



# 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 19, 2023 - Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**

### **RECTORY & PARISH OFFICE**

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#### *Served by:*

**Pastor:** Rev. Raul Gaviola  
**Parochial Vicar:** Rev. Alfie A. Pangilinan

### **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE**

**Phone:** 201-339-0319

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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](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:** (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



### Thoughts and Reflections...

You most likely know what being a perfectionist means. Love of order and cleanliness. A place for everything and everything in its place. Little tolerance for mistakes, your own and others.

While very few of us are completely faithful to our covenant with God, namely the baptismal promises made for us by our godparents when we were infants, we do try. Sometimes we're very successful, and that's good. At other times, we fail, and then we find ourselves very grateful for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. That is why we renew those promises at Easter Sunday Mass.

We have to be aware that there are evil forces out there in the real world which are eager to tear us down and weaken our resolve. That is a big reason why we need the Holy Eucharist as nourishment. It feeds and energizes us for our everyday struggle to be saints. Keep in mind this line from an unknown writer: "The way of this world is to praise dead saints and persecute living ones." It's just people being human, and none of us are perfect.

## Mass Intentions for the Week

### SATURDAY, February 18th

5:30 PM Special Intention -Betty Bilotta

### SUNDAY, February 19th

8:00 AM Nancy Grzyb

10:00 AM Maria Senande

12:00 PM Rosemarie Rodriguez

### MONDAY, February 20th

9:00AM Cornelius, Catherine & Timothy Cadogan

### TUESDAY, February 21st

12:00 PM Michael Raccioppi

Laura Garces deLeon (4th Ann)

### ASH WEDNESDAY, February 22nd

12:00 PM Louis & Mary Piser

Marie & Philip Brady

4:00 PM Prayer Service with distribution of Ashes

7:00PM Dec. Priests & Religious of St. Henry Parish

### THURSDAY, February 23rd

12:00 PM Gail Corrigan

Nicholas Mitortando

### FIRST FRIDAY, February 24th

12:00 PM Rose Hogan (10th Ann)

Geraldine Fincken

### SATURDAY, February 25th

8:30 AM William Foran

5:30 PM Harold J. Peters

### SUNDAY, February 26th

8:00 AM James Wasilewski

10:00 AM Frank McLaughlin

12:00 PM Patricia Orban

## MEMORIALS

SANCTUARY LAMP,  
ALTAR BREAD and ALTAR WINE  
In Memory of Harold J. Peters  
from Barbara Peters

### 2022 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS

The 2022 Contribution Statements have been mailed. If you did not receive a statement and you wish to receive one, please call the Parish Office.

### PLEASE NOTE:

2023 **Weekday** Mass Intentions scheduled for 8:30 AM and 12:05PM will continue to be honored together at our 12 PM Mass. (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, Fran Dugan, Anna Marie Borzelli, Mary Phillips-Borzelli, Claire Poli and Mary Delaney.**

### PARISH CENTER RENTAL

If you are interested in renting our Parish Center (28th St., behind the Church) for a private party, please call Nancy Policastro, 201-436-0857, Ext. 110, 9AM – 3PM, Monday through Thursday, for availability and more information.

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK...

**Monday:** Sir 1:1-10; Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5; Mk 9:14-29

**Tuesday:** Sir 2:1-11; Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40; Mk 9:30-37

**Wednesday:** Jl 2:12-18; Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 12-13, 14, 17; 2 Cor 5:20 – 6:2; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

**Thursday:** Dt 30:15-20; Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4, 6; Lk 9:22-25

**Friday:** Is 58:1-9a; Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 18-19; Mt 9:14-15

**Saturday:** Is 58:9b-14; Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6; Lk 5:27-32

**Sunday:** Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7; Ps 51:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 17; Rom 5:12-19 or 5:12, 17-19; Mt 4:1-11

## 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 March 9 & 23, April 13 & 27 and May 11 & 25  
3 PM- 4 PM ONLY. Location: 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.

### **St. Henry Parish 2024 MASS BOOK**

The 2024 Mass Book is now open. You may stop by the office for Mass and Memorial Intentions, Monday through Thursday, 9AM – 3PM. If you cannot get into the office you may send in your intention requests along with your check. Please include an alternate date in case we are unable to schedule the date you want. If you need a Mass card and cannot come in during our regular hours, you can call Nancy at the office, 201-436-0857, Ext. 110, to arrange for pickup/payment.

### **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 – 3:30 PM, or call Nancy if you would like the form mailed to you

A minimum of 6 months membership with St. Henry 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.

### **Religious Education...**

**ATTENTION:** I have suggested to the catechists to invite the children and their families to hold class instruction in church whenever possible. The season of Lent is a perfect time to bring children and their families together for tours of the church, Stations of the Cross, etc. On Sunday, February 12th, Catechists Isabella DeMoya and Robert Mastromonaco orchestrated a tour during the children's regularly scheduled class time. Nineteen children and eight parents were present. One father was taking pictures and the children were excited to see the baptismal font and the paschal candle, knowing they will be baptized at the Easter Vigil and there will be a new paschal candle. The experience for all was spiritual, inspiring, and powerful. Thank you Isabella, Robert, and Shena for evangelizing by words and actions.

Update on my health! I completed my 15th round of chemo and will remain off chemo for the next two weeks. Thank you for your continued prayers.

Love & Peace, Marie Pope



*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, Vincenzo Sciancalepore, Joan Calianese, Vito Doria, and Joseph Corvino 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.



– SIGN UP FOR ELECTRONIC GIVING –

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).

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

### Marriage Anniversary Liturgies - 2023

The Archdiocese of Newark will honor those couples in the Archdiocese who will be celebrating **5, 25 or 50 years of Christian marriage in the year 2023 at 3:00 PM** in the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart in Newark.

**Sunday, April 16th** 50 years

(celebrated by Cardinal Joseph Tobin)

(due no later than April 11th)

**Sunday, May 7th** 5 & 25 years

(celebrated by Bishop Gregory Studerus)

(due no later than April 28th)

Members of St. Henry Parish who wish to participate in this wonderful recognition of the strength and stability of Christian marriage in today's society, are asked to call Nancy at the Parish Office to register—201-436-0857, Ext. 110. Please call ASAP, as there are deadlines for registration.

**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:  
**March 2nd, April 13th, May 4th and June 1st.**

**ASCA NEWS:** Registration for the 2023-2024 school year is underway. Registration packets were sent home to current school families. For more information and/or to schedule a tour of the school, please call the office at 201-443-8384.

**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!

Total Regular Offering— weekend of 2/12/2023: \$6841

Consisting of Offering at Masses: \$5653

Electronic Giving: \$ 1188

*Thank you for your continued support and generosity!*

**MONDAY, February 20th, is PRESIDENTS' DAY.** We celebrate this national holiday as we pray for the safety of our troops in harms way, as well as for their families. We will celebrate ONE mass on Monday, Feb 20th, at 9AM. Please note the rectory will be closed on Monday for the holiday.

## 2023 Archdiocesan ANNUAL APPEAL

The Annual Appeal funds essential programs and ministries at the heart of our Catholic mission in our four counties in the Archdiocese of Newark—namely to proclaim the gospel, to pass on the faith to future generations particularly through the celebration of the sacraments, and to care for the poor and those on the margins.

**OUR PARISH GOAL IS \$46,379.** The Archdiocese requires us to meet this goal. If we do not, we must contribute the difference between our goal and the actual amount of pledges received. We therefore ask that you prayerfully consider making your gift or pledge to 2023 Annual Appeal.

Pledge /Gift envelopes are located at the doors of our church. You may bring your envelope to the Parish Office or add a stamp and mail it directly to the Archdiocese of Newark (do not mail cash). As always, your generosity is appreciated.

## Rosary Society NEWS...

Our **Annual Baby Items Drive** for Good Counsel Homes for single mothers who choose life will end on Sunday, February 26th. All parishioners are invited to support this worthwhile charity. A playpen will be set up in the church lobby for donations. Some suggestions are: diapers, baby wipes, shampoo, lotion...

The 39th Annual City-Wide Rosary Societies of Bayonne Communion Breakfast will be hosted by St. Henry's Rosary Society. The date is April 30, 2023. The day begins with 10AM mass followed by a sit-down dinner at The Chandelier Restaurant. His Excellency, Most Reverend Gregory J. Studerus, Auxiliary Bishop of Newark, will be our celebrant and guest speaker. Ticket price is \$45. Checks made out to St. Henry's Rosary Society can be brought to our monthly meetings, put in the collection basket, mailed to, or dropped off at the rectory in envelopes marked "*Rosary Society Communion Breakfast*". Please indicate your entrée choice of either Chicken Francaise, Salmon Dijon, Pork Tenderloin Marsala or Chicken Parmigiana. Contact Mary Rooth for reservations at 201-240-5909.

Our Lenten Retreat will be Saturday, March 18th, at St. Andrew Church, Westwood, NJ from 9am-2pm. The day consists of mass, prayer, music, speaker, sharing and prayers for healing. Fr. Paul Cannariato will celebrate mass, Admission is \$20 which includes a lunch box. Call Roseann Hogan at 201-565-5638 for reservations. Deadline is March 7th.

### LENT 2023 – St. Henry Church

**ASH WEDNESDAY**, which is on **February 22nd** this year, marks the beginning of LENT. Masses will be held at 12 Noon and 7PM that day, and we will have a prayer service for distribution of ashes at 4PM.

**LENTEN PRAYER** - Take home a book for daily prayer and fill the days of Lent with peaceful reflection (available at the doors of church). Kindly take one per family as our supply is limited.

**WEEKDAY MASSES**—continue to be celebrated at 12 Noon. **Confessions** are heard 9:00—9:30 AM and 4:30 PM—5:15 PM on Saturdays, 2/25, 3/4, 3/11, 3/18, 3/25, 4/1, and 4/8.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS—Fridays, 7PM**—Reflections and prayer in the Church presented by the Gatekeepers, February 24th, March 3rd, March 10th, March 17th, March 24th, and March 31st.

**GOOD FRIDAY, April 7th, 6PM**, Citywide live Stations of the Cross/Procession beginning at St. Mary Star of the Sea Church and concluding at St. Henry Church

**ALMSGIVING**—Operation Rice Bowl: This Lenten discipline asks us to give up one meal a week and contribute the cost of that meal to the Rice Bowl program. Rice Bowl provides food to the hungry throughout the world. Rice Bowls are available at the doors of the Church. The deadline to return your Rice Bowl is two weeks after Easter.

#### 2023 Lenten Regulations

1. The days of both Fast and Abstinence during Lent are Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. If possible, the fast on Good Friday is continued until the Easter Vigil (on Holy Saturday night) as the "paschal fast" to honor the suffering and death of the Lord Jesus, and to prepare ourselves to share more fully and to celebrate more readily His Resurrection. The other Fridays of Lent are days of Abstinence.

On a day of Fast, only one (1) full meal is permitted, **and two (2) smaller meals, which, if added together, would not exceed the main meal in quantity.**

Those between the ages of 18 and 59 are obliged to fast.

On a day of Abstinence, no meat may be eaten. Those who have reached the age of 14 are obliged by the law of abstinence.

2. The obligation to observe the laws of Fast and Abstinence "substantially", or as a whole, is a serious obligation.
3. The Fridays of the year, outside of Lent, are designated as days of penance, but each individual may substitute for the traditional abstinence from meat some other practice of voluntary self-denial as penance.
4. The time for fulfilling the Paschal Precept (Easter Duty\*) extends from the **First Sunday of Lent, February 26, 2023 to The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity, June 4, 2023.**

*Canon 920, §1. All the faithful, after they have been initiated into the Most Holy Eucharist, are bound by the obligation of receiving Communion at least once a year.*