



# 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 19, 2025 Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

### RECTORY & PARISH OFFICE

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Website: [www.sthenryrc.org](http://www.sthenryrc.org)

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### *Served by:*

Pastor: Rev. Raul Gaviola  
Parochial Vicar: Rev. Don Bosco Park

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE

Phone: 201-339-0319

Facebook: St. Henry Religious Education

Director of Music Ministries: Chad Perry  
201-249-1167

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](http://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



## Mass Intentions for the Week

### SATURDAY, January 18th

8:30AM James Foran  
 5:30PM Rose Maurer

### SUNDAY, January 19th

8:00AM Constantino Donato  
 10:00AM Teresita Lim  
 12:00PM Alexander Reid

### MONDAY, January 20th

9:00AM For the People  
 of St. Henry Parish

### TUESDAY, January 21st

12:00PM Loretta Brady  
 Frank Moloney (ann.)

### WEDNESDAY, January 22nd

12:00PM Stella Charmel  
 Maria Doria

### THURSDAY, January 23rd

12:00PM Syed Mujahid Shah  
 In Thanksgiving – Annie Gatchalian

### FRIDAY, January 24th

12:00PM Gail Marie Santola  
 Teotimo Escarez

### SATURDAY, January 25th

8:30AM Felicisima DeLeon Ortiz &  
 Alberto Ortiz  
 5:30PM Rolando Juen

### SUNDAY, January 26th

8:00AM Teodulfo "Ted" Concepcion &  
 Elsa Concepcion  
 10:00AM Terestia Lim  
 12:00PM Salvador Inigo

**MEMORIALS  
 SANCTUARY LAMP  
 ALTAR BREAD & ALTAR WINE  
 In Memory of the Deceased Members  
 of St. Henry Parish**

*Thoughts and Reflections:* At whatever age we may be, certain words set up a certain excitement within us. This certainly occurs when we hear "Once upon a time." We "sit up," as it were, and start to pay attention. The story may be familiar to us, and there is a special joy if we are about to tell someone else the tale for the first time.

Such is the case with the simple line that the author of the fourth gospel uses in our hearing this weekend: "There was a wedding at Cana in Galilee." Most of us know what's about to unfold and we line up the characters as we imagine them. A pair of newlyweds, perhaps having overspent on their reception, are about to be caught up in embarrassment because the wine is running out. In those ancient days, wedding celebrations ran for several days. Even the best planning might miscalculate how much wine the guests might consume.

The look of fear in their eyes gets noticed by one special guest. It is the Mother of Jesus, a close friend of the host family. She in turn puts her Son on notice with a simple statement: "They have no wine." We note some ambiguity in Jesus' response, so mindful was He of His Father's game plan for the timing of His earthly mission. This was paramount in all His own decisions. Mary might be upsetting things.

Yet, there is that motherly power over a loving son, combined with a beautiful faith and trust, which finds her confidently telling the servers words that will turn out to be her valedictory address in all of Scripture: "Do whatever He tells you." Right then and there we have words to build a life on! Meanwhile the stewards brought the big stone jars of water forward, and when they were full of wine, it was a vintage with a taste that surprised the chief steward.

There are many possibilities for reflection in this beautiful story. But I believe it is Mary's command to the stewards that should be our takeaway. If only we could obey her words and do what Jesus wants of us 24/7/365! Not likely. But thanks be to God, we always have Mary's help. And we also have the sacrament of Reconciliation with its fine-tuned graces. Both will help us as our stories move along. For one day, we know not when, our stories will be a matter of "once upon a time."  
*Reflection by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson*

**Please Note:** Mass will be celebrated at 9:00am only on Monday, January 20th. There will be no noon mass. The parish office will also be closed that day in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

**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** Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22 Ps 117:1bc, 2 Mk 16:15-18  
**Sunday** Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10 Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15 1 Cor 12:12-30 or 1 Cor 12:12-14, 27 Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

## 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](http://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](http://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.

### 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.

Thank You!

Total Regular Offering – weekend of 01/12/2025: \$7,049

Consisting of Offering at Masses: \$5,429

Electronic Giving: \$1,620

*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 *Norman Elam, Caterina Polera and Joseph A. Mallozzi*, 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.

### 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.

### Food Pantry Availability

**St. Henry FOOD PANTRY IS OPEN THE FIRST AND THIRD WEDNESDAYS OF EACH MONTH, 10:00AM – 12:00PM ONLY.** Serving 22nd Street through 29th Street residents. 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.



**Please Note:** BCB Bank recently informed us they will no longer be accepting any checks that have crossed out and/or altered information (ex. corrected year) even if the changes are initialed by the check signer. Please see that all information on submitted checks is correct before placing in the collection basket. We appreciate your cooperation.

**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.

***ROSARY SOCIETY NEWS:*** Our annual baby items drive for Good Counsel Homes for single mothers who choose life will begin on Saturday, January 18th and end on Sunday, February 9th. All parishioners are invited to support this worthy cause. A playpen for donations will be set up in the vestibule. Suggested items are diapers, wipes, baby soap, shampoo, and lotion.

Our next meeting will be on Sunday, February 2nd after the 10am mass and recitation of the rosary. Rosarians are encouraged to sit together in the reserved pews. All ladies of the parish are invited to the meeting and all parishioners are invited to pray the rosary. Reminder: please bring 1 non-perishable food item to the meeting for our food pantry donation.

**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:** Our online Capital Campaign payment system is now up and running. Capital Campaign pledges may be paid by debit or credit card using online Parish Giving (electronic giving). If you have questions when setting up your payment, please call the Parish Giving Help Line at 1-866-307-7140. Please code your payment to “Capital Campaign” and not to “Offering”.

Beginning in February, invoices will be mailed to those not using the online payment system. Statements will be mailed from Cathedral Corporation. If there are any issues, please call the parish office at 201-436-0857.

*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**

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.

The first winner of our 2025 Calendar Raffle was Frank Falcicchio. Congratulations to him and good luck on upcoming drawings to all those who purchased a ticket.

**Christmas Gift for your Parish**

As of this bulletin, our Christmas collection totals \$32,480. Hopefully in the coming weeks we will meet or exceed our goal of \$42,000. We are grateful for all 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!

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



St. Vincent de Paul Rosary Society is sponsoring a pocketbook Bingo on Saturday, February 8th at All Saints Catholic Academy cafeteria, 19 West 13th Street. Doors open at 12 noon and the first game is at 1:00pm. Cost of ticket is \$35.00 and includes 10 games. Please bring your own snacks and drinks. No tickets will be sold at the door. Call the rectory for tickets at 201-436-2222.

**ASCA NEWS:** School will be closed Monday in honor of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. ♦ Winter MAP testing will continue this week. ♦ Save the date! Our Home and School Association will be hosting their Spring Fling Tricky Tray the morning of Saturday, March 29th at 11:00am. Tickets are \$55 per person and include a brunch buffet. For details about tickets and to reserve a table for 10, please contact Jane Mattiello via email (jmattiello@allsaintcatholicacademy.com).