



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 5, 2025 The Epiphany of the Lord

RECTORY & PARISH OFFICE

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Served by:

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE

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

Associate Musician: Christian Bautista

Trustees: Louis Giambusso & Kathy Harden

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: 12:00PM

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. The Archdiocesan policy usually requires one year of 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

2024-2025 Program Year

Sundays: 8:45AM – 9:45AM: Kindergarten-Grade 5

Sundays: 8:30AM-9:30AM Grade 9

Sundays: 7:00PM-8:00PM: Grade 9

Wednesdays: 4:00PM-5:00PM: Grades 1-5

Wednesdays: 7:00PM-8:00PM: Grades 6-8

Sundays: 8:45AM-9:45AM RCIC and Catch Up

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 – 4:00 PM



Thoughts and Reflections:

The story of the wise men is a journey that surrounds the birth of Jesus. It speaks to all seeking God in today's world. God does not use force to attract others. Angels speak a message of joy for all, but give no orders that insist that the shepherds journey through the dark of night to worship. A star appears in the sky but no one forces these astrologers to pack up some gifts and make their way across foreign terrain to kneel and prostrate themselves and do Jesus homage.

At the heart of the story is the message that God's plan was that everyone be included in the mystery of salvation. God wants everyone to share in divine life—everyone! We can pray that divisions and hatreds will be resolved through the wisdom that is the gift of God. We pray for an increase of wise men and women who are attuned to the signs of God drawing them to join together in worship and live together in peace. The ultimate destination of all people is to arrive in the presence of God.

Mass Intentions for the Week

SATURDAY, January 4th

8:30AM Al Arnold
5:30PM Mary Daly

SUNDAY, January 5th

8:00AM Richard Josefowicz
10:00AM Anthony Giannaci & Gerry Wortman
12:00PM Antonia Bello

MONDAY, January 6th

12:00PM Louis & Mary Piser
Manuel Casais

TUESDAY, January 7th

12:00PM Adele & Frank McLaughlin
Teresita Lim

WEDNESDAY, January 8th

12:00PM Venancia Veja
Lunas Toribio

THURSDAY, January 9th

12:00PM Joseph Rickvalsky
Flora Bartucci

FRIDAY, January 10th

12:00PM Mary Butler
Francesca & Joseph Polera

SATURDAY, January 11th

8:30AM Mr. & Mrs. Felix Bravante, Sr.
5:30PM Maria DeGiorgio

SUNDAY, January 12th

8:00AM Mildred Redmond
10:00AM Teresita Lim
12:00PM Jesus Vila

**MEMORIALS
SANCTUARY LAMP
ALTAR BREAD & ALTAR WINE
In Memory of Federico & Cristina Inigo
From The Inigo Family**

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 religious related celebrations ONLY as per new Archdiocesan guidelines, please call Nancy at 201-436-0857, Ext. 110, 9AM—4PM, Monday through Thursday, for availability and more information.

Readings for the week

Monday 1 Jn 3:22; 4:6 Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a Mt 4:12-17, 23-25
Tuesday 1 Jn 4:7-10 Ps 72:1-2, 3-4, 7-8 Mk 6:34-44
Wednesday 1 Jn 4:11-18 Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13 Mk 6:45-52
Thursday 1 Jn 4:19; 5:4 Ps 72:1-2, 14 and 15bc, 17 Lk 4:14-22
Friday 1 Jn 5:5-13 Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20 Lk 5:12-16
Saturday 1 Jn 5:14-21 Ps 149:1-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b Jn 3:22-30
Sunday Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Is 40:1-5, 9-11 Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 or Ps 104:1b-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-28, 29-30 Acts 10:34-38 or Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7 Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

St. Henry Parish NEWS



Electronic funds transfer enables you to have your parish contributions automatically debited from your checking account or credit card. You choose how much to give, how often to give and what method of payment is to be used. You can also make special offertory donations for second collections, as well as pay for Religious Education registration and sacramental fees. We offer this convenient, secure and simple method of giving through Parish Giving. Log onto St. Henry's website, www.sthenryrc.org, click on the Parish Giving icon and follow the easy registration steps.

NOTE: For those who use Parish Giving and no longer receive offering envelopes, you can access a list of second collections on our website, www.sthenryrc.org (click on Our Parish at the top of our cover page, then click on Parish Giving on the drop down menu).

Pray for...

Please continue to keep in your prayers the sick members, family and friends of our parish: **Kevin Adamson, Martha Serrano, Liz Noto, Silvio Noto, Chad Perry, Archie Afable, Juan Diaz, Craig Buonomo, Fran Dugan, Anna Marie Borzelli, Claire Poli, Jean Gallagher, Thomas Cahill, and Indy Littlefield.**

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 Nancy 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 – 4PM, or call Nancy if you would like the form mailed to you

A minimum of 3 months membership with St. Henry Parish is a requirement if you wish to be a godparent or a sponsor for Confirmation.

Please Note: Saint Henry Parish does not have a clothing donation program. Please do not leave bags, boxes etc. of clothing items in or around the church property. Thank you for your cooperation.

Thank You!

Total Regular Offering – weekend of 12/22/2024: \$5,743

Consisting of Offering at Masses: \$4,303

Electronic Giving: \$1,440

The offering totals for the weekend of December 29th will appear in next week's bulletin.

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 died in recent months, especially *Lucille DeMaria*, 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.

Food Pantry Availability

St. Henry FOOD PANTRY IS OPEN THE FIRST AND THIRD WEDNESDAYS OF EACH MONTH, 10:00AM – 12:00PM ONLY. Proof of Bayonne residency required. One bag per household will be given out. Ring office doorbell – a bag will be brought to you.

Non-perishable food donations are always needed. Your donations may be brought to the Parish Office Monday – Thursday, 9AM – 4PM. Thank you, as always, for your generosity and willingness to help those in need.

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 so that we may take appropriate action to protect others and provide support to victims of sexual abuse. Call the Coordinator for the Office of Accompaniment in the Archdiocese Department for the Protection of the Faithful at 201-407-3256.



The priests and staff of St. Henry Parish extend sincere thanks for all the well wishes, gifts and delicious goodies! It was most thoughtful of you and is truly appreciated.

May God bless you for your kindness.

Simbang Gabi 2024

Our Christmas Novena celebration of evening Masses, December 15th through December 23rd, including fellowship in the Parish Center, again provided St. Henry Parish with a very prayerful and festive preparation for Christmas. Our sincere thanks to the Filipino community of our parish and to the many organizers and participants of Simbang Gabi this year. A donation was made to St. Henry Parish in the amount of \$24,426.



Thank you to everyone who made a contribution towards our Christmas Flowers and Decorations, which amounted to \$3,425, enabling us to prepare our Church so beautifully for Christmas. Your loved ones, in whose memory your donations were made, are remembered here in St. Henry Parish during Christmas and throughout the year.

ST. CECILIA FUND St. Henry Church has a proud history of providing excellent sacred music for our Masses and special liturgies. This is financially supported through our parish budget. There are times during the year when we would like to add special music through instrumentalists (brass choir, string quartet, flute, etc.). We also would like to reserve funds to maintain our historic 50 rank pipe organ. We are establishing the St. Cecilia Fund (Patron of Sacred Music) to support these items. You can make a designated contribution of any amount by writing on your check or envelope "FOR ST. CECILIA FUND" and making the check payable to ST. HENRY CHURCH. We encourage you to help support this sacred music effort. The money will be used by the music ministry as the year progresses. You can also indicate your donation is in honor or memory of a named loved one.



COFFEE for ST. HENRY Continuing this month, we are asking you to please treat St. Henry Church to a cup of coffee. We will use the proceeds to defray the cost of our Repairs and Maintenance, and hopefully, help shore up our reserves again. "Coffee for St. Henry" envelopes will be by the doors of the church. However much you want to treat St. Henry for, please put the amount inside the envelope. If donating by check, please make it payable to "St. Henry". You can then drop the envelope in the collection basket. You can do this anytime in the month, and as many times as you wish.

Saint Henry Church
Enter Under My Roof Capital Campaign

Thank you to the parishioners who have made their pledge of sacrifice to our Capital Campaign.

Please note: Beginning January 1, 2025, Capital Campaign pledges may be paid by debit or credit card using online Parish Giving (electronic giving).

We will be selling our 2025 Calendar Raffle Tickets through the month of January.

GET YOUR TICKET NOW!



Your support of this parish fundraiser is greatly appreciated.

St. Henry's

MONTHLY CALENDAR RAFFLE – 2025

PRIZE: \$1,000 PER MONTH

Drawn on the 1st of each month, January 2025 through December 2025

TICKET COST: \$120 EACH

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

Tickets can be purchased at the Parish Office, Monday through Thursday, 9AM to 4PM, or request may be mailed to the rectory at 82 West 29th Street.

ST. HENRY CHURCH – 2025 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.

Our 2025 yearly calendars are available at the doors of the church. Kindly take one copy as our supply is limited.

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



The Knights of Columbus invites men to build their lives on solid ground, to become the spouse, father, and man God created them to be – fulfilled and fully alive. Inspired by Blessed Michael McGivney, St. Joseph, and our four principles – charity, unity, fraternity, and patriotism- our international community of Catholic men comprises more than two million members who wish to grow in faith. Knights support each other and lead our families and parishes through action. Discover your mission at kofc.org/join (Star of the Sea Council 371). For information, email Chris Wilimberg at GrandKnight@kofccouncil371.org.