

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF ST. HENRY

WELCOME TO ST. HENRY'S

We extend a warm welcome to all new members of our parish. We hope you will find our parish community a place where your faith life will grow. Please introduce yourself after one of the Masses and do not forget to register. You may register on-line or by calling the parish office at the number below.

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OFFICE HOURS

The parish office hours are: Monday—Thursday 9:00am—4:30pm Friday 9:00am—2:00pm

STEWARDSHIP—TAKE A STEP

Our weekly donations need to average \$7500 to meet operating expenses. E-Giving is available online. Please contact the parish office to receive an email to help set it up.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Instructional classes for parents prior to the Baptism of their children are held the first Tuesday of each month, 7:00pm, at St. Henry's Church. Please call the parish office to register for classes. Baptisms are celebrated on the second Sunday of the month during Mass and the fourth Sunday of the month following the 10:00am Mass.

SACRAMENT OF FIRST COMMUNION

St. Henry's Sacramental preparation for First Reconciliation & First Communion will begin after completing at least (1) year of Faith Formation. This is the prerequisite to registration into the sacramental preparation classes. Participants will attend weekly classes, Mass and a retreat to further their faith education experience. For more information, please call the parish office.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

The Sacrament is conferred in Tenth grade. The diocese requires a two year preparation period. That takes place in grades 9 & 10 with a retreat and two day mandatory preparation.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Arrangements for marriage should be made at least 6 months in advance. Kindly call the parish office for an appointment.

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil 4:00pm Sunday 8:00am and 10:00am Weekdays 8:30am

NO MORNING MASS ON THURSDAY

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

WEEKEND OF April 30 & May 1 Attendance 319

Collection for April 23 & 24 \$11,314.00 Includes E-Giving

SUMMER FUN TRI-CITY VALLEY CATS

St. Henry's has tickets for Faith and Family Night at the Valley Cats on Friday, June 3. Seats are located behind the net between Home Plate and Third Base. Cost is \$12. per "loaded ticket", which includes admission plus \$5.00 loaded value to be used at concession stands, kiosks, or in Southpaw's Den. Tickets available by calling the office at 674-3818. Why not join your parish family for some summer fun?

DIABETES SUPPORT GROUP

St. Henry's Diabetes Support Group will meet on Wednesday, May 11 at 6:30 pm in the Community Room. Our topic for the evening will be <u>Combating</u> Stress-Emerging from Isolation to Socialization.

We will also learn about <u>New Drug Therapies for Diabetes</u>, including Show and Tell Demonstrations.

All are welcome to attend, whether diabetic, caring for someone with diabetes, or interested in a healthy lifestyle. For more information, please call the office at 518-674-3818.

CHAIR-EASY YOGA

Some of the Diabetes Support Group attended Chair Yoga sessions during the Spring of 2021, benefitting from the exercise and relaxation techniques presented by Keri Stern. Keri has agreed to hold 8 classes at St. Henry's Community Room, beginning on Wednesday, May 4, at 5:15 and running for 45 minutes, until 6:00. The offering per person will be \$68. for 8 weekly sessions.

There will be ample room for social distance precautions

Please call the office (518-674-3818) for more information.

SACRAMENTAL CELEBRATIONS

On Saturday, May 14th, at 1:00 PM we welcome Bishop Edward Scharfenberger to St. Henry's to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation with 16 of our young men and women. Everyone is welcome to attend.

We thank God for the blessing that these young people are to this parish family!

SAVE THE DATE

Save the date! St. Henry's Parish Picnic will be July 10th from 11:30am to 5:00pm, at North Greenbush Dedrick Town Park.

CONGRATULATIONS

We would like to take this opportunity to say "Congratulations" to all of our candidates who recieved their First Communion on Saturday, May 7th. God Bless you all!

Chance Joseph Baron Kyler David Benyo Colton Brooks Shaelynn Abigail Cahill Lillian Dineen Demers Jack Henry Fil Adalynn Rose Fleming Blayne Howard Fleming Landon James Gamache Dominic James Gibson Keegan Heritage Frank Michael Jennes Declan William McElwee Adalynn Anne Milkiewicz Samantha Lee Petropol Madigan Alyse Robilotta Taylor Eileen Robilotta

A QUOTE FROM MOTHER TERESA

This Mother's Day weekend we offer a timely quote from Mother Teresa which

was found written on the wall in Mother Teresa's Home for Children in Calcutta.

People are often unreasonable, irrational and self-centered. Forgive them anyway.

If you are kind, people may accuse you of selfish, ulterior motives. **Be kind anyway**.

If you are successful, you will win some unfaithful friends and some genuine enemies. **Succeed anyway**.

If you are honest and sincere people may deceive you. **Be** honest and sincere anyway.

What you spend years creating, others could destroy overnight. **Create anyway**.

If you find serenity and happiness, some may be jealous. **Be happy anyway**.

The good you do today will often be forgotten. Do good anyway.

Give the best you have and it will never be enough. Give your best anyway.

In the final analysis, it is between you and God. It was never between you and them anyway.

DEACON BOB'S CORNER

REVELATION 7:9, 14b-17 by Mary M. McGlone

Last week's selection from Revelation emphasized Christ as "the Lamb." Now, John turns his attention to the people who make up the great multitude of the saved. This Sunday's selection tells us who they are, how they have acted, and what their future will be. First, in what follows nicely on the first reading, John describes a "multitude which no one could count," an unimaginably large gathering.

Added to their size is their diversity. Depicting them as representing every nation, race, people and tongue reminds the reader that God, the Creator of the entire universe, has gathered them together. Those who wish to participate in this celebration must leave behind the tribalism of their particular theologies and learn to appreciate God's universal will to save. While that sounds obvious, it has always been hard for humanity to welcome "others" as equals. But the message here is that God wipes away tears but preserves diversity.

What unites this multitude is not cultural, but what they have done: They have washed their robes in the blood of the lamb. According to biblical scholar Diane Bergant in Preaching the New Lectionary, this phrase has a variety of potential meanings. It may indicate that these people have been redeemed by Christ's shedding of blood. It may refer to their participation in Christ's consecration through baptism. It may also recognize them as martyrs whose blood was shed like Christ's own. Each of these three interpretations describes a mode of union with Christ and a personal appropriation of his own union with the Father. Their participation in Christ, as Paul would say, is what brings them into the presence of God.

John says, "The one who sits on the throne will shelter them." He chose that word carefully to hearken back to the prologue of John's Gospel which explained that Christ "sheltered" or "dwelt" among humankind (John 1:14). This sheltering fulfills the purpose of the Incarnation: The word became flesh and dwelt among us so that humanity could dwell in God.

The next image in this selection depicts the Lamb as a shepherd. This explains the same idea from another angle. The Lamb who is one of the sheep and has given his life for them will shepherd them to the place where he dwells. Ultimately, this is a vision of the future offered to all humanity in all our diversity. The price of participation is nothing more nor less than a courageous and humble consecration in and with Christ.

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Mass Intentions

Monday, May 9

8:30AM For the People

Tuesday, May 10

8:30AM Joseph Russo—Marie & Joe Johnson

Wednesday, May 11

8:30 AM Terrance Small—Robert Wright

Thursday, May 12 8:30AM NO MASS

Friday, May 13

8:30AM All Souls in Purgatory

Saturday, May 14

4:00 PM Nancy Matthews.—Steve Coffey

Deborah Berlino—Ann MacCue

William Boudreau—The Helwig Family

Sunday, May 15

8:00 AM For the People

10:00 AM Agnes & Jack Flavin—Anne Flavin Ahlborn

Jim Hankle—Anne Flavin Ahlborn Leo Patnode—Lois Rohloff

Father Peter Pagones—Lois Rohloff

Monday, May 16

8:30AM For the People

Tuesday, May 17

8:30AM Paula DeFrancesco—Husband

Wednesday, May 18 8:30AM For the People Thursday, May 19 8:30AM NO MASS

Friday, May 20

8:30 AM All Souls in Purgatory

Saturday, May 21

4:00 PM Floyd Ernest—Family

The Wimmer Family—Steve Coffey

George Murin—Family

Sunday, May 22

8:00 AM Kevin Munn—The Giddis Family 10:00 AM Theresa Zullo—Marie & Joe Johnson

Calendar of Events

Prayer Group meets every Tuesday 1:00pm in the Blue Room

Rosary Group meets every Tuesday 6:00pm in the Chapel

Mens Scripture Group meets every Wednesday at 7:00pm

If you would like to help prepare a meal quarterly for Joseph's House or monthly for Damien Center please call Lynn Waterman at 518-674-3377 or 518-469-8687



READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF Sat.—Sun 5/14 & 5/15

- 1. Acts of the Apostles 14:21-27
- 2. Revelation 21:1-5a
- 3. John 13:31-33a, 34-35

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF Sat.—Sun 5/21 & 5/22

- 1. Acts of the Apostles 15:1-2, 22-29
- 2. Revelation 21:10-14, 22-23
- 3. John 14:23-29

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF Sat.—Sun 5/28 & 5/29

- 1. Acts of the Apostles 7:55-60
- 2. Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20
- 3. John 17:20-26



Saturday, May 14 4:00pm

Altar Servers

Lectors Kathy Jimino and Bob Wereb

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Sunday, May 15 8:00am

10:00am

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Nancy Bush and John Morley

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Saturday, May 21 4:00pm

Altar Servers Lectors

Counters

Dave Helwig and Jackie Tremont

Sunday, May 22 8:00am

Altar Servers Lectors

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Jim Colton and Chris Hough

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Altar Servers Lectors

Gretchen Schulz and Mark Frost

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