



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.*

January 1, 2023 - The Solemnity of Mary, Holy Mother of God

RECTORY & PARISH OFFICE

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Served by:

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE

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

12 Noon ONLY until further notice

Holy Days: (see inside bulletin for Mass times)

National Holidays: 9:00 AM

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

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays 9:00AM–9:30 AM & 4:30PM - 5:15 PM

Sacrament of Baptism

First Sunday of each month at 1:30 PM. Call the Parish Office to make arrangements. Please call early to schedule, as the number of children to be Baptized on each date is limited. 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

2022-2023 Program Year

Sundays, 8:45–9:45 AM: Kindergarten, 1st/2nd year RCIC,
1st/2nd year Catch-Up, 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th & 5th Gr.

Wednesdays, 4–5PM: 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th & 5th Gr.

Wednesdays, 7–8PM: 6th, 7th, 8th Gr.

(above classes are in person)

3rd & 4th Sundays, 8:30-9:30 AM or 4-5PM or 7-8PM
Confirmation classes (virtual)

1st & 2nd Sundays, 12:00–1:30 PM – RCIA (for adults, 18 or older who wish to receive the Sacraments) (virtual)

Sacrament of the Sick/Homebound

Anointing: Anytime upon request in the home of the sick.
Please call the rectory.

St. Henry Parish Office Hours

MONDAY – THURSDAY
9:00 AM – 3:00 PM



What must it have been like for Mary to be visited by an archangel named Gabriel, who brought her a stupendous request? How did this young girl manage a mysterious pregnancy, with the realization that the Child growing in her womb was the One who would “save His people from their sins”? The point for us is that Mary reflected on, or pondered, all those things which formed a unique spiritual album for a Mother about her Son. Do you reflect from time to time on all that happens to you? Do you ever try to decipher a pattern in the events of your life that point to and delineate God’s plan for you? Doing that requires more determination now because we have reached a time in human history when our technological toys, wonderful in their own right, can nevertheless become our enemies. Weigh the amount of time you spend on your cell phone versus that spent in prayer or in pondering over your life’s twists and turns.

Mary’s reflecting on her life and that of her Son’s is what gave her the ability to see beyond the immediate and put full trust in God. She never wavered or despaired. All those taunts and jeers that Jesus felt, she felt. Yet she still “stood by the cross of Jesus” on the worst day of her life. Can we do less?

It is New Year’s Day. A day to honor the Mother of God and start the year off right. It’s that annual day for making resolutions as we begin the countdown from 365. One resolve we might not think of right away has to do with becoming “people who ponder”. When we step back to ponder on things that happen to us and in our wide world, “reflecting on them in our hearts”, we have the potential to profit from what we learn. We get to trust more in God, and better able to sing His praises, becoming along the way truly joyful people. “When you can think of yesterday without regret and tomorrow without fear, you are near contentment”.

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Mass Intentions for the Week

SATURDAY, December 31st

5:30 PM Peter Rocheny

SUNDAY, January 1, 2023

The Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:00 AM Cynthia Tan

10:00 AM Antoinette DeRosa

12:00 PM George L. Pollock

MONDAY, January 2nd

9:00 AM Agatha Grassi

TUESDAY, January 3rd

12:00 PM Judy Blom

Victoria Garces, Javier Regala (1st Ann.)

WEDNESDAY, January 4th

12:00 PM Mary Daly

Adele & Frank McLaughlin

THURSDAY, January 5th

12:00 PM Anthony Giannaci & Gerry Wortman

Bridget & William Cleary

FRIDAY, January 6th

12:00 PM Ah Way & Lily Tsong

Elsie Doria

SATURDAY, January 7th

8:30 AM Maz Zai Guerrero

5:30 PM Steven Wexler

SUNDAY, January 8th

8:00 AM Richard Josefowicz

10:00 AM Paul Pope

12:00 PM Francesca & Joseph Polera

MEMORIALS

SANCTUARY LAMP,

ALTAR BREAD & ALTAR WINE

In Memory of Federico & Cristina Inigo
from the Inigo Family

PLEASE NOTE:

Weekday Mass Celebrations & Intentions

It has been decided that we will not be bringing back the 8:30 AM Mass, Monday through Friday. 2023 Mass Intentions scheduled for 8:30 AM and 12:05PM will be honored at our 12 PM Mass each weekday.

Saturday 8:30 AM, 5:30 PM and Sunday 8AM, 10AM and 12 Noon Masses remain the same as always.

Beginning 2024, weekday Masses will be scheduled at 12 Noon and we will accept 2 intentions for each Mass.

Pray for...

Please continue to keep in your prayers the sick members, family and friends of our parish: **Martha Serrano, Liz Noto, Silvio Noto, Chad Perry, Archie Afable, Michele Gamatko, Ann Fitzsimmons, Juan Diaz, Craig Buonomo, Marie Pope, Barry Dugan, Fran Dugan, Anna Marie Borzelli, Mary Phillips-Borzelli, Claire Poli, John J. Borzelli.**

READINGS FOR THE WEEK...

Monday: 1 Jn 2:22-28; Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4; Jn 1:19-28

Tuesday: 1 Jn 2:29-3:6; Ps 98:1, 3cd-4, 5-6; Jn 1:29-34

Wednesday: 1 Jn 3:7-10; Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9; Jn 1:35-42

Thursday: 1 Jn 3:11-21; Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5; Jn 1:43-51

Friday: 1 Jn 5:5-13; Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20; Mk 1:7-11 or Lk 3:23-38 or Lk 3:23, 31-34, 36, 38

Saturday: 1 Jn 5:14-21; Ps 149:1-2, 3-4, 5-6a, 9b; Jn 2:1-11

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

NOTE: Mass on Monday, January 2nd will take place at 9AM. There will be NO 12 PM Mass.

The Priests and Staff of St. Henry Parish
Wish each and every one of you a Blessed and Joyful New Year 2023!

St. Henry Parish NEWS

Food Pantry Availability

BEGINNING JANUARY, St. Henry FOOD PANTRY WILL BE OPEN THE FIRST AND THIRD WEDNESDAYS OF EACH MONTH, 9:30AM—12:30 PM ONLY. Ring office doorbell – a bag will be brought to you.

St. Vincent Food Pantry is open January 4 & 18, February 2 & 16 - 3 PM- 4 PM ONLY. Location is in the Rectory Basement (entrance 46th St., ground level, near garage).

Non-perishable food donations are always needed. Your donations may be brought to the Parish Office during the week. Please call ahead to insure Jean is in the office to accept it – 201-436-0857, Ext. 110.

Thank you, as always, for your generosity and willingness to help those in need.

St. Henry's PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

The Prayer Shawl Ministry meets Sundays in the Parish Office, 1PM—3PM. If you have any questions, please contact Mary Rooth, 201-240-5909.

PARISH CENTER RENTAL

If you are interested in renting our Parish Center (28th St., behind the Church) for a private party, please call Jean DiPillo, 201-436-0857, Ext. 110, 9AM—3PM, Monday through Thursday, for availability and more information.

Parish Registration

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, Ext. 110. 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, or received other sacraments here.

To register, complete a registration form at the Parish Office, Monday—Thursday, 9 AM—3:30 PM, or call Jean if you would like the form mailed to you

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 at St. Henry's must be members of the parish.



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 died in recent months, especially **Laurence Rusnak**, 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.

Religious Education

After careful consideration and in consultation with the catechists, Fr. Raul and Fr. Alfie, due to the uptick of Flu, COVID, RSV, head lice, etc., I have elected to switch our in-person learning to remote learning effective January 1st. During the month of January, I will confer with the catechists (especially those who are in the school system), and review CDC guidelines, and will determine the direction we will pursue in the month of February.

The catechists will email the classroom link, class time and other pertinent information to you, the parents/guardians. A follow-up call with the students' families will take place after the email is sent. NOTE: This would be a good time to update any changes to your email address and phone numbers. Call Shena

DeMoya, 201-339-0319, Ext. 116 with your changes.

Shena DeMoya, our office assistant, will be present in our office during the month of January. Should there be a need to visit the office in person during this time, call her at 201-339-0319, Ext. 116 to be sure she is there.

If you have any questions, call me at 908-612-6674.

Thank you to everyone who purchased gift cards which were distributed to St. Henry families in need. They asked me to thank each and everyone of you for your generosity, kindness and love during this most wonderful miracle time of the year—the birth of Christ.

A big thank you to John Graziano and his team of elves for making the 7th Christmas Wish Lists come true for so many families of St. Henry. Thank you to Aida and Shena for overseeing this magical time for the children in my absence. Thanks to technology, I was able to watch the magic via facetime. John and team asked that I thank you from the bottom of their hearts. The smiles and joy on all the faces was priceless.

A special thank you to all who adopted a family for Christmas dinner. The families wanted me to thank you from the bottom of their hearts for making Christmas joyful and bright.

I wish you and yours a very Merry Christmas and a Happy, Holy, and Healthy New Year. May the light of Christ's birth shine upon each of you this joyous season and remain with you forever.

Love and miss all of you,
Marie Pope, Director of Religious Education

PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED January 9th through January 17th

The Parish Office will be closed the week of Monday, January 9th and will re-open the day after Martin Luther King day— Tuesday, January 17th.

Please leave a voicemail message for Jean, 201-436-0857, Ext. 110. She will return your call when she returns.

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

IMMIGRATION HELP FOR UKRAINIANS: Contact Gintare Grigaite, Esq. at 201-471-7989.

How to Report Abuse The Archdiocese takes very seriously any and all allegations of misconduct by members of the clergy, Religious and lay staff of the Archdiocese. We encourage anyone with knowledge of an act of misconduct to inform us immediately so that we may take appropriate action to protect others and provide support to victims of sexual abuse and other misconduct. Individuals who wish to report an allegation of sexual misconduct may do so by calling Karen Clark, Director of the Department for the Protection of the Faithful at 973-497-4254. Victims in need of assistance should call the Archdiocesan Assistance Coordinator at 201-407-3256. They are also encouraged to call the Attorney General of NJ Clergy Abuse Hotline at 855-363-6548.

Mass for Our Country, sponsored by the Archdiocese of Newark Office of Evangelization, will take place at **Holy Spirit Church, 970 Suburban Rd., Union, NJ on the First Thursday of each month** – Patriotic Rosary at 7:00 PM, followed by Holy Mass at 7:30 PM. Upcoming dates are: **January 5th, February 2nd, March 2nd, April 13th, May 4th and June 1st.**

St. Henry Parish NEWS - continued

2022 Archdiocesan ANNUAL APPEAL

The 2022 Archdiocesan Annual Appeal has come to an end.
OUR PARISH GOAL WAS \$41,661.

Total Pledged as of 12/15/22::	\$38,131
Total Collected 12/18:	<u>713</u>
Total Pledged for 2022:	\$38,844
Actual received by Archdiocese:	\$38,309
Projected yet to be received:	535
Shortfall for goal - paid by parish	\$2,817

Music During the Christmas Season

At the conclusion of many of the Christmas Season Masses, you will hear the organ play the famous Ukrainian "Carol of the Bells". This is being played as a musical prayer for the people of Ukraine suffering from the war by Russia. You are invited to silently add your prayers as the music is playing.

During the Christmas Season, we sing the *Gloria in Excelsis* composed by our music director and organist Chad Perry. It is based on the French carol "Angels We Have Heard on High".

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 \$45,000. We are grateful to all of those who so generously gave this Christmas. If you have not already done so, please consider your Christmas Gift to your parish. Thank you!

Thank You!

Total Collection thru the weekend of 12/18/22: \$6,003
Consisting of Regular Weekly Offering: \$4,790
Electronic Giving: \$1,213

Thank you for your continued support and generosity!

YOUR ATTENTION PLEASE:

There are only a limited number of Masses and Memorials available for intentions in 2023.

Once the intentions are taken, and until we open the 2024 Mass Book (date to be determined), we will be scheduling Masses that will not be celebrated at St. Henry Church, but privately by one of our retired priests in the Archdiocese. Note that a Mass card can be issued if needed, but there will be no date, time or place indicated. Thank you for your understanding.

Support Group for those Grieving the Death of a Loved One

The Bereavement Ministry of St. Henry Parish will offer another support group series for those grieving the death of a loved one. There will be 6 sessions of information, mutual sharing and support. The support group will take place on **Tuesdays, January 10th – February 14th at 7PM**, and will meet at St. Henry Parish House.

If you are interested please contact Jean at the parish office, 201-436-0857, Ext. 110, by January 3rd.



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

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

We welcome into our parish community the following Christians who were recently Baptized:

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| Cindy Sue Arrigo | Maggie Elizabeth Campbell |
| Ronan Terrance Flynn | Krishna Raina Joeglal |
| Avery Joann Halsey | Ashley Marie-Jose Millan |
| Noah William Johnson | Paul Vincent Millan |
| Nicholas Patrick McDonough | Chad Adam Szymanski, Jr. |
| Elyannie Hortencia Ramos-Rosa | Anastasia Katerina Solomovich |
| Arabella Rosa | Alice Tiffany Solomovich |
| Deana Tria Pascual | Jordan Paul Cabatu |
| Antonio Emilio Acosta | James Kelly McDonald |
| Aoki Remo Bantilan | Jackson Robert Gabriel Torres |
| Angelina Jackson Walker | Michael Gannon Pecoraro |
| | Ellery Sandrine Magtibay Mercado |

"a time to love..."

We congratulate and wish God’s blessings on the following couples who were recently married:

- Richard Koo & Courtney Palis
- Gary Miksza & Rhodora Guintu
- Javed Zeeshan & Ma. E. Glinoga
- Paolo Jimenez & Celine Pascual
- Daniel Pinkston & Melissa Pincus
- Karl Kiocho & Tracy Buenaflor
- Raymond Torres & Nicole Misdorn

**St. Henry’s
MONTHLY CALENDAR RAFFLE - 2023**

PRIZE: \$1,000 PER MONTH

Drawn on the 1st of each month, January, 2023 through December, 2023

TICKET COST: \$120 EACH (ONLY 300 TICKETS WILL BE SOLD)

You have 12 chances to win, and the winning ticket is re-entered so you may win multiple times!

Tickets are on sale THROUGH THE MONTH OF JANUARY at the Parish Office, Monday through Thursday, 9AM to 3PM; from Father in the sacristy after the weekend Masses; and for your convenience a ticket request form is printed below:



**ST. HENRY CHURCH – 2023 Calendar Raffle
TICKET REQUEST FORM**

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE NO.: _____ **EMAIL:** _____

NO. OF TICKETS: _____ **X \$120/Ticket = \$** _____

**Checks to be made payable to St. Henry Church
SEPARATE REQUEST FORM TO BE COMPLETED FOR EACH PURCHASER
(Form may be duplicated)**