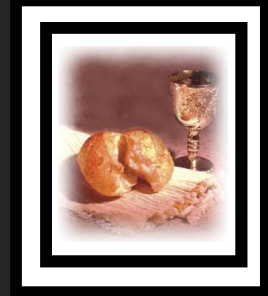


St. Henry Catholic Church

Third Sunday of Lent


February 28, 2016

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



Monday, Feb. 29,	6:30 AM:	Barbara Townes RIP by Lawrence and Paulette Johnson
Tuesday, March 1,	6:30 AM:	Walter Shapielak RIP by Paul and Dianne Young
Wednesday, March 2,	6:30 AM:	Paul Maniscalco RIP by Donald and MaryAnn Hand (Stations of the Cross at St. Henry)
St. Henry Wednesday, March 2,	6:00 PM:	(Stations of the Cross at St. Henry)
Thursday, March 3,	6:30 AM:	Francis Roganti RIP by Sharon Haley
Friday, March 4,	6:30 AM:	(Stations of the Cross at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton)
Friday, March 4,	6:00 PM:	(First Saturday Mass)
Saturday, March 5,	8:00 AM	(First Saturday Mass)
Saturday, March 5,	5:00 PM:	Johnny, Susan and Sidney Bajjalieh LIV
St. Henry Sunday, March 6,	8:30 AM:	For the people of the parish
Sunday, March 6,	11:00 AM:	For the people of the parish

STATIONS OF THE CROSS Please join us for Stations of the Cross at 6:00pm Wednesdays during Lent.


 Eucharistic Adoration takes place each Tuesday evening at 5:30pm at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church.

Roman Catholic Inquiry and Answers! (RCIA)

Join us and invite your family and friends to come to St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish Hall and learn about our faith.

This week's topic:
Abortion, Euthanasia, Assisted Suicide

Join us for St. Henry Friday Night Nights



Pancake Breakfast & Silent Auction
Today, Sunday, February 28
after 8:30am Mass
Casseroles, Eggs,
Breakfast Cakes, Danishes.... YUM!
We will accept your Love Offerings.


Mark your calendars for our **St. Joseph's Altar on March 13th!**

PASSION OF THE CHRIST

Film will be shown in St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish Hall
March 11, 5pm Pizza — 6pm Movie Everyone Welcome!



March for Life
OPEN TO EVERYONE
FOLKS FROM ST. BERNARD WILL JOIN US
IN FRONT OF THE MINI STORAGE IN FULTONDALE
WED.. MARCH 16 5 PM MARCH — 6 PM PIZZA TAILGATE



Financial Peace University Coming Soon!
A proven plan of handling and controlling your money! Classes taught by money expert Dave Ramsey in a series of 1 hour videos will be facilitated by Kelly and Carla Doss beginning **Thursday, March 31** and will run for **9 consecutive Thursdays at 6pm** starting with a light meal. The cost is \$95.00 for a single person or a couple, but registered parishioners of St. Elizabeth and St. Henry who attend all 9 classes can have 50% of the cost reimbursed to them! If you are interested please sign the list in the Hall.

“From the Pastor’s Desk”

In two days, we'll have the chance to do what many in the world only dream of doing ... which is to cast our vote for the people we wish to govern and lead us for the next 4 years.

Yes, sadly there are many dictatorships and monarchies where someone is put in a position of authority either by force or because of some family lineage ... leaving the people to just accept whatever consequences their leadership brings.

Fortunately for us, we live in a free country with a Constitution that defines and defends that we be governed “of the people, by the people and for the people.”

Wow, to be able to elect the men and women who serve us in the **Executive** and **Legislative** and **Judicial** branches of our government is a real privilege.

And yet ... a great many people don't take advantage of it! Yes in any given election, the voter turnout is half or less.

For example, in our Presidential election back in 2012 ... **only 58%** of the eligible voters voted! That means that **42%** of the American people did not exercise their right to vote for the leaders of their choice!

No, they didn't take a half-hour to go to their neighborhood polling place and vote ... but they then spend hours upon hours over the following years criticizing and critiquing and complaining about the actions of their leaders.

Please don't be a non-participant. Please go to the polls on Tuesday and vote for the representatives of your choice!

And before you go ... spend some time investigating the candidates and being clear on what they endorse across the full breadth of their campaign.

Number one should be ... are they a God-fearing and God-loving person? To be able to choose the Good for the Common Good is only possible when you're guided by the Supreme Good, who is God.

Number two should be ... are they a supporter of our Constitution? To seek to preserve the freedoms that we have ... that our forefathers established and that many died for ... should be the foundation on which to build our future.

Remember your **Catholic** faith and your **American** heritage. The love that our forefathers had for God and country has brought untold blessings upon us ... blessings that will continue as long as our leaders continue to uphold ...

the **life, liberty and pursuit of happiness** for all. Pray for God's hand to be upon this Election and then go do your duty on **Tuesday, March 1st** by casting your vote for the people of your choice.

God bless America! Love, Father Deering

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Please Pray for our Sick and Homebound

Patsy Clark Mary Jo Sparks Mike O'Laire

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: Monday, April 11, 6pm

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:

General Council: Wednesday, March 2, 6:30pm
Fourth Degree will meet immediately afterward.

LADIES ALTAR SODALITY:

Every second Sunday each month after Mass
sthenryladies@hotmail.com



Right to Life If our elected officials don't oppose killing children in the womb what makes us think our elected officials really care about educating them or protecting them from drug, sex, or any other abuse? We need more God loving and fearing politicians at all levels of government.

Natural Family Planning Class

takes place on **Tuesday, March 22 at 7 pm** at **St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish Hall (upstairs)** in Gardendale. Discover a natural way to postpone or achieve a pregnancy...the Art of Natural Family Planning® is based on an awareness of a woman's fertility. It's medically safe, 99% effective in postponing pregnancy, very low cost, often has a positive effect on the couple's marriage, and is morally acceptable according to the Catechism of the Catholic Church. For additional information contact Harold or Kathy Gray at 205-999-6439, or e-mail kagrav222@hotmail.com. Registration is online at www.ccli.org.

Could God be calling you to be a priest?

All men are invited to attend the upcoming Diocesan Discernment Retreat the weekend of **March 11-12, 2016** at St. Bernard Abbey in Cullman. There's no cost to attend. Please talk to Father Deering or call the Vocations Office at 838-2184 or visit vocations@bhmdiocese.org.

FATHER DEERING'S SUNDAY HOMILIES

are now available on our website:
www.sthenrywarrior.org

LAY MINISTER SCHEDULE

DATE	LECTOR	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION	USHERS (Captain = C)	ALTAR SERVERS
Sun March 6	Mike Jolly	Josh Stump Bo Grant Harold Gray Erin Grant	Tony Smith C Wendell Cox Kurt Keeney	Caleb Gray Chase Jordan Daniel Bamberry
Sun. March 13	Youth Serve	Pat Townes Terri Rouse Dominick Viruleg Josh Stump	Youth Serve	Youth Serve

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

PSR Teachers/Parents please note: If your child/children will receive any sacrament, you must be a registered member of our Parish and your child must be attending our Parish School of Religion (PSR) or Catholic School. Baptismal certificates are required for any child receiving **First Holy Communion** or **Confirmation** if the child was baptized anywhere other than St. Henry or St. Elizabeth Ann Seton. Please call the Church office for questions.

Mark your calendars for the 5th, 6th, and 7th Grade Retreat at WorldSong Retreat Center on **April 15-17, 2016!** We are also looking for responsible older teens 8th grade and up to serve as youth leaders and brave adult chaperones to serve as cooks/cleaners/picture takers/errand runners, etc.!!! Please let Andy and Laura know if you have any questions or would like to RSVP to attend or assist with the retreat in any manner!
Questions? Laurahollisot@gmail.com or 205-482-7414.

Have a good marriage? Want to step up to a Great, Exciting & Romantic One? Why settle for merely good when you can have the amazing relationship you both dreamed about just a few years ago. Now is the time to reach out for more and attend a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next Weekend in the diocese is scheduled in Cullman, **May 20-22 at St. Bernard's Abbey.** You can get more information or register online at www.ALFL-wwme.org or by calling Bob & Joy Hernandez at **678-985-0125.**



Susan's Fund -- Don't forget to bring in food items, gently used clothing, diapers, paper products and small appliances for our Parish support of the Catholic Centers of Concern. We have placed plastic bins in each PSR classroom and in the parish hall and front vestibule. Let's all be active in sharing our blessings with the poor of our Diocese.