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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

Saturday 3:00 - 3:30pm

**WEEKEND OF June 4 & 5
Attendance 342**

**Collection for June 4 & 5
\$4,229.00 Includes E-Giving**

PERSONAL CARE ITEMS COLLECTION

We will be collecting personal care items to benefit outreach agencies **next weekend, June 25th & June 26th**. These items are much needed and always in short supply. Please contribute what you can (store brands are fine). Some needed items are shampoo, conditioner, shaving cream and disposable razors, toothbrushes & toothpaste, hand & body lotion, deodorant, bar soap, body wash, feminine hygiene products, chapstick, Q Tips, baby wash/baby wipes/diaper cream, hairbrushes & hair ties. All contributions are welcome.

FATHER'S DAY PRAYER

Please bless our fathers today and always. Watch over them and keep them from harm's way. Hold each and every one of them in the palm of your hand, blessing them in abundance with your strength, your joy and your undying love. In Jesus name we pray. Amen.

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Adviser

Teacher

Healer

Everlasting Love

Role Model in Christ

DIOCESAN APPEAL

Only a few short weeks remain for our parish to reach its Diocesan Appeal goal by June 30th. Why should you contribute? Support of the parish and the greater Church is the responsibility of ALL of us, not just a few. It's the expectation that the church is here to serve you and your family in your everyday and milestone moments. Unfortunately, there are costs associated with that, but if we ALL share the costs, the individual burden is less AND we are more likely to be able to fund the church beyond its needs and toward our wants. Support of the Diocesan Appeal is not for the benefit of the Diocese as an entity itself – rather it is a key mission and logistics partner/resource for our parish. It is gratifying to know that support of the Diocesan Appeal impacts ALL 126 parishes in the Diocese – that is powerful! Together our parish and the Diocese bring to life the ministries from which our hearts are nourished. If the practice of your Catholic faith brings value to your life and you pray for a culture of others living a life in Christ, won't you join us in stewarding and strengthening our Church by making your gift to the Diocesan Appeal today? Make your gift online at www.thediocesanappeal.org or mail a check payable to Diocesan Appeal to 40 N. Main Avenue, Albany, NY 12203.

MOTHER'S PRAYER GROUP

Attention all mom's with kids in high school. Please join us for prayers on the 1st and the 3rd Tuesday of each month. We will be meeting the Community Room at 7:00pm starting July 5th. If you have any questions please contact the Parish Office at 518-674-3818.

ANNUAL PARISH PICNIC

St. Henry's Parish Picnic will be held on Sunday, **July 10**, from 11:30 -5:00 pm. This year the picnic will be held at **North Greenbush Town Park** on Snyder's Lake. Tickets are \$5. per person with a \$20. cap for families, and will be on sale after all masses beginning June 11/12. The Knights of Columbus will be cooking hamburgers and hot dogs. Please bring a dish to share. We are also looking for donations of gently used stuffed animals for the children. Please leave them in plastic bags inside the double doors of the Community Room (on the right when looking at the side of the building). If you have questions, please feel free to contact the parish office at 518-674-3818.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are looking for volunteers to set up and take down tables in the Community Room for different functions that we hold throughout the year. If you can be of help, please call the office at 518-674-3818 so we can put you on a volunteer list for that purpose.

WELCOME TO ST. HENRY'S

We are happy that you decided to worship with us. If you are visiting just for today, we pray that God will be with you on your journey. If you are seeking a church to call home, we would be honored to welcome you into our parish community. If you are interested in joining our parish family, please call the parish office at 518-674-3818.

BAPTISM CLASS

The next Baptism class will be held on **Tues., July 5th at 7:00pm in Community Room**. Please call the office at 674-3818 to register.

RESPECT LIFE

“Through our prayers and through the intercession of St. Joseph, patron of fathers, may fathers come to know the irreplaceable role they hold in the lives of their children, and the responsibility they share in welcoming God's gift of new life!”

DEACON BOB'S CORNER

The Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ by Mary M. McGlone

The Latin Mass, girl acolytes, women preaching, which politicians should be barred from receiving the Eucharist? What's the matter here? How has our central act of worship become the center of such contention, at least among Catholics in the United States? Paul would understand it perfectly — in fact, contention about celebrating the Eucharist is a major theme in his first letter to the Corinthians. In Paul's day, the problem was not about language or partisan politics. It wasn't even really about gender. Some of Paul's community had adopted gnostic ideas and assumed that believing correctly was essential, while one's behavior, perhaps especially in sexual mores, was irrelevant to their Christian identity: Because one's spirit was destined for eternity, what they did with the body didn't count. In 1 Corinthians 11, Paul goes after this community with such passion that his rhetoric comes out somewhat contradictory. Paul fell all over himself talking about hairstyles, veils, clothing, and woman coming from man, and man born of woman and so on. But none of these issues focused on the key problem. In 1 Corinthians 11:17-22, the section immediately preceding today's selection, Paul vehemently censured the community, declaring that their discriminatory practices were a sacrilege. In Paul's time, the community celebrated the Eucharist as a communal meal. Paul observed that the wealthy could arrive before their servants and eat and drink as much as they wanted, leaving paltry leftovers for their "inferiors." Because their inequitable practices contradicted the essence of the communion they were supposedly celebrating, Paul unleashed on them one of the strongest condemnations in the New Testament. He told them that their worship did them more harm than good and finished with the accusation: "One who eats the bread or drinks the cup unworthily is answerable for the body and blood of the Lord." In other words, by their lack of real communion, rather than celebrating communion with Christ, they were repeating his crucifixion. The centerpiece of Paul's argument comes in today's selection, Paul's explanation of the meaning of Eucharist and the oldest eucharistic account in the New Testament. When Paul describes the eucharistic meal, he emphasizes key elements: It happened on the night Jesus was betrayed; Jesus took the bread, gave thanks, broke it and identified himself with the broken bread. He then did the same with the wine. With both the bread and the wine, he commanded the disciples to do what he did in remembrance of him. Only Luke and Paul cite Jesus' command to do this in Jesus' memory, and Paul says it twice.

In the Jewish tradition, remembering was an emotional and spiritual experience more than an intellectual activity. This kind of remembering includes the entire sweep of time, allowing the past to touch the present in such a way that the past gives direction and meaning to the future. Each time we remember Jesus in the breaking of the bread we receive his self-giving and pledge to reproduce it in our day — doing it in memory of him. To remember Jesus in the breaking of the bread involves a promise St. Augustine described as an act of receiving what we are so that we can be what we receive, the body of Christ. In Pope Francis' words, "Taking part in the Eucharist means entering into the logic of Jesus, the logic of giving freely." This is why Paul's teaching that the community itself is the body of Christ immediately follows his commentary about the Eucharist. Today's Gospel, the only story retold six times in the Gospels, makes the same point. Although we call it the "multiplication" of the loaves (and fish?), no version of the story says that the quantity of bread increased. Each rendition does say that the disciples claimed they did not have enough to respond to people's needs, that Jesus asked them only to give everything they had, and that when they did so, there was more than enough. These stories foreshadow the Last Supper as they repeat the formula that Jesus took, blessed and broke the bread to satisfy the needs of the people. He taught the disciples how to give all they were, just as he did through his life and death. That was, and only that could be, enough. It is little surprise that we, like the Corinthians, have disagreements about the Eucharist. As the most important sacrament we celebrate, our understanding of it tells us who we are to be. Paul told the Corinthians that remembrance (in the full Jewish sense) was the key. The lesson remains valid for us today. Jesus used bread and wine to symbolize how he consecrated his entire life for us. He invites us into communion with him in that consecration. Nothing else matters.



Mass Intentions

Monday, June 20

8:30AM NO MASS Office Closed

Tuesday, June 21

8:30AM For the People

Wednesday, June 22

8:30 AM For the People

Thursday, June 23

8:30AM NO MASS

Friday, June 24

8:30AM For the People

Saturday, June 25

4:00 PM Donna M. Mullen—Steve Coffey

Nick Cioffi—Patricia Glasser

Sunday, June 26

8:00 AM Andrew Treventi—Tom & Nora Zink

10:00 AM Bill Rentz (Wedding Anniv.)—Wife Anne Rentz

Monday, June 27

8:30AM For the People

Tuesday, June 28

8:30AM For the People

Wednesday, June 29

8:30AM For the People

Thursday, June 30

8:30AM NO MASS

Friday, July 1

8:30 AM For the People

Saturday, July 2

4:00 PM Marjorie Bassett—Linda Biittig

Gary Norby—Dick Field

Carol Small—Martha Dwyer

Sunday, July 3

8:00 AM Madison Stern—Friend

Michael Mihalko—Jim & Cindy Coleman

Raymond Schmid—Jeanie & Chuck Vejvoda

Wanda Minch—Family

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

Jim Hankle—Anne Flavin Ahlborn

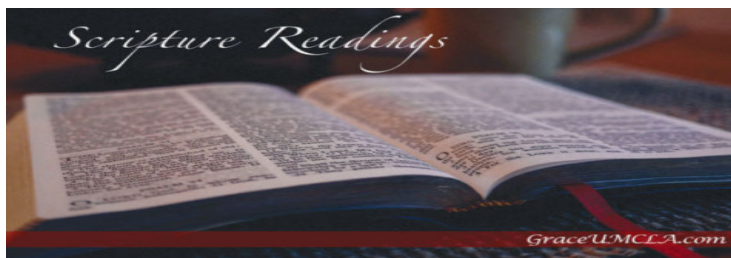
Calendar of Events

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

Rosary Group meets every Tuesday 7:00pm 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 6/25 & 6/26

1. Kings 19:16b, 19-21
2. Galatians 5:1, 13-18
3. Luke 9:51-62

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF Sat.—Sun 7/02 & 7/03

1. Isaiah 66:10-14c
2. Galatians 6:14-18
3. Luke 10:1-12, 17-20

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF Sat.—Sun 7/9 & 7/10

1. Deuteronomy 30:10-14
2. Colossians 1:15-20
3. Luke 10:25-37



Saturday, June 25

4:00pm

Altar Servers

Lectors Dave Helwig and Bob Wereb

Counters

Sunday, June 26

8:00am

Altar Servers

Lectors John Morley and Theresa Schmid

Counters

10:00am

Altar Servers

Lectors Greg Brown and Mark Frost

Counters

Saturday, July 2

4:00pm

Altar Servers

Lectors

Counters

Sunday, July 3

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10:00am

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