



ST. HENRY R.C. CHURCH

82 West 29th Street
Bayonne, New Jersey 07002

Our Mission

*The Parish Family of St. Henry
seeks to continue the mission started by its founders over a century ago.
With Jesus Christ as our model, centered in the Eucharist,
we will teach the gospel message and apply it to our everyday lives.
Our family will be a shining beacon of Christian hope and love
to the people of Bayonne.*

December 4, 2016 - Second Sunday of ADVENT

RECTORY & PARISH OFFICE

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Parish School: We are part of an excellent co-sponsored
Elementary school - All Saints Catholic Academy. For
more information, call 201-443-8384 or visit website
www.ascabayonne.org

Mass Schedule

The Lord's Day
Saturday Eve: 5:30 PM
Sunday: 8 AM, 10 AM, 12 PM
Saturdays: 8:30 AM
Weekdays: 8:30 AM & 12:05 PM
Holy Days: (see inside bulletin for Mass times)
National Holidays: 9:00 AM

Parish Access Center: (Hudson County) 201-798-9958

Novenas

Miraculous Medal Novena: Saturdays after 8:30 AM Mass;
St. Jude Novena: Wednesdays after the 8:30 AM and 12:05 PM
Masses

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays 9 - 9:30 AM and 4:30 - 5:15 PM
Confessions will be heard any time at the Rectory. Please call
201-436-0857.

Sacrament of Baptism

First Sunday of each month at 1:30 PM. Call the Parish Office
to make arrangements. Baptismal Instruction will be sched-
uled prior to Baptism. There are no Baptisms during Lent.

Sacrament of Marriage

Please call the Parish Office to make arrangements as soon
as possible to insure time for adequate preparation for this
Sacrament. We look forward to helping you prepare for your
wedding day and marriage.

Blessing of your Marriage: If you have been married civilly
or in another religious tradition, and would like to have your
marriage blessed in the Roman Catholic Church, please call
the parish priests for more information.

Teaching the Good News

Grades Pre-K to 5, Catch-Up, RCIC, Special Needs Children:
Sundays 8:45 - 9:45 AM

Grades 1 to 5: Wednesdays 3:45 - 5 PM

Junior High (Gr. 6, 7, 8): Tuesday Evenings 6:45 - 8 PM

Grade 9 Confirmation: 1st & 3rd Sun. of ea. Month, 10:30 -
11:55 AM, followed by 12 PM Mass (beginning October)

To Become Catholic or Complete the Sacraments

For details about a life-changing journey called the Rite of
Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) for those who have not
been Baptized and wish to do so; or information for Baptized
Catholics (children, teens or adults) who have not yet celebrat-
ed the Sacraments of First Eucharist and/or Confirmation and
now wish to do so, please call Marie Pope at 201-339-0319.

Sacrament of the Sick/Homebound

Anointing: Anytime upon request in the home of the sick.
Communion: A priest or Eucharistic Minister of the parish
will bring Communion to those parishioners confined to
home. Please call the rectory.



“Comfort and Joy” conjures up the words to a favorite holiday carol: “Tidings of comfort and joy, comfort and joy. O tidings of comfort and joy”. No matter where we are in this world, God wants us to find both comfort and joy. “God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen” reminds us that we need that occasional time out to catch our breath, to keep from getting too dismayed. We cannot let the demands and distractions of life sidetrack us. Why? Jesus came to save us from going astray.

Perhaps it is not possible or realistic to get a physical break from our routine at this time of year. But a spiritual break is just moments away. The many forms of spiritual comfort and joy are as close as a quiet corner, a car ride across town, or a walk in the brisk air. Pause often in your daily routine, and clear your mind by breathing in the thought of “Jesus” and out the thought of “Christ” as you rest your mind. Reflect on what Jesus Christ means to the world. Repeated practice brings both comfort and joy.

Mass Intentions for the Week

SATURDAY, December 3rd

5:30 PM Trudy Garda

SUNDAY, December 4th

8:00 AM Nicholas & Yolanda Mgrace
10:00 AM Rev. Thomas Foye & Family
12:00 PM Frank & Catherine Silvay

MONDAY, December 5th

8:30 AM James Downey
12:05 PM Natividad Ramos

TUESDAY, December 6th

8:30 AM Sophie & Stanley Kasza
12:05 PM Daniel Dorobiala

WEDNESDAY, December 7th

8:30 AM Barbara Rokicki
12:05 PM Daniel Finnerty
7:00 PM The People of St. Henry Parish

THURSDAY, December 8th

Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:30 AM Mary Stolte
12:05 PM Patrick & Mary O'Donnell

FRIDAY, December 9th

8:30 AM William Drexler
12:05 PM Barbara Rokicki

SATURDAY, December 10th

8:30 AM Agnes & Charles Gallagher
5:30 PM Gregg Jablonski

NEXT SUNDAY, December 11th

8:00 AM Helen Mahalson
10:00 AM Dec. Mem. Dugan & Donohue Families
12:00 PM John Rooth, Sophie & Charles Zaniewski,
Mary & Richard Rooth, Pauline & Nicholas
Scheremeta, Mary & Stanley Cieslak

MEMORIALS

SANCTUARY LAMP

ALTAR BREAD & ALTAR WINE

In Memory of Cathryn & Charles Mellendeck
from Jean Marie Gorski



St. Henry Parish CHRISTMAS PARTY

December 18th—2PM—6:30 PM

St. Vincent de Paul Robinson Hall, Bayonne

Tickets: \$25/person (children 12 and under—FREE)
and at the Parish Office and Religious Education Office

Pray for...

Please continue to keep in your prayers the sick members, family and friends of our parish: **Claire Poli, John J. Borzelli, Carlos Velez, Jr., Carol Westfall, Mary Lou Palughi, George Glom, Kara Sullivan, Gary DeCarlo, Michael Sheehan, Irene Bock Fisher, Marie Brady, Bill Thomas, Ramon King**

(Please note that in order to keep our list current, names will be removed from our list every two months. If you wish to have your name listed or re-listed for two months, please call Jean at the parish office, 201-436-0857)

READINGS FOR THE WEEK...

Monday: Is 35:1-10; Ps 85:9ab, 10-14; Lk 5:17-26
Tuesday: Is 40:1-11; Ps 96:1-3, 10ac, 11-13; Mt 18:12-14
Wednesday: Is 40:25-31; Ps 103:1-4, 8, 10; Mt 11:28-30
Thursday: Gn 3:9-15, 20; Ps 98:1-4; Eph 1:3-6, 11-12; Lk 1:26-38
Friday: Is 48:17-19; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Mt 11:16-19
Saturday: Sir 48:1-4, 9-11; Ps 80:2ac, 3b, 15-16, 18-19; Mt 17:9a, 10-13
Sunday: Is 35:1-6a, 10; Ps 146:6-10; Jas 5:7-10; Mt 11:2-11



Feast of the Immaculate Conception

On **Thursday, December 8th**, we celebrate the Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, a holy day of obligation. The feast

honors Mary and is the Patronal Feast Day of the United States.

Masses will be: 7:00 PM on Wednesday, 12/7 and 8:30 and 12:05 on Thursday, 12/8. Please plan to join us.

St. Henry Parish NEWS

This Week...

SATURDAY, December 3rd

1:00 PM First Reconciliation Special Needs

SUNDAY, December 4th

8:45 AM Religious Education classes

10:30 AM Confirmation classes

1:00 PM Prayer Shawl Ministry

1:30 PM Baptisms

MONDAY, December 5th

6:30 PM Girl Scouts

6:30 PM Pageant Practice

7:00 PM RCIA classes

TUESDAY, December 6th

10:00 AM ESL

6:00 PM Pageant Practice

6:45 PM Religious Education classes

7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal

7:30 PM Line Dancing

WEDNESDAY, December 7th

3:45 PM Religious Education classes

7:00 PM SJMJ

THURSDAY, December 8th—Immaculate Conception

10:00 AM ESL

6:30 PM ESL

FRIDAY, December 9th

7:00 PM First Reconciliation Practice

7:00 PM Gatekeepers

7:00 PM SJMJ

SATURDAY, December 10th

11:00 AM First Reconciliation

7:00 PM Private Party

SUNDAY, December 11th

8:45 AM Religious Education classes

11:00 AM Brunch with Santa

1:00 PM Prayer Shawl Ministry

PLEASE NOTE: the Friday Morning Faith Sharing Group will not meet on Dec. 9th, Dec. 23rd and Dec. 30th.

Join Us...

- **TUESDAYS: 7:30 PM, LINE DANCING**, Parish Center. No experience necessary! For more info. call Norma Lardizabal at 201-844-4475.
- **WEDNESDAYS: 7:30 PM, Devotion to Our Mother of Perpetual Help**, every Wednesday at 7:30 PM. First Wednesday—Novena Mass @7:30 PM—St. Benedict Chapel.
- **1ST & 3RD THURSDAYS: 1:30 to 3 PM, Faith Sharing & Intercessory Prayer Group** (held at C. Poli's home, 201-858-2675). Drop prayer intentions in the box in the Church vestibule.
- **FRIDAYS: 10:00 AM, Scripture Study/Faith Sharing**. Rectory Conference Room. Bring your Bible.
- **FRIDAYS: 7:30 PM, Gatekeepers Charismatic Prayer Community**, every Friday at 7:30 PM. **First Friday** - Novena and Healing Mass @ 7:30 PM, St. Benedict Chapel. **2nd & 3rd Fridays:** Join **Fr. Alfie Pangillinan**, Parochial Vicar of St. Henry Church, in our BIBLE STUDY GROUP, as he guides us and helps us explore and discuss the Word of the Lord together. **Novena to Señor Santo Niño** every Friday @7:30 PM, St. Henry's Parish Center.
- **SUNDAYS: Prayer Shawl Ministry**, 1—3 PM. In the Rectory.

Religious Education...

If you would like your child/children, regardless of age, to be a participant in our Christmas Pageant Saturday, December 24th, 4 PM, please complete the pageant permission form which was sent home. If you did not receive a form, call Marie Pope. Practices will be (pre-K—5th grade):

Monday, December 5th at 6:30 PM in Church

Tuesday, December 6th at 6 PM in Church

Wednesday, Dec. 14th at 7 PM in Church

Very special thanks to Kari Habib, Aida Lopez, Amy Sweeny, Karalynn Brancatella, Alexandria Taveras, and everyone who helped to make our Parish Family Thanksgiving Time a thankful event. Turkey sandwiches with potato salad and cookies were served. The children made a Thanksgiving Craft.

Our next Parish Family Time will be Sunday, Dec. 18th, following the 10 AM Mass. The Christmas Tree in front of the school will be blessed, then we will move indoors for the blessing of our manger, then down to the Pine Room for a Happy Birthday Jesus Party. The children will make a photo frame entitled "Kings Kid". Free will offering. All are invited.

Very special thanks to all who donated turkeys, gift cards, etc. to help feed those in need for Thanksgiving 2016. I wish you could have seen the appreciation and heard the heartfelt thanks of the recipients of your very generous donations. Thanks from them and all of us here at St. Henry who not only helped our parishioners but also people in our community. May God continue to bless you.

An enormous thank you to the youth of our parish for turning out in huge numbers to help wrap the bread which was blessed at our Thanksgiving Day Mass. The youth also made and hung ornaments on the Giving Trees and changed the missal books for the new liturgical year. A pizza party was held for all the youth who came out to help. Special thanks to our adults, Rich Marchitto, Kari Habib, Amy Sweeny, Aida Lopez, Debora buzikai, Carol Ann Carreno and Michael Elam who directed the children. God bless each of you for your time and talent!

GIVING TREES were blessed at our Thanksgiving Day Mass. Please take a gift suggestion from either tree and return your gift unwrapped no later than Sunday, December 18th following all the Masses.

One Giving Tree has suggestions of gifts for children, men and women; the other is a "gift card" tree. Please do not leave gift cards under the trees, but rather place them in a sealed envelope marked attention Marie Pope. Return the envelopes with gift cards via the collection basket at Mass, to the rectory office or to St. Henry's school. Won't you please help a family in need? For more information call Marie Pope at 201-330-0319.

BRUNCH WITH SANTA will take place on **Sunday, December 11th**, following the 10 AM Mass in the Pine Room. Cost of tickets is \$10 each. Tickets will be sold at the Religious Education Office. Bring your family and friends! Bring your cameras! Refreshments will be served. Santa will arrive at 11:30 AM.



OTHER HAPPENINGS - In and Around Bayonne & the Archdiocese of Newark



FEEL GOOD ABOUT YOURSELF...

Donate Blood. NEW JERSEY BLOOD SERVICES hold their blood drives the 2nd Friday of each month in the **PINE ROOM of St. Henry's School**. The next drive will take place **Friday, Dec. 16th, 1 PM—7 PM**.

Questions /schedule an appointment for whole blood or ALYX (automated collection for red cells), call 1-800-933-2566. Appts. encouraged, walk-ins welcome! For platelets, call 1-866-758-5387.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CHURCH will present its **13th Annual Christmas Concert TODAY, December 4th at 4 PM**. The program will feature the adult and youth choirs, soloists and musicians of the parish. Admission is free. A free will offering will be received and light refreshments will be served afterwards.

INSTALLATION MASS - Cardinal Joseph W. Tobin will be installed as the 6th Archbishop of Newark on **Friday, January 6th, 2:30 PM** at the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart, Newark. All the faithful are invited to the celebration of the Mass of Installation. The general, open seating will be on a "first come" basis, with the Cathedral opening at approximately 11 AM. Cardinal Tobin is the first member of a religious order to shepherd the archdiocese, as well as the first member of the College of Cardinals.

How to Report Abuse The Archdiocese takes very seriously any and all allegations of sexual misconduct by members of the clergy, Religious and lay staff of the Archdiocese. We encourage anyone with knowledge of an act of sexual misconduct to inform us immediately so that we may take appropriate action to protect others and provide support to victims of sexual abuse. Individuals who wish to report allegation of sexual misconduct may do so by calling the Archdiocesan Office of Child & Youth Protection at 973-497-4011.

Parish NEWS continued...

Advent

Daily Reflections for Advent & Christmas "Waiting in Joyful Hope" booklets will be available at the doors of Church. Kindly take ONE as our supply is limited.

- ◆ **FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION**— We celebrate the Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary (a holy day of obligation) on **Thursday, December 8th. Masses are 7 PM on Wednesday, Dec. 7th and 8:30 and 12:05 on Thursday, Dec. 8th.**
- ◆ **COMMUNAL PENANCE SERVICE**— will be held at St. Henry Church, **Monday, Dec. 12th, 7 PM**. Join us with our partner parish, St. Vincent de Paul as we start anew this Advent and Christmas Season.
- ◆ **SIMBANG GABI**— **Nightly, December 15th—23rd, 7 PM in Church**. Join us for Mass and fellowship, a novena of nine nights in preparation for Christmas.
- ◆ **FAMILY ADVENT FESTIVAL**— **Sunday, December 18th**, Family Mass 10 AM then Blessing of the Manger and Christmas Tree at the school, followed by "Happy Birthday Jesus" party and refreshments.

St. Henry FLEA MARKET
Third Saturday of Each Month
NEXT DATE: SATURDAY, December 17th
9 AM—3 PM

For more information, or to rent tables,
call Barbara Silvay at 201-339-0319.



*To everything there is a season and a time to every purpose
under heaven (Ecclesiastes 3:11)*

"... a time to be born..." "a time to love..."

"... a time to be born to eternal life..."

Remember in your prayers those of our parish, family,
friends and community who have recently died,
especially Joseph J. Doria & Debra Occimio
as well as those who have died in the service of our Country
"... and a time for peace in all the world..."
Pray for our servicemen and women at home and abroad.

PARISH CENTER RENTAL -

If you are interested in renting our Parish Center (28th Street, behind the Church) for private parties, please call Jean DiPillo at 201-436-0857, 9 AM—4 PM, Monday through Friday, for availability and more information.

Thank You!

Our Collection for Sunday, 11/20 was \$6,721
The Catholic Relief collection was \$1,850
Our Collection for Sunday, 11/27 was \$7,547
The Children's Collection was \$45 & \$18 respectively
Electronic Giving: \$350 (11/21/16)
We need \$8,000 each week
in order to meet our expenses

Thank you for your continued support and generosity!

Parish Registration

Formal membership with the parish in which you feel comfortable creates a sense of family. Your parish is your spiritual home. We invite you to register with St. Henry Parish. If you are not sure whether or not you are already registered, call Jean at the rectory office—201-436-0857. However, if you are not receiving offering envelopes or various parish mailings, chances are you are not registered. Keep in mind that a person is not automatically a registered member because they were married here, were brought up here or attended St. Henry's school. To register, come to the rectory office, between 9 AM and 4 PM weekdays and simply complete a registration card. If this is not possible, call Jean at the rectory office. Remember that membership with your parish is a requirement if you wish to be a godparent or a sponsor for Confirmation. Parents who wish to have their child baptized or who wish to register their child for religious education must be members of the parish.

St. Henry Church 750 Club

Only 750 tickets will be sold — \$50 ea.

DRAWING: Sunday, December 18, 2016 @ 5 PM
at the St. Henry Parish CHRISTMAS PARTY
which will be held at St. Vincent Robinson Hall
(Look for more information in the bulletin shortly)

If all 750 tickets sold, prizes will be \$10,000 grand prize; \$2,500 second prize; two \$1,000 prizes and six \$500 prizes. If less than 750 sold, prizes will be based on percentage of total collected (Grand Prize 26.66%; Second Prize 6.66%; two prizes at 2.66%; and six prizes at 1.333%). Tickets are on sale at the Rectory Office during regular hours and after all the Masses in the vestibule of church. If more convenient, Ticket Request Forms are also available at the doors of church. They may be completed and returned to the rectory with your payment (by mail or via the offering basket at Mass). Upon receipt of your form/payment a ticket(s) will be filled out and entered into the Raffle and the top portion will be mailed to you as your receipt. Tell your family and friends! Let's get all 750 tickets sold!

As of Monday, November 28th, a total of 287 tickets have been sold. Total collected: \$14,350. There are now 463 tickets left to be sold. Please support this very important parish fundraiser! Buy your ticket now!

Rosary Society NEWS...

A big thank you to everyone who helped to once again make our Fall bake sale a success by donating home baked or store bought items, monetary donations, by purchasing and volunteering to help at the sale. Our raffle winners were: German Stollen and Chocolates: Claire Poli, Harvest Cake: Betty Valanzola: Gobble Till You Wobble Cake: Dianne Danko, Happy Thanksgiving Cake: Claire Poli

FOOD NEEDED! With more and more people in need coming to us for food, our supply quickly becomes depleted. Your donations of non-perishable foods, would be greatly appreciated: **soups, tomato sauce, peanut butter, box/bag rice, box/can potatoes, cereals, oatmeal, pasta, tuna, other canned, jarred or boxed food items such as fruits, meats, etc.** Food may be left in the boxes in church or brought directly to the parish office. THANK YOU!!

Food Pantry Availability

As part of our partnership with St. Vincent de Paul Parish, St. Henry Bayonne parishioners who are in need of food may access the Food Pantry at St. Vincent's. **The Pantry will be open Thursdays, Dec. 15th, 3—5 PM** and is located in the Rectory basement (entrance 46th St. ground level, near garage). **IMPORTANT:** In order to receive food you must indicate that you are from St. Henry Parish and bring with you current picture I.D. and current proof of residence (utility bill indicating your address in Bayonne).

St. Henry food pantry, located in our Rectory Office, is available **TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS, 10 AM—12 NOON (ONLY).** NOTE: Bring picture ID.

NEXT WEEKEND, Dec. 10 & 11

Retirement Fund for Religious Collection

As we consider the unique role senior religious have played in the history of the Church in the U.S., we cannot help but recall their tremendous example of service. We remember with gratitude the tens of thousands of sisters who spent decades teaching in our Catholic schools, the brothers who taught or served in foreign missions and the priests from religious orders who dedicated themselves to parish and pastoral ministry. Your gift to the collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious helps provide medications, nursing care and more. Please be generous

The Advent Season

We celebrate the season of Advent in a spirit of joyful expectation and quiet reflection in waiting for the Lord. You see purple priest vestments and altar hangings, not the red and green of Christmas. We sing Advent hymns instead of Christmas carols. All of this helps us to consider the great mystery that God became human, and that God will come again.

At our weekend Liturgies, we are singing the Seasonal Responsorial Psalm (no. 25). Your refrain is "To You O Lord, I lift my soul, to you, I lift my soul".

We will also use for our Sanctus ("Holy, Holy, Holy") the musical setting composed by Richard Proulx. It is based on the ancient Advent hymn "O Come, O Come Emmanuel".