

# 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.*

**April 5, 2026 Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord**





**Mass Intentions for the Week**

**SATURDAY, April 4th**

- 9:00AM Morning Prayer in Church
- 9:30AM Blessing of Food
- 8:30PM Easter Vigil

**SUNDAY, April 5th**

- 8:00AM For the
- 10:00AM Priests'
- 12:00PM Intentions

**MONDAY, April 6th**

- 9:00AM Adele & Frank McLaughlin  
Celestino Pallarca deLeon, Sr.

**TUESDAY, April 7th**

- 12:00PM Lisa Kalos  
Jimmy Rokicki

**WEDNESDAY, April 8th**

- 12:00PM Joseph & Elizabeth Vocaturo  
Health & Blessings –  
Elizabeth & Gabriella

**THURSDAY, April 9th**

- 12:00PM Richard & Felicia Sahli  
Betty Bilotta

**FRIDAY, April 10th**

- 12:00PM James Cunningham  
Alberto Bacarro

**SATURDAY, April 11th**

- 8:30AM William Foran, Jr.
- 5:30PM Anthony Protocollo

**SUNDAY, April 12th**

- 8:00AM Patricia Abrams
- 10:00AM Paul Carl Sildatke, Sr.
- 12:00PM Michael Waldron

**MEMORIALS**

**SANCTURY LAMP,  
ALTAR BREAD & ALTAR WINE**

**In Memory of the Deceased Members  
Of  
St. Henry Parish**

**Thoughts and Reflections:** by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson

The arrival of "AI" in our world, particularly its proven ability to fool our eyes into believing that what we are seeing is reality when all along it is artificial, can make us doubtful observers. That has the cumulative effect of turning us all into being suspicious types.

What has this to do with Easter 2026? I would suggest that the doubts or the denial that non-believers have all along professed about Jesus' resurrection could be bolstered if they are strong "AI" converts, acting mostly on emotion.

Meanwhile, the collection of witness statements that we will be hearing and reading about in our bibles for the next 50 days are too real and strong to deny. The fact that the Apostles and many early disciples faced death rather than deny what they believed is more proof, if you happen to need any.

What is left to us is an application of a principle usually attributed to one Steven Covey. He wrote this: "The main thing is to keep the main thing the main thing." It is a powerful reminder to focus on our highest priorities. We must avoid distractions and dedicate energy to what truly matters for achieving our goals, whether in leadership, or personal development or Christian spirituality. It means identifying our core objective (life with Christ forever in heaven) and constantly re-aligning our efforts with it (e.g., making regular Confession), rather than getting sidetracked by less important tasks.

To cite just one example. We have noise of all kinds that distract us from "the main thing." It interferes with our time to reflect 24/7/365. We must work to get it back.

So, on this special Sunday, we need to be putting aside bunny rabbits and all sorts of cute verses about the coming of Spring. Here is the main thing: "Jesus of Nazareth, the Son of God, who was crucified and died for the remission of our sins, was also raised from the dead on the Third Day by God the Father, never to die again." This is the Day the Lord has made. Let us rejoice and be glad in it! Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

**Reading for the Week:**

- Monday** Acts 2:14, 22-33 Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11 Mt 28:8-15
- Tuesday** Acts 2:36-41 Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20 and 22 Jn 20:11-18
- Wednesday** Acts 3:1-10 Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9 Lk 24:13-35
- Thursday** Acts 3:11-26 Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9 Lk 24:35-48
- Friday** Acts 4:1-12 Ps 118:1-2 and 4, 22-24, 25-27a Jn 21:1-14
- Saturday** Acts 4:13-21 Ps 118:1 and 14-15ab, 16-18, 19-21 Mk 16:9-15
- Sunday** Acts 2:42-47 Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 1 Pt 1:3-9 Jn 20:19-31

## 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](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).**

### Pray for...

*Please continue to keep in your prayers the sick members, family and friends of our parish: **James Petronick, Alex Diaz, Susan Ficalora, Kenneth Jablonski, Kevin Adamson, Martha Serrano, Liz Noto, Silvio Noto, Chad Perry, Archie Afable, Juan Diaz, Anna Marie Borzelli, Claire Poli, Jean Gallagher, Thomas Cahill, Ray Rokicki, Philip Mango, Tristan Bowen and Romeo Ponce.***

*Names of the sick will remain for 4 weeks after which they will be deleted if not renewed by the requestor.*

#### 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 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.

**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.

**The Offering Totals for the weekend of March 29th will appear in next week's bulletin.**



*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 Violette A. Haschak*, 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 CENTER RENTAL

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

**Please Note:** Monday, April 6th, Mass will be celebrated at 9:00AM only. There will be no noon Mass. The Parish office will be open from 10:00AM to 1:00PM only that day. Regular office hours of 9:00AM-4:00PM will resume on Tuesday, April 7th.

#### 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.

The donation of our Paschal Candle was given

*In Memory of*

Severino & Gloria Ferraris

And

Belarmino Vitug, Sr.



**An Easter Gift to Your Church**

The Feast of the Resurrection is here and our chance to celebrate this great event has a spiritual as well as a temporal dimension. We rejoice in what the Lord has won for us, and we express our thanks by lives renewed in faith. We are asked to express our faith by supporting our church. Specifically, we need to support our parish. Please resolve to make an Easter gift to your parish in keeping with the gifts that you have received, one that allows your parish to continue its ministries. This year we have budgeted \$32,000 for Easter. As always, we are grateful for your generosity.

In the spirit of joy and thanksgiving, we would like to invite you to the Mass of Thanksgiving celebrating the

**25th Anniversary of Ordination to the Priesthood**

Of

*Rev. Father Don Bosco Park*

Saturday, May 16th at 5:30pm St. Henry Church

Reception will follow at:

St. Vincent’s Robinson Hall  
979 Avenue C  
Bayonne, NJ 07002

“BYOB”

Kindly RSVP through text by May 3rd

Darlene Megally: 201-618-3916  
Aida Lopez: 201-844-5391  
Mayette Valbuena: 551-222-5916

For Koreans, please text or email:

Young Teak Lee: 732-266-4640 / teak31@gmail.com

**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 “FOR ST. CECILIA FUND” and making the check payable to ST. HENRY CHURCH. Envelopes are available throughout the 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.

**Archbishop’s Annual Appeal:**

Parish Goal: \$45,308.30

Pledged: \$17,175.00 Received: \$13,505

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

The Hudson County Serra Society, an organization fostering vocations to the priesthood and religious life, is having its Annual Seminarian Mass and Dinner on Wednesday, April 15, 2026. Mass will be celebrated by His Excellency, Bishop Gregory Studerus, Bishop Emeritus of Hudson County, at 6:00pm at St. Henry Church. Dinner will follow at the Knights of Columbus Banquet Hall (669 Avenue C).

This year our honorees for the St. Junipero Serra Award will be Fr. Jesus Ramos, Parochial Vicar of St. Aloysius Church in Jersey City and Fr. Eugenio (Gino) de la Rama, Pastor of Holy Cross Church in Harrison and former Director for Vocations in the Archdiocese of Newark. They are both great advocates for vocations and supporters of the Serra Society.

The Cost of the dinner is \$75 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.

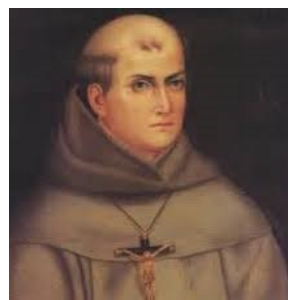
We earnestly request your support by attending the Mass and Dinner. Please contact one of the below numbers if interested in purchasing tickets to the dinner. Tables of 10 can be reserved.

**Please RSVP no later than Tuesday, April 7, 2026.**

Michael Bruzzio at 201-463-2380 or [mabruz@verizon.net](mailto:mabruz@verizon.net)

John Smith at 201-436-3792 or [saru1941@hotmail.com](mailto:saru1941@hotmail.com)

Ingrid Alfred at 201-424-7760 or [Ingrid.alfred14@gmail.com](mailto:Ingrid.alfred14@gmail.com)



The Knights of Columbus invites men to build their lives on solid ground, to become the spouse, father, and man God created them to be – fulfilled and fully alive. Inspired by Blessed Michael McGivney, St. Joseph, and our four principles – charity, unity, fraternity, and patriotism- our international community of Catholic men comprises more than two million members who wish to grow in faith. Knights support each other and lead our families and parishes through action. Discover your mission at [KofC.org/join](http://KofC.org/join) (Star of the Sea Council 371). For information, email: [Knight@KofCcouncil371.org](mailto:Knight@KofCcouncil371.org)

### FROM the ARCHDIOCESE of NEWARK:

**Report Financial Misconduct Confidentially**

If you suspect financial misconduct, use **EthicsPoint**, an independent and confidential reporting tool that helps the Archdiocesan community address issues while promoting positive parish, school and workplace environments. Visit [www.rcan.org](http://www.rcan.org) for the hotline and reporting link.

**Report Sexual Misconduct Confidentially:** The Archdiocese of Newark takes all allegations of sexual misconduct by clergy, religious, and lay staff seriously. We encourage anyone with knowledge of such acts to contact us so we can take appropriate steps to protect others and support victim of sexual abuse. Please call the Coordinator for the Office of Accompaniment in the Archdiocesan Department for the Protection of the Faithful at **201-407-3256** or visit [www.rcan.org/protection-of-the-faithful](http://www.rcan.org/protection-of-the-faithful) for more information.

The **Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Service** receives reports of sexual abuse or misconduct by bishops and forwards them for investigation. To report abuse, visit [www.reportbishopabuse.org](http://www.reportbishopabuse.org) or call **800-276-1562**.