



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 29, 2019 - The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

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

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

Junior High (Gr. 6, 7 & 8): Wednesdays early evening, 5:30-6:30 PM

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.



Could any period in history have been more difficult than the one in which we live when it comes to raising children, keeping marriages together, or maintaining ties among adult family members? Our whole culture often seems to be working against us. The Christmas season, especially, magnifies the differences between the values that we Catholic Christians hold and the values of the ordinary world. And not all the stresses are external. Many of our troubles arise from the differences among people within our families. Christmas can also exacerbate those internal tensions. Sometimes we just want to run away and hide from the dual struggle with the bad influences of the world and the strains of family life!

The Feast of the Holy Family gives us much needed encouragement. Jesus was protected by his parents from danger of death. Yet they did not keep him sequestered forever. As a child growing up, he lived out his call to holiness while dwelling in the midst of the Galilean Jewish community, with all its positive and negative influences. This feast reminds us that in Christ, the divine and the human, the holy and the ordinary have been forever linked. Whether it is in our nuclear family, our extended family, our parish family, the family of Christians, or the human family, today we celebrate the holiness that is to be found within our ordinary human families and communities. We are urged to “put on love”. Does that motivate you to change the way you treat someone in your parish community or to mend a rift with a member of your family?

Mass Intentions for the Week

SATURDAY, December 28th

5:30 PM Gregg Jablonski

SUNDAY, December 29th

8:00 AM Special Intention—Melody Romua
 10:00 AM Hector Texidor
 12:00 PM Angie & Nick D’Angelo

MONDAY, December 30th

8:30 AM Bernadette Crooke
 12:05 PM Theresa Foran

TUESDAY, December 31st

8:30 AM Eugene Danowski
 12:05 PM Helen Nicaretta
 7:00 PM People of St. Henry Parish

WEDNESDAY, January 1, 2020

8:30 AM Venancia Veá
 12:05 PM Anne Dugan

THURSDAY, January 2nd

9:00 AM Thomas Lee

FIRST FRIDAY, January 3rd

8:30 AM Joseph LaScala
 12:05 PM Regina M. Donovan

SATURDAY, January 4th

8:30 AM Mary Daly
 5:30 PM Steven Wexler

SUNDAY, January 5th

8:00 AM Rev. Thomas Foye
 10:00 AM Silvaay Family
 12:00 PM William A. Dundas III

MEMORIALS

SANCTUARY LAMP

ALTAR BREAD & ALTAR WINE

In Memory of the Bebel Kmec Family
 from E. Kmec

NOTE: There is ONE Mass on Thursday, January 2nd—at 9:00 AM.

Pray for...

Please continue to keep in your prayers the sick members, family and friends of our parish: **Dominick Maak, Maria Teresa Escototo Balictar, Olivia Blanca Moncion, Regina Rozario Lopez, Florence Vayda, Anna Marie Borzelli, Laurie Riccardi, Gerald Gill, Fran Dugan, Alekzander 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: 1 Jn 2:12-17; Ps 96:7-8a, 8b-9, 10; Lk 2:36-40
Tuesday: 1 Jn 2:18-21; Ps 96:1-2, 11-12, 13; Jn 1:1-18
Wednesday: Nm 6:22-27; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21
Thursday: 1 Jn 2:22-28; Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4; Jn 1:19-28
Friday: 1 Jn 2:29-3:6; Ps 98:1, 3cd-4, 5-6; Jn 1:29-34
Saturday: 1 Jn 3:7-10; Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9; Jn 1:35-42
Sunday: Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12



As we celebrate Christmas, we are reminded that the Christmas Season continues as we look forward to many other moments that grace this time: the Feast of the Holy Family, the Feast of the Epiphany, the celebration of the Baptism of the Lord. These experiences help to keep the joy of Christmas alive and vital for us. Jesus comes to us every day in the form of people and opportunities that allow us to celebrate our faith. Keep Christmas always, but especially in these next weeks.

St. Henry Parish NEWS

This Week...

SATURDAY, December 28th

8:00 AM Preschool Playhouse

SUNDAY, December 29th

1:00 PM Prayer Shawl Ministry

MONDAY, December 30th

TUESDAY, December 31st—New Year's Eve

WEDNESDAY, January 1, 2020—Solemnity of Mary

THURSDAY, January 2nd

FRIDAY, January 3rd

1:00 PM Blood Drive

7:00 PM Gatekeepers

7:00PM SJMJ

SATURDAY, January 4th

1:00 PM Private Party

SUNDAY, January 5th

8:45 AM Religious Education classes

10:30 AM Confirmation classes

1:00 PM Prayer Shawl Ministry

1:30 PM Baptisms

1:30 PM RCIA classes

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.

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, and follow the easy steps.

NEXT St. Henry FLEA MARKET
SATURDAY, January 18th, 9 AM–3 PM

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

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.

Religious Education...

Classes resume Sunday, January 5th (including Confirmation and RCIA); Tuesday, January 7th; and Wednesday, January 8th.

A very special thank you to all of our parishioners and friends who donated gifts for the Giving Trees to help families and charities in need. You all were the Light of Christ to so many this Christmas season! May Jesus' light be a beacon to all you meet, love and share with in the New Year!

Thank you to all our parents and guardians and students for the wonderful, thoughtful and generous gifts given to Barbara and I. We appreciate your "Christ-like manner". God bless all of you!

MERRY CHRISTMAS
& A HAPPY AND HOLY NEW YEAR!

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.

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 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, 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 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.

BLESSED MIRIAM TERESA PARISH's Music
Ministry will present their annual concert of Lessons & Car-
ols 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 CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE will take
place on **Saturday, February 29th,** at Seton Hall University,
400 So. Orange Ave., So. Orange, NJ, 8 AM to 4 PM with
Mass at 4 PM.

**The CATHOLIC WOMEN'S COMMISSION, Alive
in Christ,** will take place on **Saturday, March 7th,** at Seton
Hall University, 400 So. Orange Ave., So. Orange, NJ, 8 AM
to 4 PM with Mass at 4 PM
Registration for both events will open in January. More de-
tails to follow...

The RETROUVAILLE PROGRAM, a program which
gives hope for struggling marriages, is a Christian program,
Catholic in origin and for couples of all faiths or no faith
background. It's a practical program about improving com-
munication, building a stronger marriage, and helping cou-
ples rediscover the love they had for each other. The pro-
gram is currently being offered in the Diocese of Metuchen
and will take place the weekend of **February 21-23.** For
more information call the Diocese of Metuchen Family Life
Office, 732-562-1990, Ext. 1543. To register call Rich &
Annette Colasuonno, 732-236-0671 or email
3024@retrouvaille.org.

**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 experi-
enced 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. Indi-
viduals who wish to report allegation of sexual misconduct may do so by call-
ing the Archdiocesan Office of Child & Youth Protection at 973-497-4011.

Parish NEWS continued...

Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary



Wednesday, January 1st, New Year's
Day, we celebrate the Solemnity of
Mary, Mother of God, a holy day of
obligation. This feast, which is closely
connected to the feast of Christmas, is
the most important and oldest of the
feasts of Mary. On this day, we honor
Mary as the Mother of Jesus. Mary
was not merely passively engaged by
God, but freely cooperated in the work
of our salvation through faith and obe-
dience, and she accepted new dimen-
sions to her motherhood as her life

unfolded. We can all live by Mary's example.

Masses are: **Tuesday, December 31st at 7:00 PM
& Wednesday, January 1st at 8:30 AM and 12:05 PM**

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.

St. Henry Parish

2021 MASS BOOK Opening

The 2021 MASS BOOK will open for intentions on
**Sunday, February 16th, after the 8:00 AM Mass, in the
Rectory Office.**

In order to keep waiting time minimal, we will accept
**4 Mass Intentions and 1 Memorial Intention per per-
son** on that day. Additional intentions will be taken
beginning Monday, February 10th. Whoever cannot
make their request in person on February 9th may come
in or send in their request with another person begin-
ning Monday, February 10th.

Thank You!

Total Collection for the weekend of 12/15/19: \$7,799

Consisting of - Church Offering: \$7,216
(last year, 12/17/18, our church offering was \$7,049)

Electronic Giving: \$560

Children's Collection: \$23

Thanksgiving Collection: \$2,130

Immaculate Conception Collection: \$2,022

Retirement Fund for Religious Collection: \$2,285

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

Thank you for your continued support and generosity!

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 **January 9th & 23rd, February 6th & 20th** 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.

YOUR CHRISTMAS GIFT TO YOUR PARISH

We encourage our parishioners to be stewards for Christ in giving of their TREASURE. If you have not already done so, please consider your Christmas gift to your parish. We are, as always, grateful for your kindness and generosity!



A Prayer for the New Year

O God of new beginnings and wonderful surprises,
thank you for the gift of a new year.

May it be a time of grace for me,
a time to grow in faith and love,

a time to renew my commitment to following your son, Jesus.

May it be a year of blessing for me,
a time to cherish my family and friends,
a time to renew my efforts at work,
a time to embrace my faith more fully.

Walk with me, please, in every day and every hour of this new year,
that the light of Christ might shine through me,
in spite of my weaknesses and failings.

Above all, may I remember this year that I am a pilgrim on the sacred path to You. Amen.

*The priests and staff of St. Henry Parish
wish each and every one of you
a Blessed and Joyful New Year!*

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, 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!

St. Henry Church

WINDOW RESTORATION COLLECTION

Total To Date: \$116,263

The next Window Restoration Collection is January 25th & 26th. 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; 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.