



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 15, 2023 - Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

RECTORY & PARISH OFFICE

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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



It is nighttime at sea. The great ship heaves violently from tortured waves in a powerful storm. Rain slashes the bow amid flashing lightning strikes and hits the glass of the wheelhouse as the captain struggles to stand erect. Suddenly he smiles at the sight of the lighthouse, whose bright lamp beckons him to safety and hope amid the chaos. That is an apt image for our world at discomfiting moments in history, either the world within us or the one outside us.

You and I are not likely to experience a literal storm at sea, and that is a good thing. But it is quite probable that most of us will have to live through stormy weather at some point in our lives. How will we avoid shipwreck? How will we get through to the other side of the storm to enjoy calm seas and sunny skies again? The Gospels suggest the best way: by keeping sight of the Light of the Nations, who is Christ Jesus, and following His guidance.

At Mass we should be conscious that Jesus is not only the Light but also the Lamb of God. He sacrificed Himself for us personally out of a love we could never equal. He offers us, "smooth sailing" in the next life on a tranquil sea if we will get onboard, prepared for whatever comes our way.

As for those who flee the battle in various forms of escape, or despair amid the fury of it, listen to a man named John A. Shedd, who wrote back in 1928 these immortal words: "A ship in harbor is safe, but that is not what ships are built for".

Mass Intentions for the Week

- SATURDAY, January 14th**
5:30 PM William T. Boyd
- SUNDAY, January 15th**
8:00 AM Vincent Maguire
10:00 AM Mario Prieto
12:00 PM Jesus Vila
- MONDAY, January 16th**
9:00 AM Catherine Ceimo (28th Ann.)
- TUESDAY, January 17th**
12:00 PM Thomas M. Conway
Richard Hendicks
- WEDNESDAY, January 18th**
12:00 PM Peggy Hanley
Judy Burns
- THURSDAY, January 19th**
12:00 PM Michael Raccioppi
Elsie Doria
- FRIDAY, January 20th**
12:00 PM William Cleary
Frank Moloney (Ann.)
- SATURDAY, January 21st**
8:30 AM Venancia Veia
5:30 PM Teresita Vasquez
- SUNDAY, January 22nd**
8:00 AM Tom Keating
10:00 AM Miguel Quintela
12:00 PM Lisa Wagner & John Bruno

MEMORIALS

SANCTUARY LAMP

In Memory of Cecilia & Anthony Pillai

from Benita

ALTAR BREAD,

In Memory of Mario Prieto

from his 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: Heb 5:1-10; Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4; Mk 2:18-22

Tuesday: Heb 6:10-20; Ps 111:1-2, 4-5, 9, 10c; Mk 2:23-28

Wednesday: Heb 7:1-3, 15-17; Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4; Mk 3:1-6

Thursday: Heb 7:25 — 8:6; Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 17; Mk 3:7-12

Friday: Heb 8:6-13; Ps 85:8, 10, 11-12, 13-14; Mk 3:13-19

Saturday: Heb 9:2-3, 11-14; Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9; Mk 3:20-21

Sunday: Is 8:23 — 9:3; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; 1 Cor 1:10-13, 17; Mt 4:12-23 or 4:12-17

Monday, January 16th, is the celebration of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. This noted civil rights leader and spiritual minister added a dramatic dimension to our history as a nation and as a people dedicated to the freedom of all its citizens. We remember his legacy in prayer and action. Let us continue to pray for the equality of all our brothers and sisters.

PLEASE NOTE: Mass on Monday, January 16th will be at 9AM. (There will be no Noon Mass) The Parish Office will be closed for the holiday.

St. Henry Parish NEWS

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.

Religious Education

Spotlight on the Catechist

Marie Pope

Director of Religious Education

I have been the Director/Catechist of St. Henry's Religious Education program for 26 plus years.

Fr. Frank Rocchi, a beloved priest who served at St. Henry's many years ago, asked if I'd be interested in assisting with the program. At that time, I was heavily burdened with work at AT&T, was attending St. Peter's University and was assisting my family with our deli business. My plate was overflowing so I prayed about it. I didn't recognize the answer though. One Saturday at the 5:30 PM Mass, I was ready to give Fr. Frank my decision – no. His homily that evening was profound, as usual. "Your plate may be full, but if you say yes to God He will carry you through your full plate and troubled, stressful journey even if you work for AT&T". When he added to his homily the playing of his guitar and singing of "Here I Am Lord", my answer to Fr. Frank was a resounding "Yes".

A few years later, Msgr. Edward Hajduk, the pastor at that time, asked me if I would be interested in the position of Director of the program. I was very candid with him and said that I didn't feel as qualified as other candidates might be for the position. His response was, "I will help you". Msgr. Ed's main request was for me to help make the program "parent friendly". This request continues to resonate in my heart and mind to date.

Bishop Thomas Donato succeeded Msgr. Ed as pastor. I was advised at the time that the protocol for the existing Director of Religious Education was to offer his/her resignation upon the appointment of a new pastor. When I met with Bishop Tom I asked him if he wanted me to resign. He replied "No, I heard very good things about you". I learned many things from Bishop Tom. He was kind, caring, compassionate and loving to everyone he met – a very spiritual man of God. One of the most profound lessons he taught me was to "meet the people where they are at". This advice continues to resonate with me in my personal life and in my role as Director. A funny story – Bishop Tom would always introduce me with these words, "I am the Bishop and she is the Pope".

Fr. Raul Gaviola was appointed pastor soon after Bishop Tom passed away in 2015. I remember his first days at St. Henry's, becoming pastor but having to assume the planning of Bishop Tom's funeral among the other duties and responsibilities. I was and still am impressed with Fr. Raul's caring demeanor and ability to reach out and touch the hearts and souls of the many families who are in need of consolation and compassion. His kindness and love of all of the children in our Religious Education program is heartfelt, especially his love and interaction with our special needs children. Fr. Raul has always told me he "has my back". I know he trusts my judgment and experience. And on a personal note my family and I will never forget his prayers, compassion and thoughtfulness during this past year on my cancer journey. I thank Fr. Raul for allowing me to continue to be responsible for our program as the Director in a remote capacity as well as teaching the 8th grade students and RCIA candidates. This interaction keeps me connected to my parish of St. Henry, the families and most importantly, the children. It is exhilarating and the best medicine for me.

I once again that you all for your thoughts, best wishes, cards and prayers. God has answered those many prayers, thus allowing me to celebrate Christmas with my family and friends. Prayer is so powerful!

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

Parish Giving
—SIGN UP FOR ELECTRONIC GIVING—

YOUR ATTENTION PLEASE:

We have no more Masses available for 2023. We do, however, have a limited number of Memorials available for intentions.

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.

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).



OH GOD, when I have food, help me to remember the hungry;
when I have work, help me to remember the jobless;
when I have a warm home, help me to remember the homeless;
when I am without pain, help me to remember those who suffer;
and remembering, help me to destroy my complacency
and bestir my compassion.

Make me concerned enough to help, by word and deed,
those who cry out for what we take for granted.

AMEN.

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.

Rosary Society NEWS...

The next meeting of the Rosary Society will be in the Parish Center on **Sunday, February 5th**, after the 10AM Mass and recitation of the rosary. All parishioners are invited to pray the rosary after Mass, and all women of the parish are welcome to attend the meeting.

Reminder: Please bring one non-perishable food item to the meeting for our food pantry donation.

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.

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 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)