



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 27, 2015 - The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

RECTORY & PARISH OFFICE

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Parish Catechetical Leader: Marie Pope
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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 Sun. of ea. Month, 10:30 - 11:55
AM, followed by 12 PM Youth 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.



One way or another we have all experienced family problems of one kind or another. They may not have escalated to the level of tragedy, but they have all been unwanted and hurtful. Hopefully, the happier times our family has enjoyed strike a balance, and we get through the other kind. It is important to recall from time to time that the good times are meant to sustain us. Though we have never taken any vows about it, we honor our families and stay loyal "in good times and in bad, in sickness and in health, 'til death do us part."

Today's Christmastime Feast of the Holy Family "widens the focus" of the imaginary Church camera from that of the Child in the manger to the Child as a near adult, and the two adults who stood by the manger and now stand beside each other in fear and sadness. "Where can He be?" they ask themselves. "He's never done anything like this before." No wonder that when they finally reunite, His Mother asks her plaintive question "Why have you done this to us?"

We can identify with the story in a way we didn't expect at first. How? By changing Mary's words only slightly and asking God when bad things happen to us "Why have you done this to me?" Yes, it's the old matter of the problem of evil that surfaces when bad things happen to good people. But angry fists or malicious thoughts hurled God's way are not the solutions to the situation. Instead we are to rely on the example of Mary and Joseph and how they handled things like this along with their unspoken appeal to us to trust. It's all part of being members of God's family. It's trusting God our heavenly Father to know what's best for us at all times.

Mass Intentions for the Week

SATURDAY, December 26th

8:30 AM For the People
5:30 PM Gregg Jablonski

NEXT SUNDAY, December 27th

8:00 AM Eva Ceraolo
10:00 AM Lester & Gloria Crawford
12:00 PM John Rooth, Sophie & Charles Zaniewski,
Mary & Richard Rooth, Nicholas &
Pauline Scheremeta, Mary & Stanley Cieslak

MONDAY, December 28th

8:30 AM Therese Foran
12:05 PM Joseph Senatore

TUESDAY, December 29th

8:30 AM Jean Flanagan
12:05 PM Anna Marino

WEDNESDAY, December 30th

8:30 AM Geoffrey Jones
12:05 PM Angie & Nick D'Angelo

THURSDAY, December 31st

9:00 AM For the People
5:30 PM For the Priests' Intentions

FRIDAY, January 1, 2016

8:30 AM Bishop Thomas Donato
12:05 PM Anne Dugan

SATURDAY, January 2nd

8:30 AM Greg Statz
5:30 PM Steven Wexler

NEXT SUNDAY, January 3rd

8:00 AM Mary A. Devenny
10:00 AM Anne Dugan
12:00 PM Josephine Linero

MEMORIALS

SANCTUARY LAMP

ALTAR BREAD & ALTAR WINE

In Memory of Frank Valanzola
from his wife, children & grandchildren

Pray for...

Please continue to keep in your prayers the sick members, family and friends of our parish: Catherine Sapara, Irene Segio, Robin Kuzma Delikat, Antoinette Lamberti, Kenny Healy, Darlene Lopez, Michael DeFazio, Elaine DeMartini, Liam Morley, Laurie Bauer, Hannah Cabrera, Daniel Gilligan, Rich Marchitto, Gloria Russell, Joseph Lillo, Marie Brady, Ruth Busick, Arthur Vatalaro, Jun Ong, Gary Truitt, Kathy McNally, Agnes May, Tajmool Ghany, Robert McNamara, Charita McAlarney, Jeanmarie Malanga, Emma & Jerry, John May, Irene Bock Fischer, Daniel Norton, Sharon Delaney, Jayna Ann Morrell, Maria Tibay, Vanessa Palen, Kim Ortiz, Marie Jacobson, Pat Mayer, John Williams, Samantha Davis, Pamela Fucci, Robertas Kuckailis, Maggie Doyle

READINGS FOR THE WEEK...

Monday: 1 Jn 1:5 — 2:2; Ps 124:2-5, 7b-8; Mt 2:13-18

Tuesday: 1 Jn 2:3-11; Ps 96:1-3, 5b-6; Lk 2:22-35

Wednesday: 1 Jn 2:12-17; Ps 96:7-10; Lk 2:36-40

Thursday: 1 Jn 2:18-21; Ps 96:1-2, 11-13; Jn 1:1-18

Friday: Nm 6:22-27; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21

Saturday: 1 Jn 2:22-28; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 1:19-28

Sunday: Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary FRIDAY, January 1st



We celebrate the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God, on Friday January 1st. This feast, which is closely connected to the feast of Christmas, is the most important and oldest of the feasts of Mary. On this day, we honor Mary as the Mother of Jesus. Mary was not merely passively engaged by God, but freely cooperated in the work of our salvation through faith and obedience, and she accepted new dimensions to her motherhood as her life unfolded. We can all live by Mary's example.

Masses will be held:

Thursday, December 31st at 5:30 PM;
& Friday, January 1st at 8:30 AM and 12:05 PM

St. Henry Parish NEWS

Religious Education...

This Week...

SATURDAY, December 26th

SUNDAY, December 27th

MONDAY, December 28th

7:00 PM Junior High Dance

TUESDAY, December 29th

7:30 PM Line Dancing

WEDNESDAY, December 30th

7:00 PM Servants of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

THURSDAY, December 31st—New Year's Eve

FRIDAY, January 1, 2016—New Year's Day

7:00 PM Servants of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

7:30 PM Gatekeepers

SATURDAY, January 2nd

SUNDAY, January 3rd

8:45 AM Religious Education Office

10:30 AM Confirmation classes

12:00 PM Youth Mass

REMINDER: Children's envelopes are meant for children's offerings only. All parishioners receive offering envelopes in the mail, quarterly, printed with their name and unique parishioner number. If you are not receiving offering envelopes, call the rectory, 201-436-0857.

Friday Morning FAITH SHARING

Sessions are cancelled for all of December. Meetings will resume on Friday, January 8th and shall continue with our study of the Acts of the Apostles (chapter 15).

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 Pangillan, 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 Nino every Friday @7:30 PM, St. Henry's Parish Center.
- **SUNDAYS: Prayer Shawl Ministry,** Sundays, 1—3 PM in the Rectory.

Our Congratulations and thanksgiving to all of our children who received the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time:

Victor Abreu	Aleksandra Malak
Kaithleen Agbing	Priscilla Maldonado
Alyssa Ayala	Stevenson Malloy
Gabriel Becker	Destiny Mason
Hailey Boyle	Marko Matulj
Daniel Brody	Luke Mullins
Olivia Carna	Enjay Navarro
Hannah Corpus	Desiree Okonkwo
Christopher Cunningham	Daniel Olivera
Tristram Dacayan	Justyce Orangio
Nyla Daly	Emmanuel Ortiz
Joceline DeMoya	Matthew Palanca
Liliana DeMoya	Alyssa Palomino
Isabella DeRocco	Myah Paunovski
Olivia DeRocco	John Pawlowski
Emma DeStefano	Jeanine Perez
Emma DeTraglia	Aiden Petisco
Anthony Detto	Lucia Rama
Cienna Diaz	Jonathan Reaven
Samanda Farag	Sebastian Roman
Alessandro Fiermonte	Victoria Rooth
Kaylin Fiuza	Madalyn Rosalsky
Navaeh Flores	Julia Sines
Venisha Gardharia	Tatiana Sirna
Matthew Gargano	Annabella Sornoza
Franchesca Geagoni	Alejandra Valles
Jazlynn Gonzalez	Sebastian Valles
Sophia Habib	Shane Waldron
Alexander Hendrix	Jayden Walton
Lucca Lachia	Nicholas Weimmer
Nathaniel Lupianez	Conlin Yuscavitch

Congratulations to their parents/guardians, families and friends. Special thanks to all our catechists who prepared the children for this Sacrament of forgiveness:

Monica Burnett	Shuli Wang
Jessica Becker	Debbie Lucas-McGady
Cheryl Pawlowski	Lisa Cerbone
Aida Lopez	Tommy Lake
Brian Rubinsky	Robert Mastromonaco

Brunch with Santa was a huge success due to everyone who attended and supported our function. Special thanks to my cousins, Barbara & Keith Cole for making and donating their super hot dogs; Kari Habib, Elizabeth Perez, Christine Sorrentino, Rich Marchitto, Karalyn Brancatella, Shena DeMoya, Maria Romina Dacayan, and everyone else who helped to make Santa's arrival a joyous and special event for the children! We are blessed because of the children and families of our parish, all the ministries and volunteers who make St. Henry Parish an outstanding place of worship and fellowship. God bless everyone! Boys and girls—don't forget to leave cookies and milk for Santa!

Thank you, one and all! God bless and Merry Christmas and Happy, Holy and Healthy New Year!

- Marie Pope

TO: All Members of St. Henry Parish Ministries:

Parish Ministry Appreciation Dinner

DAY: Saturday
DATE: January 9, 2016
TIME: 7:00 PM - 11:00 PM
PLACE: St. Vincent Robinson Hall
 979 Avenue C
 (Basement of Church)
RSVP: By December 20, 2015
 Call Marie Pope
 201-339-0319

Thank You!

Our Collection for Sunday, 12/13 was \$7,154
 (Last year's collection, 12/15/14, was \$7,353)
 The Immaculate Conception collection was \$1,929
 The Retirement Fund for Religious was \$2,772
 The Children's Collection was: \$54

**We need \$8,000 each week
 in order to meet our expenses**

Thank you for your continued support and generosity!



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 **Raymond Slagus & Catherine Ruane** 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.

The Bereavement Ministry of Consolation

Members meet with families who have lost a loved one to assist them with the planning of the Funeral Mass and to offer compassion and support. Ministers are trained to work with families. Those who are interested in becoming a bereavement minister please contact the Rectory office.

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 the rectory office, 201-436-0857, 9 AM—4 PM weekdays, for availability and more info.

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, January 22, 1 PM—7 PM. NOTE THE CHANGE OF DATE.** Questions /schedule an appointment for whole blood or ALYX (automated collection for red cells), call 1-800-933-2566. Apts. encouraged, walk-ins welcome! For platelets, call 1-866-758-5387.

From the ARCHDIOCESE OF NEWARK:

SAVE THE DATES:

The Women's Commission Day of Reflection, Alive in Christ, will take place on **February 27th, 8 AM to 1 PM** at Seton Hall University.

The Men's Conference will take place on **March 5th, 8 AM to 1 PM** at Seton Hall University.

Registration for both events will open this November.

Free Support Group for Teenage and Young Adult Siblings of Individuals with Disabilities

(co-sponsored by SIBS NJ and the Archdiocese of Newark)

Wednesday, January 6th at 7:30 PM
St. John the Evangelist Parish Life Center
 15 North Washington Avenue
 Bergenfield, New Jersey

Refreshments will be served!

Please RSVP to Anne Masers at 973-497-6536 or email masteranrcan@gmail.com. Any questions, call Nancy Nasr at 973-851-0797 or email info.sibsnj@gmail.com

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.



A Prayer for the New Year

O God of new beginnings and wonderful surprises, thank you for the gift of a new year.

May it be a time of grace for me, a time to grow in faith and love,

A time to renew my commitment to following your son, Jesus.

May it be a year of blessing for me, a time to cherish my family and friends,

A time to renew my efforts at work, a time to embrace my faith more fully.

Walk with me, please, in every day and every hour of this new year,

That the light of Christ might shine through me, in spite of my weaknesses and failings.

Above all, may I remember this year that I am a pilgrim on the sacred path to You.

Amen.



St. Henry Parish is proud to introduce “Enhanced Stewardship through Electronic Funds Transfer”. Electronic Funds Transfer enables you to have your parish contributions automatically debited from your checking account or credit card. We have partnered with Parish Giving to offer this program to all of our parishioners. Parish Giving is simple, secure and convenient. To get started, log on to our website, www.sthenryrc.org, click on the Parish Giving logo and follow the easy registration steps.



The priests and staff of St. Henry Parish wish each and every one of you a Blessed and Joyful New Year!

(please note that the Rectory and Religious Education Offices will be closed Friday, January 1st for the holiday)

All Saints Catholic Academy NEWS...

Students attended a prayer service for Thanksgiving to offer thanks to God for all the gifts He has given; students celebrated the season of Advent in the classrooms with Advent Wreaths and daily reflections. They also prepared for the coming of Jesus through community service projects; the Home School Assoc. sponsored the Children’s Christmas Bazaar where the children had the opportunity to purchase gifts for family members; students attended Mass on December 8th to celebrate the Feast of the Immaculate Conception; all students attended an assembly themed “Gratitude”.

Please check ASCA website, ascabayonne.org for additional information and news.

FOOD DONATIONS NEEDED: Please continue to contribute to our Food Pantry as you can. Your kindness and attention to the needs of others is appreciated!

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 Thursday, December 30th. Pantry hours are 3—5 PM and it is NOW 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). **RE-MINDER:** St. Henry Parish has a small food pantry, located in our Rectory Office, available 9 AM—3 PM weekdays. Bring picture ID.

Christmas Gift for Your Parish

We encourage our parishioners to be Stewards for Christ in giving of their TREASURE and helping us reach our budgeted goal of \$50,000. The Christmas collection is our single biggest source of parish revenue each year and we depend on it for the many programs and expenses in our annual budget. If you have not already given your Christmas gift, we ask you to please do so. We are, as always, grateful for your kindness and generosity.

Parish Registration

If you are not receiving offering envelopes or various parish mailings, chances are you are not a registered member of St. Henry Parish.

You are not automatically a registered member because you were married here, were brought up here or went to school here. Membership is by formal registration only. To register, come to the rectory office, between 9 AM and 4 PM weekdays and complete a registration card. Remember, membership with your parish is a requirement if you wish to be a godparent or a sponsor for Confirmation.