



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.*

February 16, 2025 Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

RECTORY & PARISH OFFICE

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Served by:

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Phone: 201-339-0319

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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*

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, February 15th

8:30AM William Foran

5:30PM Joseph DiCesare

SUNDAY, February 16th

8:00AM Dominador Pingol, Jr.

10:00AM Adriana Ortiz

12:00PM Mary Daly

MONDAY, February 17th

9:00AM Rev. Thomas Foye & Family
Elsie & Gabe Doria

TUESDAY, February 18th

12:00PM Loretta Brady
Adriana Ortiz

WEDNESDAY, February 19th

12:00PM Hen's Special Intentions
Elizabeth Bilotta

THURSDAY, February 20th

12:00PM Ah Way & Lily Tsong
Helen Barberio

FRIDAY, February 21st

12:00PM Laura Odra Garces deLeon
Marie & Philip Brady

SATURDAY, February 22nd

8:30AM Catherine Celmer

5:30PM Nancy Grzyb

SUNDAY, February 23rd

8:00AM Juan Formoso

10:00AM Aniceto Abastillas Suarez

12:00PM Joseph & Mary Levine

MEMORIALS
SANCTUARY LAMP
In Memory of Betty Bilotta
From John Marino
ALTAR BREAD & ALTAR WINE
In Memory of Betty Bilotta
From Arlene Crosson

Thoughts and Reflections:

God does not make people suffer because of their sins. We can use the analogy of parents. When a child does something wrong the parent does not wish to hurt him. They may chastise him and the punishment or correction may not be pleasant. Sometimes they suffer the consequences of their actions and that is punishment enough. The parent hopes they learn and grow from their choices, good and bad.

God is a loving Father. He allows us to suffer the consequences of our sins, so that we will turn to Him for His love and forgiveness. God wants us to grow in holiness, in virtue, in grace. He gives us free will so that we can choose, and the choices we make either bring us joy or bring us suffering. From that we learn and grow. God loves us and wants the best for us. When we suffer, He suffers with us so that we know how much we need Him and how much He loves us.

Please Note: On Monday, February 17th Mass will be celebrated at 9:00am. There will be no noon Mass. The Parish Office will also be closed in observance of the Presidents' Day holiday.

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.

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.

Readings for the week

Monday Gen 4:1-15, 25 Ps 50:1+8, 16bc-17, 20-21 Mk 8:11-13

Tuesday Gen 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10 Ps 29:1a+2, 3ac-4, 3b+9c-10 Mk 8:14-21

Wednesday Gen 8:6-13, 20-22 Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 18-19 Mk 8:22-26

Thursday Gen 9:1-13 Ps 102:16-18, 19-21, 29+22-23 Mk 8:27-33

Friday Gen 11:1-9 Ps 33:10-11, 12-13, 14-15 Mk 8:34–9:1

Saturday 1 Pt 5:1-4 Ps 23:1-3a, 4, 5, 6 Mt 16:13-19

Sunday 1 Sam 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23 Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8, 10, 12-13 1 Cor 15:45-49 Lk 6:27-38

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, Ray Rokicki, Philip Mango 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.

Thank You!

Total Regular Offering – weekend of 02/09/2025: \$5,420

Consisting of Offering at Masses: \$4,105

Electronic Giving: \$1,315

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 Denise Nelson, and 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. 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.

SAVE the DATE

On Sunday, May 4th at the noon Mass, Fr. Raul will be celebrating the 30th anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood.

A lunch reception will follow at St. John Paull II gym/parish center.

More information to come.

On Tuesday, February 18th at 4:00PM, a street sign will be dedicated in memory of former Religious Education Director, Marie Pope. All are invited to the unveiling taking place on Avenue C and 27th Street.



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.

2024 DONATION STATEMENTS

The donation statements for 2024 have been mailed. If you did not receive yours in the mail, please call the office at (201) 436-0857 X111

2025 Calendar Raffle

Our second drawing was held on February 1st and the winner was Roseanne Costa. Congratulations to our winner and good luck in future drawings to all who purchased a ticket.

Please Note:: 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

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 \$508,525.

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". 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.

St. Henry Church Track Team

All boys and girls of St. Henry Church Parish, ages 5 and older along with Religious Education students are invited to join the St. Henry Church Track Team for the Spring 2025 Track Season. Running is a healthy and social activity for children and is also complimentary for other youth sports and all children in our Parish are welcome to participate.

We will race at the newly resurfaced track in Bayonne Park on Saturday mornings in April and May competing against Catholic schools within the Newark Archdiocese. We will also compete in the Archdiocesan championships, which include relay events. Preseason training will begin in March on Saturday afternoons at the indoor track above the ice rink at Bayonne High School. Please contact the Rectory for additional information or write directly to me: alexlong685@gmail.com, referencing track in the subject line.

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 established 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. Our January “Coffee for St. Henry” Collection totaled **\$1,690**. As always, thank you for your continued support and generosity.

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

ASCA NEWS: School will be closed Monday in commemoration of Presidents’ Day. ♦ We will be having a school-wide Tag Day Friday. Minimum donation is \$1 and everyone is asked to wear blue. Monies collected will be given to the Police Unity Tour; we ask that you please be as generous as possible. ♦ Registration for the 2025-2026 school year is in full swing. Re-registration packets have already been sent home with our students. Those of you interested in enrolling your child(ren) in All Saints Catholic Academy should call the school office to schedule an appointment to tour the school. Forms are available online for your perusal and convenience. Please email a teacher directly if you have grade-specific questions. ♦ Our Home and School Association will be holding their annual Tricky Tray at the Chandelier (in Bayonne) on March 29th. Only a few more tables are available—make your reservation today!