

St. Henry Catholic Church

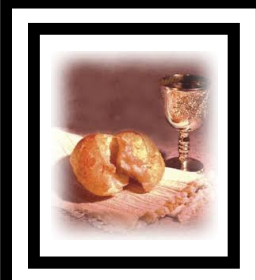
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St. Elizabeth Ann Seton - St. Henry Mass Schedule and Intentions



Monday, Sept. 7, 6:30 AM: NO Mass
 Tuesday, Sept. 8, 6:30 AM: Bernard Von Hagel RIP by Margaret Moody
 Wednesday, Sept. 9, 6:30 AM: Mother of Jamey Cather RIP by Fr. Deering and Parish Family
 Thursday, Sept. 10, 6:30 AM: James Deering RIP by Fr. Michael Deering
 Friday, Sept. 11, 6:30 AM:
 Saturday, Sept. 12, 5:00 PM: Scottie Blackstone RIP by Sarah Moody
 St. Henry Sunday, Sept. 13, 8:30 AM: For the people of the parish
 Sunday, Sept. 13, 11:00 AM: For the people of the parish

September's Parish Calendar was in error—There will be No 6:30am Mass on Labor Day Monday, Sept 7th.

Roman Catholic Inquiry and Answers! (RCIA)

RCIA takes place every Tuesday evening at 7pm at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish Hall!

Come renew your faith and invite family and friends to come with you so they can hear for themselves the teachings and truths of the Catholic Church.

This week's topic: The Bible and the Catechism.

Join us for St. Henry Friday Night Mights 6:30pm on the second Friday of every month!

EMPOWERMENT WEEK—DAY OF SERVICE

Friday, September 11, 2015—12 Noon until 4pm

Join Bishop Robert Baker, Mayor William Bell, Sr., and the people from around the Diocese of Birmingham at the Catholic Center of Concern, 712 4th Court West for a

Call to Serve Volunteer Rally and Service Projects Day

And proclamation dedicating the event in honor of

Pope Francis (12 Noon). For information: (205) 297-8383

SAVE THE DATE

September 26 and 27, 2015

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish Hall

Sodality's Biggest Fund Raiser

SPAGHETTI DINNER,

SILENT AUCTION and RAFFLE

Worldwide Marriage Encounter Alabama

How about some time just for the two of you? A weekend that will focus on love, caring and relationship. Go on a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend and come back refreshed and full of passion! **October 16-18, 2015 at St. Bernard's Abbey, Cullman.** Register online today at www.ALFL.wvme.org.

The Church Office is Closed

Labor Day, Monday, September 7th

Father Deering's Sunday Homilies

are now available on our website:

www.sthenrywarrior.org

"From the Pastor's Desk"

Many days a week I see a little silver car pull in and park right in front of our Sacred Heart statue. Some person stays there for a while praying and then they slowly pull away.

Is it good to pray before an image of Jesus? Absolutely! But it's even better to pray before Jesus Himself! And that's what that person could do if they just got out of their car and went inside the Church ... for there, waiting in the Tabernacle 24 hours a day is the sacramental Presence of Jesus!

It's a great mystery and a great miracle ... that the infinite God is fully contained in the finite Host!

But that's the way it is ... by God's design ... so that we His people have access to him as Spiritual Food for our journey to the Kingdom of Heaven.

And by storing the remaining Hosts that are not consumed at Mass in a Gold Tabernacle we continue to have the True Presence of Jesus constantly in our midst ... He's there in every Catholic Church everywhere in the world!

How wonderful to stop into Church at any time and pray ... not just in God's House ... but in God's True Presence!

Most of the time Jesus remains hidden in the Tabernacle. But there are times where we bring Him out and expose Him in a gold Monstrance on the altar.

This affords the Faithful the special privilege of actually looking upon the Sacramental Presence of the one that they are praying to ... Jesus, The Lord.

Some big Parishes are able to offer this prayer opportunity to their people around the clock in something that is known as Continuous Adoration ... with 2 Adorers present at all times (48 people/ day or 336 people / week)!

While we don't have the people to do this, we can offer Adoration of the Lord for short windows of time during the week at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church in Gardendale ... namely Monday thru Friday from 5:30 AM - 6:25 AM

This provides some extra prayer time for those already coming to 6:30 Morning Mass and some early prayer time for those unable to stay for Daily Mass.

And beginning September 15th we'll begin to offer once again our Tuesday evening Exposition of the Lord for 2 hours ... from 5:30 PM - 7:30 PM.

You're welcome to stay for 2 hours or 2 minutes. And while you're there, pray for those across the parking lot in the RCIA class, so they'll come to believe in the True Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist and get out of their car and come into the Church to pray in the presence of the Lord!

God bless you! Love, Father Deering

Please Pray for our Sick and Homebound

Patsy Clark Mary Jo Sparks

YOU MAY ADD TO OUR LONG TERM CAREBOOK located on the table at the side entry-way of the Church. PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY: A list of our loved ones serving in the Military is posted on the Knights' bulletin board.

PARISH MEETINGS

PARISH COUNCIL: September 28, 6pm

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:

General Council: Wednesday, October 7, 6:30pm

LADIES ALTAR SODALITY:

Every second Sunday each month after Mass

Our Sodality email address is:

sthenryladies@hotmail.com



Right to Life

Abortion is nothing more than a "choice" to kill. Pray for all who have made the wrong "choice", that they will find God's forgiveness and love. Pray that we will have the courage to rise up in love and protect life from conception to natural death.

The Diocese of Birmingham in Alabama and the Catholic Lawyers of the St. Thomas More Society cordially invite all judges, lawyers, law students, legal related professionals and the public they serve to the annual Red Mass on Friday, October 9, 2015 at 12:10pm at The Cathedral of St. Paul, 2120 Third Avenue No., Birmingham, The Red Mass is a Mass of the Holy Spirit celebrated annually at the opening of the judicial year to invoke divine guidance for all who seek and administer justice. This Thirteenth Century European custom received its name from the red color of the vestments worn by the celebrant and the scarlet robes worn by the Lord High Justices. The Red Mass came to the United States in 1877 and has been celebrated in Alabama since 1974. The celebrant will be The Most Reverend Robert J. Baker. A reception for the legal professionals in attendance will follow in the Family Life Center. For more information contact Rick DiGiorgio, 205-271-7105, rdigiorgio@corywatson.com.

Father Deering will be available to hear confessions at St. Henry's the first Sunday of each month from 7:45 until 8:15am.

GET YOUR CANS TO CHURCH!
Please bring empty aluminum drink cans to Church. We crush and recycle!

YOUTH HAPPENINGS



SAVE THE DATE!

Come serve as an "Angel in the Outfield" at Gardendale's Miracle League this Thursday, Sept. 10! Meet at church to ride the vans at 5:20pm or

meet at the field at 5:40pm. If you ride the vans, you must have a travel form completed.

For more information, contact Andy and Laura Hollis at 205-482-7414 or

laurahollisot@gmail.com.

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ATTENTION PARISH ORGANIZATIONS AND COMMITTEES

We want to help get the word out about all the St. Henry Church Organization or Committee events. Please call the church office at 631-9398 or email: seascc@yahoo.com. Remember to include the 4 W's: Who, What, When and Where!!! Please help us to serve you better!

LAY MINISTER SCHEDULE

DATE	LECTOR	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION	USHERS (Captain = C)	ALTAR SERVERS
Sun. Sept. 13	Bo Grant	Bo Grant Harold Gray Erin Grant Pat Stump	Tony Smith C Wendell Cox Kurt Keeney	Daniel Bamberry Caleb Gray
Sun. Sept. 20	Malcolm Fifer	Pat Townes Terri Rouse Dominick Viruleg Josh Stump	Tony Smith C Garvis Thrasher Paul Foti	Ben Baldwin Chase Jordan