

# 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 8, 2019 - Second Sunday of ADVENT

### RECTORY & PARISH OFFICE

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#### Served by:

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Youth Ministers: Rev. Alfie Pangilinan  
Marie Pope

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**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: 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 scheduled 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 1-5, 1st & 2nd year Catch-Up, RCIC & Special Needs:** Sundays, 8:45 AM - 9:45 AM

**Pre-K & Kindergarten** classes are held once a month on the Third Sunday of each month.

**Grades 1-5:** Wednesdays, 3:45-5 PM

**Junior High (Gr. 6, 7 & 8):** Tuesday evenings, 6:45-8 PM

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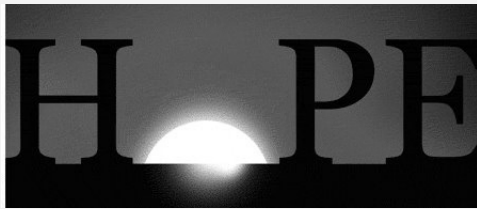
**Confirmation (Gr. 9):** 1st & 2nd Sunday of each month, 10:30-11:55 AM, followed by 12:00 PM Mass (begins October)

**RCIA:** Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults who would like to become Catholic, full members of the Church. Classes are held the 1st & 2nd Sunday of each month, 1:30-2:30 PM or 3:00-4:00 PM

Call Marie Pope at 201-339-0319 for more information.

### 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.



As she was stringing her Christmas lights, a woman pondered the unsightly stump in her yard. Last spring she had noticed that the pretty red bush that was usually covered with tiny white flowers – wasn't! Then the leaves had come slowly and never reached their normal size. Within a few weeks they were turning brown and falling off the bush. It must be dead, she had thought. Perhaps the winter had been too hard on it. She hated to see it go, but in September she found her ax and her courage, and chopped the bush down to a stump. She was about to lay the ax to the root when her neighbor stopped her. "Leave the stump through next summer. You never know. New healthy shoots can sprout from stumps that appear to be dead. As long as the roots are alive there's hope". If there was hope for that stump, the woman thought, maybe there was hope for her seemingly fruitless life as well.

There is a spirit of real hopefulness about the scriptures this week. Have they inspired hope in you? How can you express confidence in others this week? How can you inspire hope in those whom you care about most?

## Mass Intentions for the Week

### SATURDAY, December 7th

5:30 PM Trudy Garda

### SUNDAY, December 8th—2nd Sun. ADVENT

8:00 AM Josephine & Vincent LoRe  
 10:00 AM Harold Woodward (15th Ann.)  
 12:00 PM In Thanksgiving  
 7:00 PM The People of St. Henry Parish

### MONDAY, December 9th

#### Feast of the Immaculate Conception

8:30 AM Joseph, Louise & Joseph W. Gaydos  
 12:05 PM In Thanksgiving—Norma Lardizabal

### TUESDAY, December 10th

8:30 AM Maggie Harden  
 12:05 PM John Salvatore Marino

### WEDNESDAY, December 11th

8:30 AM Mary Azzarella  
 12:05 PM Louis Squitieri

### THURSDAY, December 12th

8:30 AM Erma Ventola  
 12:05 PM John Salvatore Marino

### FRIDAY, December 13th

8:30 AM Adele & Frank McLaughlin  
 12:05 PM Mary & Frank Krawczyk

### SATURDAY, December 14th

8:30 AM Ruvee Yao  
 5:30 PM Anna & John Dugan

### SUNDAY, December 15th

8:00 AM Michael Mannion, Jr.  
 10:00 AM Donald Margaritonda  
 12:00 PM Connie Pona

## MEMORIALS

### SANCTUARY LAMP

ALTAR BREAD & ALTAR WINE  
 In Memory of Maggie Harden  
 from her family



Christmas Flower donation envelopes are included in your packet of offering envelopes. Extra envelopes are located at the doors of Church. Your donation in memory of or in honor of a loved one, enables us to decorate our church so beautifully for Christmas. Thank You!

## Pray for...

*Please continue to keep in your prayers the sick members, family and friends of our parish:* Olivia Blanca Moncion, Regina Rozario Lopez, Florence Vayda, Anna Marie Borzelli, Laurie Riccardi, Gerald Gill, Fran Dugan, Aleksander Heath, Cecil Lim, Rich Marchitto, William Rodas, Claire Latwis, Ryan Kuchta, Alexandra Lee Hughes, Marie Harkness, Dawn Eastmead, Lisa Cerbone, Pedro Medina, Chris Dearing, Jay Jablonski, Adam Plan, Jasmine Reyes, Preciosa Merced, Karen Mengo, James Leung, Mary Phillips-Borzelli, Joanie Robin, Alessandra Spagnolo, Antoinette Lamberti, Claire Poli, John J. Borzelli, George Glom, Kara Sullivan, Gary DeCarlo, Michael Sheehan, Bill Thomas

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK....

**Monday:** Gn 3:9-15, 20; Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4; Eph 1:3-6, 11-12; Lk 1:26-38  
**Tuesday:** Is 40:1-11; Ps 96:1-2, 3 and 10ac, 11-12, 13; Mt 18:12-14  
**Wednesday:** Is 40:25-31; Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8 and 10; Mt 11:28-30  
**Thursday:** 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  
**Friday:** Is 48:17-19; Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4, 6; Mt 11:16-19  
**Saturday:** Sir 48:1-4, 9-11; Ps 80:2ac, 3b, 15-16, 18-19; Mt 17:9a, 10-13  
**Sunday:** Is 35:1-6a, 10; Ps 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10; Jas 5:7-10; Mt 11:2-11



## Feast of the Immaculate Conception

On Monday, December 9th, we celebrate the Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary. The feast honors Mary and is the Patronal Feast Day of the United States.

Masses will be: 7:00 PM on Sunday, 12/8  
 and 8:30 AM & 12:05 PM on Monday, 12/9  
 Please plan to join us.

## Simbang Gabi

Our Christmas Novena celebration of evening Masses begins Sunday, December 15th through Monday, December 23rd. There will be fellowship after the 12/15 and 12/23 Masses in the Parish Center. Join us as we prepare for Christmas with this festive and prayerful parish event.

## This Week...

### SATURDAY, December 7th

11:00 AM First Reconciliation

### SUNDAY, December 8th

8:45 AM Religious Education classes

10:30 AM Confirmation classes

11:00 AM Brunch with Santa

11:30 AM Rosary Society Christmas Party

1:00 PM Prayer Shawl Ministry

1:30 PM RCIA Classes

### MONDAY, December 9th—Immaculate Conception

6:30 PM Relay for Life meeting

### TUESDAY, December 10th

10:30 AM ESL

6:45 PM Religious Education classes

7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal

### WEDNESDAY, December 11th

3:45 PM Religious Education classes

5:30 PM Religious Education classes

7:00 PM Christmas Pageant practice

7:00 PM SJMJ

### THURSDAY, December 12th

10:00 AM ESL

6:30 PM ESL

### FRIDAY, December 13th

9:00 AM Preschool Playhouse

7:00 PM Gatekeepers

7:00 PM SJMJ

### SATURDAY, December 14th

8:00 AM Preschool Playhouse

### SUNDAY, December 15th

8:45 AM Religious Education classes

11:00 AM Parish Family Time

1:00 PM Prayer Shawl Ministry

7:30 PM Simbang Gabi

## St. Henry's Prayer Shawl Ministry

St. Henry Prayer Shawl Ministry meets on Sunday afternoons, 1–3 PM, in the Rectory Conference Room. If you're interested in our ministry, please stop by with any questions. If you're unable to join us on Sunday afternoons, please consider working on projects at home. We'll supply the yarn, you supply the knitting needles or crochet hooks.

**Thank You!** to the St. Henry Prayer Shawl Ministry for their donation of eight Shop Rite gift cards to our Food Pantry—five of them in memory of Nicholas D'Angelo. The cards were a welcome addition to our food distribution for Thanksgiving.

## Join Us...

- **TUESDAYS: 7:00 PM Parish Choir**, Church
- **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.
- **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**, 1–3 PM. In the Rectory.

## St. Henry Parish NEWS

## Religious Education...

The Giving Trees are set up in Church. There are two Giving Trees—one for gifts and the other for gift cards. The last day to drop off gifts and gift cards is Sunday, December 22nd. Please place gift cards in an envelope marked "Marie Pope" and drop in the collection basket at Mass or bring to the Rectory or St. Henry School (do not leave under the tree). Please be sure to include receipts with the gift card donations.



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY, JESUS** Party will take place on **Sunday, December 15th** in the Pine Room, following the 10AM Mass, blessing of the Christmas Tree in front of the school and blessing of the Manger inside the school. Tattoo artist, face painting, gift for children. No cost—Free Will Offering. Please bring an unwrapped gift for a child.

Approximately 75 children will receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time this Saturday, December 7th. Please keep the children and their families in your thoughts and prayers.

Thank you to everyone who donated their leftover Halloween candy for the Soup Kitchen. We appreciate your "sweetness"!

Special thank you to the Goya family for their donation of a sheet cake for our Brunch With Santa today, December 8th.

Follow us on St. Henry Parish website, [www.sthenry.org](http://www.sthenry.org) and/or St. Henry Religious Education Facebook page for more happenings and information pertaining to our program.

**NEXT St. Henry FLEA MARKET**  
**SATURDAY, December 21st, 9 AM–3 PM**  
 For more information, or to rent tables,  
 call Barbara Silvy at 201-339-0319.

**REMINDER:** St. Henry's offers the convenience of paying for **Religious Education and Sacramental fees** through our online **PARISH GIVING**. Go to St. Henry's website home page, [sthenryrc.org](http://sthenryrc.org), and follow the easy steps.

## 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 Jean at the rectory office—201-436-0857. 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, were brought up here or attended St. Henry's school. To register, come to the rectory office, between 9 AM and 4 PM weekdays and simply complete a registration card. If this is not possible, call Jean at the rectory office. Remember that membership with your 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.

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



**GIVE BLOOD  
SAVE LIFE**

**FEEL GOOD ABOUT YOURSELF... Donate Blood.** NEW JERSEY BLOOD SERVICES hold blood drives in the **PINE ROOM of St. Henry's School**. The next drive will take place **Friday, January 3, 2020, 1 PM—7 PM**. 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. VINCENT DE PAUL PARISH** will present its 16th Annual CHRISTMAS CONCERT TODAY, **December 8th at 4 PM**. The program will feature the adult choir, youth choir, soloists and musicians of the parish. Admission is free. Light refreshments will be served afterwards.

**BLESSED MIRIAM TERESA PARISH's** Music Ministry will present their annual concert of Lessons & Carols during the Christmas Season on **Sunday, January 5th**, the Feast of the Epiphany, at **St. Andrew Church, 3:30 PM**.

### From the ARCHDIOCESE OF NEWARK...

**The 49th ANNUAL CANDLELIGHT CAROL SING** will take place on **Wednesday, December 11th and Thursday, December 12th, 8 PM** (two performances) at the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart in Newark. Doors open at 7 PM both nights. Christmas music in nine languages will be sung by the Cathedral Choir and the assembly and will be accompanied by the great Cathedral organs and brass ensemble. Free-will donation. For more information, call 973-497-2400 or visit [www.catedralbasilica.org](http://www.catedralbasilica.org).

### FREE ADVENT REFLECTION SERIES from Immaculate Conception Seminary

Immaculate Conception Seminary School of Theology invites you to celebrate the truth, the goodness and the beauty of the Advent season through our Advent video reflection series. Sign up to receive an e-mail each day of Advent with a video reflection on that day's reading, offered by our inspiring faculty and administration. Experience the Lord with us this Advent season. Visit [www.shu.edu/theology](http://www.shu.edu/theology) and go to the middle of the page for "Sign Up Today for ICSST's Advent Series."

### SUPPORT GROUPS FOR PARENTS GRIEVING THE DEATH OF A CHILD

, sponsored by the Office of Family Life Ministries/Archdiocese of Newark, are led by trained facilitators—parents who have personally experienced the death of a child. Groups meet: St. Thomas the Apostle Church Parish Center, 60 Byrd Ave., Bloomfield, first Wednesday of ea. month 7:30 PM; St. Peter the Apostle Church Rectory Basement, 445 Fifth Ave., River Edge, third Monday of ea. month 7:30 PM.

**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.

### *Thank You Pre-School Playhouse Children*

The children of Pre-School Playhouse, accompanied by some of their teachers and parents, visited us last week carrying bags and bags of food for us to give out for Thanksgiving this year! The children were so happy and excited to do their part to help those in need enjoy their Thanksgiving Day. May God bless them all!



## Parish NEWS continued...

**Your attention, please...** There are no more Masses available for intentions in 2020. For the time being, until we open the 2021 Mass Book (sometime in the early part of the new year), we will be taking "Mission Mass Intentions" which means the Mass will be celebrated by a priest overseas or at one of the retired priests' residences.

### 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 201-436-0857, 9 AM—4 PM, Monday through Friday, for availability and more information.

**FOOD NEEDED!** With more and more people in need coming to us for food, our supply quickly becomes depleted. Your donations of non-perishable foods, would be greatly appreciated: **soups, tomato sauce, peanut butter, box/bag rice, box/can potatoes, cereals, oatmeal, pasta, tuna, other canned, jarred or boxed food items such as fruits, meats, etc.** Food may be left in the boxes in church or brought directly to the parish office. THANK YOU!!

### Food Pantry Availability

**ST. HENRY FOOD PANTRY** located in our Rectory Office, is available **WEDNESDAYS, 9:30 AM to 12:30 PM (ONLY)**.

NOTE: Bring current picture ID. NOTE NEW DATE!

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 is open **Dec. 19th**, and is 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). See Mary Ann A. with any questions while you are there.

**ST. VINCENT'S SOUP KITCHEN** will take place on the above Thursdays, 5—6 PM in the Church basement.

### St. Henry Church

#### WINDOW RESTORATION COLLECTION

**Total To Date: \$116,263**

**The Window Restoration Collection is THE WEEK-END of December 21st & 22nd.** Envelopes are included in your quarterly packet of offering envelopes. Contributions can also be made via Parish Giving, accessed on our website, [www.sthenryrc.org](http://www.sthenryrc.org); envelopes are also available at the doors of church (make sure to fill in your name and parishioner number if known); or use a plain white envelope marked "Window Restoration" and your name and parishioner number. No other envelope should be used!). We thank you for your generous support of St. Henry Parish.

### Thank You!

**Total Collection for the weekend of 12/1/19: \$6,473**

Consisting of - Church Offering: \$6,055  
(last year, 12/3/18, our church offering was \$7,253)

Electronic Giving: \$395

Children's Collection: 23

**The Archdiocesan Assessment Collection : \$1,543**

**Total Collection for the weekend of 11/24/19: \$7,272**

consisting of - Church Offering: \$6,689  
(last year, 11/26/18, our church offering was \$6,353)

Electronic Giving was: \$555

Children's Collection: \$28

**We need \$10,000 each week  
in order to meet our expenses**

*Thank you for your continued support and generosity!*

### St. Henry's

#### MONTHLY CALENDAR RAFFLE

Beginning January 1, 2020 and the first of each month thereafter, ending December 1, 2020, we will have a drawing for a \$1,000 prize. The cost for a ticket is \$120 and only 400 tickets will be sold. The ticket will give you 12 monthly chances to win \$1,000 and each month the winning ticket is re-entered, so you may win multiple times! The drawing will take place at St. Henry Parish Office on the 1st of each month at 12:00 Noon. The winner does not need to be present.

**TICKETS ARE NOW ON SALE in the Parish Office AND AFTER ALL MASSES IN THE CHURCH LOBBY.** If you are unable to purchase a ticket in person, you may go to our website, [www.sthenryrc.org](http://www.sthenryrc.org), and download a Ticket Request form, complete and mail in with your payment. This parish fundraiser is an important facet in enabling us to keep up with our expenses, especially those that pop up unexpectedly. Your help and support, is as always, very much appreciated!

### We Celebrate ADVENT

At our weekend Liturgies, the Season of Advent (starting December 1st) 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 week during Advent, we use "To You, O Lord" (Ps. 25) as our seasonal Responsorial Psalm, as well as an Advent Gospel acclamation. The Mass parts at the Eucharistic Prayer are from *Missa Emmanuel* (based on 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—January 13th).

### Advent

- ◆ **FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION**  
We celebrate the Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary on **Monday, December 9th**. Masses are 7:00 PM on Sunday, December 8th and 8:30 AM & 12:05 PM on Monday, December 9th.
- ◆ **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.
- ◆ **FAMILY ADVENT FESTIVAL—Sunday, December 15th**, Family Mass at 10 AM, then Blessing of the Manger and Christmas Tree at the school, followed by "Happy Birthday Jesus" party and refreshments.

### Rosary Society NEWS...

A very big thank you to everyone who helped make our Fall Bake Sale a success by donating and purchasing baked goods, raffles and monetary donations, as well as volunteering to set up, sell and clean up. The winners of our raffle cakes were: Loretta Cerullo (pumpkin with leaves); Amy Sweeny (candy cane); Janice Feeney (turkey with stuffing).