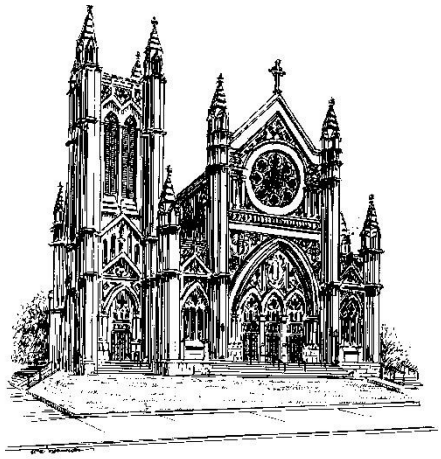

ST. HENRY R.C. CHURCH

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.

July 12, 2026 The Fifteenth 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

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Email: ReligiousEd.StHenryBayonne@gmail.com
Facebook: St. Henry Religious Education

Mass Intentions for the Week

SATURDAY, July 11th
8:30AM Ofelia DeGenarro
5:30PM James Sanchez

SUNDAY, July 12th
8:00AM Michele Cotter
10:00AM Miguel Quintela
12:00PM Carlo Barbero

MONDAY, July 13th
12:00PM Carmine Borzelli
Janice Feeney

TUESDAY, July 14th
12:00PM Mary Levine
Cornelius, Catherine & Timothy Cadogan

WEDNESDAY, July 15th
12:00PM Rocky Caiola
Alice Rooth

THURSDAY, July 16th
12:00PM Joseph Anthony Matturo
In Thanksgiving: Regine Conlin

FRIDAY, July 17th
12:00PM Marie Pope
Gabriel & Elsie Doria

SATURDAY, July 18th
8:30AM Special Intention: Ruth Yao
5:30PM Julie Kapec

SUNDAY, July 19th
8:00AM John J. & Jack Fargano
10:00AM Ralph Corasaniti (8th ann.)
12:00PM Tom & Ted Dolan

MEMORIALS

**SANCTURY LAMP,
ALTAR BREAD & ALTAR WINE
In Memory of Janice Feeney
From Barbara Peters**

Thoughts and Reflections: by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson

It can be a contemporary office seeker's response to a reporter. Or a remembered comment from a persecuted Christian missionary. Or your pastor's statement in his homily last weekend. Or even a remark made by your 6 year old granddaughter. You will note it. You may even remember it at least for a while. But the odds are that you won't retain it for long. It's the way it is with us poor humans. Most of the time.

But today we meet a glorious exception to the rule. Isaiah the prophet "nails it," as we so often say. I refer to God's holy Word and how powerful it is. Here is the prophet's timeless assessment from today's First Reading: " For as the rain and snow come down from heaven and do not return there but water the earth…so shall my word be that goes forth from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I intend, and prosper in the thing for which I sent it."

This on God's part, is not a wishful hope or a mere possibility. It is a bold proclamation made in confidence. As such, it should give us confidence when we truly hear it. So many other "words" across history have gotten lost or contradicted by actual events. But not God's word.

The parable of the Sower teaches us how indifferent responses to the word of the kingdom prove to be unfruitful. Distractions come first of all from the world; and then from the flesh; and finally, from the devil.

On the other hand, fruit brought forth from the responsive heart is everywhere and abundant. "Fruit" is a word common in bible usage to represent the good works and faithfulness that flow from God's grace. And that can be measured as a hundredfold, or sixty, or thirty. The measurement is God's task. The producer of the response is either you or me or both.

The story has been told of a new commander who was sent to an army fort on the American frontier. He soon was involved in a conference with an important Indian chief. Working through a translator, he nervously asked the chief a number of questions and was surprised to get no reply. After the meeting, he asked the translator why he had gotten no response. The translator replied, "That's what we call Indian time." "He has enough respect for your questions to go away and think about them before answering them."

Readings for the Week:
Monday Is 1:10-17 Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23 Mt 10:34—11:1
Tuesday Is 7:1-9 Ps 48:2-3a, 3b-4, 5-6, 7-8 Mt 11:20-24
Wednesday Is 10:5-7, 13b-16 Ps 94:5-6, 7-8, 9-10, 14-15 Mt 11:25-27
Thursday Is 26:7-9, 12, 16-19 Ps 102:13-14ab and 15, 16-18, 19-21 Mt 11:28-30
Friday Is 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8 Is 38:10, 11, 12abcd, 16 Mt 12:1-8
Saturday Mi 2:1-5 Ps 10:1-2, 3-4, 7-8, 14 Mt 12:14-21
Sunday Wis 12:13, 16-19 Ps 86:5-6, 9-10, 15-16 Rom 8:26-27 Mt 13:24-43 or 13:24-30

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 06/28/2026: $7,442

Consisting of Offering at Masses: $6,666

Parish Giving: $776

Total Regular Offering—weekend of 07/05/2026: $7,541

Consisting of Offering at Masses: $6,190

Parish Giving: $1,351

Thank you for your continued support and generosity!

Pray for...

Please continue to keep in your prayers the sick members, family and friends of our parish: **Kevin Adamson, 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.

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 Jungji Park and Dianne Danko, 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 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.

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.

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.

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.

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. Our June "***Coffee for St. Henry***" Collection totaled **$2,020**. As always, thank you for your continued support and generosity.

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

Archbishop's Annual Appeal:
Parish Goal: $45,308.30
Pledged: $25,590.00 Received: $22,617.50

Our 7th *Calendar Raffle* drawing was held on July 1st and the winner was Catalina Mariano. Congratulations to the winner and good luck in future drawings to all who purchased a ticket.

FAITH FORMATION Registration: Registration for the 2026-2027 Faith Formation year is open and will continue until **Friday, September 18, 2026**. New registration forms have been emailed to all families who were registered last year. Please refer to the registration form for more details. Early registration is recommended to facilitate efficient administrative preparation for the incoming year and discounts are available for registrations received early. Class schedules will be finalized after registration closes.
For information or questions regarding registration please email the Faith Formation Office at: ReligiousEd.StHenryBayonne@gmail.com. Please do not call the Faith Formation Office.

ST. HENRY OFFICE of FAITH FORMATION (formerly Religious Education/Catechism Program)
Catechism classes are for families who desire formal Catholic faith formation for children from kindergarten through 9th grade. Classes will begin at either kindergarten or 1st grade and will continue every year until 9th grade since sequential participation is required. As an option, faith formation classes may extend through 11th grade depending on the faith formation needs of the child. Preparation and receiving the Sacraments of Penance, Holy Eucharist and Confirmation is included in the faith formation process.

Adult Faith Formation (age 18 and over)
The OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults), also known as RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) are for individuals who wish to become Catholic and receive the sacraments of initiation (Baptism, Holy Eucharist and Confirmation). Baptized Catholic adults who would like to receive their remaining sacraments of initiation are also welcomed. The 2026-2027 OCIA classes will begin mid July 2026 and will continue through Pentecost 2027.

Engaged Catholic couples who are preparing for the sacrament of marriage may also pursue their sacraments of initiation concurrently. This includes Catholics who are married civilly or in another religious tradition.

For more information, contact the Director of Faith Formation

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St. Henry R.C. Church Golf Outing SPONSORSHIPS

Thursday, October 1, 2026

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Next weekend, Father Thomas Tiscornia will be at the parish for the annual missionary cooperative appeal and collection for the Maryknoll Fathers and Brothers. Father Tiscornia will speak at all the Masses. Father Tiscornia has served as a missionary in Sudan, South Sudan and Tanzania, and will invite us to take part in the vital work of bringing Christ and His Gospel to all people.

While at the parish, Fr. Tiscornia will be happy to talk with any parishioners who are interested in doing overseas mission work.

July 13th is the Feast Day of St. Henry. When our parish was founded, the parishioners chose to name the new parish in honor of the patron of Bavaria. Many of the first parishioners were immigrants from that part of the world. They established a parish, dedicated a beautiful church, and since then the parish has been an integral part of the community. We, the beneficiaries of their foresight and interest, should pledge ourselves to continue to work to make Saint Henry Parish a place of welcoming and sharing. We should be proud of Saint Henry Parish, past, present, and with God's help, in the future.

Lord you filled Saint Henry with your love, and raised him from the cares of an earthly kingdom to eternal happiness in heaven in the midst of the changes of this world, may his prayer keep us free from sin and help us on our way towards you.