



# 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.*

## August 6, 2023 The Transfiguration of the Lord

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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

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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](http://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, August 5th

8:30AM Claire Latwis (1st ann.)

5:30PM Steven Wexler

### SUNDAY, August 6th

8:00AM Cornelius, Catherine, & Timothy Cadogan

10:00AM Francesco Leone

12:00PM Ana Alvarez

### MONDAY, August 7th

12:00PM Ruvee Yao

Gabe & Elsie Doria

### TUESDAY, August 8th

12:00PM Mark Groendyk (7th ann.)

Simeon & Amanda Vea

### WEDNESDAY, August 9th

12:00PM Rev. Thomas Foye & Family

Geraldine Fincken

### THURSDAY, August 10th

12:00PM Adele & Frank McLaughlin

Special Intention Raymond Agcaoili

### FRIDAY, August 11th

12:00PM Caroline & Salvatore Caiazza

Silvay Family

### SATURDAY, August 12th

8:30AM William Foran, Jr.

5:30PM Mary Weaver

### SUNDAY, August 13th

8:00AM Edmund Josefowicz

10:00AM Maria & Frank Perrucci

12:00PM Bartolomeo Bini

## MEMORIALS

### SANCTUARY LAMP

In Memory of Geraldine Fincken  
From Amanda Kline

ALTAR BREAD & ALTAR WINE  
In Memory of Mark Groendyk  
From Frank & Jean DiPillo

**Thoughts and Reflections...** The Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord commemorates one of the pinnacles of Jesus' earthly life, when he revealed his divinity to three of his closest disciples by means of a miraculous and supernatural light. Before his triumphant entry into Jerusalem, Christ climbed to a high point on Mount Tabor with his disciples Peter, James, and John. While Jesus prayed upon the mountain, his appearance was changed by a brilliant white light which shone from him and his clothing. During this event Moses and the prophet Elijah also appeared and spoke of how Christ would suffer and die after entering Jerusalem, before his resurrection. Matthew, Mark and Luke all record that the voice of God was heard, confirming Jesus as his son.

The light which shines forth from Christ both at the transfiguration and after his resurrection, is ultimately triumphant over *"the power of the darkness of evil"*. Pope Benedict XVI stressed that the Feast of the Transfiguration is an important opportunity for believers to look to Christ as *"the light of the world"*, and to experience the kind of conversion which the Bible frequently describes as an emergence from darkness to light.

## PLEASE NOTE:

2023 Weekday Mass Intentions scheduled for 8:30 AM and 12:05PM will continue to be honored together at our 12 PM Mass. (Saturday 8:30 AM, 5:30 PM and Sunday 8AM, 10AM and 12 Noon Masses remain the same as always)

Beginning 2024, Weekday Masses will be scheduled at 12 Noon and we will accept 2 intentions for each Mass.

## 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:** Nm 11:4b-15; Ps 81:12-13, 14-15, 16-17; Mt 14:13-21

**Tuesday:** Nm 12:1-13; Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 6cd-7, 12-13; Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14

**Wednesday:** Nm 13:1-2, 25 — 14:1, 26a-29a, 34-35; Ps 106:6-7ab, 13-14, 21-22, 23; Mt 15:21-28

**Thursday:** 2 Cor 9:6-10; Ps 112:1-2, 5-6, 7-8, 9; Jn 12:24-26

**Friday:** Dt 4:32-40; Ps 77:12-13, 14-15, 16, 21; Mt 16:24-28

**Saturday:** Dt 6:4-13; Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 47, 51; Mt 17:14-20

**Sunday:** 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a; Ps 85:9, 10, 11-12, 13-14; Rom 9:1-5; Mt 14:22-33

## St. Henry Parish NEWS



*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, Cherry Maranan and Marianna Caferra*

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: Martha Serrano, Liz Noto, Silvio Noto, Chad Perry, Archie Afable, Michele Gamatko, Juan Diaz, Craig Buonomo, Marie Pope, Fran Dugan, Anna Marie Borzelli, and Claire Poli.*

## 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.

### 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.

## Thank You!

Total Regular Offering— weekend of 7/30/23: \$6,458

Consisting of Offering at Masses: \$5,258

Electronic Giving: \$1,200

*Thank you for your continued support and generosity!*

Our July "Coffee for St. Henry" Collection totaled \$4,016. As always, thank you for your continued support and generosity.



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](http://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](http://www.sthenryrc.org) (click on Our Parish at the top of our cover page, then click on Parish Giving on the drop down menu).

## Food Pantry Availability

**St. Henry FOOD PANTRY IS OPEN THE FIRST AND THIRD WEDNESDAYS OF EACH MONTH, 9:30AM—12:30 PM ONLY.** Ring office doorbell—a bag will be brought to you.

St. Vincent Food Pantry is open August 10th and 24th... 3 PM- 4 PM ONLY. Location: Rectory Basement (entrance 46th St., ground level, near garage).

**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. 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. 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 of the month, we will announce in the bulletin how much we collected for the month, just like the regular collection.



Registration forms for the 2023-2024 Religious Education classes were mailed to every family that was enrolled in our program last year. In-person registration will be on Sundays from 11am to 2pm and Wednesdays from 4pm to 7pm, in the rectory, until further notice. There will be no registrations accepted after September 15<sup>th</sup>.

**IMPORTANT:** For new registrants, your child's Baptism Certificate must accompany his/her registration form in order for it to be processed.

#### **RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION (RCIA):**

RCIA is a program for adults over 18 who would like to receive the Sacraments of Communion and/or Confirmation. If you have not been baptized you will receive all three Sacraments which are called the Sacraments of Initiation.

Please call Marie Pope at (908) 612-6674 for further information or with any questions you may have.

**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.

#### **2023 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.

**OUR PARISH GOAL IS \$46,379. To date \$38,209 has been pledged and \$37,629 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 2023 Annual Appeal.

Pledge /Gift 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.

**How to Report Abuse** The Archdiocese takes very seriously any and all allegations of misconduct by members of the clergy, Religious and lay staff of the Archdiocese. We encourage anyone with knowledge of an act of misconduct to inform us immediately so that we may take appropriate action to protect others and provide support to victims of sexual abuse and other misconduct. Individuals who wish to report an allegation of sexual misconduct may do so by calling Karen Clark, Director of the Department for the Protection of the Faithful at 973-497-4254. Victims in need of assistance should call the Archdiocesan Assistance Coordinator at 201-407-3256. They are also encouraged to call the Attorney General of NJ Clergy Abuse Hotline at 855-363-6548.

## St. Henry Parish NEWS - continued



Beginning the weekend of August 6th, and through the month of August, we will once again be collecting school supplies for needy children who are attending Catholic schools in inner-city areas. Some suggestions are: pencils, glue, rulers, crayons, notebooks, children's backpacks, etc.

Collection boxes will be set up in the church lobby. Your help is very much appreciated.



For parents with young children, please know that we have a "crying room" available next to the sanctuary where families may attend mass together without the formality of the church proper. It is important to introduce young children to the mass. However, we realize it can sometimes be difficult for young children to remain interested in the mass, and in their boredom, find it difficult to sit quietly. The "crying room" allows for families to attend without worries that young children may interrupt the mass because of crying or short attention spans. We want your family to feel comfortable attending mass at St. Henry Church.

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

**ASCA NEWS:** Thank you to everyone who coordinated and facilitated last week's golf tournament. Thank you, too, to everyone who participated. We are so pleased to have the Thomas Fienan Memorial Golf Tournament back.

The school's uniform closet is open. If you would like to look through the inventory, please email Jane Mattiello to make an appointment. (jmattiello@allsaintcatholicacademy.com)

**Be safe in the summer heat!**



**IMMIGRATION HELP FOR UKRAINIANS:**  
Contact Gintare Grigaite, Esq. at 201-471-7989.

### Discover the Joy of Being a Hospice Volunteer

Visiting Nurse Association Health Group will provide you with training and support to enhance your gifts of compassion, commitment and companionship to those nearing the end of life.

#### Hospice Volunteer Training

Mondays: September 18th, October 2nd & 9th

10:00am-3:00pm

80 Main Street, West Orange, NJ 07052

Advanced registration is required. Volunteers must attend all three sessions.

Contact: Pauline DePalma, BSW Director of Volunteers at 732-224-6933 or pauline.depalma@vnahg.org