

ST. HENRY CATHOLIC CHURCH
SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT
DECEMBER 8, 2024

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DAILY MASSES
As scheduled in the Bulletin

SUNDAY MASSES
Saturday Evening: 5:00 p.m.
Sunday Morning: 8:15 a.m.

CONFESSIONS
Saturday 4:15 – 4:45pm or by appointment.

THIS WEEK AT ST. HENRY

Monday, December 9, 2024
Mass: 8:15 a.m.
+Inez Ellis

Mass: 6:30 p.m.

St. Henry Parish Family

Tuesday, December 10, 2024
Mass: 8:15 a.m.
+Mike Telker

Wednesday, December 11, 2024
Rosary for Vocations at 8:15 a.m.

Thursday, December 12, 2024
Mass: 8:15 a.m.
+Wilma Bohannon

Friday, December 13, 2024
Mass: 8:15 a.m.
+Bob Rolwing

Saturday, December 14, 2024
Mass: 5:00 p.m.
St. Henry Parish Family

Sunday, December 15, 2024
Mass: 8:15 a.m.
+Nora Rollins

Your Gift of Praise of God

Please take a few moments to prayerfully consider the many ways the Lord has blessed you this week!

STEWARDSHIP OF YOUR TREASURE
MONTHLY OPERATING ACCOUNT

Projected expenses for December.....	\$19,084.62
Amount received for December.....	\$7,855.00
Sunday Envelopes.....	\$7,855.00
Number of Families.....	107
Envelopes received for the week.....	41

Thank you for your generosity – may the Lord bless and reward you for the good you do!

STEWARDSHIP BY THE BOOK

Good stewards believe that God, who has begun this good work in them, will carry it through to completion. In words and deeds, they can sing with the Psalmist, “The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy!”

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR
DECEMBER 7 AND DECEMBER 8
SATURDAY 5:00 PM

LECTOR.....David Renaud
GIFT BEARERS.....Andrew Bryant Family

SUNDAY 8:15 AM

LECTORBarbara Whiteside
GIFT BEARERS.....Sheila Shankle

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR
DECEMBER 14 AND DECEMBER 15
SATURDAY 5:00 PM

LECTOR.....Debbie Hobbs
GIFT BEARERS.....Joan Robbins

SUNDAY 8:15 AM

LECTOR.....Sophie Dugan
GIFT BEARERS.....Mary Ann Stricker

NEWS FOR DECEMBER 8

ADVENT CONFESSION

You are encouraged to make use of the Sacrament of Reconciliation/Confession during the Advent Season to spiritually prepare you for the celebration of Christmas! Confession will be available THIS Sunday, December 8, from 2:00-3:00pm. This Sacrament is also available each Saturday afternoon from 4:15-4:45pm OR by appointment with Father David.

HOLY DAY

On December 8, the Church celebrates the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception. There is a slight change this year! Since December 8 falls on Sunday, the Holy Day is transferred to MONDAY, December 9. Masses will be offered on this day (Monday) at 8:15am and 6:30pm. To deliberately miss Mass on Holy Days (AND on Sunday) is a serious sin, so please mark the Mass times on your calendar and make it part of your schedule on December 9. This is a special day for our nation as the Immaculate Conception is the patroness of the United States. With Mary’s guidance and prayers, may we live our life as a nation in ways pleasing to Almighty God! O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee!

MISSOURI SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM MEETING

Several parishioners signed up seeking more information about the “Missouri Scholarship Program” which will benefit students attending Catholic schools in Missouri. A presentation/information session will be held THIS Tuesday, December 10, at 6:00pm in the 7th/8th grade room. Tim Garner, president of Notre Dame Regional High School, will be giving the presentation and will be able to answer questions you may have about this effort. Thanks for your interest and support!

PCCW CHRISTMAS PARTY

Just a reminder to those ladies of the parish who signed up to attend the PCCW Christmas Party that we will meet at "The Vybe" (formerly "The Brew Jay") at 6:00pm THIS Wednesday, December 11.

EPISCOPAL ANNIVERSARY

THIS Thursday, December 12, Bishop Emeritus John Leibrecht will be celebrating the 40th Anniversary of his Ordination/Consecration as a bishop. Everyone is invited to attend Mass at St. Mary Cathedral in Cape at 7:00pm followed by a reception. Bishop Leibrecht lovingly served our diocese for many years! Let us show our appreciation and gratitude by seeking God's blessings upon him!

LIVING ROSARY

You are invited to join our St. Henry School Family in praying the "Living Rosary" THIS Thursday, December 12, at 2:20pm in the school gym! The Rosary is a beautiful devotion in honor of the Blessed Mother and of her Son, Jesus Christ! May this prayer of the Church lead us to a deeper appreciation and understanding of the Advent Season!

SCHOOL CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

Everyone is invited to attend the St. Henry School Christmas Program which will be held on Thursday, December 19, at 6:30pm in the school gym. The kids have been working really hard for this year's program. Hope to see you there!

CHRISTMAS MASSES

In case you are making plans for your Christmas Holiday, our Christmas Masses will be offered on Christmas Eve at 9:00pm and on Christmas Morning at 9:00am.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES COLLECTION

Thanks to everyone's support and generosity, \$930 was received for the annual collection for Catholic Charities of Southern Missouri! May God abundantly reward you for your kindness as we reach out to those who are in need both physically and spiritually. Our Lord teaches us that what we do for others, we do for Him!

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

If you would like to make a donation to help purchase Christmas Flowers for the church, you may use the designated envelope in your box of weekly contribution envelopes. If you do not use offering envelopes, please enclose your donation along with your name and the name(s) of the person(s) being honored by your gift in an envelope marked "Christmas Flowers" and place it in the collection basket at the entrances of the church. Thanks for your generosity and kindness!

CHRISTMAS GIFTS

In lieu of giving Christmas gifts to me this year, I ask that you make a donation to St. Henry School. I don't need a lot of sweets, candy,..., so donate a food item to the Blue Jay Food Pantry instead. Thanks for your kindness, your thoughtfulness, and your generosity! May God abundantly reward you!
Father David

CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES

If you signed up to receive parish contribution envelopes for the coming year, please pick them up from the table at the back of the church. Thanks for your continued spiritual and financial support of the parish in 2025!

NEW CALENDARS

Calendars for the New Year of 2025 are available at the entrances of the church. We extend our thanks and appreciation to McMikle Funeral Home for their kindness and generosity in donating the calendars to our parish family. May 2025 be filled with God's abundant blessings and graces for us!

ST. HENRY PARISH PRAYER LINE

Once again, the St. Henry Parish Prayer Line is in need of "updating" and reorganization. Through some unknown glitch, I have lost a group of names on the list and cannot retrieve them. I apologize, but I also know the prayer line needs revision. Many who are on the prayer line have died or moved away or asked to be added. For the next TWO weeks, a sign up sheet for those who would like to continue to be on the list OR join as recipients in this service of prayer will be found in the back of the church. If someone is out of town during this time, you may sign them up with their permission. Adding names after this sign-up period is part of the problem I have had with forwarding requests. Please sign your name and give your cell phone number (including the area code). I will group the numbers into group texts. If you wish to receive a phone call instead of a text, please contact a member and ask that you be called after the text is sent out. Please remember to ask permission of the person or a member of the immediate family BEFORE putting someone's name forward in order to protect the person's privacy. We share information with the Methodist and Baptist prayer lines. If you wish to notify only St. Henry parishioners/members, please note this in your request. I apologize again for causing the error that is preventing my sending out texts. Thank you for your past participation in this ministry of prayer! I look forward to a continuation of this important parish outreach. Also, if anyone would like to take over this project, please let me know! Joyce Ohmes (#573-683-0494)