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**May 3, 2024**

2023-2024 School Calendar

Dear Parents,

Happy May! Thank you to everyone who showed love to our teachers and staff during Teacher/Staff Appreciation Week! We are so blessed to have a great community of families and a PTO that took great care of us this week. During the month of May we get pretty busy with end of the year activities and field trips. We appreciate all of you who are volunteering to help set up events and chaperone. Without you these activities would not be possible! Also, make sure you mark your calendars that our last day of school is May 24 and we will dismiss at Noon.

Please keep our 8th grade students in your prayers next week as they head to Washington D.C. This is a great learning opportunity for them and I am confident that they will come back with a greater appreciation for the history of our country and the many people who contributed to making it what it is today.

As many of you are aware, we have a number of open positions for the 24-25 school year. We are posting positions as they become available. Positions are posted on the diocesan website, our social media, through Handshake (a job search platform for local universities), and I communicate them to the education departments of local universities. We do have a number of interviews lined up and expect to have several of these positions filled in the near future. Please remember that some of these positions are positions that we knew would be available due to people taking on extra responsibilities this year and some are to give us smaller class sizes. As I said, I have interviewed a number of people in the last few days and there are several interviews scheduled for next week. I know that it may feel disheartening that we have teachers who are leaving our school. I cannot give you the reasons why individual teachers are leaving because that is their person business. However, please know that every teacher that is leaving our school has spoken with the highest regard for our students and for our school in our conversations. I will continue to keep you updated on the hiring process over the coming weeks. The positions that we have available are...

1st Grade  
3rd Grade (looking for a 2nd teacher)  
4th Grade (looking for a 2nd teacher)  
5th Grade  
JH Language Arts (Looking for a 2nd teacher)

Thank you for your continued support of our school! Have a great weekend!

God Bless,

*Kimberly Wagner*

## May AfterCare Link

# CruNews

### From the Pastor's Desk

#### **Many happy congratulations to our First Holy Communicants!**

On May 5, we celebrate First Holy Communion at St. Henry's! This includes our young parishioners in both our parish school and CCD and many young parishioners from St. Barbara Parish. What a joyful time for these young people and all of us! At that age, they are so full of joy and openness to the Lord's gift of Himself in the Eucharist, in all its wonder and simplicity. May we allow their awe to be contagious and re-ignite our own love for Jesus in the Most Blessed Sacrament!

#### **A Stupendous Spruce Up!**

We had such a marvelous turnout for our annual Spring Spruce Up on Saturday, April 20! And the Lord blessed us with some great weather too. Mucho mulching was accomplished. We had parishioners and friends of all ages help out. Tracy Patrick even brought her son's baseball team to help out! Some of our 8<sup>th</sup> graders got some final service hours in just before the Sacrament of Confirmation. And our principal, Mrs. Wagner, showed off her own mulching skills, giving yours truly some helpful hints on achieving just the right thickness of mulch-layering.

Special thanks to Greg Mettens and his landscaping company of G.M. Mettens, Inc., for their long-time and ongoing donation of mulch to us! This is also a good opportunity to thank the Nienaber family, St. Henry parishioners, who have carried on a legacy of caring for our grounds at St. Henry for many years. They do this to honor their father's legacy, who started doing much of the regular upkeep of our grounds many years ago. What a wonderful way to remember someone! And last but not least, thanks to Larry Klein and his crew for heading it all up. *Fr. Joshua Lange, Pastor*



### **Congratulations!**

One of our traditions at St. Henry Parish the second graders, with the help of our art teacher, Ms. Rouster, create the artwork featuring "The Last Supper" for our First Communion bulletin. This year's artist is Julia Tessandori. Julia and all the students did a great job!

Please pray for all our second graders that have or will receive First Holy Communion this spring.

Larkin Andrews  
Amari Bandy  
Isaiah Behrens  
Nolan Bramlage  
Abigail Braun  
Harrison Burkhardt  
Hudson Burkhardt  
Aidan Christopfel  
Logan Corbett  
Grace Darnell  
Xavier Duff  
Mallory Finch  
Nora Franks  
Saylor Geisen  
Giovanni Geraci  
Audrey Groger  
Courtney Gunkel  
Lyla Haglage  
Ryan Klein

Eli Klosterman  
Carter Lageman  
Brooklynne Martin  
Jack Miller  
Alexander Mosley  
Zachary Osborne  
Colin Schierberg  
Liam Sieg  
Cooper Smith  
Liam Smith  
Savannah Spradling  
Alexander St. John  
Burk Stringer  
Julia Tessandori  
John Vandergriff  
Lucy Vaniglia  
Louis Voelker  
Everleigh West



### **Olympic Day Volunteers Needed**

It's almost time for the 2024 St. Henry Catholic School Olympic Day. Olympic Day is on Friday, May 17. In order for us to make this a great day for our Olympians, we need help from parents and family members. If you are able to help out with working any of the games, please sign up below. The games that have water associated with them have been marked. Please remember that all volunteers over the age of 18 MUST be VIRTUS trained and compliant. Thank you all for your help on making this a great event for our students.

**Volunteer Today!**

If you have questions, reach out to Kristina Goodridge, [kgoodridge@sthenrynky.com](mailto:kgoodridge@sthenrynky.com).





### Scholastic Book Fair: May 3-13

Below is the link to our bookfair homepage, which includes a sign up genius for **parent volunteers** who want to help students shop.

From the homepage, parents can also set up an e-wallet for their child, see the flyer, and do online shopping. Out-of-town family and friends can also shop the online store to benefit our school or put money in an e-wallet for their grandchild or favorite student to spend at the fair!

All proceeds from the book fair stay within the school to update library titles and provide resources for students from preschool through 8th grade!

<https://bookfairs.scholastic.com/bf/sthenryschool>

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### Tuition Discount

Did you know that you can work Reds/Bengals games and concerts and get money toward your tuition at participating Diocese of Covington schools, including high school? It is a great way to knock off some tuition costs and we are looking for more volunteers! There is no minimum — work as much as you want and other family members can do it too! Sign ups are starting now! Contact Josh Wallace, [poststthomas@gmail.com](mailto:poststthomas@gmail.com) for more information.

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### 2024-2025 Golf Registration is now open!

St. Henry Golf registration is now open until May 23 for boys and girls grades 4-8. The cost is \$65 payable exclusively through Givesmart [HERE](#) and includes a St. Henry Under Armour polo. 9-hole matches are played at World of Golf in Florence once a week from late August until early October. Most kids will play in a two-person scramble while there will likely be one A team where experienced players play their own ball. There will be several practices over the summer with flexible times/dates. All abilities are welcome, and this is a great way to get your child or children into the game. If you have any questions, contact David Miller at

513.608.7791 or email [golf@sthenryny.com](mailto:golf@sthenryny.com).

## Father/Son Event @ World of Golf

We will hold our second annual Father/Son Event at World of Golf on Thursday, May 18, at 6:30 PM. Please use the link below to register. Cost is \$4 per child and \$6 per adult. All dads/uncles/grandfathers are welcome! Payment can be made at World of Golf when you arrive.

[Father/Son Putt Putt Event 2024](#)



# SUMMER LEARNING Series



Join us this summer 2024 at Mind Over Matter Kids where we make learning FUN!  
We promise to find engaging ways to keep the brain growing all year long.

## RISING CLASSES

*Work with our expert teachers to prepare for the next grade!*

K: TUES: 5:00 OR WED: 10:00

1ST: MON: 5:00 OR THURS: 10:00

2ND: TUES: 5:00 OR WED: 11:30

2/3 MATH: TUES: 11:30 OR THURS: 6:00

3RD: WED: 5:00 OR THURS: 10:00

4TH: MON: 5:00 OR WED: 11:30

5TH/6TH: MON: 11:30 OR WED: 5:00

5TH/6TH MATH: MON: 10:00 OR THURS: 11:30



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ONE ON ONE TUTORING: ORTON GILLINGHAM. READING. MATH. WRITING. STUDY SKILLS

FUN CAMPS: LEGO. POKEMON. ARTS/CRAFTS. GAME NIGHT. CHRISTMAS IN JULY. AND MORE...

SUMMER SCHOOL WORK: READING. SOLUTIONS. PROJECTS: WE CAN HELP!

BACK TO SCHOOL BLITZ: 1ST WEEK OF AUGUST. WEEKLONG GRADE LEVEL CAMPS

REGISTER NOW

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[WWW.MINDOVERMATTERKIDS.COM](http://WWW.MINDOVERMATTERKIDS.COM)

## BINGO Volunteers Needed!

One night out per month and you can help the St. Henry community at the same time. Fellowship with community members. Volunteer with a friend and it's a



night out. Dinner and drinks are provided & some of the best people watching ever! Thanks for considering the two open positions we currently have!

**Bingo caller needed (week 1):** Feel comfortable behind the microphone? Like to be the most popular person in the room? Consider donating your time one Monday a month from 6:30-10:00 PM in the school cafeteria at the best bingo in town! Training will be provided.

**Table Worker (week 3)**  
This position is for a fun, friendly, smiling person who can count pull tabs and provide correct change to our bingo players. Duties include:

- Pull tabs from the table (chairs are provided and can be a seated position)
- Destroy used pull tabs
- Collate completed pull tab games
- Provide assistance to pull tab sellers on the floor by getting pull tabs set up for them to stack into their trays.
- This is a fun, low key volunteer position. 5:30- 9:30 PM

### Results of Bingo Operations for the Ten Months Ended April 30, 2024 vs. April 30, 2023

Many thanks to all the volunteers who work bingo so tirelessly each week for the benefit of St. Henry Catholic School. Below are the year over year operating results for the ten months ended April 30, 2024 vs. April 30, 2023:

	7/1/2023-4/30/2024	7/1/2022-4/30/2023
Gross Proceeds	\$253,095	\$261,110
Cost of Games	(80,204)	(80,877)
Licensing & Other Costs	(14,127)	(18,731)
Net Profit	\$158,764	\$161,502

To learn more about our bingo program, contact Ryan Bihl, [watmobihl@yahoo.com](mailto:watmobihl@yahoo.com), 859-760-3325, or Jamie Powers, [jamielpowers00@gmail.com](mailto:jamielpowers00@gmail.com), 859-814-9998.

**2023-2024 Bingo Sign Up**

**Upcoming Events**





**It's SKYLINE time,  
Crusader family!**

***Tuesday, May 7  
All Day Long!***

**Stop by all day long to support your  
Crusaders!**

**Erlanger Skyline  
3159 Dixie Highway**

 **ST. HENRY CATHOLIC PARISH**

***May Crowning***

**Monday, May 13  
7:00 PM**

**in front of the rectory\***

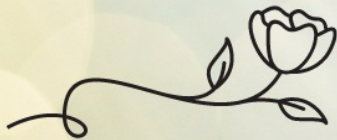
**Tuesday, May 14  
10:00 AM in church**

\*Park in the teacher's parking lot on Cross & Vine Streets

It's May!

It's the Month of Mary!

Let's honor her by placing flowers  
by our Marion statues on campus!  
One statue is located by the rectory;  
the other is in the Marion Grotto  
across the parking lot! There are  
containers with water in them at  
both locations!



**Memorial Day Tradition**

It has long been a tradition of parishioners, school families, and friends to watch the Erlanger/Elsmere Memorial Day parade in front of our church and school. This year, the men of the St. Holy Name Society will have coffee and donuts available on the steps of St. Henry Church on May 27! We invite all you to join us for Mass at 8:00 AM and then join us afterwards to help celebrate this very important holiday.

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# cross the bridge for LIFE

A Celebration of the Gift of Human Life

**JUNE 1, 2024**  
**SATURDAY | 10 AM**

**Festival Park Newport**

**NEW FOR 2024:**  
**Free T-shirt for all**  
**registered walkers**  
**Deadline May 13**



- 9am Check in and pick up Free T-Shirt
- 10am Opening prayer/walk begins
- 11am Walk followed by Festivities
  - Facepainting and Balloon Twisting
  - Live Music, Speakers and Fellowship
  - Ministry Fair ....and MORE!
- 1pm Event Closing

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Will **YOU**  
be there?



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## You Don't Want to Miss This Moment

God wants to do something NEW in and through his people, but first we must return to our first love: Jesus in the Eucharist. At the National Eucharistic Congress, every Catholic is invited to be healed, strengthened, and anointed for an exciting new chapter of mission. Then, we will be sent back home to our communities, on fire for Christ and ready to share his love! Our nation and our world will never be the same.

**COME IN FAITH. LEAVE WITH HOPE.**

[eucharisticcongress.org](http://eucharisticcongress.org)

**Learn More & Register Today!**

## Other Events

### HCHS Girls Youth Summer Cheer Camp

Holy Cross High School Cheer Squad is hosting a youth summer camp July 15-18 from 9:00 AM-12:00 noon for girls ages 6-13. It will be held in the Holy Cross Gym, 3526 Church Street, Covington. Cost



is \$50/girl, includes a FREE t-shirt if registered by June 23rd. Register online at [hchscov.com](http://hchscov.com). For more information or questions contact Coach Bunton at [Karen.Bunton@hchscov.com](mailto:Karen.Bunton@hchscov.com).

Come join Ms. Scott this summer!



[www.onstageky.com](http://www.onstageky.com)

Register today!



Musical  
Ages 6 to 9 years old  
June 10th through 14th, 10am to 3pm  
Performance, Fri. June 14th 7pm

Straight Play  
Ages 12 to 14 year olds  
June 17th through 21st 10am to 3pm  
Performance, Fri. June 21st at 7pm

The Fearsome  
Pirate Frank



Musical  
Ages 10 to 13 year olds  
June 24th through 28th, 10am to 3pm  
Performance, Fri. June 28th at 7pm

PIC·COLLAGE

All camps at First Church of Christ in Burlington



## FOSTER CARE OPEN HOUSE

**MAY 5 - 1:30 - 3:30**

Interested in changing the life of a child through Foster Care or Adoption? Come to our informational event to learn more.

**LOCATED AT THE DCCH CAMPUS:  
75 ORPHANAGE ROAD, FT. MITCHELL KY**

DCCHCenter.org

## 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](http://VIRTUS.org) > drop down to select Covington, KY (Diocese) > select a session to attend and register.

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

## Upcoming Events

- **May 5:** First Communion Pictures/Church, 1:00 PM
  - **May 5:** First Communion, 2:00 PM
  - **May 6-10:** Scholastic Book Fair
  - **May 7:** Dine to Donate: Erlanger Skyline, all day long
  - **May 7:** Boosters Meeting, 7:00 PM
  - **May 17:** Olympic Day
  - **May 18:** Father/Son Event @ World of Golf, 6:30 PM
  - **May 20:** 8th Grade Clap Out
  - **May 22:** 8th Grade Promotion Mass, 10:00 AM
  - **May 24:** Last Day of School, noon dismissal
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## 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

4042 Turkeyfoot Road  
Erlanger, KY 41018  
859-371-3100  
[stbarbaraky.org](http://stbarbaraky.org)

### St. Henry

3813 Dixie Highway  
Elsmere, KY 41018  
859-727-2035  
[sthenrychurch.net](http://sthenrychurch.net)

### Cristo Rey

25 Cavalier Boulevard  
Florence, KY 41042  
859-538-1175  
[micristorey.com](http://micristorey.com)

### St. Henry Catholic School

*Kimberly Wagner, Principal*

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