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Confessions are heard for about 20 minutes before each Mass and anytime by request.
Saturday: 4:30-4:50 pm

Sacrament of Baptism

Please contact the pastor one month in advance.

Sacrament of Matrimony

Please contact the pastor at least six months in advance.

Sacrament of Anointing

Available by request. When anyone is admitted to the hospital, be certain to contact the priest.

For after-hours EMERGENCY requiring the sacraments, call Fr. Joel Rogers @ 270-619-1510 (English), or (Spanish) Connie Granados @ 270-361-1628.

Faith Formation-Why be Catholic?

If you or anyone you know is interested in learning about the Catholic Faith please contact Fr. Joel Rogers, CPM.

MASS TIMES: (See weekday schedule inside bulletin)

English Masses at St. Helen: located @ 103 W. Brown St.

Saturday, 5:00 PM

Sunday, 10:00 AM and 11:30 AM

Eucharistic Adoration: Mon., Wed., Fri. at 11am-Noon
Fri. 3-9pm (1st Fri. is 7am-9pm), Sat. 8:30-9:30am

English Masses at Our Lady of the Caves: located @
1010 S. Dixie Street; Horse Cave, KY 42749
Sunday, 8:00 AM

Eucharistic Adoration: Friday@ 4:30-5:30pm

Spanish Masses:

Saturday, 7:00 PM at Our Lady of the Caves

Sunday, 8:00 AM St. Helen

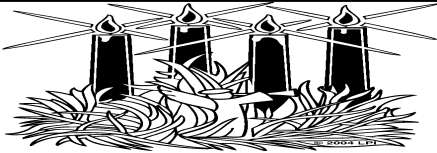
Sp. Praise/Worship Holy Hour: Thurs, 7-8pm
at St. Helen Church.

Latin Mass at Our Lady of the Caves:
Beginning Oct. 26th, Every Sunday at 10:30am

Elderly Mass: Our Lady of Fatima Chapel, Parish Center
2nd & 4th Saturday of the month, Vigil Mass @ 4pm

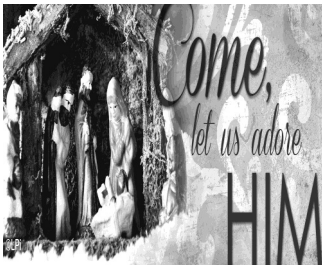
FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT
DECEMBER 21, 2025

CHRISTMAS DAY, DEC. 25, 2025



+AMDG+

The angel points to the Prophet Isaiah in order to persuade the dreaming Joseph to take Mary, his wife, into his home: "the maiden is with child and will soon give birth to a son whom she will call Emmanuel". But even Satan can quote Scripture. So why, then, does Joseph believe this dream? Maybe it is because Joseph was a "son of David": and what the angel does not mention—but Joseph knows full well—is that Isaiah's prophecy was intended directly and specifically for the "House of David". And thanks to Joseph's subsequent "obedience of faith", the incarnate Christ Jesus was genealogically a true "descendant of David". ~Magnificat



CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE:

Dec. 24 at St. Helen, Vigil Mass at 5pm (Eng.)

Dec. 25 @ St. Helen: 12:00am - midnight (Eng.), 8am (Eng), and 12pm (SP)

Dec. 25 at Our Lady of the Caves: 12:00am Midnight, 8am(Eng.) and 10am (Latin)

"She will bear a son and you are to name him Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins." Today we celebrate that the prophetic dream of St. Joseph was fulfilled! Jesus is born! A Savior has come to deliver us-- Emmanuel, "God is with us."

PARISH EPIPHANY PARTY, JANUARY 4, 2026:

We would like to invite everyone to the annual Parish Potluck Epiphany Party to be held on January 4, 2026, from 4-7pm at St. Helen's Parish Center. We will have a \$10 adult gift exchange if you wish to participate and Our Lady's Auxiliary will provide gifts for the children. Please bring your favorite dish.

ATTENTION YOUTH:

A youth trip to the March for Life in Washington, D.C. is being planned for January 23rd-26th. We plan to leave Thursday afternoon, attend the March on Friday, and spend a day exploring sites at our Nation's Capital before returning on Sunday. More details to come, but please contact Fr. Thomas.

LADIES' BIBLE STUDY: Ladies' Bible Study will be held on the 1st and 3rd Saturday of the month at Our Lady of the Caves, St. Bernadette Hall, from 9:30-11am. The next study is Jan. 3, 2026. Our focus will be on the Incarnation/Nativity story as found in the Gospels of Matthew and Luke. All women are welcome. Mothers who want to attend can feel free to bring children since this location has both toys and space to play.

DAILY GOSPEL READINGS, DEC. 21-28, 2025:

Sun. Mt 1:18-24, Mon. Lk 1:46-56, Tues. Lk 1:57-66, Wed. Lk 1:67-79, Thurs. Jn 1:1-18, Fri. Mt 10:17-22, Sat. Jn 20:1-8, Sun. Mt 2:13-15, 19-23

CCD is Cancelled December 24 & 31 for Christmas Break.

Parish office is closed Dec. 24, 2025 through Jan. 1, 2026.

May you have a Merry Christmas and a Blessed New Year!

MASS INTENTIONS

ST. HELEN

Monday, December 22

12:05pm Rev. Brian Kenney+

Tuesday, December 23

8:00am Increase in Vocations to the Religious Life

Wednesday, December 24

12:05pm All Souls in Purgatory

5:00pm(Eng)Vigil, People of the Parish

Thursday, December 25, CHRISTMAS DAY

12:00am Eng. (Midnight) Paul Bastien+

8:00am(Eng) Wilfredo Sanchez+

12:00pm(SP) People of the Parish

Friday, December 26

12:05pm Rick Carrico+

Saturday, December 27

8:00am All Who Are Alone or Lonely

4:00pm Elderly Mass

5:00pm Jim Bolinger+

Sunday, December 28, The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

8:00am(sp) People of the Parish

10:00am Teresa Kauffman+

11:30am N. Joe D'Asaro+

OUR LADY OF THE CAVES

Wednesday, December 24

8:00am Archbishop Fabre

Thursday, December 25, CHRISTMAS DAY

12:00am Increase in Vocations to the Priesthood

8:00am (Eng) Beva Huser

12:00pm (Latin) Pope Leo XVI

Friday, December 26

5:30pm For Heart Donor 050825 +

Saturday, December 27

7:00pm (Sp) Sr. Mary Kevin Cronin O.P.

Sunday, December 28, The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

8:00am Richard Biven+

10:30am Latin

ALTAR FLOWER SCHEDULE, ST. HELEN:

Dec. 22 - 28 Christmas Poinsettia's

Jan. 4, Our Lady's Auxiliary

CHURCH CLEANING SCHEDULE:

ST. HELEN:

Dec. 22-27

Edith Velasco

Dec. 28-Jan. 3

Laura Torres, M & T Gonz.

OUR LADY OF THE CAVES:

Dec. 22-27

Susanne Ochoa

Dec. 28-Jan. 3

Lupita Guzman

BIRTHDAY'S THIS WEEK: Dec. 22-28

Dec. 22 Jacqueline D'Avy, Laurie Dearing,

Dec. 23 Juan Francisco, Fabiola Gonzalez, John

Thompson, **Dec. 24** Joe Ganci, Sarah Pender,

Dec. 25 Mary Biggs,

Dec. 26 Lyndsey Brown, Daniel Rodriguez,

Dec. 27 Ava Butler, Leonette Chapman, Joseph Duncan,

Cameron Lynch,

Dec. 28 Allison Emmert, Nathan Emmert, Austin

Jahnigen, Cathy Szabo

Prayer List:**Parishioners have asked for prayers for:**

Jane Howell
Dcn. Lee Bidwell
Mary Simon
Cheryl Hensel
Caroline Pierce
Claudia Ramos
John Bright
Patricia Buckler
Judy Underwood
Todd Perry, Sr.
Henry Almeida
Carolyn Tipton
Lu Simpson
Alexis Bowman
Connie Peacock
Shawn Peacock
Jo Ann Hall
Jimmy C. Lyons, Jr.
Nathan Jackson
Willard Thompson
Mike Barron
Jacob Mesi
Doris Emberton
Terina Crowell
Hugo & Diego Orozco
Madeline Hale
Erin Phillips
Lanell Gilchrist
Zyler Barbour

Elaria Ramirez
Aida Hishmeh
Alex Rodriguez
Anthony Francis Gomes
Ann & Tommy Ford
Mimi Stinson
Carly Leahey
Tim Isom
Lee Mudd
Lee Family
Don Joseph
Mary Kay Bilcz
Larry Adams
Helen Overstreet
Laura Brock Bennett
The Wise Family
Marvie Carroll
Daniel Sallee
Jo Ann Gibson
Jim Hale
Frances Bastien
Paula Baysinger
Brina Nie
Virginia Lafferty
Sara Ruth Strange
Ruth Owens
Dennie Simpson
Gayle Carrico
Beverly Hogan
Chance Veals
Evelyn Crimmins
Finn Truxillo

Collections: Dec. 14, 2025**St. Helen****Our Lady of Caves**

Sunday Collection:

\$8636.00

\$2022.00

2nd Collection

\$944.00

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We ARE REQUIRED TO SEND 50% OF OUR AVERAGE COLLECTION TO THE Archdiocese for this Catholic Charities Collection. Your generosity helps to fund many vital ministries and social services. God bless you!

PASTOR'S CORNER

Dear Parish Family,

Christmas is getting much closer, and we ponder more deeply of the supreme Gift of our Divine Giver—the supreme Gift is Christ, true God and true Man. On the quiet Christmas night, the world is changed. The Second Person of the Blessed Trinity, truly God, becomes visible to us. How does the world respond? Most of the world had no idea. Even many of God's own knew Him not. Many did not receive Him. Who did receive Him? Those who were humble and filled with self sacrifice.

Let us start with Mary and Joseph. Mary carries God in her womb, but she does not place herself above everyone else. She is humbly obedient to Caesar Augustus and travels with Joseph to the town of Bethlehem from Nazareth. It is time for the Christ Child to be delivered, and Mary and Joseph travel 80 miles. And when they arrive, Joseph searches everywhere for a place where the Child can be born. Searching everywhere, he finds no room in any inn. He finds a cave, and Mary and Joseph humbly accept this place as a birthplace for Jesus. And yet, in spite of this, imagine their joy of seeing God when Christ is born! It was worth all the trouble. The reward of having the warmth of God in the Person of the Christ Child was worth all their self sacrifice. They would do this all over again because of this Divine Treasure in their midst. Because they were humble enough to stoop into the cave, they found glory beyond measure—Jesus Christ. Jesus chose to be born in poverty! What a gift! This Christmas reflection continues in the next bulletin.

May the Blessed Trinity grant you a grace filled Christmas, full of Christian love and rejoicing! May we be humble and stoop to adore Our Lord Jesus Christ, that He may reward us with the glory of His grace. Merry Christmas to each of you! St. Helen and Our Lady of the Caves Parish Family is dear to my heart!

Yours in Christ,

Fr. Joel

Please pray for deceased:

Elayne Malone
Kim Gibson Lowe
Leon Copass
Jack Irwin
Bill Phelan
Christopher Bastien
Sam Alvey
Jimmy Jones
John Perry
Sarah Smila
Percy Stinson
Jeremy Birge
Gena Couch
Patricia Rose Garrett
Sharon Meadows
Linda Sue Hester
George Lang
Arnold Emberton
Sam & Alma Basile
Scott Pufahl
James Anthony Brown
Tina Barron
Brynley Richardson
Sandy Byrd
Annette Kuncie
Scott Szabo
Robert & Marie McCann
Roger Gibson
Bev Conyers
Edna Schwegnan
J. B. Logsdon
Ronnie Birge
Robert Glanz
Mary Gibson
John Ulakey
Joseph Coleman
Bonnie Copass
Antionette Thompson
Michael Nicholson
Scott Smith
Joseph Litera
Bill Groenwald
David Nine

Lois A. Lane
Angela Torres Barrios
Pedro Alfonso Vargas
Vickie Korte
Ted & Peggy Brock
George Sibalich
John Kernan
Ray Hemmer
Robert Tucker
Ashlie Hood
Tommie Birge
Roger Miller
Wayne Smith
Peggy Groenwald
Pat Moran
Lisa Miller
Charles Elmore
Leticia Centeno
Kip Jackson
Cade Dotson
DuWayne Gilchrist
Joseph Devers, Sr.
Connie Hunt
Shirley Jones
Carson Hernandez
John Scalise
Helga & Joe Alvey
Joe Pierce
Lydia Pruneski
James Anderson
Bruce Rothermel
Joe & Jane Kehrt
Jerry Matera
Michael Avery
Janice Alt
Ruth & Dewaine Hall
Rick Carrico
Carl Milay
Doug Gill
Richard Biven

And for all deceased**Please pray for our Military men and women who are serving overseas:**

Clay Livingston
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Chris Davidson
Matthew Chenault
Kimberly Lee

Joshua Matheney
Sgt. Brewer
Shawn Emberton
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