christine Gadz;
 (AS) Jack & Bryan Collmer

Sun., Mar. 7, 8:45AM

(L) Ken Brewer; (EM) Joy Osborne & Liza Walker; (AS)
 Elizabeth Riley & Alexis Wittman

Children's Lector—Amanda Emmerich, **Assistant**—Emily
 Wagner



Weekly Offering

ST. HELENA'S—February 21, 2010

Envelopes..... \$3,305.00
 No Envelopes..... \$666.00
 Black & Indian Mission \$188.00
TOTAL \$4,159.00

HOLY FAMILY— February 21, 2010

Envelopes.....\$1,630.00
 No Envelopes.....\$447.00
 Black & Indian Mission.....\$151.00
TOTAL.....\$2,228.00



Readings for the Week of February 28, 2010

Sunday: Gn 15:5-12, 17-18/Phil 3:17---4:1 or 3:20---4:1/Lk
 9:28b-36
 Monday: Dn 9:4b-10/Lk 6:36-38
 Tuesday: Is 1:10, 16-20/Mt 23:1-12
 Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20/Mt 20:17-28
 Thursday: Jer 17:5-10/Lk 16:19-31
 Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Mt 21:33-43, 45-46
 Saturday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32
 Next Sunday: Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15/1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12/Lk
 13:1-9

Pray for the Sick

OF ST. HELENA'S: Alice Blair, Marion Jenny, Mary
 Lee Brown, Millie Yeman, Russ Pennise, Jan Nelson,
 Audrey DeBritz, Anne Glidden, Cindy Finley, Braden
 Morrisey, Vicky VanNortwick, Nora Falks, Tim Bartella,
 Bishop J. Moynihan, Dc. Jerry Pittman, Michelle Barford, Connie
 MacDonald, Carol Hartquist, Theresa Szczyt, Don Iram, Bertha
 Sweirat, Anne Osborne, Carol Bartorillo, Rich Wojdyla, Mary Smith,
 Tarrin Canty, Norma Sugar, Flora Woodcock, Tom Zerrahn, Pam
 Dutchick, Helen Lowe, Richie King, Joann Ladds, Dominic Rice,
 Evelyn Iles, Nora Gambitta, Barb Doran, Ethel Thomas, Norma
 Harrison, Bud Oudekerk, Gordon Gladden, Scott & Maryanne
 Debbold, James Campbell, Peggy Munroe



OF HOLY FAMILY: Charley Baker, Melissa LoGalbo, Kevin
 Beecher, Gennard Rucci, Jr., Esther Rucci Rausa, Kyle Roache,
 Deborah Scholl, Diann & Mary Ferraiola, Joel Peters, Norma Smith,
 Kathy Buczek, Gordy Waugh, Jim Scanlan, Pat Gluasrude, Jordan
 Badger, Jeff Topi, Bob & Mary Anne Baker, Sam Peters, Emma
 Caster, John Calatano, Sr., Carol Dunlap, John C. Rycraft, Sr., Patricia
 Fleming, Robert Tyler, Jr., Grace & Bill Daly, Frank Morrissey,
 Barbara Legler, Shirley Tyrell, Estella Hartwell, Sally Wright, Steffie
 Maltese, Helen Lentocha, Alice Hoffman, Dale Russ, Gabriel Bell,
 Maggie Boice, Amy Pole, Matthew Lavine, Carolyn Rowan, Helen &
 Ed Frank, Diane Pfieffer, William Fleming, David Tyrell, Ted
 Willson, Jack McCouliff, Conrad Barron, Genevieve Janowski, Ken
 Reese, Eleanore LaManque, Joyce Perkins, Mary Corbett, Patricia
 Brewer, Jamie Hubbard, Richard Lawless, Dorothy Jennings, Patricia
 Perkins & Family, Gwen Lallier

FOR OUR SERVICE MEN & WOMEN: Jessica Dinkens,
 Ethan Osborne, Michael J. Dam, Ryan MacDonald, Kevin
 Quakenbush, Tom Grogan, Ryan Enslow, Brian Carney, Brendon,
 Kevin & Tim Fitzgerald, Kevin Bartozech, Jacob Jonza, Chris
 Olmstead, Jessie Wenhem, Michael Colmey, Brian Buckwalter, Chris,
 Brandon & Justin Loboda, "RJ" Mumford, Adam Weisbrod, John
 Stanford

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISHES

ST. HELENA'S

Sunday (Feb. 28) Second Sunday of Lent

-9:30AM-Noon—Class attending Mass & Block "Journey with Jesus". (1/4)

-11:30AM—Generation 4.12 Youth Event meeting next Fundraiser.

-Block Session D—On-line Course work posted. (2/3)

-6:30-8:00PM—Faith Formation Grades 7 & 8.

Tuesday (Mar. 2)

-8:00-8:50AM—Faith Formation Grades 1-3.

-12:00-1:00PM— "Lenten Journey" with Fr. Mesmer—Parish Hall.

Wednesday (Mar. 3)

-8:00-8:50AM—Faith Formation Grades 4-6.

Saturday (Mar. 6)

-9:00AM-6:00PM—Grade 10 Retreat @ Bishop Grimes.

Sunday (Mar. 7) Third Sunday of Lent

-9:00-10:15AM—First Communion Session 2—students only.

-9:30AM-Noon—Class attending Mass & Block "Journey with Jesus". (2/4)

-6:30-8:00PM—Faith formation Grades 7 & 8.

-6:30-8:30PM—Block Session D—On-line course meets for last session. (3/3)

HOLY FAMILY

Sunday (Feb. 28) Second Sunday of Lent

-8:45AM Mass—10th Graders, Sponsors & Parents— "Rite of Enrollment".

Tuesday (Mar. 2)

-1:55-2:55PM—Faith Formation Grades 1-3.

Wednesday (Mar. 3)

-1:55-2:55PM—Faith Formation Grades 4-6.

-3:00PM—Prayer Group meets.

Thursday (Mar. 4)

-6:00PM—24 Hour Adoration.

Friday (Mar. 5)

-4:00-6:30PM— "Lenten Fish Fry" - Floyd E. Booth Parish Center.

-7:00PM—Stations of The Cross.

Saturday (Mar. 6)

-9:30AM—First Rosary.

-10:00AM-12 Noon—First Communion Prep.

Sunday (Mar. 7)

-10th Grade Confirmation Retreat @ St. Agatha's.

-10:00-11:30AM—Faith Formation Grades 7,8,9.



FIRST COMMUNION FAMILIES from St. Helena's to be Gift Bearers:
10:30AM Mass—Sun., Feb. 28th
Ben Keenan & Family

ALTAR CARE: Donna Nadeau's Band #3 is in charge of Altar Care this month of March at St. Helena's. **Also, Sue Lewin** is in charge of Altar Care this week at Holy Family.



"LENTEN FISH FRY'S"

Join us this **Friday, March 5th** from **4:00-6:30PM** or until sold out, at Holy Family's Floyd E. Booth Parish Center for our delicious "Lenten Fish Fry Dinners" & Bake Sale. Eat in with our famous Great Salad Bar or take-outs are available. Volunteers are always needed! If you would like to become part of the Friday Fish Fry Team or need more information contact Doug Willson @829-2737.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Join us after the Fish Fry on Friday for Stations of The Cross to be held at **Holy Family Church** beginning at **7:00PM**.



THE VIP (VOLUNTEERS IN PARISH) COMMITTEE wish to thank **The Moats Family** for donating their share of winnings of the 50/50 Raffle which totaled \$45 back to the committee to use for the Graduates Awards or to Parish needs.

"HAPPY BELATED BIRTHDAY" wishes go out to **Robert Morris** from Holy Family Parish, who celebrated his 102nd birthday earlier this month.



PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL at Holy Family will meet next Monday, March 8th at 6:30PM in the Floyd E. Booth Parish Center.

PUBLIC POLICY DAY: Every year in March, the Bishop's Conference of NY organizes a trip for ALL voters and prospective voters to have their voices heard on key issues that relate to the moral and social justice convictions of the Catholic Church. There are many ways in which you can be a part of this important effort and we encourage everyone to take a part. If you would like to join us on our trip Tues., Mar. 9th to Albany contact Andrea Slaven @361-1566 ASAP. Visit www.nyscatholic.org follow link to Public Policy Day for more information.



CATCH THE LENTEN SPIRIT

The Lenten Series continues on Tuesday, March 2nd at St. Helena's Parish Hall. There will only be the one session each Tuesday listed below as the evening session has been cancelled.

-12:00 Noon (bring your own lunch) facilitated by Father Mesmer

During these Lenten weeks, we will focus on developing our relationships with God, the Father, Jesus, our brother, and the Holy Spirit. Reminder this is not a course, so you can make as many sessions as you wish. This is special time for you and if you want bring a friend. St. Helena's Parish Hall welcomes ALL! Any questions, call St. Helena's Rectory Office @363-3882.



Dear Secular Franciscans of Holy Family,
 Thank you for the wonderful donation of breakfast foods that Duff brought to us. Our guests were thrilled to have a hot meal rather than cold cereal. They all raved about how good everything was. We appreciate you thinking of Hope House
Sincerely, Rose White, Exec. Director

Dear Friends at Holy Family,
 Thank you for your wonderful donation of fish and salad donated to Hope House, valued at \$200. We are so grateful for this gift because our guests rarely ever get fish to eat. Thank you for sharing with us as we all work together to serve the hungry in our area.

Sincerely, Rose White, Exec. Director

***Note:** We would like to thank Doug & Mary Margaret Willson and Kasey Demo for volunteering their time to help at Hope House on 2/20/10.

FAITH FORMATION Classes at Holy Family Church for Grades 7, 8, & 9 will resume next Sunday, March 7th from 10:00-11:30AM thru the 21st of March.



Have You Heard? V.V.S. COMMUNITY DAY: Again this year, VVS will partner with fire departments to host the 2010 VVS Community Day on Sun., Oct. 3rd, from 10AM—5PM. The first planning meeting will be held this Sun., Feb. 28th in the Shevron Community Center at the High School beginning 1PM. If interested in attending the meeting contact Paulette Schiebel @335-3027 or email pschiebel@tds.net.



PUT THIS ON YOUR CALENDAR **THE GOSPEL OF JOHN** will be presented by Jim Krisher, Director of the Spiritual Renewal Center Thursdays, March 4, 11, 18, 25 7:00-9:00PM in The Salerno Room of Mt. Carmel/Blessed Sacrament Parish, Jay St, Utica. Contact the parish to register or for directions @735-1482.



EUCHARIST—God’s Gift of Self: Come join the enlightening and energetic Sr. Katie Effie, CSJ, Diocesan Director, Office of Faith Formation, Tues., Mar. 9th from 6:30-8:30PM at the Church of The Annunciation, Clark Mills. In the Eucharist, we receive the very gift of God’s self. The gift reveals the giver and invites those of us who receive the gift to live in gratitude. In this session we will “unwrap” our understanding of Eucharist together. To register call 797-4030 or email csmith@syrdio.org.



“SPECIAL THANKS” to Vernon United Methodist Church for donating items to Holy Family Food Bank and to Mt. Vernon Presbyterian Church for their \$22 donation.



FAMILY PERSPECTIVE: Peter’s statement in today’s gospel, “Lord, it is good that we are here”, could be the motto for all families because together, as a family, we reflect the presence of God through our love and concern for each other. Deliberately enjoy your time together. God does!



Dear Parishioners,

For the next two weeks, I submit to you the final report from our Stewardship Campaign begun last fall.

You can clearly see how solid and magnanimous the response. It shows your deep love for your parish. I ask you to be faithful to your commitment, understanding that our individual lives and circumstances sometimes change for the positive or negative. These printed numbers are just that. We must make them real. Today's report is for St. Helena's. Next week will be Holy Family's.

Father Mesmer

ST. HELENA'S PARISH:

Families served: 544

Total offertory increase was:

Weekly: \$1,263.25

Annually: \$65, 689.00

Regular Envelope users: 232 (55.17%)

Average increase: \$5.56

What about the other families?

-49 sporadic/inactive families (those who do not wish the reception of envelopes) increased by \$552.00 per week

-7 sporadic/inactive families committed to \$190.00 per month

-56 families would remain on same level

-29 families interested in Electronic Giving

-7 outright gifts were provided totaling \$1,700.00

-276 registered families participated

-14 Parishioners want to become envelope users

-12 people are newly registered

Weekly increase: \$1,263.25

Before Campaign weekly average: \$3,600.00

After Campaign weekly average: \$4,863.00

Annual increase: \$65, 689.00

*Dear Father Mesmer & St. Helena's Parish Family,
I feel so blessed and I thank everyone from the bottom of my heart for the beautiful flowers and prayers. I feel the prayers and am very strong. The Lord is good! Bless you all!*

Love, Mary Lee Brown



FIRST COMMUNION PREP classes for children at Holy Family will be held on March 6, 13, 20 & 27th from 10:00AM-12:00Noon.



"SOUP & STATIONS": Join us on Friday, March 12th, 6:00PM in St. Helena's Parish Hall for a **Lenten Soup Supper** followed by **Stations of The Cross** beginning at 7:00PM in the Church led by our 8th Grade

Religious Ed Class. If you would like to bring a soup to share, see sign-up sheets at the exits of the church. If you are planning to attend the Soup Supper, please RSVP by calling the Faith Formation Office @361-1566 or the Rectory Office @363-3882. All are welcome!



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