

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 7, 2024 Second Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday)

RECTORY & PARISH OFFICE

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Served by:

Pastor: Rev. Raul Gaviola
Parochial Vicar: Rev. Don Bosco Park

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE

Phone: 201-339-0319

Facebook: St. Henry Religious Education

Served by:

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 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

2023-2024 Program Year

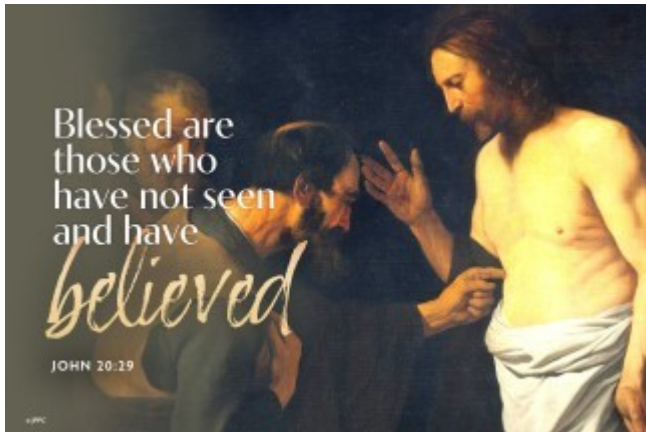
Sundays, 8:30AM–9:45AM: Kindergarten and Grade 5
Sundays, 8:30AM-9:45AM RCIC
Sundays, 8:30AM-9:30AM: Grade 9
Sundays, 4:00PM-5:00PM: Grade 9
Sundays, 7:00PM-8:00PM Grade 9
Wednesdays, 3:45PM-5:00PM: Grade 5
Wednesdays, 6:45PM-8:00PM: Grades 6-8
Grades 1-4 will be enrolled in a digital at-home faith formation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

- 8:30AM William Foran, Jr.
- 5:30PM Celestino Pallarca deLeon, Sr.

SUNDAY, April 7th

- 8:00AM In Honor of Divine Mercy Sunday
- 10:00AM Jimmy Rokicki
- 12:00PM Tony & Jo Brescia (5th ann.)

MONDAY, April 8th

- 12:00PM Kapec Family
- Carla Hartnett

TUESDAY, April 9th

- 12:00PM Robert Hickey
- Cecilia Anthony Pillai &
- Saverimuthu Anthony Pillai

WEDNESDAY, April 10th

- 12:00PM Louis & Mary Piser
- Rosalie Maguire

THURSDAY, April 11th

- 12:00PM Rev. Thomas Foye & Family
- Edward B. Dobies

FRIDAY, April 12th

- 12:00PM Adele & Frank McLaughlin
- Paul Carl Sildatke, Sr.

SATURDAY, April 13th

- 8:30AM Rita Trebour
- 5:30PM Marsha Newick

SUNDAY, April 14th

- 8:00AM Wael Karkour & George Chidiac
- 10:00AM Maria Balayo
- 12:00PM Vito Doria

MEMORIALS

ALTAR BREAD & ALTAR WINE
In Memory of Tony & Jo Brescia
From Their Family

Thoughts and Reflections: Holy Water is sacramental; a reminder of the life of the church expressed and celebrated through the sacraments. By blessing ourselves with holy water as we enter the church, we are reminded of our own baptism and our call to conversion. Much as we are baptized and then journey through life, we bless ourselves and move through the church, symbolizing again the guiding presence of the Lord, which comes to us through baptism. The Church is sacramental, God’s grace is mediated through word and gesture (the outward signs). This comes to us through Jesus (instituted by Christ) as he entrusts to the Church his saving mission (to give grace). In turn, the Church, through sacraments, shares that grace and mission with us.

During Easter when the priest sprinkles the people, it serves to remind us that we are indeed on a journey of faith that makes us one with Christ. So blessing ourselves not only reminds us that we are baptized into a community of faith, but also helps us renew our own baptismal promises to reject sin and to believe in God. It is the heart of Christian belief to turn from sin and toward God. Holy water and baptism make a visible sign for all of us to follow.

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 7:10-14; 8:10 Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11 Heb 10:4-10 Lk 1:26-38
- Tuesday** Acts 4:32-37 Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5 Jn 3:7b-15
- Wednesday** Acts 5:17-26 Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 Jn 3:16-21
- Thursday** Acts 5:27-33 Ps 34:2 and 9, 17-18, 19-20 Jn 3:31-36
- Friday** Acts 5:34-42 Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 Jn 6:1-15
- Saturday** Acts 6:1-7 Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19 Jn 6:16-21
- Sunday** Acts 3:13-15, 17-19 Ps 4:2, 4, 7-8, 9 1 Jn 2:1-5a Lk 24:35-48

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, Juan Diaz, Craig Buonomo, Marie Pope, Fran Dugan, Anna Marie Borzelli, 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 3/24/2024: \$10,516

Consisting of Offering at Masses: \$9,476

Electronic Giving: \$1,040

Holy Thursday Collection: \$598

Holy Land Collection: \$2338

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, especially Betty Bilotta and Mark Baber, 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.

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.

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. To date, \$21,761 has been pledged and \$20,576 has been received. Pledge 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

An Easter Gift to Your Church

The Feast of the Resurrection is near and our chance to celebrate this great event has a spiritual as well as 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 \$38,000 for Easter. As always, we are grateful for your generosity.



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 March "Coffee for St. Henry" Collection totaled \$2,658. As always, thank you for your continued support and generosity.

ST. CECELIA 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. Cecelia 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. CECELIA 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.

ROSARY SOCIETY NEWS: Our next meeting is Sunday, April 7th starting with the 10AM Mass followed by the rosary and in honor of Divine Mercy Sunday. The Chaplet of Divine Mercy following the rosary. All parishioners are invited to pray the rosary and chaplet with us and all ladies are invited to the meeting. This will be an important election of officers meeting: all rosarians are encouraged to attend. Reminder: please bring one non-perishable food item for our food pantry donations.

St. Henry CYO Spring Track 2024 We will race at the track in Hudson County Park in Bayonne on the following dates:

Saturday, April 13th	10am -12pm	Wednesday, May 22nd	6pm-8pm
Saturday, April 20th	10am -12pm	Wednesday, May 29th	6pm-8pm (rain date)
Saturday, April 27th	10am -12pm	Saturday, June 1st	10am-12pm
Saturday, May 4th	10am-12pm	Saturday, June 8th	10am-12pm (rain date)
Saturday, May 11th	10am-12pm		
Saturday, May 18th	9am-3pm	Archdiocesan Championship (optional)	



Questions? Additional Information? Contact Al Long at (201) 437-6798 or email alexlong685@gmail.com .

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.

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.

The Knights of Columbus, Council 371 – “A Knight of Honors” Shield Awards

Will be honoring the following:

Sir Knight of the Year: Rick Olander

Police Officer of the Year: Officer Rafael Ocasio

Firefighter of the Year:

Battalion Chief 6: Robert Seeburger

Battalion Chief 7: Vinny Parlavechio

Captain Leo Smith III Rescue 1

Captain Kevin Cotter, Jr. Rescue 1

Firefighter Scott McKevitt Rescue 1

Firefighter Lou Pacyna Rescue 1

Firefighter Brandon Kuhl Rescue 1

Firefighter Thomas Weber Rescue 1

Firefighter Jeff Spengler Battalion Aide

EMT of the Year: Ronnie Gonzalez

Asia Lopez

Teacher of the Year: Susan Sweeney

Religious Education Teacher of the Year: **MARIE POPE**

Date: April 27, 2024 ♦6PM to 10PM ♦Tickets \$80 Per Person ♦ Knights of Columbus ♦669 Ave. C ♦ Bayonne

St. Ann's Society is having 2 trips. One is to Hunterdon Hills Playhouse to see the play “Weekend Comedy” on May 29th, 2024. Just what we need...a cute lighthearted comedy. The other trip we are currently taking names for is to see “Daniel” at the Sight & Sound Theater on September 24, 2024. For details, call Joanne (201-823-2096) or Rosalie (201-436-9565).

“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

Staten Island FerryHawks Baseball

FAITH & FAMILY NIGHT

Saturday, May 4th ♦Gates @5:30pm ♦First Pitch @6:30pm

Pre-Game Interfaith Prayer & Parade for Families

Awesome Post Game Fireworks

Special Ticket Offer: Ticket & Faith Family FerryHawks Shirt for only \$20

Group & Hospitality Options also available starting at just \$10

For tickets contact 929-594-20057

GroupTickets@FerryHawks.com

A.C.I. Italian Society is hosting a trip to WIND CREEK CASINO on April 28, 2024, leaving promptly at 9:30am from St. John Paul II parking lot. Cost is \$40, getting \$25 back. If interested please call Elisabetta (201-858-2069) or Rachel (201-310-6607).