

*St. HELEN and  
St. ROSE of LIMA  
ROMAN CATHOLIC  
CHURCHES*

*May 28th, 2023*



*In the one Spirit we were all baptized*

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**Parish Office Hours: 8-12 Tuesday thru Friday**

Bi-lingual assistance is available

**Baptisms:** Spanish-2nd & 4th Saturdays of the month @ 9:00am  
& after Spanish Mass on Sunday

English-2nd & 4th Saturdays of the month @ 10:30am

**Weddings & Quinceañeras:** Please Contact the Office  
*Please direct all correspondence for St. Helen & St. Rose  
of Lima to the St. Helen Parish Office, including:  
Weddings, Baptisms, Quinceañeras, Home Blessings and  
other Sacraments, Parish Hall and all other inquiries.*

**LITURGICAL SCHEDULE**

**St. ROSE of LIMA**

**Sunday Mass:** 8:30 am  
**Wed Holy Hour:** 4:30 pm to 5:20pm with  
5:00 Rosary and Confession  
**Daily Mass:** Wednesday at 5:30 pm

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**St. HELEN**

**Sat Vigil Mass:** 5:00 pm  
**Sun Masses:** 10:30 am  
12:30 pm (Spanish)  
**Daily Mass:** 8:30 am Tues.- Fri.  
**Tuesday Mass:** 7 pm (Spanish)  
**Adoration (Fri):** 9:00 am-6:00 pm  
With Bi-Lingual Rosary &  
prayers starting at 5:00 pm  
**Bi-lingual** Saturdays from  
**Confession:** 4:00 pm to 4:45 pm

**Parish Administration-St. Rose of Lima**

**Pastor:** Rev. Edgar Rivera  
**Parish Council, Chair:** Arlene Logan  
**Parish Finance Advisors:** John Parker & Don Cersovski  
**Parish Property:** Bill Stroda & Kenny Skinner  
**St. Rose Cemetery Sexton:** Kenny Skinner

**Parish Administration-St. Helen**

**Pastor:** Rev. Edgar Rivera  
**Parish Council, Chair:** Mary Wendell  
**Finance Council:** Rev. Edgar Rivera  
Javier Gonzalez  
Winn Wendell  
Ron Harritt  
**Parish Property:** Jeff Bohrer  
**Religious Ed. Coordinator:** Rev. Edgar River  
**Music Director:** Mark Williams  
**Pianist:** Juan Avendaño

**Parish Groups & Contacts**

**St. Helen Prayer Chain:** Joan Durbin 541-729-9162  
**Women of St. Helen:** Kathy Erickson, Chair  
**St. Helen Choir:** Mark Williams  
Practice: Wed. 6:00-7:00 pm  
**Knights of Columbus:** Kenny Skinner, Grand Knight  
7:00 pm, 1st Tues. of the  
month, St. Rose Parish Hall  
**RCIA:** Cheryl Smith & Jan Nicol  
**Bible Study:** Sunday, 9:15 am  
**Bulletin Editor:** Jackie Terrien 541-912-0220

**Comunidad Santa Elena**

**Comunidad Advisor:** Sra. Araceli  
**Sp. Parish Council Chair:** Luis Gomez  
**Choir Director:** Constantino Sanchez  
**Euch Min:** Yolanda Morales  
**RCIA:** Eusebio & Maria Estrada

*May 28th, 2023*  
*Pentecost Sunday, Year A*

The liturgies of the Easter season bring home to us the work of the Holy Spirit in the Savior's Paschal Mystery. Our New Testament readings have made frequent mention of the Holy Spirit, looking forward to the coming of the Spirit as its final culmination.

Luke's account of the coming of the Spirit upon the apostles associates this coming with the 'day of Pentecost', a Jewish festival celebrated fifty days after Passover - a harvest festival that later became a celebration of the giving of the Law to Moses. The basis of Luke's vivid dramatization may well have been the fact that, on this popular festival, the apostles - still uncertain how to undertake the enormous mission they had been given - joined the pilgrims crowding Jerusalem, and for the first time found the courage to proclaim their faith in the Risen Lord. In the joy and success they found on this occasion, they recognized the 'baptism with the Holy Spirit' they had been promised. In the Acts of the Apostles Luke tells the story of the Church of the beginnings using a device in use at the time by writers of popular history - taking important events in the history they are presenting, and dramatizing them in a way that brings out their far-reaching significance. Thus, in Luke's account, what begins as an event on one room of the city - 'a noise that filled the whole house', 'something that seemed like tongues of fire', the apostles 'speaking in foreign languages' - suddenly involves the whole crowded city, as faith in the Risen Lord is preached 'to devout men from every nation under heaven'. As Luke's dramatization continues in the passage that follows our reading, Peter's preaching leads to the baptizing of three thousand people - a number designed to bring out the momentous nature of what is taking place, and the universal mission that will flow from it, rather than giving a precise historical detail. As we know, Luke is writing a sequel to his gospel: the story of the Holy Spirit's life-giving guidance of the early Church. In later ages, our instinct has been sound, in celebrating Pentecost as the birthday of the Church.

The other readings point to other dimensions of the workings of the Spirit in our lives. Our life in Christ is filled, from beginning to end, with God's generous gifts. And all of these gifts come from 'one and the same Spirit' - from our faith in Christ as our 'Lord and God', to the Individual contributions we are able to make to the life of our community. In John's gospel, as we are reminded in today's reading, the Spirit was given on the evening of Resurrection Day itself. 'Peace be with you', Jesus repeats, and 'breathing on them' he says, 'Receive the Holy Spirit'. John's gospel reminds us that if the Spirit is responsible for the great things in which God is present in the life of the Church, the Spirit is also evident in our personal lives, in the true 'peace' and contentment that comes to those who give themselves generously to the Lord. In John's gospel, Jesus, at the Last Supper, associates the gift of the Spirit he promises with a peace that is his special gift: 'My own peace I give you, a peace the world cannot give this is my gift to you' (Jn 14:27).

How varied are the gifts of the Spirit. In this era of change and renewal, let us become more aware of our dependence upon them.

John Thornhill sm

**Scripture Readings for the Week of  
May 28th, 2023**

**Sunday**

May 28th

**Pentecost Sunday**

First Reading: Acts 2:1-11;  
Responsorial: Ps. 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34;  
Second Reading: 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13;  
Gospel: John 20:19-23

**Monday**

May 29th

**Saint Madeleine Sophie Barat**

First Reading: Gen. 3:9-15 or Acts 1:12-14;  
Responsorial: Ps. 87:1-2, 3 and 5, 6-7;  
Gospel: John 19:25-34

**Tuesday**

May 30th

**Saint Joan of Arc**

First Reading: Sirach 35:1-12;  
Responsorial: Ps. 50:5-6, 7-8, 14 and 23;  
Gospel: Mark 10:28-31

**Wednesday**

May 31st

**Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

First Reading: Zeph. 3:14-18a or  
Romans 12:9-16;  
Responsorial: Isaiah 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6;  
Gospel: Luke 1:39-56

**Thursday**

June 1st

**Saint Justin Martyr**

First Reading: Sirach 42:15-25;  
Responsorial: Ps. 33:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9;  
Gospel: Mark 10:46-52

**Friday**

June 2nd

**Saints Marcellinus and Peter**

First Reading: Sirach 44:1, 9-13;  
Responsorial: Ps. 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a & 9b;  
Gospel: Mark 11:11-26

**Saturday**

June 3rd

**Saint Charles Lwanga and Companions**

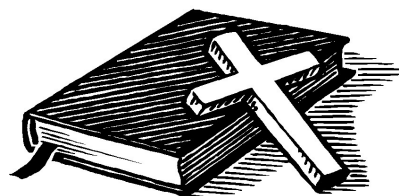
First Reading: Sirach 51:12cd-20;  
Responsorial: Ps. 19:8, 9, 10, 11;  
Gospel: Mark 11:27-33

**Sunday**

June 4th

**Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity**

First Reading: Exodus 34:4b-6, 8-9;  
Responsorial: Daniel 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56;  
Second Reading: 2 Cor. 13:11-13;  
Gospel: John 3:16-18



**LITURGICAL MINISTERS**

St. Helen

**SATURDAY MAY 27TH**

**Euch Min:** Mary Wendell  
**Lectors:** Lauren Terrien  
**Acolyte:** Lauren Terrien

**SUNDAY MAY 28TH**

Martha Dacar  
Alex Johnston  
Noe, Sofia, Joseph

**SATURDAY JUNE 3RD**

**Euch Min:** Ron Harritt  
**Lectors:** Shelly Kokkeler  
**Acolyte:** Ron Harritt

**SUNDAY JUNE 4TH**

Kathy Lighty  
Sofia Miranda  
Emmanuel, Lauren, Joseph

*Interested in serving as a Liturgical Minister?  
Please contact the office at 541-998-8053.*

**FINANCIAL REPORT: St. Helen**

Monthly Need: \$10,000.00  
May 20th & 21st: \$TBA  
Catholic Charities: \$TBA

**Special Collections:**  
June 10 & 11 - St. Vincent de Paul

**ST. HELEN ONLINE GIVING**

Follow the link on the website, or visit  
<https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/sthelenjunctioncity>

**MEETINGS & EVENTS**

- ◆ June 2nd & 3rd: St. Helen Rummage Sale
- ◆ June 8th: St. Helen Women's Group @ 6:30 pm

**Purpose, Connection, Peace-**

These desires are written on our hearts for a reason. The answer lies at the very center of our faith: the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist. The National Eucharistic Revival is a joyful, expectant, grassroots movement to restore understanding and devotion to this great mystery here in the United States. Visit [www.eucharisticrevival.org](http://www.eucharisticrevival.org)



*Pray For...*

**+ OUR PRAYER CORNER +**

This week, please remember: Marvel Kunkle, and our fellow parishioners who cannot attend Mass at this time.  
*If you would like us to hold someone in prayer, please contact the Parish Office.*

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS**

St. Rose of Lima

**SUNDAY MAY 28TH**

**Lector:** Jan Malpass

**SUNDAY JUNE 4TH**

Tess Cersovski

*Interested in serving as a Liturgical Minister?  
Please contact Jan Malpass*

**FLOWER DONATIONS & COFFEE HOUR SIGN-UP**

If you wish to donate flowers or host a coffee hour please sign up on the sheets in the back of the church.

**FINANCIAL REPORT: St. Rose of Lima**

Monthly Need: \$5,200.00  
May 21st: \$TBA  
Catholic Charities: \$TBA

**Special Collections:**  
1st Sunday - St. Vincent de Paul  
2nd Sunday - Food Pantry

**St. ROSE of LIMA BIRTHDAYS/  
ANNIVERSARIES:**

- May 29th: Kevin & Carla Holzwoth (Anniversary)
- May 29th: Leslie Lewis
- June 1st: Kristina Campbell



*Prayer for Eucharistic Revival*

Heavenly Father, we thank you for the gift of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, who promised to stay with us always, until the end of the age.



Reawaken our wonder at His presence in the Most Holy Eucharist. May our hearts burn within us as He opens the Scriptures and breaks the bread.

Give us the eyes of faith to recognize His presence in our brothers and sisters, especially in the face of the poor and the suffering.

Nourished by the Eucharist, send us forth to walk faithfully as missionary disciples, proclaiming the Gospel to every heart and extending Your kingdom to every land. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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# Seek Things Above

## MONASTIC DISCERNMENT RETREAT JUNE 9 - 11

*at Mount Angel Abbey for Catholic men 18 to 45 years old  
considering the priesthood or brotherhood in the religious life.*

For information or to register, contact  
Fr. Odo Recker, OSB, Vocation Director  
503.881.8919 | [vocation@mtangel.edu](mailto:vocation@mtangel.edu)

[MOUNTANGELABBEY.ORG](http://MOUNTANGELABBEY.ORG)

### Eugene Catholic Young Adults

Looking to grow in love for our Lord and in friendship with fellow Catholics this Easter? Join ECYA, the vicariate-wide Catholic group for adults approximately 21-45. Whether you are a new, returning, or long-time Catholic, we are excited to meet you! We meet every Thursday at 7 pm at St. Mary's in Eugene. Want to see what we're like without any pressure? Text your name and the word "ECYA" to 541-520-4531 to get text updates.

### Take advantage of additional prayer opportunities

#### ST. ROSE

**8:00 am Rosary: 1st Sunday of the mo.**  
**8:00 am Morning Prayer: 2nd, 3rd, 4th Sundays  
of the month**

#### ST. HELEN

**10:00 am Rosary: 2nd & 4th Sundays of the mo.**  
**10:30 am Children's Liturgy: 2nd Sunday of the mo.**  
**7:45 am Morning Prayer: Tuesday-Friday**  
**8:30 am Daily Mass: Tuesday-Friday**

STS Foundation Student Exchange is looking for a family in the Monroe area to host Josef from Sweden, a 16 year old high school student arriving this summer for the 2023-2024 school year. Josef is an active Catholic, with hobbies including playing the saxophone, soccer, fishing, and he loves animals. When he grows up, he wants to be a fireman because he wants to help people and his community. Josef says, "I think that studying and living a year in America would be fun and educational because of the big culture differences from Sweden. Studying abroad would give me a wider perspective and understanding of how life is in other parts of the world and how the day-to-day life is in America." If you would like to learn more about Josef, please contact STS Foundation at [info@stsfoundation.org](mailto:info@stsfoundation.org) or contact Morgan Tondreault at [morgan@stsfoundation.org](mailto:morgan@stsfoundation.org)

### ST. HELEN ANNUAL RUMMAGE SALE JUNE 2ND & JUNE 3RD

Last call for donations: Gently used clothing, shoes, housewares, garden items, sporting equipment, books, electronics, games, art, toys, etc...  
Speak with a St. Helen Women's Group member to donate items or if you're interested in volunteering to help sort, organize, and price all items. Members: Kathy Erickson, Mary Wendell, Estella Austin, Joan Durbin, Carol Brown, Kathy Lighty, Margie Garcia-Hall, Cindy Solberg, Jackie Terrien