

# St. Henry Catholic Church

Fourth Sunday of Lent

March 6, 2016

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

Monday, March 7,	6:30 AM:	Barbara Townes RIP by Mike and MaryAnn Barrett
Tuesday, March 8,	6:30 AM:	Carol Black RIP by Michael and Lilo Belton
Wednesday, March 9,	6:30 AM:	Ronald Fassina RIP by Fr. Deering and the Parish Family
St. Henry Wednesday, March 9,	6:00 PM:	<i>(Stations of the Cross at St. Henry)</i>
Thursday, March 10,	6:30 AM:	Phillip Do and Family by the Do Family
Friday, March 11,	6:30 AM:	
Friday, March 11,	6:00 PM:	<i>(The Passion of the Christ at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish Hall)</i>
Saturday, March 12,	5:00 PM:	Paul Maniscalso RIP by Bettie Doss
St. Henry Sunday, March 13,	8:30 AM:	For the people of the parish
Sunday, March 13,	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.

## PASSION OF THE CHRIST

Stations of the Cross will not take place Friday, March 11th instead we will view The Passion of the Christ at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish Hall.  
5pm Pizza — 6pm Movie Everyone Welcome!



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:  
Sexual Morality and Homosexuality

## RCIA UPCOMING DATES:

Tuesday, March 22: 6pm No Meal – Practice in the Church  
Tuesday, March 29: 6pm Mystogogia #1  
Tuesday, April 5: 6pm Mystogogia #2

**March for Life**  
OPEN TO EVERYONE  
FOLKS FROM ST. BERNARD WILL BE JOINING US  
IN FRONT OF THE MINI STORAGE IN FULTONDALE  
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 16, 2016  
5 PM MARCH - 6 PM TAILGATE PIZZA

## 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 at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish Hall 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.

## “From the Pastor’s Desk”

During my 3 years living in Rochester, New York, I was a member of Holy Spirit Parish where the people were largely of Italian heritage and I witnessed their great devotion to holy St. Joseph, the Patron Saint of Italy.

Each year in early March the people would contribute significant time and energy to arranging a St. Joseph's Table filling it with all kinds of baked goods ... especially magnificent cakes and cookies and breads ... many made in religious shapes and symbols.

Then after Mass on the Sunday closest to the Feast Day of St. Joseph, which is March 19<sup>th</sup>, the people would carry a large statue of St. Joseph in procession from the Church to the Parish Hall where the Pastor would bless all of the food and then the people would sit down to a celebratory meal.

After eating, each person would leave with a little gift of an Orange and a portion of Bread in a little brown paper bag ... probably harkening back to the days when King David made sure that every person under his care got a loaf of bread after a celebration.

Well, for the third year in a row, we'd like to continue this rich tradition of having a St. Joseph Altar and we'll provide this next weekend on Sunday, March 13<sup>th</sup>.

It's a wonderful way to honor Holy St. Joseph in his role as Foster Father of Jesus, Husband of Mary, and Protector of the Church and to pray for his powerful intercession.

Coming together as Parish Family to worship God is the most life-giving thing we do. And following that ... coming together as Parish Family to have fellowship with one another is also very life-giving.

And so, immediately after Mass on Sunday, March 13<sup>th</sup>, we will have a procession of the St. Joseph statue from Church over to our Parish Hall where after a special blessing, we will all share in a delicious meal to celebrate the many blessings we have here in our parish.

Many of you will be providing the food for the luncheon so there's no cost for this Parish Appreciation Luncheon.

You don't have to be Italian to love St. Joseph ... so after Mass next Sunday come join us at the St. Joseph's Altar.  
*Holy St Joseph ... Husband of Mary ... pray for us!*

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, April 6, 6:30pm  
Fourth Degree will meet immediately afterward.

LADIES ALTAR SODALITY:

Every second Sunday each month after Mass  
[sthenryladies@hotmail.com](mailto:sthenryladies@hotmail.com)



## Right to Life

Be a war protester... protest the war being waged against our unborn children. Demand an end to war so all babies can live in their mother's womb in peace.

## 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 [kagray222@hotmail.com](mailto:kagray222@hotmail.com). Registration is online at [www.ccli.org](http://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](mailto:vocations@bhmdiocese.org).

## 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. March 13	Youth Serve	Pat Townes Terri Rouse Dominick Viruleg	Youth Serve	Youth Serve
Sun. March 20 Palm Sunday	Kathy Gray Dennis Deering	Bo Grant Harold Gray Kathy Gray Pat Stump	Tony Smith C Wendell Cox Kurt Keeney	Ben Baldwin 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

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](mailto:Laurahollisot@gmail.com) or 205-482-7414.

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Open House: Friday, March 11, 2016, 9 a.m.



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.