



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 26, 2025 Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

RECTORY & PARISH OFFICE

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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



Mass Intentions for the Week

SATURDAY, January 25th

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

SUNDAY, January 26th

- 8:00AM Teoedulfo "Ted" Concepcion & Elsa Concepcion
- 10:00AM Teresita Lim
- 12:00PM Salvador Inigo

MONDAY, January 27th

- 12:00PM For the People of St. Henry Parish

TUESDAY, January 28th

- 12:00PM For the People of St. Henry Parish

WEDNESDAY, January 29th

- 12:00PM Deacon Lawrence F. Dee (44th ann.)

THURSDAY, January 30th

- 12:00PM Rev. Thomas Foye & Family
Rose Marie Cancro (1st ann.)

FRIDAY, January 31st

- 12:00PM Giochino Marino
Celestino Pallarca deLeon, Sr.

SATURDAY, February 1st

- 8:30AM Linda Gaydos
- 5:30PM Vincent Setaro

SUNDAY, February 2nd

- 8:00AM Jose Otero
- 10:00AM Teresita Lim
- 12:00PM Vito Aiello

MEMORIALS

SANCTUARY LAMP

ALTAR BREAD & ALTAR WINE

In Memory of The Francione & Ambrozia Families
From The Terriogo Family

Thoughts and Reflections: Ever notice that when your doctor writes a new prescription for you that it is almost impossible to read? I often wonder if all medical professionals first attend a special school to learn how to do this. In addition, there is nothing added to what he or she writes so it is very specific. You might say it's blunt. St. Luke was a doctor. While we don't have any handwriting samples of his, we cannot say his message is blunt. Just reading his telling of the Christmas story lets us experience his artistry with words. But in the passage from Luke chosen for today we note that Jesus is blunt in what He says. And for a reason.

To set the scene, we have Jesus back in His hometown, with all that implies. With His fame slowly growing, He has the chance to read the scroll in the same synagogue where He studied as a boy. The given passage is all about the coming Messiah. When He finished reading, He slowly rolled the scroll back, sat down and then declared: "Today this Scripture is fulfilled in your hearing."

What a statement! The attendees are momentarily shocked into silence, but quickly their sense of outrage takes over and they are angry at this apparent blasphemy in Jesus' blunt assertion. Hardly an occasion for applause, it quickly turns very ugly. While their reaction is not read to us here, we know that the crowd grabbed Jesus and with a mob mentality at work, they dragged him to the edge of the cliff on the hill the town sat on and tried to push Him over. Mob justice often leads to deadly violence.

For our purposes, we need to reflect on the blunt but accurate declaration about Himself that Jesus made. We know that often enough Our Lord's words were at times indirect or subtle, such as "The kingdom of God is like a mustard seed." At other times wonderfully consoling, like "Come to Me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will refresh you."

Here and now that startling declaration: "This passage is fulfilled in your hearing" is quite a contrast. But since Our Lord was truth itself, He cannot avoid the facts without betraying the truth.

The tenor of this last remark brings up the truth that sometimes we must be blunt with our interactions, especially with those we love. So, we have to say things like "You drive too fast." More in a spiritual context: "You know missing Mass deliberately for no good reason is mortally sinful." Blunt statements surely, we might define it as "tough love." But in the context, we began with here, perhaps it is "just what the doctor ordered." *Reflection by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson*

Readings for the week

Monday Heb 9:15, 24-28 Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6 Mk 3:22-30

Tuesday Heb 10:1-10 Ps 40:2, 4ab, 7-8a, 10, 11 Mk 3:31-35

Wednesday Heb 10:11-18 Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4 Mk 4:1-20

Thursday Heb 10:19-25 Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 Mk 4:21-25

Friday Heb 10:32-39 Ps 37:3-4, 5-6, 23-24, 39-40 Mk 4:26-34

Saturday Heb 11:1-2, 8-19 Lk 1:69-70, 71-72, 73-75 Mk 4:35-41

Sunday Mal 3:1-4 Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10 Heb 2:14-18 Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32

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, 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 01/19/2025: \$5,720

Consisting of Offering at Masses: \$4,355

Electronic Giving: \$1,365

Fuel & Heat Collection: \$2,705

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 Lorraine Lozinak 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.

Our current pledged amount is \$492,375.

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.

Christmas Gift for your Parish

As of this bulletin, our Christmas collection totals \$32,873. 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!

Dear Parishioners,

Please join us the weekend of February 8, 2025 to hear Reverend Christopher C. Steinle, O.S.A. speak at all the services about a ministry providing direct relief to the poor throughout Latin America and the Caribbean.

Father Steinle will share personal witness about Food For The Poor’s mission to care for the destitute as a means of living out the Gospel mandate to love one another.

Fr. Steinle was ordained in 1998 to the Augustinians. He has served in the missions of Peru and Bolivia for more than ten years. Fr. Chris is also a teacher. Before preaching for Food For The Poor, Fr. Chris was Mission Director for his Province.

Please join us in welcoming Father Steinle.



Your Attention Please: There are still Masses and Memorials available for intentions in 2025. There are several 8:00am Sunday masses, as well as noon weekday masses available. Once the intentions are taken, we will open the 2026 Mass Book (date to be determined).

Mass Intentions remain at \$10 each ♦ Memorials are: \$10 Sanctuary Lamp, \$10 Altar Bread, \$15 Altar Wine

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: Catholic Schools’ Week is here! As we celebrate this year’s theme of *Faith, Excellence, and Service*, we acknowledge our own school’s marks of Faith, Respect, Academics, and Service. All Saints Catholic Academy is in its 17th year and already preparing for our 18th. Through these years, we have evolved and adapted to consistently offer a Catholic education for our students that is academically rigorous and faith-based. Our principal and teachers engender the teachings of Christ. We invite you to join us for Mass Monday morning at 9:00am. Our fun activities and specially-themed days are posted to our website.