

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.

May 5, 2024 Sixth Sunday of Easter

RECTORY & PARISH OFFICE

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Served by:

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

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Served by: Director of Religious Education: Marie Pope

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Associate Musician:

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 8:30 AM Saturdays: 12:00PM Weekdays: 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 <u>9:00AM - 9:30 AM & 4:30PM - 5:15 PM</u>

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

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Mass Intentions for the Week

SATURDAY, May 4th			
8:30AM	Jack & Mary Sheridan		
5:30PM	Dorothy White		
SUNDAY, May 5th			
8:00AM	Olga Josefowicz		
10:00AM	John, Mary & Richard Rooth		
12:00PM Anthony Pope			
MONDAY, May 6th			
12:00PM	Antoinette Mugrace		
	Barbara Silvay		
TUESDAY, May 7th			
12:00PM	John & Mary Dolan		
	Mary Daly		
WEDNESDAY, May 8th			
12:00PM	Margaret & John Fox		
	Julie & Wesley Kapec		
THURSDAY, May 9th			
12:00PM	Anna & Patsy Ambrozia		
	Patricia & Robert Haggerty		
FRIDAY, May 10th			
12:00PM	Adele & Frank McLaughlin		
	Rev. Thomas Foye & Family		
SATURDAY, May 11th			
8:30AM	Therese Foran		
5:30PM	All Mothers, Living & Deceased		
SUNDAY, May 12th			
8:00AM	All Mothers		
10:00AM	Living &		
12:00PM	Deceased		
MEMORIALS			
SANCTUARY LAMP			
In Memory of Joseph Corbo			
From Arlene Crosson			
ALTAR BREAD			
In Memory of Robert Shovlin			
From Mark & Lynn Sanzo & Family			
ALTAR WINE			
In Blessing for Alexandra Kowalski			
on her First Holy Communion			
	From Grandma		

Thoughts and Reflections: Most of us know from lived experience how much suffering is involved when a loved one does not respond in kind, but instead offers nothing more than a cold response. It stings. It stabs our hearts.

Jesus knew from His entry to our nature that this happens, because it happened to Him. Yet He was able to muster from His depths the piercing cry from His cross, "Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do." In this section of scripture, note how Jesus says to His disciples and to us, that He has chosen us. No other qualifications given for the choice, the least of which would be our worthiness.

In a culture rife with anti-Christian postures and policies, where even the name of Jesus is "cancelled" to use the current language, each of us knows in our heart what to do about it. Yes, we can march in protest, write letters, or post on "Faceboook" or tweet on "Twitter", all of which can be good in themselves. But those are not everybody's "cup of tea." There is another way, a quietly offered counterbalance to the chaos and craziness around us, which anybody can do—it's our good example.

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 Acts 16:11-15 Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a, 9b Jn 15:26 – 16:4a Tuesday Acts 16:22-34 Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8 Jn 16:5-11 Wednesday Acts 17:15, 22 – 18:1 Ps 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14 Jn 16:12-15 Thursday Acts 1:1-11 Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 Eph 1:17-23 or Eph 4:1-13 or 4:1-7, 11-13 Mk 16:15-20 Friday Acts 18:9-18 Ps 47:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 Jn 16:20-23 Saturday Acts 18:23-28 Ps 47:2-3, 8-9, 10 Jn 16:23b-28 Sunday Acts 1:15-17, 20a, 20c-26 Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20 1 Jn 4:11-16 Jn 17:11b-19

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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, <u>www.sthenryrc.org</u>, click on the Parish Giving icon and follow the easy registration steps. <u>NOTE:</u> For those who use Parish Giving and no longer receive offering envelopes, you can access a list of second collections on our website, <u>www.sthenryrc.org</u> (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 4/28/2024: \$6,607

Consisting of Offering at Masses: \$5,522

Electronic Giving: \$1,085

Catholic Home Missions Appeal Collection: \$1,894

Rice Bowl Collection: \$500

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.

<u>Non-perishable food donations are always needed. Your</u> <u>donations may be brought to the Parish Office Monday –</u> <u>Thursday, 9AM – 4PM.</u> Thank you, as always, for your generosity and willingness to help those in need.

St. Vincent Food Pantry is open May 9th & 23rd, June 6th & 20th...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.

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, \$27,936 has been pledged and \$25,541 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.

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The Feast Day of Saint Henry

Mass at 5:00PM

Celebrants are Cardinal J. Tobin & Bishop G. Studerus

Gala Reception at 7:00PM - The Chandelier

Cost is \$125 per person—includes dinner, beer, wine, soda, DJ & photo booth

Tickets can be purchased at the Parish Office by June 30th. Open seating or paid tables of 10 can be reserved. Tickets will not be sold at the door.

Come enjoy a night of dancing and sharing with fellow parishioners.



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.

ROSARY SOCIETY NEWS: Our next meeting is Sunday, May 5th following the 10am mass and recitation of the rosary. It will be our "Crowning of the Blessed Mother" meeting. All ladies of the parish are invited to the meeting and all parishioners are welcome to join us in reciting the rosary after mass. Reminder: Please bring one non-perishable item to the meeting for our food pantry donation.

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.



The Knights of Columbus, Council 371 honored Marie Pope as *Religious Education Teacher of the Year* at the "A Knight of Honors" Shield Awards on Saturday, April 27th. Pictured from left to right: Rev. Richard Berbary, Marie Pope and Anthony Forino, the Knights of Columbus, Faithful Navigator.

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

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

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Religious Education: Congratulations and God's blessings to all of our newly confirmed young men and women and our RCIA men and women! May the Holy Spirit guide you all the days of your lives. Congratulations to our sponsors whose role on the continuation of your faith journey will continue. Congrats to your parents and guardians for being your support mechanism by ensuring you prepared and received the Sacrament of Confirmation. A special thank you to Bishop Greg, Fr. Raul and Fr. Park, our music director and altar servers. Last but not least, our catechists who prepared you for your confirmation day, Jes Becker, Isabella DeMoya and Christine Sorrentino. Thank you to Ericka Rodas and Aida Lopez for all your help and Mario and his family for a very professional execution of pictures and video of our confirmation group. A very special thank you to Shena DeMoya, our office assistant who never skipped a beat as she worked diligently to make the confirmation of our men and women so very special. We are a blessed parish with many members.

Christopher John Aiello Desiree Hildegard Gill Arabella Imelda Alcantara Ramirez Cody Sebastian Guthrie Sean Vincent Arbelaez Siena Gianna Inzitari Jayden Narcisa Arias Raelle Veronica Jean Baptiste Darren John Burke Kimberly Mary Kenask Nino Anthony Burke Gabriella Mariangela Leone Caleb Michael Caal Ysabella Therese Lopez Nathan Joseph Caballero Kasey Rhian LoPresti Natalie Grace Alexandra Cantonjos Iven Philip Mariano Jake Benedict Carrancho Saira Mary Mateo Kaitlyn Ann Veronica Carreno Patricia Mary McDonough Liliana Catherine Cherchio Edan Michael Meir Anica Lydia Contreras Vivian Francis Miceli-Keller Nicholas Luke DeMoya Allison Margaret Morrell Alan Matthew Elder Victoria Elizabeth Moscicki Jenna Ava Gaetani Braxton Peter Mulcahy Kylie Maria Galano Ryan Luke Neal Kristin Rachel Gavin Leah Josephine Nsoseka Curtis Michael Gill Alessandra Genesius O'Donnell Evan Sebastian Olander Jason Peregrino Olivera Jax Jude Pineda Sebastian Michael Roman Caleigh Marie Roszkowski Maya Teresa Sekulski Olivia Teresa Sobolewski Kendrich Gabriel Tibay Mykel Michael VeraToro Riley Elizabeth Weimmer Madison Grace Williams Victoria Agnes Wozniak Alexa Mary Yuscavitch Paolo David David Zamora

OTHER HAPPENINGS-In and Around Bayonne & the Archdiocese of Newark

ASCA NEWS: Students continue with their spring MAP Testing. Testing schedules have already been communicated to parents. Students have a free *Star Wars* tag day Monday. Friday will be a \$1 tag day. If you would like to donate more, please feel free as monies collected will be given to the *Police Unity Tour* charity. Participating students are asked to wear the color blue. Our students who run track continue to place and win medals. The girls' volleyball team is also doing well. ASCA's senior choir's annual spring showcase will be the evening of Tuesday, May 21st at 6:30 in the school gym. Our first talent show and art exhibit will be the evening of Thursday, May 30th in the gym. Student art work will be available to purchase via a silent auction. Registration for the 2024-2025 school year is underway. If you are new to ASCA, please call the school office (201) 443-8384 to schedule a tour. Feel free to email our teachers if you have grade-specific inquiries.