

# The Roman Catholic Churches of St. Helen & Our Lady of the Caves



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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

**FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT**  
**NOVEMBER 30, 2025**



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As the first word of Advent, Christ tells us, "Stay awake! You must be prepared." The unprepared people "in the days of Noah" were distracted by their "eating and drinking," oblivious to the imminent flood. In what does Advent preparation consist? Putting on the Lord Jesus Christ through faith. "Encountering Christ, letting [ourselves] be caught up in and guided by his love, enlarges the horizons of existence, gives it a firm hope which will not disappoint. Faith is no refuge for the fainthearted, but something which enhances our lives. It makes us aware of a magnificent calling, the vocation of love.... Faith is a lamp which guides our steps in the night and suffices for the journey" (Lumen Fidei, 53). "Let us walk in the light of the Lord!" -Magnificat

**Advent** *Is a time of quiet preparation, in the dark days before the "re-birth" of Christ. Don't let our hectic consumer culture rob you of this special spiritual time. Sure, buy some gifts, but allow yourself to be blessed by less - stress, clutter, and frenzy. Sometimes less is more.* -Family Ministry Office

### **THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY IS MONDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2025:**

The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary is a Holy Day of Obligation. The Mass schedule is: **St. Helen:** 8am (Sp), 12:05pm (Eng), 6pm (Eng)

**OLC's:** 8am (Eng), 6pm (Latin)

### **IMMACULATE CONCEPTION NOVENA (Novena dates: November 29-Dec. 7; Feast Day is December 8th, 2025).**

*Immaculate Virgin Mary, Mother of Our Lord Jesus, and our Mother! Filled with the most lively confidence in your all-powerful and never failing intercession, I, your loving and trusting child, implore you to obtain for me the favor I earnestly ask, if it is beneficial to my immortal soul and the souls for whom I pray: (mention your request). Obtain for me a deep hatred of sin and that purity of heart which will unite me to God alone, so that my every thought, word and deed may tend to His greater glory. Amen. (Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory Be.)*

### **CHRISTMAS BASKETS:**

We need names, phone numbers, and addresses of people who need a Christmas Basket. Please contact Antonio @ 270-861-5332, or put their information on the sign-up sheet in the Vestibule of the Church. His phone number is on sign-up sheet.

**LADIES' BIBLE STUDY:** Beginning on December 6th, a 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. December's 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.

### **OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE CELEBRATION:**

Dec. 11 at we will be celebrating our Lady of Guadalupe at St. Helen's Parish Center with a play at 8pm and a band at 9pm. On December 12th, Our Lady of Guadalupe will be celebrated with Mass at 5pm at St. Helen's Church. At 6:30pm we will have the Marian Consecration at St. Helen's P. C., with music afterwards. Our Lady of Guadalupe, pray for us!

### **DAILY GOSPEL READINGS, NOV. 30-DEC. 7, 2025:**

Sun. Mt. 24:37-44, Mon. Mt. 8:5-11, Tues. Lk 10:21-24, Wed. Mt 15:29-37 Thurs. Mt 7:21-27, Fri. Mt 9:27-31, Sat. Mt 9:35--10: 1-8, Sun. Mt 3:1-12

### **MASS INTENTIONS**

#### **ST. HELEN**

##### **Monday, December 1**

12:05pm Mike Barron Family

##### **Tuesday, December 2**

8:00am Therese Haavisto

##### **Wednesday, December 3**

12:05pm Souls in Purgatory

##### **Thursday, December 4**

8:00am Carol Pierce

##### **Friday, December 5**

12:05pm Rick Carrico+

##### **Saturday, December 6, St. Nicholas, Bishop**

8:00am Our Lady's Auxiliary

5:00pm Leon Strange+

##### **Sunday, December 7**

8:00am(Sp) People of the Parish

10:00am Rick Carrico+

11:30am Donald & Patricia Hall+

#### **OUR LADY OF THE CAVES**

##### **Wednesday, December 3**

8:00am Vocations to Priesthood /Religious Life

##### **Friday, December 5**

5:30pm Pepe Leo XIV

##### **Saturday, December 6, St. Nicholas, Bishop**

8:00am Benefactors

7:00pm (Sp) Archbishop Fabre

##### **Sunday, December 7**

8:00am Rich Biven+

10:30am Latin, Souls in Purgatory

#### **ALTAR FLOWER SCHEDULE, ST. HELEN:**

Nov. 30- Dec. 23 Advent, No Flowers

Dec. 25 -Christmas, Poinsettias

#### **CHURCH CLEANERS ARE NEEDED FOR BOTH**

**CHURCHES:** Please contact the parish office.

#### **CHURCH CLEANING SCHEDULE:**

##### **ST. HELEN:**

Nov. 30-Dec. 6 Abigail & Claire Mattingly

Dec. 8-13 Edith Valesco

##### **OUR LADY OF THE CAVES:**

Nov. 30-Dec. 6 Ricardo Family

Dec. 8-13 Siena Smith and Pena Family

#### **BIRTHDAY'S THIS WEEK: Dec. 1-7**

**Dec. 1** Monica Baltazar, Everett Johnson, Claudia Nine, Benjamin Orozco,

**Dec. 2** Orlando Bravo, Russell Hernandez, Louis Hernandez, Theresa Smith, Phillip Wilkerson,

**Dec. 3** Noel Camarena, Rubi Camarena,

**Dec. 4** Mike Hawboldt, Sheri Lee,

**Dec. 5** Dylan Laurie, Guadalupe Ochoa,

**Dec. 6** Nicolas Hernandez, John Moore,

**Dec. 7** Pleas Carter, Normeli Cipriano, Cynda Crimmins, Brittany Evans, Carol H. Smith

**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 Bilczo  
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

**Collections: Nov. 23, 2025 St. Helen Our Lady of Caves**Sunday Collection: *See next week for Collection amounts.*

Food Pantry:

Christmas Baskets:

***Thank you for your ongoing support and generosity!*****2ND COLLECTION DECEMBER 13-14, 2025**For the Retirement Fund for Religious. Info: [retiredreligious.org](http://retiredreligious.org).**CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL FOR ARCHDIOCESE OF LOUISVILLE:**

This year the goal for St. Helen is \$5,500 and \$1,000 for Our Lady of the Caves. Please consider giving a gift to the CSA. If you write checks, please make them to the Archdiocese of Louisville with CSA in the memo. The address to send the checks: Pastoral Center/ 3940 Polar Level Road/ Louisville, KY. 40213-1463

**PASTOR'S CORNER**

Dear Parish Family,

May Jesus Christ enrich you with His grace!! Christ is coming again! He is coming to judge the living and the dead. Are we prepared for His Second Coming? The Advent season is a preparation for Our Lord Jesus' birthday, but it is also a preparation for His Second Coming. How do we prepare? Making time for silent reflection and prayer, examining our conscience and trying to overcome our sins and grow in virtue, and detaching ourselves from the things of the world so that we make Christ our first love. Visiting the Blessed Sacrament is a great way to prepare for Our Lord's coming. When He comes, we want to know Him. What better way to know Him than to spend time with Him? We should practice silence so that we can be attentive to the promptings of the Holy Spirit. And it helps to abstain from some things that we like so that we can become more detached from the world and be more prepared for our departure from this world. May we seek to make this our best Advent ever.

During this time, the Knights of Columbus and Our Lady's Auxiliary are teaming up to deliver Christmas food baskets to the less fortunate of our community. They will meet at the St. Helen parish center on Saturday, December 13 at 10am to put the baskets together and to deliver them. How can you help? If you know of someone who needs a food basket, please place their name, phone number and address on the list provided for you in the vestibule of the church. Or please contact Antonio Yanes at 270-861-5332. Also, donations of non perishable food items or canned food would be greatly appreciated. Please leave them in the vestibule of the churches up to December 7th. Thank you in advance for your generosity. May you all have a blessed Advent!!

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 Kunce  
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  
Andrew Buren  
Chris Davidson  
Matthew Chenault  
Kimberly Lee

Joshua Matheney  
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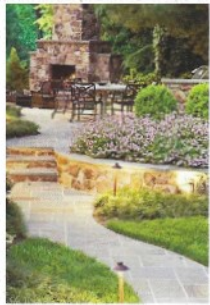
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