

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 8, 2023 - 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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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: 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: (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



“Epiphany”. The word comes to us from ancient Greek through Middle English. Start it off with an upper case letter, and it means today’s feast, commemorating the “manifestation” of Christ to the Gentile world. Its formerly fixed date of January 6 marked the traditional “Twelfth Day of Christmas”. It was moved to a Sunday to give it more prominence. In lower case lettering, the word means “An appearance or manifestation, especially of a deity, or a sudden insight into the essential meaning of something.

The story of the Epiphany is a beautiful one. A group of Gentile travelers come to the feet of Christ bearing three gifts in tribute to Him. We can presume they brought their version of shock and awe to the inhabitants of Bethlehem. Scholars and saints alike have seen their gifts as spiritually significant. Gold for Christ’s kingship; frankincense for His divinity, and myrrh for His redeemership.

The arrival of the magi, as they come into the seasonal story, add a dash of color to the relatively sedate blues and browns of Mary and Joseph in the crèche scene. One can almost hear the Oriental music playing in the background as they walk into the stable. Above all, the magi remind us that alongside humble shepherds come “the movers and shakers” of the world.

In the great diversity we have become as a nation and as a Church, we can do no better than be wise men and women, seeing the Face of Christ in all newcomers. That will indeed be an epiphany for all the world to see.

Mass Intentions for the Week

SATURDAY, January 7th

5:30 PM Steven Wexler

SUNDAY, January 8th

8:00 AM Richard Josefowicz

10:00 AM Paul Pope

12:00 PM Francesca & Joseph Polera

MONDAY, January 9th

12:00 PM Silvay Family

Manuel Casais

TUESDAY, January 10th

12:00 PM Bill Grapstul

Ed Lubera

WEDNESDAY, January 11th

12:00 PM Umberto Palangio

Joseph Rickvalsky

THURSDAY, January 12th

12:00 PM Lt. Colonel Anthony Bartholomew Cresci

William A. Dundas

FRIDAY, January 13th

12:00 PM Richard Traba

Noreen & Philip Bertucci

SATURDAY, January 14th

8:30 AM James Foran

5:30 PM William T. Boyd

SUNDAY, January 15th

8:00 AM Vincent Maguire

10:00 AM Mario Prieto

12:00 PM Jesus Vila

MEMORIALS

SANCTUARY LAMP

For the Special Intention of

Joseph Sivakumaran

from Benita

ALTAR BREAD

In Memory of Frank Durando
from Mark & Lynn Sanzo & 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.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK...

Monday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Acts 10:34-38; Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10; Mt 3:13-17

Tuesday: Heb 2:5-12; Ps 8:2ab, 5, 6-7, 8-9; Mk 1:21-28

Wednesday: Heb 2:14-18; Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9; Mk 1:29-39

Thursday: Heb 3:7-14; Ps 95:6-7c, 8-9, 10-11; Mk 1:40-45

Friday: Heb 4:1-5, 11; Ps 78:3, 4bc, 6c-7, 8; Mk 2:1-12

Saturday: Heb 4:12-16; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15; Mk 2:13-17

Sunday: Is 49:3, 5-6; Ps 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10; 1 Cor 1:1-3; Jn 1:29-34

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.

St. Henry Parish NEWS

Religious Education

Food Pantry Availability

St. Henry FOOD PANTRY IS 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 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 Monday – Thursday, 9AM – 3PM. 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 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.

Thank You!

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

SPOTLIGHT On the Catechist

Robert Patrick Mastromonaco

Robert has been active in many facets of St. Henry Church and the Religious Education program since 2000. He started volunteering with the live performance of the Stations of the Cross as a Roman soldier. He went on to assist Marie in preparing the children for this yearly event. Robert continually volunteered to assist Marie and Chad with rehearsals of the children's choir, and then the young adult choir, and currently participates in the adult choir which has led him to become a Cantor at weekly Masses.

During Robert's musical tenure, he found time to assist with the Religious Education program – first as an office assistant, assisting with Pre-K religious instruction, then a substitute Catechist and in 2019 with the Fifth Grade Religious Education graduation ceremony and the Children's Christmas pageant. Robert is still very active assisting with the RCIA and Religious Education catch-up programs.

REMINDER:

1. All Religious Education classes will be taught remotely in the month of January.
2. As of January 1st, Catechists will contact you via text message, and not via email.

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.

Thank You!

Total Regular Offering – weekend of 12/25/2023: \$4,122

Total Regular Offering – weekend of 1/1/2023: \$7,889

Consisting of Offering at Masses: \$7,051

Electronic Giving: \$ 838

The Solemnity of Mary Collection: \$2,509

Thank you for your continued support and generosity!

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

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

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.**

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.

St. Henry Parish NEWS - continued



*Thank you to everyone who made a contribution towards our Christmas Flowers and Decorations, which amounted to **\$3,643**, enabling us to prepare our Church so beautifully for Christmas. Your loved ones, in whose memory your donations were made, are remembered here at St. Henry Parish during Christmas and throughout the year.*

Christmas Gift for Your Parish

As of this past weekend, our Christmas collection totals **\$32,790**.

Hopefully in the coming weeks we will meet or exceed our goal of \$45,000.

We are so grateful for all those who so generously contributed. If you have not already done so, please consider your Christmas gift to your parish of St. Henry. Your gift enables us to keep up with our expenses, both planned and unexpected.

May God bless you all!



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).

YOUR ATTENTION PLEASE:

There are no more Mass Intentions available in 2023. We do still have a limited number of Memorials available

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.



Simbang Gabi – 2022

Our Christmas Novena celebration of evening Masses, December 15th through December 23rd, including fellowship in the Parish Center on the first and last days, 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 **\$17,647**.
Simbang Gabi is a wonderful annual Christmas season parish event!

**St. Henry’s 2023
CALENDAR RAFFLE**
Our Raffle WINNER for JANUARY is: **PAULETTE KLAICH**.
Thank you again to all who have participated in this important fundraiser for our parish.
Congratulations to the winner and GOOD LUCK to those whose tickets will be drawn in the coming months!

**We will be selling 2023 Raffle tickets through the month of January!
GET YOUR TICKET NOW!
Your support of St. Henry’s ONLY fundraiser is greatly appreciated!**

**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 11 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:

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**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)