

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.*

December 6, 2015 - Second Sunday of ADVENT

RECTORY & PARISH OFFICE

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Served by:

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Served by:

Parish Catechetical Leader: Marie Pope
Youth Ministries

Director of Music Ministries: Chad Perry
201-935-5727

Trustees: Claire Latwis and Bernard (Jay) Jablonski

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: 8:30 AM & 12:05 PM
Holy Days: (see inside bulletin for Mass times)
National Holidays: 9:00 AM

Parish Access Center: (Hudson County) 201-798-9958

Novenas

Miraculous Medal Novena: Saturdays after 8:30 AM Mass;
St. Jude Novena: Wednesdays after the 8:30 AM and 12:05 PM
Masses

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays 9 - 9:30 AM and 4:30 - 5:15 PM
Confessions will be heard any time at the Rectory. Please call
201-436-0857.

Sacrament of Baptism

First Sunday of each month at 1:30 PM. Call the Parish Office
to make arrangements. Baptismal Instruction will be sched-
uled prior to Baptism. There are no Baptisms during Lent.

Sacrament of Marriage

Please call the Parish Office to make arrangements as soon
as possible to insure time for adequate 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

Grades Pre-K to 5, Catch-Up, RCIC, Special Needs Children:
Sundays 8:45 - 9:45 AM

Grades 1 to 5: Wednesdays 3:45 - 5 PM

Junior High (Gr. 6, 7, 8): Tuesday Evenings 6:45 - 8 PM

Grade 9 Confirmation: 1st Sun. of ea. Month, 10:30 - 11:55
AM, followed by 12 PM Youth Mass (beginning October)

To Become Catholic or Complete the Sacraments

For details about a life-changing journey called the Rite of
Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) for those who have not
been Baptized and wish to do so; or information for Baptized
Catholics (children, teens or adults) who have not yet celebrat-
ed the Sacraments of First Eucharist and/or Confirmation and
now wish to do so, please call Marie Pope at 201-339-0319.

Sacrament of the Sick/Homebound

Anointing: Anytime upon request in the home of the sick.
Communion: A priest or Eucharistic Minister of the parish
will bring Communion to those parishioners confined to
home. Please call the rectory.



We recognize that we are living in a type of desert. One that offers no real answer to vital questions like “why are we here?” or “where are we going?” This short Church season of Advent so contradicts the attitude of the secular world. It takes these four weeks as a buying spree interrupted only by parties. There’s no need to “make straight” anything, because it doesn’t see that its “ways” are crooked.

So what is the antidote to this short-sightedness? It’s Advent prayer. Most of us never plan to neglect prayer. It just happens. Or to follow the thinking of the pop culture without question. That just happens too. Or even to sideline Jesus from our lives. We just let it happen. Subconsciously we may be afraid of being called a “religious fanatic”. We dread being different. Yes, we come to Sunday Mass, but for a lot of us God gets lost in the other six days of life in the “real world.”

Advent questions “the real world.” How real is it? Is it just the one created by our culture? Of course not, and we know better. We don’t really need cute signs to remind us that “Jesus is the reason for the season” do we?

Mass Intentions for the Week

- SATURDAY, December 5th**
 5:30 PM Mary Stolte
- SUNDAY, December 6th**
 8:00 AM Nicholas & Yolanda Mugrace
 10:00 AM Harold Woodward
 12:00 PM Helen Mahalson
- MONDAY, December 7th**
 8:30 AM Barbara Rokicki
 12:05 PM Joseph Cheshul
- TUESDAY, December 8th**
Immaculate Conception
 8:30 AM Christine D’Elia
 12:05 PM Cathryn & Charles J. Mellendeck
 7:00 PM People of St. Henry Parish
- WEDNESDAY, December 9th**
 8:30 AM Mary Mazure
 12:05 PM David Dziemian
- THURSDAY, December 10th**
 8:30 AM William Drexler
 12:05 PM Christine Inigo
- FRIDAY, December 11th**
 8:30 AM Anna & John Dugan
 12:05 PM Barbara Rokicki
- SATURDAY, December 12th**
 8:30 AM Guadalupe Nimes Bucad
 5:30 PM Trudy Garda
- NEXT SUNDAY, December 13th**
 8:00 AM Adele & Frank McLaughlin
 10:00 AM Anthony & Angelina Marchitto
 12:00 PM Frank & Mary Krawczyk

MEMORIALS

SANCTUARY LAMP

In Memory of the Olvesen & Crimaldi Families
 from Rosemary & Arthur Olvesen

ALTAR BREAD & ALTAR WINE

In Memory of Cathryn & Charles J. Mellendeck
 from Pauline Tobey

Pray for...

Please continue to keep in your prayers the sick members, family and friends of our parish: Irene Sego, Corinne Burger, Robin Kuzma Delikat, Antoinette Lamberti, Kenny Healy, Darlene Lopez, Michael DeFazio, Elaine DeMartini, Liam Morley, Laurie Bauer, Hannah Cabrera, Daniel Gilligan, Rich Marchitto, Gloria Russell, Joseph Lillo, Marie Brady, Ruth Busick, Arthur Vatalaro, Jun Ong, Gary Truitt, Kathy McNally, Agnes May, Tajmool Ghany, Robert McNamara, Charita McAlarney, Jeanmarie Malanga, Emma & Jerry, John May, Irene Bock Fischer, Daniel Norton, Sharon Delaney, Jayna Ann Morrell, Maria Tibay, Vanessa Palen, Kim Ortiz, Marie Jacobson, Pat Mayer, John Williams, Samantha Davis, Pamela Fucci, Robertas Kuckailis, Maggie Doyle

READINGS FOR THE WEEK...

- Monday:** Is 35:1-10; Ps 85:9-14; Lk 5:17-26
Tuesday: Gn 3:9-15, 20; Ps 98:1-4; Eph 1:3-6, 11-12; Lk 1:26-38
Wednesday: Is 40:25-31; Ps 103:1-4, 8, 10; Mt 11:28-30
Thursday: Is 41:13-20; Ps 145:1, 9-13ab; Mt 11:11-15
Friday: Is 48:17-19; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Mt 11:16-19
Saturday: Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; Jdt 13:18bcde, 19; Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47, or any readings from the Common of the Blessed Virgin Mary, nos. 707-712
Sunday: Zep 3:14-18a; Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6; Phil 4:4-7; Lk 3:10-18

The Filipino Community of St. Henry Parish, Bayonne cordially invites you to its

2nd Annual Benefit CHRISTMAS PARTY for St. Henry Parish

Sunday, December 13th, 12 – 4 PM

The Galloping Hill Caterers
 325 Chestnut St., Union, NJ

Tickets: \$40

Call: Norma Lardizabal 201-844-4475 or
 Imee Macalindong 551-587-9900 or
 Benji Vitug 201-779-7688

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St. Henry Parish NEWS

This Week...

SATURDAY, December 5th

SUNDAY, December 6th

8:45 AM Religious Education classes
10:30 AM Confirmation classes
12:00 PM Youth Mass
1:00 PM Prayer Shawl Ministry

MONDAY, December 7th

6:00 PM Girl Scouts
7:00 PM RCIA classes

TUESDAY, December 8th

10:00 AM ESL
6:46 PM Religious Education classes
7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal
7:30 PM Line Dancing

WEDNESDAY, December 9th

3:45 PM Religious Education classes
6:00 PM Christmas pageant practice
7:00 PM Servants of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

THURSDAY, December 10th

10:00 AM ESL
6:30 PM ESL

FRIDAY, December 11th

1:00 PM Blood Drive
7:00 PM First Reconciliation practice
7:00 PM Servants of Jesus, Mary & Joseph
7:30 PM Gatekeepers

SATURDAY, December 12th

11:00 AM First Reconciliation

SUNDAY, December 13th

8:45 AM Religious Education classes
11:00 AM Brunch With Santa
1:00 PM Prayer Shawl Ministry

Join Us...

- **TUESDAYS: 7:30 PM, LINE DANCING**, Parish Center. No experience necessary! For more info. call Norma Lardizabal at 201-844-4475.
- **WEDNESDAYS: 7:30 PM, Devotion to Our Mother of Perpetual Help**, every Wednesday at 7:30 PM. First Wednesday—Novena Mass @7:30 PM—St. Benedict Chapel.
- **1ST & 3RD THURSDAYS: 1:30 to 3 PM, Faith Sharing & Intercessory Prayer Group** (held at C. Poli's home, 201-858-2675). Drop prayer intentions in the box in the Church vestibule.
- **FRIDAYS: 10:00 AM, Scripture Study/Faith Sharing**. Rectory Conference Room. Bring your Bible.
- **FRIDAYS: 7:30 PM, Gatekeepers Charismatic Prayer Community**, every Friday at 7:30 PM. First Friday - Novena and Healing Mass @ 7:30 PM, St. Benedict Chapel.
2nd & 3rd Fridays: Join Fr. Alfie Pangillinan, Parochial Vicar of St. Henry Church, in our BIBLE STUDY GROUP, as he guides us and helps us explore and discuss the Word of the Lord together.
Novena to Señor Santo Nino every Friday @7:30 PM, St. Henry's Parish Center.
- **SUNDAYS: Prayer Shawl Ministry**, Sundays, 1—3 PM in the Rectory.

SAVE THE DATE...

Monday, December 28th, 6—9 PM in the Parish Center
CHRISTMAS DANCE (6th, 7th & 8th grade students)) For more info., call Marie Pope at 201-339-0319.

Religious Education...

New and Re-Registrations continue Monday through Thursday, 9 AM to 12 Noon and Tuesday 6—8 PM. Please call the Religious Education Office for more information, 201-339-0319.

Would you like to be a BENEFACTOR to send a child/children to our Religious Education Program? Registration fees are:

\$85/1 child; \$100/2 children; \$110/3 or more children

Please contact Marie Pope at 201-339-0319 if you are interested



BRUNCH WITH SANTA

Sunday, December 13th after the 10 AM Mass

\$10/person (children 3 & under—free)

Refreshments

(Bring a toy for a needy child)

FAMILY TIME—December 20, after the 10 AM Mass

Blessing of the Christmas Tree and Manger followed by Happy Birthday, Jesus Party in the Pine Room.

GIVING TREES

We have TWO Giving Trees set up in the Church. You may remove a gift tag request from either tree.

One tree contains Gift Card requests. Place cards in an envelope marked "Marie Pope" and return to the rectory or place in the collection basket at Mass.

The other tree contains gift ideas for babies, toddlers, older children, teenagers, men and women. Please return all gifts UNWRAPPED and leave under the Giving Trees.

The last day to return Gift Cards and gift items will be Sunday, December 20th.

Gifts will be donated to our parishioners in need, to Catholic Charities, Pershing Field Baseball, St. Ann's Home, etc. For more information, call Marie at 201-339-0319. Thank you in advance for your generosity, and may God continue to bless you and yours.

A very special thank you to our Religious Education students (21 in all) who helped wrap the bread which was blessed at Thanksgiving Mass. All 21 young people decorated the Giving Trees and our Religious Education tree. Thank you to all and to our adults who gave direction and guidance, Kari Habib and Richard Marchitto. We are so blessed to have all of you represent our parish of St. Henry. Thank you and God Bless each of you.

Very special thanks to the Desmond family for their donation of 75 turkeys which were given to St. Henry Parishioners and people throughout the community of Bayonne. St. Henry parishioners received 2 turkeys each and gift cards. Special thanks also to Albert Belleci who donated 75 turkeys which were given out to St. Henry Parishioners and attendees at ESL (Sister Kay Coll's group). We hope, in some small way, the donations given made a difference in the lives of all these people who were helped by our great parish of St. Henry.

Special thanks to Kari Habib, Elizabeth Perez, Albert Belleci and his son Austin, for handing out all the turkeys to those in need.



Advent

Daily Reflections for Advent & Christmas, "Waiting in Joyful Hope", booklets are available at the doors of Church. Kindly take ONE as our supply is limited.

ADVENT EVENING PRAYER— Mondays in Advent, **11/30, 12/7, 12/14 & 12/21**. All will be held at Our Lady of the Assumption Church, 7:45 PM. Everyone is invited to attend this prayerful and reflective Advent experience.

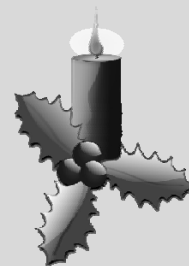
FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION - We celebrate the Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary (a holy day of obligation) on **Tuesday, December 8th**. Masses are at **8:30 AM, 12:05 PM and 7:00 PM** on the day.

COMMUNAL PENANCE SERVICE— will be held at St. Vincent Church, **Monday, December 14th**, 7 PM. Join us with our partner-parish as we start anew this Advent and Christmas Season.

SIMBANG GABI— Nightly, **December 15th – 23rd, 7 PM in Church**. Join us for Mass and fellowship, a novena of nine nights in preparation for Christmas. Simbang Gabi, also known as Miso de Gallo in Spanish, is one of the most popular traditions in the Philippines, and traces its roots to Mexico in 1487.

MORE INFORMATION AVAILABLE IN LETTER LOCATED NEXT TO THE BULLETIN THIS WEEKEND. PLEASE TAKE A COPY!

FAMILY ADVENT FESTIVAL— **Sunday, December 20th**, Family Mass **10:00 AM**, then blessing of the Manger and Christmas Tree **at the school**, followed by refreshments.



We Celebrate ADVENT

At our weekend Liturgies, the Season of Advent is observed by a mood of joyful expectation—anticipating the Coming of the Lord; not only with His Nativity, but at the end of time. Each Mass begins with a subdued procession. After the Introductory Rite we break into singing, "Rejoice, Rejoice" from the hymn, *O Come, Emmanuel*. Each week during Advent, we use "To You, O Lord" (Ps. 25) as our seasonal responsorial, as well as an Advent Gospel Acclamation. The Mass parts at the Eucharistic Prayer are from *Missa Emmanuel* (based on the chant) arranged by the 20th Century composer, Richard Proulx. In the spirit of Advent, Christmas Carols are not sung at Liturgies until Christmas (December 24th to Jan. 11th).

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



FEEL GOOD ABOUT YOURSELF...

Donate Blood. NEW JERSEY BLOOD SERVICES hold their blood drives the **2nd Friday of each month in the PINE ROOM of St.**

Henry's School. The next drive will take place **Friday, December 11, 1 PM—7 PM. NOTE THE CHANGE OF DATE**. Questions /schedule an appointment for whole blood or ALYX (automated collection for red cells), call 1-800-933-2566. Appts. encouraged, walk-ins welcome! For platelets, call 1-866-758-5387.

ST. JOSEPH REGIONAL H.S., Montvale, NJ, will host its Christmas Craft Show on **Sunday, Dec. 6th, 10 AM—4 PM**, showcasing the talents of over 100 crafts people and fine artists. Admission is \$2, children and seniors (65+) are free. No strollers. www.saintjosephregional.org.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL CHURCH, Bayonne will present its 12th Annual Christmas concert on **Sunday, December 6th at 4 PM**. The program will feature the adult choir, youth choir, soloists and musicians of the parish. Admission is free for all. A free will offering will be received. Light refreshments will be served afterwards.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CHURCH, Bayonne will hold a Breakfast with Santa on Sunday, December 13th after their 10 AM Mass in Robinson Hall. Tickets are \$10 and may be purchased at St. Vincent's rectory.

The **BAYONNE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS** will host a Christmas Concert at its facility at 669 Avenue C on **Sunday, December 13th**. Showtime is 1 PM sharp and seating is limited. Tickets are \$20 in advance by calling 201-436-1492, but will be \$25 at the door if available. Professional singers will perform along with the All Saints Catholic Academy choir. Light refreshments will be served at the conclusion.

SETON HALL PREP SCHOOL will host its Final Two entrance/scholarship exams for current 8th graders on Sat., Dec. 5th and Dec. 19th at 9 AM. Tours of the campus will be offered to all families who did not attend the Fall Open House. For more information, call Michael Zinsmeister, Director of Admission at 973-325-6632, or visit www.shp.org.

From the ARCHDIOCESE OF NEWARK:

SAVE THE DATES:

The Women's Commission Day of Reflection, Alive in Christ, will take place on **February 27th, 8 AM to 1 PM** at Seton Hall University.

The Men's Conference will take place on **March 5th, 8 AM to 1 PM** at Seton Hall University.

Registration for both events will open this November.

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 immediately so that we may take appropriate action to protect others and provide support to victims of sexual abuse. Individuals who wish to report allegation of sexual misconduct may do so by calling the Archdiocesan Office of Child & Youth Protection at 973-497-4011.



Feast of the Immaculate Conception

On **Tuesday, December 8th**, we celebrate the Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, a holy day of obligation. The feast honors Mary and is the Patronal Feast Day of the United States. **Masses will be held on Tuesday, December 8th at 8:30 AM, 12:05 PM and 7:00 PM.** Please plan to join us.

TO: All Members of St. Henry Parish Ministries:

Parish Ministry Appreciation Dinner

DAY: Saturday
DATE: January 9, 2016
TIME: 7:00 PM - 11:00 PM
PLACE: St. Vincent Robinson Hall
 979 Avenue C
 (Basement of Church)
RSVP: By December 20, 2015
 Call Marie Pope
 201-339-0319

St. Henry SUPER 50/50 RAFFLE

Our congratulations to Noel Meaney, the winner of our Fall Super 50/50 Raffle, drawn on Sunday, Nov. 22nd. The prize awarded was \$7,320. Thank you to all those who participated!

NEXT WEEKEND, Dec. 12 & 13

Retirement Fund for Religious Collection

As we consider the unique role senior religious have played in the history of the Church in the U.S., we cannot help but recall their tremendous example of service. We remember with gratitude the tens of thousands of sisters who spent decades teaching in our Catholic schools, the brothers who taught or served in foreign missions and the priests from religious orders who dedicated themselves to parish and pastoral ministry. Your gift to the collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious helps provide medications, nursing care and more. Please be generous

Thank You!

Our Collection for Sunday, 11/22 was \$6,988
 (Last year's collection, 11/24/14, was \$6,701)
 Our Collection for Sunday, 11/29 was \$7,310
 (Last year's collection, 12/1/14, was \$6,975)
 The Thanksgiving Collection was \$2,099
 The Children's Collection was: \$36 & \$43
We need \$8,000 each week
in order to meet our expenses

Thank you for your continued support and generosity!

PARISH CENTER RENTAL

If you are interested in renting our Parish Center (28th Street behind the Church) for private parties, please call Jean DiPillo at the rectory office, 201-436-0857, 9 AM—4 PM weekdays, for availability and more info.

FOOD DONATIONS NEEDED: Please continue to contribute to our Food Pantry as you can. Your kindness and attention to the needs of others is appreciated!

Food Pantry Availability

As part of our partnership with St. Vincent de Paul Parish, St. Henry Bayonne parishioners who are in need of food may access the Food Pantry at St. Vincent's. **The Pantry will be open Thursday, December 3rd, 17th & 30th.** **Pantry hours are 3—5 PM** and it is **NOW located in the Rectory basement (entrance 46th St. ground level, near garage).** **IMPORTANT:** In order to receive food you must indicate that you are from St. Henry Parish and bring with you current picture I.D. and current proof of residence (utility bill indicating your address in Bayonne). **REMINDER:** St. Henry Parish has a small food pantry, located in our Rectory Office, available 9 AM—3 PM weekdays. Bring picture ID.

Friday Morning FAITH SHARING

Sessions are cancelled for all of December. Meetings will resume on Friday, January 8th and shall continue with our study of the Acts of the Apostles (chapter 15).

REMINDER: Children's envelopes are meant for children's offerings only. All parishioners receive offering envelopes in the mail, quarterly, printed with their name and unique parishioner number. If you are not receiving offering envelopes, call the rectory, 201-436-0857.

Parish Registration

If you are not receiving offering envelopes or various parish mailings, chances are you are not a registered member of St. Henry Parish.

You are not automatically a registered member because you were married here, were brought up here or went to school here. Membership is by formal registration only. To register, come to the rectory office, between 9 AM and 4 PM weekdays and complete a registration card. Remember, membership with your parish is a requirement if you wish to be a godparent or a sponsor for Confirmation.