

# 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 31, 2017** - Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

### **RECTORY & PARISH OFFICE**

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#### Served by:

Pastor:Rev. Raul GaviolaParochial Vicar:Rev. Alfie A. Pangilinan

### **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE**

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Served by:

Director of Religious Education: Marie Pope Youth Ministers: Rev. Alfie Pangilinan Marie Pope

Director of Music Ministries: Chad Perry 201-935-5727

Trustees: Claire Latwis and Bernard (Jay) Jablonski

**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 <u>www.ascabayonne.org</u>

#### Mass Schedule

The Lord's Day<br/>Saturday Eve: 5:30 PM<br/>Sunday: 8 AM, 10 AM, 12 PMSaturdays:8:30 AMWeekdays:8:30 AM & 12:05 PMHoly Days:(see inside bulletin for Mass times)National Holidays:9:00 AM

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

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**Miraculous Medal Novena:** Saturdays after 8:30 AM Mass; **St. Jude Novena:** Wednesdays after the 8:30 AM and12:05 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 scheduled 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 & 2nd 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 celebrated 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.

### December 31, 2017 Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph



Could any period in history have been more difficult than the one in which we live when it comes to raising children, keeping marriages together, or maintaining ties among adult family members? Our whole culture often seems to be working against us. The Christmas season, especially, magnifies the differences between the values that we Catholic Christians hold and the values of the ordinary world. And not all the stresses are external. Many of our troubles arise from the differences among people within our families. Christmas can also exacerbate those internal tensions. Sometimes we just want to run

away and hide from the dual struggle with the bad influences of the world and the strains of family life!

The feast of the Holy Family gives us much needed encouragement. Jesus was protected by his parents from danger of death. Yet they did not keep him sequestered forever. As a child growing up, he lived out his call to holiness while dwelling in the midst of the Galilean Jewish community, with all its positive and negative influences. This feast reminds us that in Christ, the divine and the human, the holy and the ordinary have been forever linked. Whether it is in our nuclear family, our extended family, our parish family, the family of Christians, or the human family, today we celebrate the holiness that is to be found within our ordinary human families and communities. We are urged to "put on love". Does that motivate you to change the way you treat someone in your parish community or to mend a rift with a member of your family?

# Mass Intentions for the Week

SATURDAY, December 30th		
5:30 PM	Raymond Calvo	
SUNDAY, December 31st		
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8:00 AM 10:00 AM	Jane Collord	
12:00 PM		
MONDAY, January 1st		
Solemnity of Mary, Holy Mother of God		
8:30 AM	Venancia Vea (3rd Ann.)	
12:05 PM	Anne Dugan	
TUESDAY, January 2nd		
9:00 AM		
WEDNESDAY, January 3rd		
8:30 AM	Adele & Frank McLaughlin Maria Polera	
12:05 PM	Maria Polera	
THURSDAY, January 4th		
8:30 AM		
12:05 PM	Katharina Zgoba	
FRIDAY, January 5th		
8:30 AM	Anthony Giannaci & Stephanie Wortman	
12:05 PM	Michael Kubran	
SATURDAY, January 6th		
8:30 AM	Sabina Cassidy	
5:30 PM		
SUNDAY, January 7th		
8:00 AM		
10:00 AM		
12:00 PM	Zoila Hortencia Rodas	
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MEMORIALS SANCTUARY LAMP ALTAR BREAD & ALTAR WINE In Memory of Joseph Fackelman & Mark Groendyk from Jean & Frank DiPillo & Family

NOTE: There is ONE Mass on Tuesday, January 2nd - at 9AM.

# Pray for...

Please continue to keep in your prayers the sick members, family and friends of our parish: Karen Mengo, Diane Corcoran, Ruth Burke, James Leung, Rich Marchitto, Nicholas Anthony Barresi, Mary Phillips-Borzelli, Daniel Gilligan, Sal Fogu, Joanie Robin, Kimberly Allen, Georgene Kennedy, Dolores Philips, Alessandra Spagnolo, Antoinette Lamberti, Claire Poli, John J. Borzelli, George Glom, Kara Sullivan, Gary DeCarlo, Michael Sheehan, Irene Bock Fisher, Marie Brady, Bill Thomas(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: Nm 6:22-27; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8.; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21 Tuesday: 1 Jn 2:22-28; Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4; Jn 1:19-28 Wednesday: 1 Jn 2:29–3:6; Ps 98:1, 3cd-4, 5-6; Jn 1:29-34 Thursday: 1 Jn 3:7-10; Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9; Jn 1:35-42 Friday: 1 Jn 3:11-21; Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5; Jn 1:43-51 Saturday: 1 Jn 5:5-13; Ps147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20; Mk 1:7-11 or Lk 3:23-38 or 3:23, 31-34, 36, 38 Sunday: Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12



### Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary MONDAY, January 1st

We celebrate the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God, on **Monday**, **January 1st**. The 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: Monday, January 1st at 8:30AM and 12:05PM

# St. Henry Parish NEWS

# This Week ....

SATURDAY, December 30th		
	Couples for Christ	
SUNDAY, December 31st - New Year's Eve		
MONDAY, January 1, 2018—New Year's Day		
TUESDAY, January 2nd		
6:45 PM	Religious Education classes	
7:30 PM	Line Dancing	
WEDNESDAY, January 3rd		
3:45 PM	Religious Education classes	
7:00 PM	SJMJ	
THURSDAY, January 4th		
FRIDAY, January 5th		
10:00 AM	Friday Morning Faith Sharing	
7:00 PM	SJMJ	
7:30 PM	Gatekeepers	
SATURDAY, January 6th		
SUNDAY, January 7th		
8:45 AM	Religious Education classes	
10:30 AM	Confirmation classes	
1:30 PM	Baptism	

# Friday Morning Faith Sharing Group

Meetings resume on Friday, January 5th.

St. Henry's Prayer Shawl Ministry meets every Sunday from 1-3 PM in the Rectory office. NOTE: Meetings will resume on Sunday, January 14th.

We will join in with the American Heart Association, in connection with The Children's Heart Foundation, to celebrate American Heart Month by knitting and crocheting red hats for babies born in February at participating hospitals — "Little Hats, Big Hearts". If anyone is interested in donating red yarn for this project or yarn of any color for future projects, please call the parish office at 201-436-0857. Donations of yarn or monetary donations are always gratefully accepted. We welcome anyone interested in joining us!

### Join Us...

- TUESDAYS: 7:30 PM, <u>LINE DANCING</u>, Parish Center. No experience necessary! For more info. call Norma Lardizabal at 201-844-4475.
- WEDNESDAYS: 7:30 PM, <u>Devotion to Our Mother of Perpet-ual Help</u>, every Wednesday at 7:30 PM. First Wednesday— Novena Mass @7:30 PM—St. Benedict Chapel.
- 1ST & 3RD THURSDAYS: <u>1:30 to 3 PM, Faith Sharing &</u> <u>Intercessory Prayer Group</u> (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 <u>Bible</u>.
- FRIDAYS: 7:30 PM, <u>Gatekeepers Charismatic Prayer</u> <u>Community</u>, every Friday at 7:30 PM. <u>First Friday</u>- Novena and Healing Mass @ 7:30 PM, St. Benedict Chapel. <u>2nd & 3rd Fridays</u>: Join Fr. Alfie Pangilinan, 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. <u>Novena to Señor Santo Nino</u> every Friday @7:30 PM, St.

Novena to Señor Santo Nino every Friday @7:30 PM, St. Henry's Parish Center.

• SUNDAYS: Prayer Shawl Ministry, 1-3 PM. In the Rectory.

# **Religious Education...**

Thank you to Fr. Alfie who heard confessions for the children who were unable to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time on December 9th. Apologies to all of the parents/guardians who came to the "Meet and Greet" session for all Pre-K and Kindergarten children and families. I was unable to be there as I was in church with the children receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

The "Meet and Greet" session is re-scheduled to Sunday January 7th, as we return from our Christmas and New Year holidays. Letters will be sent home.

Thank you to Fr. Raul who blessed our Christmas tree on the front lawn of the school and our manger inside the school and then led all the families down to the Pine Room to celebrate our "Happy Birthday Jesus" party. Special thanks to the Tibay family for their donation of our yummy Happy Birthday Jesus cake. Thank you to Richard Marchitto, Rosann Lyons, Aida Lopez, Cindy Lee, and everyone else who helped make our party a wonderful, heartwarming celebration for our King, Jesus! Thanks to Chip for cleaning the Pine Room and bathrooms so our celebration was also "germ" free.

### **Giving Tree Gifts**

If you still want to donate gifts, we will accept them through New Year so we can still help families in need.

Special thanks to all who contributed to the Giving Trees with gift cards, toys, clothes and other gift items. God bless each of you for your generosity, kindness and Christmas in your hearts. Many families in need saw the Light of Christ this Christmas through your generosity and kindness. May God continue to bless our Parish of St. Henry, all of our parishioners, families and friends. Merry Christmas & Happy Holy New Year!

Thanks to all who gave Barbara and I Christmas gifts! We appreciate your kindness and thoughtfulness.

Religion classes resume:

Tuesday, January 2, 2018 Wednesday, January 3, 2018 Sunday, January 7, 2018

Once again, thank you to all who have helped to make our parish and Religious Education Program so welcoming, kind and Christ-like through 2017. May God continue to bless each of you! - Marie Pope

> NEXT St. Henry FLEA MARKET SATURDAY, January 20th, 9 AM – 3 PM For more information, or to rent tables, call Barbara Silvay at 201-339-0319.



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



FEEL GOOD ABOUT YOURSELF... Donate Blood. NEW JERSEY BLOOD SER-VICES hold their blood drives the 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday of each month in the PINE ROOM of St. Henry's **EBLOOD** School. The next drive will take place Friday, **VE LIFE** January 19, 2018 at 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.

MARIST HIGH SCHOOL, Bayonne announces a new program: Marist Community and Continuing Education. Courses are available for adults, tweens and teens. The goal of the program is to offer fun classes as well as courses that offer an opportunity for professional advancement. There are some brochures detailing the courses offered in the lobby of Church. For more information, call or email Roxann D'Alessio, Director of Community and Continuing Education at 201-437-4545, Ext. 333, rdalessio@marist.org.

### From the ARCHDIOCESE OF NEWARK...

### SUPPORT GROUPS FOR PARENTS GRIEV-

ING THE DEATH OF A CHILD, sponsored by the Office of Family Life Ministries of the Archdiocese of Newark, are led by trained facilitators—parents who have per-sonally experienced the death of a child. Groups meet: St. Thomas the Apostle Church Parish Center, 60 Byrd Ave., Bloomfield, first Wednesday of each month 7:30 PM; St. Peter the Apostle Church Rectory Basement, 445 Fifth Ave., River Edge, third Monday of each month 7:30 PM.

The NEWMAN APOSTOLATE, offered by the Office of Campus Ministry, is a Catholic pastoral outreach to students in secular colleges within the Archdiocese. Outreach includes Sunday and weekday Mass on campus, socials, community service opportunities, faith enrichment, retreats and more. Please see the bulletin board in St. Henry Church lobby for contact and much more information for 8 colleges in our area.

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...

### **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.



We remind you that St. Henry Parish offers "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 are 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.

### ASCA News...

- Sr. Rita Fritzen, principal, the teachers, staff, and students of ASCA extend their best wishes to all for a Blessed Christmas. May the spirit of this holy season remain with us throughout the new year. We pray for peace in our world and the hope that we can be examples of God's love to others.
- A select group of eighth graders are attending Project Accelerate Engineering classes at Marist High School and are grateful to Marist High School for offering this opportunity.
- ASCA's student council sponsored a "Toys for Texas" drive benefitting the Archdiocese of Houston schools and families affected by the flooding of Hurricane Harvey. ASCA students also sent homemade Christmas cards to both schools.
- The Home School Association is sponsoring a chance to win a Catered Super Bowl Party for 20 people (food supplied by San Vito) valued at \$600. Tickets are \$5 each or \$25 for a book of five. The drawing will be January 26th at 10 AM. Winner need not be present. Tickets are available in the school office.
- Please check the school website, www.ascabayonne.org, for additional news and information.

### 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.

# 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

ST. HENRY FOOD PANTRY located in our Rectory Office, is available TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS, 10 AM—12 NOON (ONLY). NOTE: Bring current picture ID.

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 January 4th & 18th, 3—5 PM, and is located in the Rectory basement (entrance 46th St. ground and a statement). 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). See Mary Ann A. with any questions while you are there. ST. VINCENT'S SOUP KITCHEN will take place on the above

Thursdays, 5-6 PM in the Church basement.

## Welcome Home!

During the Christmas Season many of our college students are home on break to spend time with their families. We're glad to have you back with us for these few weeks. Your presence is a reminder to all of us of the influence our parish has on the world around us. Remember, wherever you go you bring the charisma of St. Henry Parish with you!

## St. Henry Parish 2019 MASS BOOK Opening

The 2019 MASS BOOK will open for intentions on Sunday, January 21st, after the 8:00 AM Mass, in the **Rectory Office.** 

In order to keep waiting time minimal, we will accept 4 Mass Intentions and 1 Memorial Intention **per person** on that day.

Additional intentions will be taken beginning Monday, January 22nd. Whoever cannot make their request in person on January 21st may come in or send in their request with another person beginning Monday, January 22nd.

### CHRISTMAS GIFT TO YOUR PARISH

We encourage our parishioners to be stewards for Christ in giving of their TREASURE and helping us reach our budgeted goal for Christmas, \$45,000. We are, as always, grateful for your kindness and generosity.

# Thank You!

Total Collection for the weekend of 12/17/17: \$8,079.50 consisting of - Church Offering: \$7,563.50 (last year, 12/19/16 our church offering was \$7,448) **Electronic Giving: \$486** Children's Collection: \$30

> We need \$10,000 each week in order to meet our expenses

Thank you for your continued support and generosity!

NOTE:

- The bulletin of 12/17 mistakenly noted the collection amount was for the weekend of 12/17 and should instead have read the weekend of 12/10.
- Collections for 12/24, Christmas & 12/31 will be noted in the bulletin of 1/7 due to early preparation of prior bulletins.

## 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.



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

(note that the Rectory and Religious Education Offices Will be closed Monday, January 1st for the holiday)

