

St. Henry Catholic Church

The Baptism of the Lord

January 10, 2016

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

Monday, Jan. 11,	6:30 AM: Communion Service
Tuesday, Jan. 12,	6:30 AM: Communion Service
Wednesday, Jan. 13,	6:30 AM: Communion Service
Thursday, Jan. 14,	6:30 AM: Communion Service
Friday, Jan. 15,	6:30 AM: Communion Service
Saturday, Jan. 16,	5:00 PM: Ursulina Mendoza Mejia RIP by Maria Baena
St. Henry Sunday, Jan. 17,	8:30 AM: For the people of the parish
Sunday, Jan. 17,	11:00 AM: For the people of the parish



 Eucharistic Adoration will resume this Tuesday, January 12, 2016 at 5:30pm at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church.

Roman Catholic Inquiry and Answers! (RCIA)

Start the New Year off right and join us and invite your family and friends to come to St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish Hall and learn about our faith as we begin the new year with wonderful videos:

Common Ground II on Tuesday, January 12, 2016.

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

**St. Elizabeth Ann Seton — St. Henry
ADULT RETREAT
January 29 - 31, 2016
Retreat Master: Fr. Leonard Mary
Cost is \$75.00 per person. Sign up today!**



**XYZ Mass, Luncheon and Bingo
Monday, January 25—Mass at 11am in St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish Hall. Everyone is invited especially those 50 plus!**



Two Houses for Rent in Warrior
near St. Henry Church.
Both have three Bedrooms. One is totally renovated. Please call Annette Cox for details at 647-7473

Dear Friends,

Ken and I cannot begin to adequately express the utter surprise and intense love that we felt when more than 80 friends arrived at our house to celebrate our 40th wedding anniversary! We were blown away! Thank you for your presence, greeting cards, gifts, and especially for your hugs. We are certainly blessed with many good friends and we love you all. Thank you ever so much!

Always with love, Ken and Joyce Friedrich

FATHER DEERING'S SUNDAY HOMILIES
are now available on our website:
www.seasgardendale.org



*From the
Pastor's Desk*

Today marks the formal end of the **Christmas Season** ... and now we transition into the first stretch of **Ordinary Time** ... which this year will run for only 4 weeks! Yes, Lent comes early this year ... with **Ash Wednesday** arriving just exactly one month from today, on **February 10th**!

Wow! And you thought 2015 went by fast! Well get ready ... because this year will have a rapid pace of its own as **Father Time** seems to pick up speed as the years go by.

Knowing this, the wisest thing we can do ... is pray often and live in the state of grace every day.

As you continue to carry the peace and joy of Christmas out to the world, I want to commend you for your faithfulness ... your faithfulness to the Church that you demonstrated by attending Mass on **Christmas Day** and **New Year's Day**.

That meant coming to Church twice as often as normal ... but the graces that you received in attending Holy Mass to celebrate the **Birthday of the Lord** and the **specialness of Mary as Mother of God** ... are way beyond counting!

My Prayer is that as a result of attending all those liturgies you now have a deeper appreciation of the immense love that God has for us ... that He would send His only Son to take on our humanity to redeem us from our sins.

And I hope too that you have a deeper appreciation of the key role that Blessed Mother Mary played in our salvation and recognize how calling upon her daily in prayer will help you to draw ever closer to her Divine Son, Jesus.

Now, as proud as I am of your Catholic faithfulness, I'm similarly touched by your thoughtfulness and generosity in favoring me with Christmas kindness!

I truly enjoyed receiving your beautiful Christmas Cards, especially the ones that included pictures of your families.

And, I'm very grateful to you for your presents, your monetary gifts, your gift cards and your Mass cards.

The cookies and cakes and candies have all been enjoyed by me and my staff.

So, **thank you so very much** for your kindness & generosity!

I thank God every day for the privilege of serving you good people and I look forward to the months ahead as we continue the journey of building up our relationship with God and with one another.

Wishing you all of God's blessings!

Love, Father Deering

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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: To be announced

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:

General Council: Wednesday, February 3, 6:30pm

LADIES ALTAR SODALITY:

Every second Sunday each month after Mass
Our Sodality email address is:
sthenryladies@hotmail.com



Right to Life

Pope John Paul II and Pope Benedict XVI have stated numerous times that there is no greater work to be done than to defend innocent human life, and "woe to us if we fail". Our future depends on it; the future of our nation depends on it; and the future of our souls could depend on it.

Annual Respect Life Mass and March

led by Bishop Baker — Saturday, January 16, 2016

Pray and Unite for Life Mass at Cathedral of St. Paul: 9am
Birmingham March for Life: 10:45am
Brother Bryan Park—22nd Street South at 10th Avenue, B'ham
www.BirminghamMarchforLife.com—205 705-9158

Natural Family Planning classes will begin on **Tuesday, January 26 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 kagray222@hotmail.com. Registration is online at www.ccli.org.

LAY MINISTER SCHEDULE

DATE	LECTOR	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION	USHERS (Captain = C)	ALTAR SERVERS
Sun. January 10 <i>The Baptism of the Lord</i>	Richard Townes	Bo Grant Terri Rouse Dominick Viruleg Josh Stump	Tony Smith C Garvis Thrasher Kurt Keeneey	Ben Baldwin Chase Jordan Joseph Holy
Sun. January 17	Bo Grant	Bo Grant Harold Gray Erin Grant Pat Stump	Tony Smith C Wendell Cox Kurt Keeneey	Daniel Bamberry Caleb Gray Joseph Holy

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

Mark your calendars!

High school PSR resumes Wednesday January 13 at 6pm. Also, the youth will be attending the *Birmingham March for Life* on **Saturday January 16**-taking orders for long sleeve pro-life tees for \$10 through Sunday January 10. Please text or email Laura Hollis to RSVP for the March for Life and to place the order for your shirt! Questions? Laurahollisot@gmail.com or 205-482-7414.

Grammar PSR: resumes this Sunday, January 10, 2016.
High School PSR: Resumes Wednesday, January 13, 2016



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.

2016 COLLECTION ENVELOPES if you didn't pick up your envelopes call the Church office; we will be happy to get them to you. **PLEASE** throw out all 2015 contribution envelopes and use only 2016 envelopes! Otherwise your contributions may be credited to someone else.

