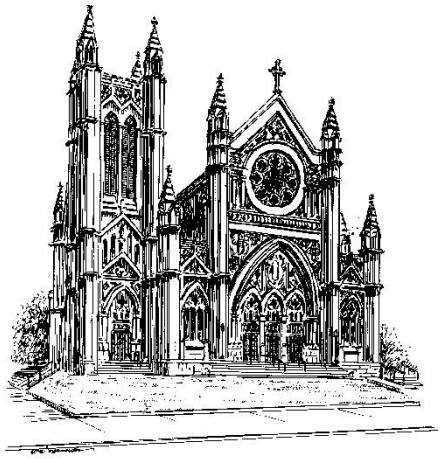

ST. HENRY R.C. CHURCH

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.

June 14, 2026 The Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

RECTORY & PARISH OFFICE

Phone: 201-436-0857 ***Fax: 201-823-4611***

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Website: ***www.sthenryrc.org***

Facebook: St. Henry RC Church

Served by:

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

Director of Music Ministries: **Chad Perry 201-249-1167**
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

St. Henry Parish Office Hours
MONDAY—THURSDAY
9:00 AM—4:00 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.

Sacrament of the Sick/Homebound

Anointing: Anytime upon request in the home of the sick. Please call the rectory.

Religious Education/Catechism Program

The Religious Education Program is open to all families who desire formal Catholic religious education for their children. Our Religious Education Program is a continuous faith formation process by which the Catholic Faith is taught. Sacrament of Reconciliation, Holy Eucharist and Confirmation is part of the Religious Education program. **Sequential participation in Grades 1-9 is required.**

2025-2026 Program Year

Sundays: 8:45AM—9:45AM: Grades 1-5
Sundays: 8:45AM-9:45AM: RCIC & Catch Up
Sundays: 8:30AM-9:30AM: Grade 9
Sundays: 7:00PM-8:00PM: Grade 9
Wednesdays: 4:00PM-5:00PM: Grades 1-5
Wednesdays: 7:00PM-8:00PM: Grades 6-8

The OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults), also known as RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) program is designed for individuals who wish to become Catholic and receive the sacraments of initiation, including Baptism, Confirmation, and the Holy Eucharist. For more information contact the Religious Education office: ***Phone: 201-339-0319***
Email: ReligiousEd.StHenryBayonne@gmail.com
Facebook: St. Henry Religious Education

Mass Intentions for the Week

SATURDAY, June 13th
8:30AM William Foran, Sr.
5:30PM Frank LaTorre

SUNDAY, June 14th
8:00AM Ally Weckesser
10:00AM Peter M. Rocheny, Sr.
12:00PM Tajmool Ghany, Ellen Adjuder & Rita & Balkaran Adjuder

MONDAY, June 15th
12:00PM Gracie Riccardi
Pedrito Flores

TUESDAY, June 16th
12:00PM Marbie DeGuzman Sevilla
William F. Kiniery (1st Ann.)

WEDNESDAY, June 17th
12:00PM Judy Blom
Richard Drexler

THURSDAY, June 18th
12:00PM Jordan Spuma
Enza Marie Rossi

FRIDAY, June 19th
12:00PM David Finn
Patrick O'Boyle

SATURDAY, June 20th
8:30AM Anthony Brucato
5:30PM Ruvee Yao

SUNDAY, June 21st
8:00AM All Fathers
10:00AM Living &
12:00PM Deceased

MEMORIALS

**SANCTURY LAMP,
ALTAR BREAD & ALTAR WINE
In Memory of Tajmool Ghany, Ellen Adjuder &
Rita & Balkaran Adjuder
From Ferlisha Ghany**

Thoughts and Reflections: by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson

The popularity of TV game shows is proof positive that a lot of us like watching other people deal with both opportunity and choice. No matter which option they choose, there are always consequences. It is the nature of the game and the fun it provides.

Our lives, however, they may be demeaned by some as a "game," are so much more. Certainly, more than TV shows. True, they involve both opportunity and choice, but the consequences are much more significant and lasting than prize money or some game show reward.

Robert Frost's poem celebrates people who take "the road less traveled by." The poet celebrates exceptional souls unafraid to be different. I believe we can confidently count the Twelve men Jesus chose as His Apostles to be just such special people.

Granted that the initial choice of them was all the Lord's, yet each man responded positively to the call according to his unique nature. For all their acknowledged limitations, each man knew from the start that following this most charismatic a Leader as Jesus of Nazareth surely was the right decision and the only choice that mattered.

It did not take long for each of the Twelve to realize that there were consequences attached to the Lord's choice. True, they may have enjoyed some of the acclaim Jesus received in His short public life in their days as preachers. But for sure they suffered for their loyalty and dedication to Him.

Sadly, we know that one of them experienced enough disillusion to become a traitor. All but one of them fled their positions at Christ's side on the very day it mattered most. Only the youngest, out of the Eleven stayed with Him at the foot of the cross. Yet all but John died as martyrs.

We can all learn from their stories. To start, there is their very ordinariness that offers us encouragement if we are willing to admit that is us as well. None of them, for example, excelled as business leaders. No high scholarly degrees or academic honors came their way; they were none of them stars in the worlds of Arts and Literature. But oh, how they turned out to be models of faith, hope, and charity! Of loyalty and love of God. Champions of that rare human achievement of being exactly what God wanted them to be, and of doing His holy will to the best of their ability.

Readings for the Week:
Monday 1 Kgs 21:1-16 Ps 5:2-3ab, 4b-6a, 6b-7 Mt 5:38-42
Tuesday 1 Kgs 21:17-29 Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 11 and 16 Mt 5:43-48
Wednesday 2 Kgs 2:1, 6-14 Ps 31:20, 21, 24 Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
Thursday Sir 48:1-14 Ps 97:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7 Mt 6:7-15
Friday 2 Kgs 11:1-4, 9-18, 20 Ps 132:11, 12, 13-14, 17-18 Mt 6:19-23
Saturday 2 Chr 24:17-25 Ps 89:4-5, 29-30, 31-32, 33-34 Mt 6:24-34
Sunday Jer 20:10-13 Ps 69:8-10, 14, 17, 33-35 Rom 5:12-15 Mt 10:26-33

St. Henry Parish NEWS

Parish Giving
—SIGN UP FOR ELECTRONIC GIVING—

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).**

Thank You.

Total Regular Offering—weekend of 06/07/2026: $10,429

Consisting of Offering at Masses: $9,195

Parish Giving: $1,234

Parish Assessment Collection: $2,598

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 Joanne Petersen, 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.

Pray for...

Please continue to keep in your prayers the sick members, family and friends of our parish: **Kevin Adamson, Nadia Bacher, Anna Marie Borzelli, Alex Diaz, Jean Gallagher, Kenneth Jablonski and Chad Perry.**

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

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.

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

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.

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.

As part of the next phase of the **We Are His Witnesses** pastoral conversion initiative, our parish has been invited to participate as a **Parish Mission Partner**, joining ten other parishes—one grouping in each county—working together to strengthen parish life across the Archdiocese. From June through December 2026, pastors and parish leaders will gather in facilitated sessions to pray, reflect, and plan, with a focus on collaboration, renewal, and mission, including practical ways to work together in evangelization, pastoral care, and mission. This process reflects a renewed commitment to our shared mission and includes ongoing discernment on how best to align resources for the future. Please keep this effort in your prayers as we seek to renew parish life and strengthen our mission together. More: www.WeAreHisWitnesses.org

2026 Archbishop's Annual Appeal

The 2026 Annual Appeal has begun! Each year we are invited to participate in the Annual Appeal, which is an opportunity to support essential ministries and programs in our Archdiocese. Your sacrificial support makes it possible for us to carry out the important work that we are called to do as missionary disciples of Jesus.

Our Parish Goal is $45,308.30. To date, **$24,140.00** has been pledged and **$19,732** has been received. 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 2026 Annual Appeal. Pledge/Gift envelopes are located at the doors of our church. You may bring your envelopes 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.

Please consider participating in this year's Appeal to help make a significant difference in many lives within our Archdiocese. You can also make a gift online today by visiting rcan.org/sharing .

Please Note: We are again asking for your cooperation as it pertains to submitting checks to St. Henry Parish as many checks are being returned for not being in compliance with the BCB Bank requirements. BCB Bank no longer accepts any checks that have crossed out and/or altered information (ex. corrected date) even if the changes are initialed by the check signer . Additionally, BCB Bank will return checks written in anything other than black or blue ink. In order to avoid having your check returned, please see that all Information on submitted checks is correct (ex. amounts match, check is signed) before placing it in the collection basket. We thank you for your attention to this matter.

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. As always, thank you for your continued support and generosity. Our May "***Coffee for St. Henry***" Collection totaled **$1,126**. As always, thank you for your continued support and generosity.

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN NOTICE:

Any Capital Campaign Payments submitted after May 19th, whether by mail or brought to the office, have not yet been processed. They will be processed within the next week. As a result , the June statements may be short a payment.

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

Knights of Columbus

July 4th BBQ

Saturday 1-4PM

$10 Per Person

669 Avenue C

Grilled Burgers, Hotdogs and Salads

Proceeds Supporting Veterans

ASCA NEWS: We ask that you continue to keep the Calvo family in your prayers as they grapple with the loss of Joseph Calvo, husband to Mimi and father of Joseph and Justin (ASCA Class of 2026). If you feel moved to do so, donations may be made to the Saint Peter's Prep Scholarship Fund in memory of Joseph Anthony Calvo, Jr.

FROM the ARCHDIOCESE of NEWARK: Safe Environment Corner

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** 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** or call **800-276-1562**.