

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 26, 2023 - Fifth Sunday of Lent

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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: (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. 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

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 25th

8:30AM Catherine Silverstein
5:30 PM Alyce Piscopo

SUNDAY, March 26th

8:00 AM Thomas Keating
10:00 AM Anthony Pope
12:00 PM Roma Sassara Sims

MONDAY, March 27th

12:00PM Pat Conti
Antonio Leon B. Martinez

TUESDAY, March 28th

12:00 PM Rosemary Joyce
Margret Gray

WEDNESDAY, March 29th

12:00 PM Francis McEleney
Elizabeth Pacilio

THURSDAY, March 30th

12:00 PM Divina Espiritus
Rosemarie Miller

FRIDAY, March 31st

12:00 PM Christine Fiore
Helen Trainor

SATURDAY, April 1st

8:30AM Rosemelita deLeon Mateo (1st ann.)
5:30 PM Kathleen Roddy

SUNDAY, April 2nd

8:00 AM Cornelius, Catherine & Timothy Cadogan
10:00 AM Jose Senande
12:00 PM John Rooth

MEMORIALS
SANCTUARY LAMP,
ALTAR BREAD & ALTAR WINE
In Memory of James Wasilewski
From the Rowland Family

Thoughts and Reflections...

When Jesus encouraged us to be more like little children, he had many traits in mind. One of them is certainly that he wants us to be trusting. As adults, many of us become jaded and skeptical, largely because we believe we have reason to distrust the world around us. We feel fearful about leaving valuables unattended because of thieves. We wonder about going on the road late at night because of drunk drivers. We worry when we invest our money because of dishonest financiers. Some very real fears in our lives get carried away, causing new problems.

God asks us to trust and not be careless. God wants us to treasure and nurture both our physical and spiritual lives while being aware of evil in the world. If we live according to God's commandments, we have nothing to fear when it comes to eternal life. We will join the risen Christ in life eternal if only we believe.

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: Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or Dn 13:41c-62; Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Jn 8:1-11

Tuesday: Nm 21:4-9; Ps 102:2-3, 16-18, 19-21; Jn 8:21-30

Wednesday: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56; Jn 8:31-42

Thursday: Gn 17:3-9; Ps 105:4-5, 6-7, 8-9; Jn 8:51-59

Friday: Jer 20:10-13; Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7; Jn 10:31-42

Saturday: Ez 37:21-28; Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13; Jn 11:45-56

Sunday: Mt 21:1-11 (procession); Is 50:4-7; Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24; Phil 2:6-11; Mt 26:14 — 27:66 or Mt 27:11-54

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 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 – 4PM. 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 Sonia Lumague and Vincenzo Olivella

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: As Easter is fast approaching, I would like to offer our parishioners/friends an opportunity to provide an Easter dinner to a family in need. If you are interested in providing an Easter dinner for a family in need, or if you are a St. Henry family and would be thankful for an Easter dinner, please call me at (908) 612-6674.

Our Confirmation and RCIA candidates and their sponsors attended our confirmation retreat on March 18th. Mr. Joseph Gorski shared his teenage years as not being very Christ-like, but once he opened his heart to God, he reversed his habits and is truly on the path to heaven. Mr. Carmine Barberise revealed his life threatening day back on 9/11, removing his cross from his computer and leading many to safety. Mrs. Veronica Pinto revealed her many challenges. She and her family moved from parts of Europe and Canada, to finally end up in Bayonne. Her father was murdered and her mother passed away due to an incorrect diagnosis. I talked about my cancer journey, and how the power of prayer continues to keep me strong and has deepened my faith. A special thanks to all who attended and participated – especially our confirmation catechists: Shena DeMoya, Isabella DeMoya, Jes Becker, Christine Sorrentino, Joseline, Lily, and Nick DeMoya, and our priests Fr. Raul, Fr. Alfie, and Fr. Morris. Please continue to pray for all of God's children at St. Henry and around the world. 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 3/19/2023: \$7122
Consisting of Offering at Masses \$5737
Electronic Giving \$1385

Black & Indian Catholic Relief Services Collection
\$1413

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, 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).

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. Henry Spring Track: The first meet for the Spring 2023 season is scheduled on April 22nd. Training for the spring season will take place on Saturday, April 1st, April 8th, and April 15th at 2PM.

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.

The Hudson County Serra Society, (an organization fostering vocations to the priesthood and religious life), is having our Annual Seminarian Mass and Dinner on Wednesday, April 26, 2023. Mass will be celebrated by His Excellency, Bishop Gregory Studerus, Episcopal Vicar of Hudson County, at 6:00pm at Blessed Miriam Teresa Parish (St. Mary Church), 326 Avenue C, Bayonne, NJ, followed by dinner at The Chandelier Restaurant, 54th Street and Broadway, Bayonne, NJ. The cost of the dinner is \$70.00 per person. Proceeds from the dinner will be donated to the Seminarians from the Archdiocese of Newark who are studying at the Immaculate Conception Seminary and St. Andrew's College Seminary at Seton Hall University. If you are interested in attending, please contact Michael Bruzzio at (201) 463-2380 or email him at mabruz@verizon.net.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY PILGRIMAGE April 16, 2023—Bus available for \$45 per person, including light breakfast. Bus leaves at 6:00am in front of St. Henry Church, Bayonne. For reservations, please call Imee Macalindong at 551-587-9900.

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

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. To date \$18,965 has been pledged. 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... 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 homemade 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.

Our next monthly meeting will be April 16th following the 10am mass and recitation of the rosary in church. All parishioners are invited to pray the rosary with us and all the ladies of the parish are invited to attend the meeting. Reminder: Please bring one non-perishable food item to the meeting for our food pantry donation.

Pope Francis has asked our parish to support the **Pontifical Good Friday Collection** (Friday, April 7, 2023), which helps Christians in the Holy Land where they are now less than 2% of the population. Your support is essential to help the Church minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools, and offer religious education. The Pontifical Good Friday Collection also helps to preserve the sacred shrines of Christianity, including Jerusalem, Nazareth, and Bethlehem to name only a few.

The pandemic hit Christians in the Holy Land particularly hard. Most of them depend on pilgrimages for work. In these times of crisis, the Pontifical Friday Collection is necessary to meet the basic needs of the People of God still living in this Land and to maintain a Christian presence where the Church was born.

When you contribute to the Pontifical Friday Collection, you join with Catholics around the world in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land. PLEASE BE GENEROUS! For more information about Christians in the Holy Land, visit www.myfranciscan.org or www.custodia.org

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, 4/1, and 4/8.

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