



Crusader Connection

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January 26, 2024

[2023-2024 School Calendar](#)

Dear Parents,

It has been a rainy and gross week outside, but inside the building we have been working hard! This week we finished up our Winter MAP testing. We are so proud of our students and all of their hard work on these tests. The data that we get from MAP testing helps us see what areas our students can use further development in so we can be more focused on those needs for the rest of the year. Today your students will be coming home with raffle tickets to sell for our Night at the Races event. We are asking each student to sell 10 tickets. There will be an information sheet that goes home with the tickets. We have also been working hard to get ready for Catholic Schools Week next week! You can see the list of activities and the dress up themes for each day below. We hope to see you at one or more of the events that are open to families throughout next week! On Sunday at our Open House, registration for the 2024-2025 school year will open to the general public. If you have not already registered for next year be sure to do so!

An additional event next week is the celebration of Candelmas at Mass on Friday. Candelmas celebrates the Presentation of Jesus in the Temple and is the official end of the Christmas season. Part of that celebration is the blessing of candles. If your family has a taper candle that you would like to have blessed, you can send it with your student on Friday and Fr. Lange will bless it at Mass.

We have two events coming up at St. Henry Parish in the next several weeks. These events are open to parishioners and to all of our school families even if they are not a part of the parish. Please consider attending the Women, Wine & Chocolate Social (women only) on February 2, or the 5th Annual Wild Beast & Brew Night (men only) on February 10; details can be found below.

We also wanted to share a couple of events coming up at the high school. Any **eighth graders** registered at St. Henry District High School are invited to join their **Esports** team! Students in first through eighth grades are invited to register for **flag football** for SHDHS, which begins on April 17. Registration information for both of these are below.

Finally, please note, there is no after care on February 7 due to our faculty/staff meeting.

Have a great weekend!

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February After Care Sign Up

After Care will not be available on Wednesday, February 7, due to a faculty and staff meeting. We apologize for the inconvenience!

Catholic Schools Week 2024

Want to donate or volunteer?
Sign up [here!](#)



Sunday January 28th
Celebrate our Contributor/ Parish

St. Henry Parish:
Hall of Fame award at 9:30am mass,
Treat after 9:30am mass


St. Barbara Parish
Treat after 11:00am mass

Open House
12:30-2:00pm

Monday January 29th
Celebrate our Community

Dress like your Future Career/ Role Model

Donuts with Parents A-L
8:00-8:30, cafeteria




Tuesday January 30th
Celebrate our Students

Students Out of Uniform
Bring Anything But a Backpack

Donuts with Parents M-Z
8:00-8:30, cafeteria

Student Ice Cream Bar




Wednesday January 31st
Celebrate our Nation

Dress in Red, White, and Blue/Camo

Cathedral Mass, 10:00am

Spelling Bee, 4th-8th Grade, 1:00pm



Thursday February 1st
Celebrate our Parents/ Vocations

Pajama Day


Board Games with Olympic Teams



Friday February 2nd
Celebrate our Teachers

Yeehaw for Teachers—
Dress like Cowboys/ Cowgirls

All School Mass 8:30am



Saturday February 3rd
Celebrate our Families

Family Bingo
5:30-7:30pm
(after 4:00pm mass)

Family Registration for Donuts and Bingo [here!](#)



It's (Almost) Catholic Schools Week!

[Link to the Registration \(all families should fill out\)](#)

[Link to the Sign up Genius to volunteer or donate](#)

We love our Catholic School, St. Henry, and we have a whole week to show that. Already looking forward to a fun week, starting January 28.

Catholic Schools
United in Faith and Community

A Night at the Races

Next Meeting: Wednesday January 31 @ 6:00pm in the Library- All are welcome!

Silent Auction Items Needed!

Do you have a basket, item, experience, condo, etc. that you would like to donate to our Night at the Races Event? Please contact the school office at 859-342-2551!

Register for the event [HERE](#)

Congratulations!



**St. Thomas Tournament Champions
6th Grade Basketball**



STAFF SPOTLIGHT



Martha Bohman

LIBRARIAN &
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COORDINATOR

- **MARTHA LOVES GIVING BACK TO THE SCHOOL AND PARISH WHERE SHE BEGAN!**
- **SHE AND HER HUSBAND, VINCENT, HAVE THREE SONS AND A DAUGHTER-IN LAW.**
- **HER FAMILY LOVES GAMES: BOARD GAMES AND CARD GAMES; HER PERSONAL FAVORITE ARE STRATEGY GAMES!**
- **MARTHA'S HOBBIES INCLUDE COLLECTING DOLLS AND DOING CRAFT PROJECTS.**
- **HER MOTHER WAS HER GREATEST INSPIRATION.**



“Always do the right thing,
especially when no one is looking.”

LUNCH					FEBRUARY 2024					PAY FOR MEALS ONLINE MySchool Bucks MySchoolBucks.com				
St. Henry Catholic School														
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday										
														
Mini Corn Dogs Macaroni & Cheese Steamed Broccoli Corn Peaches, Sidekicks Juice Milk	Chicken Pasty Sandwich OR Fish Sandwich Potato Wedges Green Beans Pineapple, Fresh Fruit Chocolate Chip Cookie Juice, Milk	3 or 4 Way Chili Spaghetti Shredded Cheese, Diced Onion Oyster Crackers, Kidney Beans Glazed Carrots, Garden Salads Mandarin Oranges, Fresh Fruit Juice Milk	Hamburger OR Cheeseburger Lettuce, Tomato, Onion, Pickles Curly Fries, Baked Beans Pears, Fresh Fruit Juice Milk	Mini Cinnamon Rolls OR Mini Strawberry Bages Scrambled Eggs Tater Tots, Veggie Boats & Dip Baked Apples, Fresh Fruit Juice Milk										
Mini Corn Dogs Macaroni & Cheese Steamed Broccoli Corn Peaches, Sidekicks Juice Milk	Turkey & Gravy OR Chicken Drumstick Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans Dinner Roll Pineapple, Fresh Fruit Chocolate Brownie Cookie Juice, Milk	Ash Wednesday Cheese Pizza Steamed Broccoli Garden Salads Mandarin Oranges Fresh Fruit Juice, Milk	Sausage, Egg & Cheese B Syrup Cup Smile Fries Veggie Boats & Dip Pears, Fresh Fruit Juice Milk	Grilled Cheese OR Bosco Stick Tomato Soup, Marinara Sauce Garden Salads, Pickle Spears Oyster Crackers Applesauce, Fresh Fruit Juice, Milk										
Nachos OR Soft Taco Lettuce, Tomato, Onion, Salsa Shredded Cheese, Sour Cream Black Beans, Corn Peaches, Sidekicks Juice, Milk	Hot Dog OR Chili Coney Shredded Cheese, Diced Onion Potato Wedges, Green Beans Pineapple, Fresh Fruit Carnival Cookie Juice, Milk	Pasta & Meat Sauce OR Chicken Alfredo Garlic Breadstick Glazed Carrots, Garden Salads Mandarin Oranges, Fresh Fruit Parmesan Cheese Juice, Milk	Chicken Nuggets Macaroni & Cheese Peas & Carrots, Garden Salads Dinner Roll Pears, Fresh Fruit Juice Milk	Mini French Toast OR Mini Waffles Scrambled Eggs, Syrup Cup Tater Tots, Veggie Boats & Dip Baked Apples, Fresh Fruit Juice Milk										
President's Day No School	Fiestada Pizza OR BBQ Chicken Pizza Peas & Carrots, Corn Garden Salads Peaches, Sidekicks Juice Milk	Tangerine Chicken OR Teriyaki Chicken Brown Rice, Fortune Cookies Steamed Broccoli, Carrots & Dip Mandarin Oranges, Fresh Fruit Juice Milk	Confetti Pancakes Sausage Patties, Syrup Cup Smile Fries Celery & Dip Pears, Fresh Fruit Juice Milk	Cheese Bites OR Pizza Crunchers Marinara Sauce Steamed Broccoli Garden Salads, Pickle Spears Applesauce, Fresh Fruit Juice, Milk										
Fiestada Pizza OR BBQ Chicken Pizza Peas & Carrots, Corn Garden Salads Peaches, Sidekicks Juice Milk	Chicken Tenders Mashed Potatoes & Gravy Green Beans Dinner Roll Pineapple, Fresh Fruit Juice Milk	Hamburger OR Cheeseburger Lettuce, Tomato, Onion, Pickles Curly Fries, Baked Beans Pears, Fresh Fruit Juice Milk												

Alternate meal options include PB&J Grab & Go, Yogurt Grab & Go, Turkey & Cheese Sandwich, or Grilled Chicken Box Salad. Fruits & Vegetables offered with all options. Meat options not available on Fridays. Menu subject to change by product availability. This institution is an equal opportunity employer.

Boots & Beauties

FATHER-DAUGHTER DANCE
Saturday February 24th

7:00-9:30

St. Henry cafeteria
3825 Dixie Hwy
Erlanger, KY 41018

Early registration
\$20 per couple
\$5 additional daughter



DJ, dancing, snacks,
candy bar, crafts, photo station

Father Daughter Dance Registration

Upcoming St. Barbara Youth Group Events

February 7: Meeting

February 11: Perfect North Trip

February 16: Fish Fry

February 21: Meeting

February 22: Woodcrest Retirement Center

February 23: Fish Fry

February 25: Busy Buddies

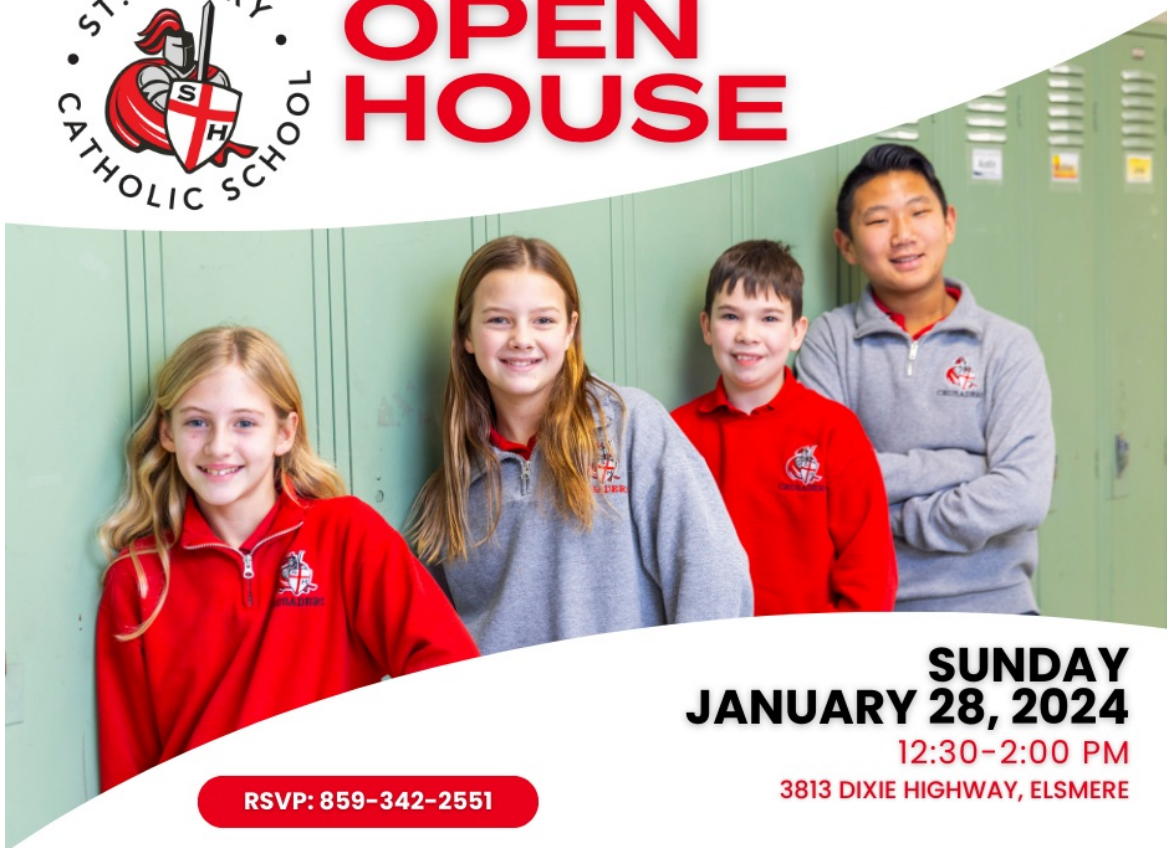
February 28: Meeting

Boys Volleyball Registration

Boys volleyball registration is now open! The season will run from mid-February-April and the registration fee is \$65. Registration and the fee is due by February 2. You can get more information and register [HERE](#).



OPEN HOUSE



**SUNDAY
JANUARY 28, 2024**

12:30-2:00 PM

3813 DIXIE HIGHWAY, ELSMERE

RSVP: 859-342-2551

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BINGO

Monday Night

January 29

Player Appreciation Night!

Triple Crown Derby: \$1,850

Hog Wild: \$1,100

Big Hoss: \$1,000 cash & prizes

Lucky Loser Drawing



Free hot cocoa bar!

Doors open @ 4:45 pm
Jitneys @ 6:45 pm
Regular games @ 7:15 pm



KY License #287

Must be 18 years or older to enter hall.

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2023-2024 Bingo Sign Up

To learn more, contact Ryan Bihl, watermobihl@yahoo.com, 859-760-3325, or Jamie Powers, jamielpowers00@gmail.com, 859-814-9998.



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Our Lord Appears to ST. THOMAS AQUINAS

1224-1274

During the years of his theological maturity, from 1269 to 1272, St. Thomas Aquinas was called to Paris to resolve the complicated question of the nature of the Eucharistic Sacrament. Before St. Thomas started his dissertation, he went in church to pray and then finally wrote the actual text. Once the exhibit was concluded, St. Thomas returned to church and that is when Our Lord Jesus appeared to him to confirm the righteousness of his writings.



The miracle consists in the Crucifix animating itself to confirm to St. Thomas that his writings were righteous.



G. Francesco Barbieri, called "Guercino", St. Thomas Aquinas writing while visited by Angels (1662)



Church of St. Dominic in Naples, Italy

During his second tenure as professor in Paris, St. Thomas found himself in the middle of a dispute taking place among the professors at the Sorbonne University in regard to the Eucharistic sacrament. The dispute was about two points: a) if the senses perceive the presence of the so-called "accident", such as color, taste, durability and quantity, it would be the concrete extension of the true and real Eucharistic Bread and Wine; b) faith confirms that in the sacrament exists the Body and Blood of Christ, which is an apparent contrast with the former theory. Parisian theologians were clearly divided between the objective theory and the value of faith. They decided to ask St. Thomas because they already had the opportunity of experiencing his philosophical intelligence and his theological sanctity. They asked him to offer and communicate his opinion, in that his theological wisdom would become the rule to follow.

Thomas then, as he usually did, retreated himself to prayer and contemplation and started to pray with great fervor and devotion. Soon after, he quickly jotted down in writing the least amount of words with the most precise clarity possible, what his mind was able to understand and what The Lord inspired him to write. He returned in church, went to the altar and laid down his written answers under the eye of the Crucifix and prayed: "Our Lord Jesus, actually and forever present in this Blessed Sacrament, I am asking You to help me understand Your truth and to be able to teach and confer it without any possibility of errors. So, I beseech thee, Oh Lord, to concede me this grace: If the things that I wrote about You and with Your blessing are true, make it possible for me to say and teach them publicly. If, instead, I have written

something that is not in tune to the truth revealed and alien to the mystery of the sacrament, stop me from inferring anything that could deviate from the Catholic faith." This was the humble prayer of the theologian who understands that he is dealing with things much higher than himself and that he has a grave responsibility towards his people. Father Reginaldo, his secretary, and other brethren were fortunate enough to observe St. Thomas while in deep prayer, when suddenly Christ appeared and motioned towards his writings and said: "You wrote well about the sacrament of my Body and you wrote well and according to truth; you also have resolved the question that was posed to you. This understanding of the Truth defines and holds true, as long as man is present on earth." Having heard this, Thomas was filled with joy and thanksgiving, and prostrated himself and knelt down at the altar in front of our Lord.

Women, Wine & Chocolate

A MATCH MADE IN HEAVEN!



Friday, February 2
6:30-8:30 PM
Wehage Hall

All women and friends of the parish are invited to an evening of wine tasting, charcuterie board treats, and chocolate, along with socializing, sponsored by the Women's Welcome Teams.

The event is free!

RSVP to the parish office by January 25 and receive a commemorative take-home wine glass, 859-727-2035 or email sbier@sthenryny.com.

RSVP Today!

WILD BEAST & BREW NIGHT

Saturday, February 10
Mass @ 4:00 PM
Social @ 5:00 PM

All men are invited to enjoy an evening of finely crafted home brews along with savory game dishes from our parish hunters!

Tickets will be available in January; must be 21 or older to attend.



Broadcasting to all Men of St. Henry Parish,

On Saturday, February 10, the men of the Holy Name Society will be cooking up another great menu for the 5th Annual Wild Beast and Brew Men's Night. We invite all men of the parish and the Knight of Columbus to attend this special night as we serve up tasty dishes brought to you from the hunters, fishermen, pitmasters, and home brewers. Last year, we had over 120 guests and expect the same crowd this year. Just to name a few of the dishes, we will have grilled deer tenderloin, casseroles, deer chili, Cincinnati chili, sausages, deer goetta, fried red fish, bean soup, smoked mahi mahi, smoked beef tri-tip, several smoked cheeses, along with several vegetable sides. To get the evening started, we will also be serving several types of homebrews along with commercial beers.

Our guest speakers will be from Lewis and Grant Auctions (<https://lewisandgrant.com>) in Newport, Kentucky. They are the Midwest's Leading Arms, Armor & Western Artifacts Auction House and will give a presentation on the progression of firearms from the 1700s to modern age. They will display approximately 20 firearms that date back several centuries. They will also lead a question and answer session.

Tickets are \$15/person and will be sold this weekend at the entrances to church after Mass. You can also purchase tickets at the door or stop by the parish office. The men's night has always been a great time and this year will not disappoint. Make plans to meet up with old friends, meet new people, try delicious and unique dishes, and knock back a pint or two.

If you are a sportsman/sportswomen, meat smoker, or a homebrewer and would like to bring in a dish or brew, please shoot(!) your information to Doug Braun dougbraun392@gmail.com, Jeffrey Braun jeffrey.d.braun@gmail.com, or Bob Pritchett (rpritch777@gmail.com). We look forward to seeing you on February 10!

VIRTUS[®]

Anyone who volunteers in our school or parish must be VIRTUS trained and compliant. If you are interested in volunteering in our school or parish, there are many opportunities to attend the Protecting God's Children training: see list below or visit VIRTUS.org > drop down to select Covington, KY (Diocese) > select a session to attend and register.

Upcoming sessions:

- Diocesan Curia, Bishop Howard Memorial Auditorium, Covington, Wednesday, February 7, 2024, 9:00 AM to 11:30 AM
- Diocesan Curia, Bishop Howard Memorial Auditorium, Covington, Wednesday, February 7, 2024, 6:00 PM to 8:30 PM
- Diocesan Catholic Children's Home, Miller Building/Training Room, Fort Mitchell, Tuesday, March 5, 2024. 6:30 PM to 9:00 PM

If you have questions or need additional information, reach out to our VIRTUS[®] coordinator, Kristina Goodridge, 859-342-2551, or email kgoodridge@sthenrynky.com.

Anyone who has experienced sexual misconduct by a cleric, employee, religious, or volunteer of the Diocese of Covington is asked to contact Julie Feinauer, Diocesan Victims Assistance Coordinator, 859-392-1515. Professional assistance and pastoral support will be provided in confidentiality and with respect.

News from SHDHS

CRUSADERS ESPORTS



Welcoming Current 8th Graders
who are registered to attend
SHDHS in 2024-2025 to join
the 2024 Spring Season

Esports Team Registration Deadline: January 29th
Preseason: Week of 2/5 and Week of 2/12
Regular season: Week of 2/19 through Week of 4/8
Bye Week (SHDHS): Week of 4/1 (Easter Break)
Playoffs: Week of 4/15 through Week of 4/22

Contact Mr. Z with questions
zzvosecz@shdhs.org

St. Henry District High School Esports: Welcoming Registered 8th Graders for the Spring Season
Another Esports season is about to kick off at St. Henry and the spring season is open to 8th graders! We offer three game titles: Super Smash Bros, Rocket League, and Mario Kart 8 Deluxe. If we have enough interest, we have also played Splatoon 3 and League of Legends.

SHDHS is proud to offer Esports as an officially sanctioned KHSAA sport. We compete against schools across Kentucky through the PlayVS website. St. Henry has won three State semifinalist trophies and a State Runners-up trophy. We hope to add more in the coming seasons!

All games are played on-site in our Computer Lab/Media Center at 5:00 pm on their designated days: Splatoon 3 and League of Legends (potentially) on Tuesday, Super Smash Bros on Wednesday, and Rocket League and Mario Kart on Thursday.

Please contact Mr. Zack Zvosecz (zzvosecz@shdhs.org) with any questions about the program, especially to express interest if your son or daughter would like to join the team. Registration is due by January 29.

Requirements:

- Registered to attend SHDHS next year (2024-2025)
- \$150 Athletic Fee (per season)
- Registration Final Forms file on record with Athletics (including a medical Physical)
- Availability for match times
- Game experience is preferred but not required
- Gear is not required for each individual player, but each team will have a collective requirement (for example, a Super Smash Bros team will need at least one Nintendo Switch console, which all players can share).

Grade School Nights of Basketball Fun @ St. Henry District High School!

Tuesday, January 30, 2024: Girls basketball takes on Bishop Brossart
Freshmen game at 5:00 pm, JV game at 6:00 pm, and Varsity tip-off at 7:30 pm

Any student who wears their grade school jersey will get into the game for free. If you have questions, please contact Sue Kolkmeier at skolkmeier@shdhs.org.



FLAG FOOTBALL REGISTRATION SPRING 2024

SEASON STARTS
4/17/2024 ENDING 5/15/2024

POST SEASON PLAYOFF GAMES
5/22/24 AND 5/29/23

REGISTRATION FEE: \$150 IF PAID BY 01/31/2024
JERSEY, SHORTS, AND SOCKS INCLUDED IN REGISTRATION FEE

OPEN TO GRADES 1ST-8TH, CO-ED
GAMES HELD AT ST. HENRY DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL
GAMES PLAYED WEDNESDAY NIGHTS 5-9PM
PRACTICE IS 20-30 MINS BEFORE THE GAME.



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Crusader Youth League Information/Registration



UPCOMING BLOOD DRIVE

St. Henry Catholic Church

Blood Drive

Friday, February 16, 2024

12:00 pm - 2:15 pm

3:30 pm - 6:00 pm

Blood Drive will be held in Wehage Hall
3813 Dixie Hwy, Elsmere, KY 41018

All donors get a FREE FC Cincinnati Scarf!

To schedule an appointment please visit:
hoxworth.org/groups/sthenry
or call Hoxworth at 513-491-0190

All Types Welcome.

Hoxworth
BLOOD CENTER
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Sign up to donate today!

Upcoming Events

- **January 28:** Catholic Schools Week Begins
- **January 28:** SHCS Hall of Fame Award Mass & Reception, 9:30 AM, St. Henry Catholic Church
- **January 28:** SHCS Open House, 12:30-2:00 PM
- **January 31:** Night at the Races Meeting, 6:00 PM
- **February 1:** Love Your Library Month Begins
- **February 6:** Dine to Donate: Erlanger Skyline all day long

- **February 7:** No After Care Available
- **February 8:** PTO Meeting, 7:00 PM
- **February 9:** Junior High Dance, 7:30-9:30 PM
- **February 14:** Ash Wednesday, Lent Begins
- **February 16:** **Hoxworth Blood Drive**, 12:00-6:00 PM
- **February 19:** President's Day, no school
- **February 25:** Father/Daughter Dane, 7:00-9:30 PM
- **March 2:** Night at the Races, 7:30-11:00 PM

✝ ST. HENRY CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Mission Statement

St. Henry Catholic School is a place where we learn, grow, and become Disciples of Christ by embracing the Gospel message. We will work toward our full potential each day in order to demonstrate our respect for the sacrifices made by the entire St. Henry community to ensure our success. We will remain *connected* to God and others, gain *confidence* in our academic, social, and physical abilities, and *contribute* to the community through service and leadership.

Our Parishes

St. Barbara

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St. Henry

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