



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 17, 2017 - Third Sunday of ADVENT

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RECTORY & PARISH OFFICE

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Served by:

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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*

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

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 & 2nd Sun. of ea. Month, 10:30 -
11:55 AM, followed by 12 PM 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.



Certain watchwords are associated with each season of the church year, almost becoming a motto. Advent's is "wake up". It then leads to other words like "watch", "wait" and "witness". But every third Sunday of Advent we anticipate the coming Christmas season, whose key word is "Rejoice". This Sunday was traditionally called *Gaudette* (Rejoice) Sunday. Priests continue to wear rose-colored vestments today, signaling joy.

Dear God, source and giver of joy, open my heart to receive your joy. As the Advent season continues, help me to live in a spirit of anticipation and watchfulness for how Christ continues to come into the world, a spirit of joy rooted in the awareness that you are faithful to your children. Amen.

Mass Intentions for the Week

SATURDAY, December 16th
5:30 PM Josephine O'Halloran

SUNDAY, December 17th
8:00 AM Josephine & Vincent LoRe
10:00 AM Gladys & Wayne Ferragine
12:00 PM Dec. Mem. Dugan & Donohue Families

MONDAY, December 18th
8:30 AM Antonio & Ann Rodrigo
12:05 PM Gelcira Benardi

TUESDAY, December 19th
8:30 AM Eileen Burns
12:05 PM Marie & Charles Tobey, Sr.

WEDNESDAY, December 20th
8:30 AM Sophie Wondolowski
12:05 PM Robert McNamara

THURSDAY, December 21st
8:30 AM Jane Colford
12:05 PM Michael Cleary

FRIDAY, December 22nd
8:30 AM Jane Colford
12:05 PM Bridget & William Cleary

SATURDAY, December 23rd
8:30 AM Catherine Silverstein
5:30 PM Bernard M. Trainor

SUNDAY, December 24th
8:00 AM *People of St. Henry Parish*
10:00 AM *People of St. Henry Parish*
12:00 PM *Dec. Priests Who Served at St. Henry Parish*

Pray for...

Please continue to keep in your prayers the sick members, family and friends of our parish: Karen Mengo, Diane Corcoran, Ruth Burke, James Leung, Rich Marchitto, Nicholas Anthony Barresi, Mary Phillips-Borzelli, Daniel Gilligan, Sal Fogu, Joanie Robin, Kimberly Allen, Georgene Kennedy, Dolores Philips, Alessandra Spagnolo, Antoinette Lamberti, Claire Poli, John J. Borzelli, George Glom, Kara Sullivan, Gary DeCarlo, Michael Sheehan, Irene Bock Fisher, Marie Brady, Bill Thomas (Please note that in order to keep our list current, names will be removed from our list every two months. If you wish to have your name listed or re-listed for two months, please call Jean at the parish office, 201-436-0857)

READINGS FOR THE WEEK....

Monday: Jer 23:5-8; Ps 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19; Mt 1:18-25
Tuesday: Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a; Ps 71:3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17; Lk 1:5-25
Wednesday: Is 7:10-14; Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6; Lk 1:26-38
Thursday: Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a; Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21; Lk 1:39-45
Friday: 1 Sm 1:24-28; 1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd; Lk 1:46-56
Saturday: Mal 3:1-4, 23-24; Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-9, 10 and 14; Lk 1:57-66
Sunday: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16; Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27, 29; Rom 16:25-27; Lk 1:26-38

MEMORIALS

SANCTUARY LAMP

In Memory of William, Matilda,
Eddie & Tom Kmec
from Eileen Kmec

ALTAR BREAD & ALTAR WINE

In Memory of Catherine & Charles J. Mellendeck

2018 Parish Calendars

Our 2018 parish calendars are available this weekend, sponsored generously by Catholic Cemeteries of the Archdiocese of Newark.

Please take one per family, as the supply is limited.



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!

This Week...

SATURDAY, December 16th

9:00 AM Flea Market
7:00 PM Simbang Gabi

SUNDAY, December 17th

8:45 AM Religious Education classes
11:00 AM Parish Family Time
1:00 PM Prayer Shawl Ministry
7:00 PM Simbang Gabi

MONDAY, December 18th

7:00 PM Simbang Gabi

TUESDAY, December 19th

7:00 PM Simbang Gabi

WEDNESDAY, December 20th

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7:00 PM Simbang Gabi

SUNDAY, December 24th

Friday Morning Faith Sharing Group

will not meet on Friday, December 22nd and Friday, December 29th. Meeting resumes on Friday, January 5th.

St. Henry's Prayer Shawl Ministry meets every Sunday from 1–3 PM in the Rectory office. **NOTE, however, that the group WILL NOT MEET during the month of December, and will resume on Sunday, January 14th.**

We will join in with the American Heart Association, in connection with The Children's Heart Foundation, to celebrate American Heart Month by knitting and crocheting red hats for babies born in February at participating hospitals – "Little Hats, Big Hearts". If anyone is interested in donating red yarn for this project or yarn of any color for future projects, please call the parish office at 201-436-0857. Donations of yarn or monetary donations are always gratefully accepted. We welcome anyone interested in joining us!

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,** 1–3 PM. In the Rectory.

St. Henry Parish NEWS

Religious Education...



Unwrapped gifts and gift cards are due for the Giving Trees. are due TODAY, December 17th

Our Brunch with Santa was a huge success! Over 110 people attended! Special thanks to Aida & Roel Lopez who prepared the food (eggs, French toast, pancakes, sausage, bacon, cereal, juices, muffins and cookies). The food was delicious and plentiful. Thanks to all who helped in any way and especially Rich Marchitto, Nicole and Dennis, Erin Aidukas & her son Ryan, Anthony & Liz Farino, Shea DeMoya and her daughters; to the youth of our parish – too many to name, but you know who you are; to our DJ and the most important person who arrived to the singing of "Jingle Bells"SANTA! Our parish of St. Henry is so blessed to have all of you!

Family Time is TODAY, following the 10 AM Mass - "Happy Birthday, Jesus" party in the Pine room. We'll begin with the blessing of the Christmas Tree on St. Henry's School grounds and continue through the main door for the blessing of our manger.

I'd like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who has helped in any way to make our parish and Religious Education program the best ever!

Merry Christmas & Happy and Holy New Year!

Religious Education FUNDRAISER **"Joe Corbi's Food Products"**

The deadline for ordering is TODAY. Please call Erin Aidukas at 201-988-1206 or Marie Pope at 201-339-0319 if you would like to order.

NEXT St. Henry FLEA MARKET **SATURDAY, January 20th, 9 AM – 3 PM**

For more information, or to rent tables, call Barbara Silvay at 201-339-0319.



We remind you that St. Henry Parish offers "Enhanced Stewardship through Electronic Funds Transfer".

Electronic Funds Transfer enables you to have your parish contributions automatically debited from your checking account or credit card. We are partnered with Parish Giving to offer this program to all of our parishioners. Parish Giving is simple, secure and convenient. To get started, log on to our website, www.sthenryrc.org, click on the Parish Giving logo and follow the easy registration steps.

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 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, January 19, 2018 at 1 PM—7 PM** (there will be no drive in December). 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.

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.

From the ARCHDIOCESE OF NEWARK...

SUPPORT GROUPS FOR PARENTS GRIEVING THE DEATH OF A CHILD, sponsored by the Office of Family Life Ministries of the 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 each month 7:30 PM; St. Peter the Apostle Church Rectory Basement, 445 Fifth Ave., River Edge, third Monday of each month 7:30 PM.

The NEWMAN APOSTOLATE, offered by the Office of Campus Ministry, is a Catholic pastoral outreach to students in secular colleges within the Archdiocese. Outreach includes Sunday and weekday Mass on campus, socials, community service opportunities, faith enrichment, retreats and more. **Please see the bulletin board in St. Henry Church lobby for contact and much more information for 8 colleges in our area.**

Parish NEWS continued...

Catholic Charities DONATION BINS

have returned to St. Henry's School Parking Lot

The beauty of the Fall with its cool temperatures and beautiful foliage energizes people. Would you be willing to channel some of your energy to gather unwanted clothing, shoes, linens, sheets, towels, stuffed animals, etc. for the Catholic Charities clothing bins? Donated items are sold and the proceeds are used to support the many programs for the needy as provided by Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Newark.

IMPORTANT NOTE: If the item will not fit into the bin, it cannot be accepted. **No items are to be left outside the bins.** Also, any glass or breakable items such as dishes, glasses, etc., should not be placed into the bins.

We appreciate your cooperation!



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 recently died,

especially, Connie Sackawitch,

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

Formal membership with the parish in which you feel comfortable creates a sense of family. 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 or who wish to register their child for religious education must be members of the parish.

The Advent Season

We celebrate the season of Advent in a spirit of joyful expectation and quiet reflection in waiting for the Lord. You see purple priest vestments and altar hangings, not the red and green of Christmas. We sing Advent hymns instead of Christmas carols. All of this helps us to consider the great mystery that God became human, and that God will come again.

At our weekend Liturgies, we are singing the Seasonal Responsorial Psalm (no. 25). Your refrain is "To You O Lord, I lift my soul, to you, I lift my soul".

We will also use for our Sanctus ("Holy, Holy, Holy") the musical setting composed by Richard Proulx. It is based on the ancient Advent hymn "O Come, O Come Emmanuel".

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 **TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS, 10 AM—12 NOON (ONLY)**. NOTE: Bring current picture ID.

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 Dec. 21st, 3—5 PM**, 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.

Thank You!

Total Collection for the weekend of 12/17/17: \$7,517.50 consisting of - Church Offering: \$6,700.50

(last year, 12/12/16 our church offering was \$7,218.50)

Electronic Giving: \$801

Children's Collection: \$16

Collection for Immaculate Conception: \$1,725

Collection for the Trinity Dome for the Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, DC: \$365

Retirement Collection for Religious: \$2,445

We need \$10,000 each week

in order to meet our expenses

Thank you for your continued support and generosity!

Simbang Gabi

Our Christmas Novena celebration of evening Masses begins Friday, December 15th through Saturday, 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!

Advent Devotions

Each **Wednesday during Advent** there will be a Holy Hour at **St. Andrew Church** (4th St. & Broadway) at **7:00 PM**. During the Adoration before the Blessed Sacrament, priests will be available for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. The Hour will conclude with sung Vespers and Benediction. Plan to attend and spend some quiet time with the Lord.

ASCA News...

- Through the generosity of ASCA parents, students and staff, the Spirit Club mailed 32 care packages to deployed troops and the hospitalized veterans will be able to send Christmas cards to their families and friends. The Christmas spirit is alive and well in ASCA.
- Students participated in NASH FM's 100,000 Thank-You's program for members of the U.S. Military. Students wrote cards/letters to members of the military telling them that they are appreciated.
- The Home school Association sponsored the Children's Christmas Bazaar on December 4th & 5th. Children had an opportunity to purchase holiday gifts for family members and take chances on a variety of raffles. The HSA also hosted a Brunch With Santa and Rocket the Reindeer on Dec. 9th.
- Please check the school website (ascabayonne.org) for additional news and information.



Join us as we celebrate the Birth of Christ.

Invite someone to share with you in the celebration of Christmas at St. Henry Church.

CHRISTMAS EVE, Sunday, December 24th

4:00 PM	Children's Christmas Pageant
4:30 PM	Family Mass
9:40 PM	Office of Lessons & Carols
10:00 PM	Christmas Eve Mass

CHRISTMAS DAY, Monday, December 25th

Mass of Christmas: 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM & 12 Noon

SOLEMNITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Monday, January 1st - Masses: 8:30 AM & 12:05 PM