

# 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 12, 2023 - Third Sunday of Lent

### 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 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*

#### 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.

3rd & 4th Sundays, 8:30-9:30 AM or 4-5PM or 7-8PM

Confirmation classes

1st & 2nd Sundays, 12:00–1:30 PM – RCIA (for adults, 18 or  
older who wish to receive the Sacraments)

All classes will remain virtual for the remainder of the  
religious education calendar year.

### *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 11th

8:30AM Ana Christine Samson  
5:30 PM Maria Tibay

### SUNDAY, March 12th

8:00 AM Roseann Szani  
10:00 AM Miguel Quintela  
12:00 PM Michael Bolowski

### MONDAY, March 13th

12:00PM Pat, Rocky, and Tommy  
Patricia deLeon Tecson

### TUESDAY, March 14th

12:00 PM Robert and Rose Silvay  
Marcos and Luisa Vea

### WEDNESDAY, March 15th

12:00 PM Adele and Frank McLaughlin  
Vincenzo and Marie Iazzetta

### THURSDAY, March 16th

12:00 PM Carmela Setaro  
Maria Tibay (1st ann.)

### FRIDAY, March 17th

12:00 PM Joseph DiCesare  
Elsie and Gabe Doria

### SATURDAY, March 18th

8:30AM Justine Polashock  
5:30 PM Genoveva Catacutan

### SUNDAY, March 19th

8:00 AM Antonio Roldan (2nd ann.)  
10:00 AM Genoveva Catacutan  
12:00 PM Cristina Inigo

## MEMORIALS

SANCTUARY LAMP,  
ALTAR BREAD and ALTAR WINE  
In Memory of Maria Tibay  
from Barbara Peters

### Thoughts and Reflections...

As witnesses come forward to testify in a court of law they are asked, "Do you swear to tell the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth?" They must respond, "I do" before the court will hear what they have to say. Everyone expects, however, that their testimony will be colored by whether they are hostile or friendly toward the defendant.

Only love can break through the defenses that we erect to hide the truth from ourselves and others. Only love can reveal the truth about a God who responds to our thirsts and ignores our fears and faithlessness. Only love can account for the fact that "while we were still sinners Christ died for us."

Jesus is always ready to speak the truth about each of us and pour divine love into our hearts. Is your heart hardened, are your ears closed to the whole truth? Are you sharing the living water that you have received?

*O God, through your Son, Jesus, you satisfy our thirst with the waters of eternal life. Inspire us by your abundance to support those who work to make clean water available to all the world's people. Amen.*

### 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, and Claire Poli.*

### 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.

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK...

**Monday:** 2 Kgs 5:1-15ab; Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4; Lk 4:24-30

**Tuesday:** Dn 3:25, 34-43; Ps 25:4-5ab, 6, 7bc, 8-9; Mt 18:21-35

**Wednesday:** Dt 4:1, 5-9; Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20; Mt 5:17-19

**Thursday:** Jer 7:23-28; Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9; Lk 11:14-23

**Friday:** Hos 14:2-10; Ps 81:6c-8a, 8bc-9, 10-11ab, 14, 17; Mk 12:28-34

**Saturday:** Hos 6:1-6; Ps 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab; Lk 18:9-14

**Sunday:** 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a; Ps 23: 1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Eph 5:8-14; Jn 9:1-41 or Jn 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38

## 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 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.

### PARISH CENTER RENTAL

If you are interested in renting our Parish Center (28th St., behind the Church) for a private party, please call Nancy 201-436-0857, Ext. 110, 9AM – 4PM, Monday through Thursday, for availability and more information.



*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 Ronald Szymanski*

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 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, 9AM – 4PM, 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:** First Holy Communion are scheduled for Saturday, May 6, 2023 at 11:30am, and Saturday May 13, 2023 at 11:30am. Practice for First Holy Communion Children, receiving on Saturday, May 6th, will take place on Thursday, May 4, 2023 at 7:00pm. Practice for First Holy Communion Children, receiving on Saturday, May 13th will take place on Thursday, May 11, 2023 at 7:00pm. Children must be accompanied by an adult. No food or drink is permitted in the church. Enter via 28th and 29th Street side glass doors. Please be prompt as practice will begin at 7:00pm.

Love & Peace, Marie Pope

### 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 3/05/2023: \$7156**

**Consisting of Offering at Masses: \$5798**

**Electronic Giving \$1358**

**Parish Assessment \$2466**

*Thank you for your continued support and generosity!*



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

St. Ann's Society is having a bus trip to Hunterdon Hills Playhouse on May 24th to see *The Million Dollar Quartet*. Cost is \$120 and includes the bus, show and 50/50 on the bus. For more info call 201-823-2096 or 201-436-9565.

Cardinal Joseph W. Tobin has dispensed the penitential obligation to abstain from meat on Saint Patrick's Day, Friday, March 17th.

**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.

Our annual Al Richard's Easter candy sale is underway. If you would like to place an order, please call the school office or reach out to a school family you know. Orders are due March 15th.

If you would like to march in Bayonne's annual St. Patrick's Day Parade as part of the ASCA contingent, please return your interest form ASAP. For more details, email our coordinator, Mrs. Hansen (lhansen@allsaintcatholicacademy.com).

**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

If, as American poet Henry Wadsworth Longfellow once stated, "Great is the art of beginning, but greater is the art of ending", then Jean DiPillo created a masterpiece during her 24 years here at St. Henry's. Besides being a wonderful secretary in the traditional sense, Jean has been a dedicated employee, a voice of reason, a sounding board, a teacher, a confidant, a therapist, and most importantly a friend to us all. It has been wonderful to witness the outpouring of love shown to Jean since she announced her retirement, but it also makes one aware of how greatly her absence will be felt. Please join us in wishing Jean the happiest of retirement. She has well earned it.

And to Jean...from the bottom of our hearts.... *Thank you.* We don't know what we'll do without you.

We know this next stage will be your greatest work of art yet. Congratulations. Love, Fr. Raul, Fr. Alfie and all of St. Henry's.

After 24 plus years, and with mixed emotions, on March 15th I will be retiring from a job I have had for nearly a third of my life. It has been said when it comes to retirement, "you'll know when it's time..." and that is so true.

My time at St. Henry's evolved from preparing the church bulletin from my home in 1996 while I was expecting the birth of my son, to a part time job that began in 1999 while my children were in school, to a full-time position when Bishop Tom came to St. Henry's. In all these years, I worked with over 15 priests and nearly as many transitional deacons, and have said time and time again, I never had a job where I felt more respected and appreciated. Of course, my commute of one and a half blocks didn't hurt either! St. Henry's became a second home - with a family of co-workers, especially Regina and Marie who have been on this journey with me for all these years, and the many priests, most recently Fr. Raul and Fr. Alfie - who genuinely cared for me in the happy and sad times of my life. There are also so many faithful members of St. Henry Parish who I met way back when and I now can call true friends. I will dearly miss you all and will keep you in my heart.

While I am a little nervous about moving on to the next chapter, I do know the time is right, and I go in faith with many prayers and blessings coming along with me. I look forward with joy and hope to what the future has in store for me and Frank and our family.

I am confident St. Henry's new secretary, Nancy, will shine as she takes my place—into the future.

Love You All! Jean

**Rosary Society NEWS...** 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. Most Reverend Gregory J. Studerus, DD Regional Bishop of Newark for Hudson County, 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 Spring Bake Sale is Sunday, April 2nd after all masses in the parish center. Religious items will also be sold. Donations of home made or store bought baked goods are needed as well as volunteers to help with the sale. Monetary donations will also be accepted. Call Roseann at 201-565-5638 to volunteer.

### **LENT 2023—St. Henry Church**

**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, 3/18, 3/25, 4/1, and 4/8.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS—Fridays, 7PM**—Reflections and prayer in the Church led by the Gatekeepers, 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.**

<sup>0667</sup>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.