



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.*

March 10, 2024 Fourth Sunday of Lent

RECTORY & PARISH OFFICE

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Served by:

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Director of Religious Education: Marie Pope

Director of Music Ministries: Chad Perry
201-935-5727
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 lim-
ited. 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 civ-
illy 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

2023-2024 Program Year

Sundays, 8:30AM–9:45AM: Kindergarten and Grade 5
Sundays, 8:30AM-9:45AM RCIC
Sundays, 8:30AM-9:30AM: Grade 9
Sundays, 4:00PM-5:00PM: Grade 9
Sundays, 7:00PM-8:00PM Grade 9
Wednesdays, 3:45PM-5:00PM: Grade 5
Wednesdays, 6:45PM-8:00PM: Grades 6-8
Grades 1-4 will be enrolled in a digital at-home faith
formation program.

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, March 9th

8:30AM Betty Signoretta
5:30PM Vincenzo Olivella

SUNDAY, March 10th

8:00AM Doris Breza
10:00AM Joan Calianese
12:00PM Michael Bolowski

MONDAY, March 11th

12:00PM Wayne Kraemer (1st ann.)
Joel Mendez

TUESDAY, March 12th

12:00PM Loretta Brady
Dilys Callahan

WEDNESDAY, March 13th

12:00PM Jake & Kelsey O'Donnell
Barbara Ann Lynch

THURSDAY, March 14th

12:00PM Marcos & Luisa Vea
Maria Herma Tibay

FRIDAY, March 15th

12:00PM Joseph DiCesare
Sheila Christie

SATURDAY, March 16th

8:30AM Carmela Setaro
5:30PM Eleanor "Ellie" Nelson

SUNDAY, March 17th

8:00AM Rita Trebour
10:00AM Cristina Inigo
12:00PM Jean Pope

MEMORIALS
SANCTUARY LAMP,
ALTAR BREAD & ALTAR WINE
In Memory of Michael Bolowski
From Helen Bolowski

Thoughts and Reflections: Despite our discovery and advances in the use of electricity, that enables our engineers to mimic daylight, we can grasp the potential for danger that darkness offers. When we sin, we know for certain that our inner light has either dimmed or gone out. Oh, we can pretend that everything is right between God and ourselves. We are experts at rationalization. After all, we've been doing it ever since age seven or so. We make excuses that would rival some of our best storytellers. But deep down we know.

Naturally, we look for someone or something to blame. "The Church is too demanding." Or "It's my weakness." Or "I don't need to go to confession for that." On and on it goes. But deep down we know. We could say that Lent is the season that tells us to wake up, and turn the lights on.

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.

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.

Readings for the Week:

Monday Is 65:17-21 Ps 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a and 13b Jn 4:43-54

Tuesday Ez 47:1-9, 12 Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9 Jn 5:1-16

Wednesday Is 49:8-15 Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18 Jn 5:17-30

Thursday Ex 32:7-14 Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23 Jn 5:31-47

Friday Wis 2:1a, 12-22 Ps 34:17-18, 19-20, 21 and 23 Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

Saturday Jer 11:18-20 Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12 Jn 7:40-53

Sunday Jer 31:31-34 Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 14-15 Heb 5:7-9 Jn 12:20-33

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.

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: **Martha Serrano, Liz Noto, Silvio Noto, Chad Perry, Archie Afable, Michele Gamatko, Juan Diaz, Craig Buonomo, Marie Pope, Fran Dugan, Anna Marie Borzelli, and Claire Poli and Thomas Cahill.**

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. Parents who wish to have their child baptized at St. Henry's must be members of the parish.

Thank You!

Total Regular Offering— weekend of 3/3/2024: \$8,282

Consisting of Offering at Masses: \$6,912

Electronic Giving: \$1,370

Parish Assessment Collection: \$2,646

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, 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. 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.

St. Vincent Food Pantry is open March 21st and April 4th & 18th...3 PM- 4 PM ONLY. Location: Rectory Basement (entrance 46th St., ground level, near garage).

2024 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. Now more than ever our ministries and programs need your support. Will you prayerfully consider making a gift to the 2024 Annual Appeal?

"OUR PARISH GOAL IS \$44,355. 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 the 2024 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.

St. Henry Parish NEWS - continued

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. At the end each month, we will announce in the bulletin how much we collected, just like the regular collection. Our February “*Coffee for St. Henry*” Collection totaled **\$3,341**. As always, thank you for your continued support and generosity.

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.

2024 LENTEN REGULATIONS

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 obligated 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. The obligation to observe the laws of Fast and Abstinence “substantially”, or as a whole is a serious obligation. The Fridays of the year, outside of Lent, are designated as days of penance, but each individually may substitute for the traditional abstinence from meat some other practice of voluntary self-denial as penance. The time for fulfilling the Paschal Precept (Easter Duty*) extends from the First Sunday of Lent, February 18th to The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity, May 26, 2024.

LENT 2024—St. Henry Church

WEEKDAY MASSES—continue to be celebrated at 12 noon. Confessions are heard from 9:00AM-9:30AM and 4:30PM-5:15PM on Saturdays 3/16, 3/23, and 3/30.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS—Fridays, 7PM—Reflections and prayer in the Church presented by the Gatekeepers, March 15, and March 22.

GOOD FRIDAY, March 29, 6PM, Citywide live Stations of the Cross/Procession beginning at St. Henry Church and concluding at St. Mary Star of the Sea 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.

St. Henry Parish NEWS - continued

ROSARY SOCIETY NEWS: A heartfelt thank you to all rosarians and parishioners for their extremely generous donations to our annual baby items drive for Good Counsel Homes. This was our most successful drive in many years. A big thank you to Keith and Steve for bringing all the donations from the church to the parish center.

Our Spring baked goods and religious items sale is Sunday, March 24th after all masses in the parish center. Easter themed raffles will be available. Volunteers are needed to sell after all masses. Donations of baked goods are needed which can be dropped off at the parish center at 8:30am. Monetary donations are welcomed. Please support our sale which helps us to support the parish. Call Roseann Hogan at (201) 565-5638 to volunteer.

The Rosary Societies of Bayonne 40th Annual City-Wide Communion Breakfast is Sunday, April 21st beginning with 9:45am mass at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church at St. John Paul II Parish with brunch immediately following at The Chandelier. All ladies of the parish are invited to attend. Price is \$50. Checks made out to *St. Henry Rosary Society* can be put in the collection basket, mailed or dropped off to the rectory in an envelope marked Rosary Society. Call Mary Rooth at (201) 240-5909 for tickets. Deadline is April 1st.

St. Henry's 2024 CALENDAR RAFFLE

Our third drawing was held on March 1st and the winner was Dianne Rocheny. Drawings will continue on the first of the month through December. Congratulations to the winners so far, and Good Luck to all who purchased a ticket.



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

Marriage Anniversary Liturgies - 2024

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 2024 at the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart in Newark. Mass will be Sunday, May 5, 2024 for 5 and 25 anniversary years and Sunday, June 2, 2024 for 50 anniversary years. Masses will be celebrated by Cardinal Joseph Tobin.

Any couple who would have celebrated their Silver or Gold Anniversary in those years stunted by covid restrictions may still join as well. 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.

ASCA NEWS: Our annual Al Richard's Easter candy sale orders are due Monday. Students have a \$1 St. Patrick's Day tag day. Congratulations to our 8th grade basketball athletes who had their "Senior Night" sendoffs. Their dedication to teamwork and excellence make them exude panther pride. We are proud of them!

Registration for the 2024-2025 school year has been underway. Registration packets have already been sent home to our school families. If you are new to All Saints Catholic Academy, please call the school office to request paperwork and/or to schedule a tour (201) 443-8384. Feel free to email our teachers as well for grade-specific information.

New Spirit Wear merchandise is available via our website. T-shirts and hoodies (in youth and adult sizes) can be made to order.

"Salute to the Stars of Opera"

Presented by SONS OF ITALY Rev. Dominic J. Del Monte Lodge No. 2560

Sunday, April 21, 2024 ♦4:00PM ♦At St. Vincent de Paul Church ♦979 Avenue C ♦Bayonne, NJ

Donations: \$25 in advance, \$30 at the door ♦ (Refreshments to follow downstairs)

Tickets can be purchased by contacting: Elaine (201) 339-2904 or Grace (201) 823-0293