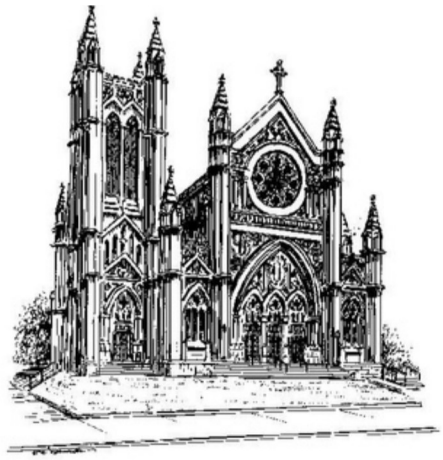


ST. HENRY R.C. CHURCH

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.

October 25, 2026 The Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

RECTORY & PARISH OFFICE

Phone: 201-436-0857
Fax: 201-823-4611
Email: sthenryrc@optonline.net
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: 5:30PM
Sunday: 8:00AM, 10:00AM & 12:00PM
Saturdays: 8:30AM
Weekdays: 12:00PM
Holy Days: see inside bulletin for Mass times
National Holidays: 9:00AM
Parish Access Center: (Hudson County) 201-798-9958

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays: 9:00AM - 9:30AM & 4:30PM - 5:15PM

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

Sacrament of Baptism

First Sunday of each month at 1:30PM. 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.

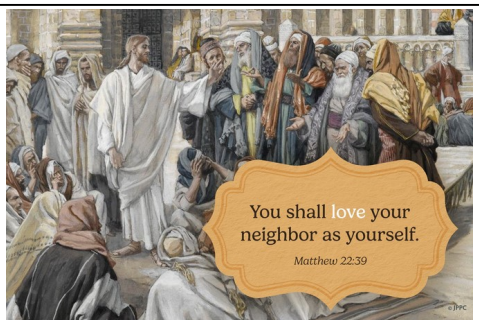
St. Henry Office of Faith Formation

(formerly Religious Education/Catechism Program)

Catechism classes for families desiring formal Catholic education for children ages 6 to 15 (usually around 9th grade) since sequential participation is required. Sacramental preparation (Penance/Holy Eucharist/Confirmation) is included in the faith formation process. Catch-up classes are available for those who may have started later or not have been able to attend classes sequentially.

Adult Faith Formation (age 18 and over)
The OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults), formerly RCIA, is for individuals who wish to become Catholic and receive the sacraments of initiation (Baptism/Holy Eucharist/ Confirmation). Baptized Catholic adults who would like to receive their remaining sacraments of initiation are also welcomed. Engaged Catholic couples (preparing for the sacrament of marriage), as well as Catholics married civilly or in another religious tradition may also pursue their sacraments of initiation concurrently.

For more information, contact the Director of Faith Formation:
Email: ReligiousEd.StHenryBayonne@gmail.com
Text/Mobile: 201-232-0124
Facebook: St. Henry Religious Education



Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, October 24th
8:30AM Marie & Francis Fitzsimmons
5:30PM Myrna & Antonio Reforma

Sunday, October 25th
8:00AM Patricia deLeon Tecson
10:00AM Florence Giannullo
12:00PM John G. Nicaretta

Monday, October 26th
12:00PM Mary & John Latwis & Family
Paul Hanley

Tuesday, October 27th
12:00PM Jennifer Sugarman
Paul Hanley

Wednesday, October 28th
12:00PM Julia & John Lukaszewski & Family
Canivel Reyes Family

Thursday, October 29th
12:00PM William Foran, Sr.
Salvador Seijas

Friday, October 30th
12:00PM Carmela Ciano
Danilo Reroma

Saturday, October 31st
8:30AM Erlinda Vitug
5:30PM Miguel Pao;o deLeon Sarmiento

Sunday, November 1st
8:00AM Giuseppe & Wanda Sgambellone
10:00AM Antonio Pinero
12:00PM Von Rico Robertito deLeon Ong &
Miguel Paolo deLeon Sarmiento

MEMORIALS

Sanctuary Lamp,
Altar Bread & Altar Wine
In Memory of Christine & Salvatore Pirozzi
From Daughter

Thoughts and Reflection: by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson

Less than six months before the Lord called him home, a good priest friend of mine was gifted with a brand-new car by his doting sister. This was a man who had leased and re-leased his previous car several times over, so the new buggy was quite the technological advancement. He chose wisely not only to admit that fact, but also to do something practical about it. He arranged with the salesman to take two Saturday mornings in a row for tutoring on what I'll call "the mysteries of the dashboard." One way to handle the complexities of the four-wheeled gift.

The situation of our modern computer-laden cars intimidating people "of a certain age" is a common one. Being in that category myself, I depend on the generation younger than mine to solve any technical problem for me so I can drive with confidence. That was my late friend's motivation for sure.

This modern situation came to mind when I reflected on the legal complications in the ancient Hebrew world. That would certainly be irksome to ordinary folk confronted with 613 laws! Consider that fact whenever you cannot recite from memory the Ten Commandments or the Six Precepts of the Church!

Today the whole matter of the law is rendered quite simple when we learn from Our Lord that there are really only two that count: "Love God and your neighbor." That's quite a distillation! Certainly a solid basis for knowing what to do in a given situation, although it might take some toll on the memory bank.

Consider in this context how cleverly we sinners have devised a whole rationale for our occasional bad behavior and the excuses to match. We forget that Salvation will always elude us if we keep playing games with righteous living. Those two great Commandments set the mark, and we'll meet it when we are honest with ourselves.

Here's a thought from a real "AO" (Astute Observer) who notes a fact: "The computer is a great invention. There are as many mistakes as ever, but now they're nobody's fault."

God love you and give you His peace.

Weekly Readings:
MondayEphesians 4:32-5:8 / Psalms 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 / Luke 13:10-17
TuesdayEphesians 5:21-33 / Psalms 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 / Luke 13:18-21
WednesdayEphesians 2:19-22 / Psalms 19:2-3, 4-5 / Luke 6:12-16
ThursdayEphesians 6:10-20 / Psalms 144:1b, 2, 9-10 / Luke 13:31-35
FridayPhilippians 1:1-11 / Psalms 111:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 / Luke 14:1-6
SaturdayPhilippians 1:18b-26 / Psalms 42:2, 3, 5cdef / Luke 14:1, 7-11
SundayRevelation 7:2-4, 9-14 / Psalms 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 / 1 John 3:1-3 / Matthew 5:1-12a

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 Faith Formation (Religious Education) registration and sacramental fees. We offer this convenient, secure, and simple method of giving through Parish Giving. Log on to 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:
Kevin Adamson, Anna Marie Borzelli, Alex Diaz, Jean Gallagher, Barbara Jablonski, Kenneth Jablonski, Chad Perry and Paulo DosReis.

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, 9AM - 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 any and all allegations of sexual misconduct by members of the clergy, religious, and lay staff of the Archdiocese very seriously. 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.

Thank you.

Total Regular Offering - weekend of 10/18/26: $7,120

Consisting of Offering at Masses: $6,094

Parish Giving: $1,026

World Mission Sunday Collection: $2,397

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.

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, 9:00AM - 4:00PM. Thank you, as always, for your generosity and willingness to help those in need.

St. Henry Parish 2027 MONTHLY CALENDAR RAFFLE

$1,000 PER MONTH

Drawn on the 1st of each month, January 2027 through December 2027

TICKET COST $120 EACH

ONLY 300 TICKETS WILL BE SOLD

You have 12 chances to win and the winning ticket is re-entered so you can win multiple times!

Our 2027 Monthly Calendar Raffle tickets are now on sale. Tickets can be purchased at the Parish Office Monday through Thursday, 9AM to 4PM.

For your convenience, a ticket request is printed below. Complete the form and mail it to the office along with your payment. Upon receipt of your form and payment, a ticket will be entered into the drawing and your ticket stub will be mailed to you. NOTE: You do not need to complete a request form if you come into the Parish Office to purchase your ticket.

The Monthly Calendar Raffle has been a very successful fundraiser for our parish in the past few years. If you purchased a ticket for 2026, you still have chances to win. Your participation is important to the financial health of the parish. Let's sell all 300 tickets this year! As always, we are grateful for all you do to support our Parish of St. Henry.

St. Henry 2027 Calendar Raffle Ticket Request Form

Name: _____

Address: _____

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Phone No.: _____

Email: _____

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No. of Tickets: _____x $120/Ticket = _____

Checks made payable to "St. Henry Church"

SEPARATE REQUEST FORM TO BE COMPLETED FOR EACH PURCHASER

(Form may be duplicated.)

The offerings received for All Souls Day will be distributed to the priests of the parish who will offer prayers for the intentions of the loved ones for whom the offerings have been made.

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.

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.

Faith Formation: In celebration of All Saints Day, we are inviting families attending the 10AM Mass on November 1st to have their child dress up as their favorite saint. Please contact Nina Pazymino, Director of Faith Formation, for more information and to let her know if your family will be participating. Her contact info is on the cover of this bulletin.

Rosary Society News: Our next breakfast meeting is Sunday, November 8th in the Parish Center beginning with the 10AM Mass followed by recitation of the rosary in the chapel. After 75 years, St. Henry Rosary Society is now welcoming male parishioners to join. All parishioners are invited to pray the rosary with us and all parishioners are invited to the meeting.

Member Reminder: Please bring 1 non-perishable item to the meeting for our food pantry donation.

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

CYO BASKETBALL:

Attn: 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th grade boys and girls
If your child is interested in playing CYO Basketball this upcoming season,
please contact Mike Elam at 551-326-1224.

ASCA NEWS: Congratulations to Amanda Kline, our second *Calendar Raffle* winner (ticket #0688)!

Students will not have school this Wednesday, October 28th as Dr. Stringile and her teachers will be at the Archdiocesan Center in Kearny for a day of Professional Development.

Classroom Halloween celebrations will take place Friday, October 30th. **Dismissal will be 11:30AM for all students.**

Our annual *Trunk or Treat* is on Halloween - Saturday, October 31st. This event will take place in the Church/ school parking lot and promises to be a fun and memorable time! If you would like to make a peanut-free donation, please call Jane Mattiello at (201) 443-8384 or by emailing her (jmatiello@allsaintcatholic academy.com).