

# St. Henry Catholic Church

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 26, 2015

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

Monday, July 27, 6:30 AM: Josh Pruitt LIV by Theresa Wright  
 Tuesday, July 28, 6:30 AM: In honor of Glyn Dover on his birthday  
 Wednesday, July 29, 6:30 AM: William Tucker RIP by Fr. Michael Deering  
 Thursday, July 30, 6:30 AM: Arnold McKerley RIP by Fr. Deering and St. Henry Parish  
 Friday, July 31, 6:30 AM:  
 Saturday, August 1, 8:00 AM: (First Saturday)  
 Saturday, August 1, 5:00 PM: In honor of Claude and Mary Bauer's 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary  
 St. Henry Sunday, August 2, 8:30 AM: For the people of the parish  
 Sunday, August 2, 11:00 AM: For the people of the parish



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

**St. Henry Scavenger Hunt**  
 Our children and their families are invited to a Scavenger Hunt, Games and a cookout with Hamburgers and Hot Dogs after Mass today, Sunday, July 26. Each child participating in the Scavenger Hunt will be guaranteed a win of cash that can be used for school supplies!

**The Ladies Altar Sodality of St. Henry Parish**  
 would like to invite the members of **St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Ladies Sodality** to be their guests for **Dinner and an Evening of Fun** and blending of both Parishes on **Wednesday night, August 26 at 6:30 at St. Henry Parish Hall.**  
 Please **RSVP** to **Carla Doss** if you can attend.

### PIANIST NEEDED

We're looking for a **Pianist** to occasionally play at our **5:00 PM Saturday Vigil Mass** or our **11:00 AM Sunday Mass.**  
 Please send your resume to us either by fax: **631-5781** or email: **seascc@yahoo.com**

**Pro-Life Rally – Women Betrayed, Tuesday, July 28<sup>th</sup>,** in Birmingham at the Southside Planned Parenthood at 12:00 Noon–12:45pm. We want to gather as many as we can in front of the abortion clinic to show that we do NOT stand with Planned Parenthood, and demand that NONE of our hard-earned tax dollars go to supporting a group that aborts babies, injures women, and profits off the body parts of our brothers and sisters. If you work in the downtown area and can take a long lunch break, please come by. If you have Tuesday off of work or school, please come by. If you cannot come, but know someone who can, please share the news. We need as many people to show up to this rally as we can. If you cannot come, there are still plenty of other ways to have your voice heard. If you use Twitter or Facebook, take Tuesday to make your pro-life views known and use the hashtag #womenbetrayed. Visit the [Women Betrayed](#) website and share the link with others. Watch [both undercover videos](#) to see for yourself how Planned Parenthood execs think, and post them on your Facebook and Twitter pages.

## “From the Pastor’s Desk”

Last week I explained that your prayers for Vocations should beg God’s help so men and women realize and accept His call to Priesthood or to Religious Life or to Married Life.

My point was that the great vocation of Marriage is under heavy attack at this time in our world and so we need to include in our prayers all the young men and women whom God is calling to be married so that they go forward with great courage in fathering and mothering children through life.

As recently as 50 years ago, there existed a general mindset among young people of getting married and raising a family. The average family size back then was **5 children** ... with many families having even more ... thereby reflecting in a beautiful way the abundant love of God.

But today, there seems to exist a general mindset among young people of maybe getting married one day ... and maybe having **one or two kids** ... if indeed they have any at all!

This mindset does not reflect the abundant love of God and it is sure to contribute to the demise of our culture.

The science of **Demographics** shows that whenever the rate of procreation falls below 1.7 children per couple, that culture will go away and be replaced by another culture.

Why? Because **married couples are not participating** in the great work of **procreation** and bringing children to life. Many people are falling captive to the allures of this world and seeking their own selfish satisfaction instead of being self-giving in raising children for the Kingdom of Heaven.

**Ireland** is a prime example. Prior to 1960, 50% of our Priests came from Ireland. Couples had many kids and many men accepted the call to Priesthood ... so much so that their seminaries were full and they had Priests to send to Alabama.

But since the secularization of that country and their embrace of contraception, their birth rate has plummeted, their seminaries have closed and there are no Priests to send here!

On Tuesday we welcomed **6 more Priests** from **India** who are on loan to us for 5 years. Thank God that that country is still Godly instead of Worldly (secular) ... where families are still having many children, where their Seminaries are full and they can therefore send mission Priests to help us.

The truth is, we shouldn’t need to draw Priests from any other country ... because God will provide everything we need ... if only we would listen to him and follow His plan.

Please pray for **all Married Couples** ... that they remain open to life ... and pray for all young men and women to be open to hearing God’s call ... and courageously follow it!

Prayers and Blessings, Father Deering

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## Please Pray for our Sick and Homebound

Patsy Clark    Johanna Chryssoverges    Mary Jo Sparks  
 Arnold McKerley

**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, August 5, 6:30pm  
 A meeting of the Fourth Degree will follow.

**LADIES ALTAR SODALITY:**

Every second Sunday each month after Mass  
 Our Sodality email address is:  
[sthenryladies@hotmail.com](mailto:sthenryladies@hotmail.com)

### Right to Life

*Medical research has shown that when an 8 week old human baby is pricked in the palm of his hand by a needle, he opens his mouth and pulls his hand away. There is also an increase in heart rate as a result. That Hand, That Heart and That Reaction belongs not to a blob of tissue but to a Human Baby!*



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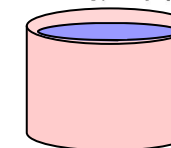
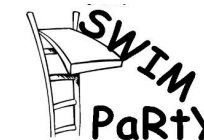
Father Deering will be available to hear confessions at St. Henry’s the first Sunday of each month from **7:45 until 8:15 a.m.**



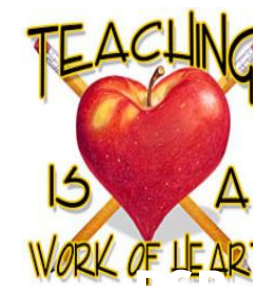
## GET YOUR CANS TO CHURCH!

Please bring empty aluminum drink cans to Church. We crush and recycle!

## YOUTH HAPPENINGS



**Mountain View Aquatic Club** in Gardendale,  
**This Sunday July 26** from **6:30-8:30pm!!!**  
 Laura: 205-482-7414 or



**Birmingham Catechist Conference**  
 PSR Teachers mark your calendars for **August 29, 9am — 2:30pm** at the **Cathedral of St. Paul.**

**Movie Night: God is NOT Dead**  
**Friday, July 31 at 6:15pm**  
**St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish Hall**

**Father Deering’s Sunday Homilies** are now available on our website:  
[www.sthenrywarrior.org](http://www.sthenrywarrior.org)

## LAY MINISTER SCHEDULE

DATE	LECTOR	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION	USHERS (Captain = C)	ALTAR SERVERS
Sun. August 2	Kathy Gray	Kathy Gray Dominick Viruleg Harold Gray Josh Stump	Tony Smith C Tim Schaefers Mike Jolly	Ben Baldwin Chase Jordan
Sun August 9	Erin Grant	Pat Stump Erin Grant Terri Rouse Pat Townes	Tony Smith C Paul Foti Duane Holy	Daniel Bamberry Joseph Holy