

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 12, 2024 The Ascension of the Lord

RECTORY & PARISH OFFICE

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Served by:

Pastor: Rev. Raul Gaviola
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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE

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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 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-
ily 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, 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

MONDAY, May 13th

12:00PM Louis & Mary Piser
Vera Marino

TUESDAY, May 14th

12:00PM Kathleen Munn & Family
Mary Delaney

WEDNESDAY, May 15th

12:00PM Barbara Rokicki
Grace Ward

THURSDAY, May 16th

12:00PM Loretta Brady
Gabe & Elsie Doria

FRIDAY, May 17th

12:00PM Dolores Hawk
Grace & Anthony Gargiulo

SATURDAY, May 18th

8:30AM Jessica Maguire
5:30PM Alice Maguire

SUNDAY, May 19th

8:00AM Barbara Silvay
10:00AM Deceased Members of the Brescia &
Russo Families
12:00PM Gerry Wortman

MEMORIALS

SANCTUARY LAMP

In Memory of Caroline Francione & Anna Ambrozia
From Daughter and Granddaughter, Regina

ALTAR BREAD

In Memory of Barbara Fahley
From Rob, Susan & Scott Fahley

ALTAR WINE

In Memory of Alfredo Reyes Pelayo
From Estan Reyes Family

Thoughts and Reflections: He went up into a cloud — the biblical symbol of God's dwelling place — so He is gone from us. But can this be true? Yes it is, if we consider only His original bodily presence. But we believe that already in His resurrection He entered upon a new, completely unprecedented manner of existence. Time and space no longer placed any restrictions upon Him. He simply appeared to His disciples through locked doors. He ate, drank, and conversed with them.

His ascension may well have been advancement or a perfection of that new existence of His. Now He no longer appears bodily in form. But He has by no means departed from them in His real being as God the Father's son. Otherwise how do we explain His words when He said, "And know that I am with you always until the end of the world." He is with us, with the Church. It is a real presence, and not just figurative language. It is truth. The ascension is not an end, but a beginning, the beginning of a new manner of Christ's activity among the apostles and the Church. Jesus had laid the groundwork by His preaching, His death, and His resurrection. Now the work goes on, and we are part of it.

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 19:1-8 Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab Jn 16:29-33
Tuesday Acts 1:15-17, 20-26 Ps 113:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 Jn 15:9-17
Wednesday Acts 20:28-38 Ps 68:29-30, 33-35a, 35bc-36ab Jn 17:11b-19
Thursday Acts 22:30; 23:6-11 Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11 Jn 17:20-26
Friday Acts 25:13b-21 Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab Jn 21:15-19
Saturday Acts 28:16-20, 30-31 Ps 11:4, 5, 7 Jn 21:20-25
Sunday Vigil Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5 Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29, 30 Rom 8:22-27 Jn 7:37-39
Sunday Day Acts 2:1-11 Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 15:26-27; 16:12-15

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 5/5/2024: \$7,074

Consisting of Offering at Masses: \$6,064

Electronic Giving: \$1,010

Parish Assessment Collection: \$2,845

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 Margaret Galliland, 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.

St. Vincent Food Pantry is open May 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, \$29,986 has been pledged and \$26,816 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.

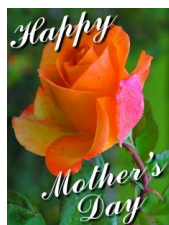
St. Henry Parish NEWS – continued

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 April “Coffee for St. Henry” Collection totaled **\$3,377**. As always, thank you for your continued support and generosity.



Happy Mother's Day

Many of us will spend this day with our moms, celebrating the joy that is Mother's Day. Others will remember fondly their departed moms who offered such a good example and love all their lives. Still others will look forward to the gift of motherhood. Whatever way you celebrate, may this day be a time of prayerful thanksgiving!

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 are establishing 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 or envelope “FOR ST. CECILIA 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.

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.

Save the Date

Saturday, July 13, 2024

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.

St. Henry 2024 Calendar Raffle

Our fifth drawing was held on May 1st and the winner was Patrick Finnerty.

Drawings will continue on the first of the month through December. Congratulations to the winners so far, and Good Luck to all who purchased a ticket.

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

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

St. Henry Parish NEWS – continued

Religious Education: Congratulations to God's children who received Jesus for the first time on Saturday, May 4, 2024. A special thank you to Fr. Park and Fr. Alfie for celebrating our First Holy Communions!

A heartfelt thanks and appreciation to Shena DeMoya, Ericka Rodas, Sharon Rooth, Aida Lopez, Jes Becker, Isabella DeMoya and Joceline DeMoya.

A special thanks to Robert Mastromonaco, who led the children singing *This Little Light of Mine*, and our photographer/ video team of Mario, Jill, Gianna, Mario and Joseph.

Thank you to our lectors, leaders of song, altar servers and Christian Bautista, our organist.

Thank you parents, family and friends for accompanying your child/children on their faith journey.

We are a blessed community.

Love & Peace, Marie Pope

ROSARY SOCIETY NEWS: Thank you very much to Mary Rooth who was our Treasurer for the past 20 years and to Sharon Rooth who was our Vice President and alternate Secretary for the past 6 years. We appreciate all of the time, talent, and dedication you gave to St. Henry's Rosary Society.

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

ASCA NEWS: Congratulations and blessings to our students who have celebrated the Sacrament of First Holy Communion. We pray that these children continue being nourished by receiving the Body of Christ, and that they remain open to His love and grow in their faith. ♦ Our girls' volleyball team has been on a winning streak. They have great skills and excellent teamwork. ♦ Students have a \$1 "flower power" tag day Thursday. ♦ 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.

Safe Environment Corner

Training Adults: Safe Environment training is taking place in all dioceses of the United States. In the Archdiocese of Newark, over 100,000 adults have received training to recognize, respond and report child sexual abuse and exploitation since 2003, in our multi-class in-person and online curriculum. Call Ralph Lilore, the Coordinator of the Office of Child and Youth Protection, for more information on this training. He can be reached at (973) 497-4578.

Safe Environment Corner Continued

Training Children: All our Catholic school children in parish faith formation programs receive annual training in how to keep themselves safe. Do you know the risks children face from their use of the internet and cell phone apps? Do you speak about these risks with the children in your life? Would you know how to report a disclosure? Find out more about this training by going to www.rcan.org, and clicking Protect/Report, and then Protecting God's Children, then scroll down to Empowering God's Children.

St. Ann's Society is currently taking names for its trip to see "Daniel" at the Sight & Sound Theater on September 24, 2024. For details, call Joanne (201-823-2096) or Rosalie (201-436-9565).

Golden Age senior club is planning a trip to Silver Birches in Hawley, Pennsylvania on October 9, 2024 for their German-fest. It will be a full day of activities including a strudel making demo, food, music and show. For more information call Colleen at 201-390-640.

Mother Mary & Saints Pilgrimage to England, Ireland & Scotland. September 16-27, 2024. 12 days—\$4990. Includes RT airfare from Newark, daily breakfasts and dinners, hotel accommodations, professionally guided tours, deluxe motor coach and more. Fr. Abraham Orapangkal, Pastor St. Mathias Parish, Somerset Tour Chaplain. For more information call Juliet Hobson (732) 439-2835 or email: yetjcb@icloud.com