



## Crusader Connection

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**June 7, 2024**

2023-2024 School Calendar

Dear Parents,

I hope that you have enjoyed your first few weeks of summer break! My prayer is that this will be a relaxing and rejuvenating time for you and your family. Here at St. Henry we have been busy with wrapping up the end of the 2023-2024 school year, coordinating summer projects, and preparing for the 2024-2025 school year. If you received an email from Cindy in the last few days about overdue lunch or after care accounts please get those amounts submitted as soon as possible. You can stop by the school office or you can mail us a check. I also want to encourage you to consider volunteering for Bingo at least one week this summer. It is only a couple of hours out of your summer and is a great opportunity to reconnect with other parents and serve our school. Sign-up information is below.

Our summer projects are getting underway. The upgrade to our network began this week and will continue into next week. Next week they will begin asbestos abatement on the library and tech lab floors to prepare for the renovation work that will be happening in those spaces. Window installation in the grade school building should begin next week. We are so excited for these projects to be moving forward and cannot wait to see all of the ways that our students will benefit next year!

I also wanted to give you a quick hiring update. We have all of our K-8 positions filled for next year at this point with the exception of our second 4th grade teacher. The position has been offered to someone and we are waiting for their official acceptance. We are excited about the faculty that we have in place for next year and we are looking forward to a great year of growth for our students. We do have two Preschool Aide positions open. One is full time and one is part time. We are also looking for After Care workers for next year. If you know of someone who might be interested please have them reach out to me!

For those of you who aren't VIRTUS trained, please check out the information below regarding upcoming classes so you can volunteer at our school! Remember that you are not able to be in our classrooms for parties or go on field trips unless you have received this training.

I also wanted to remind you about the many great events happening around the Diocese this summer. We have our Vacation Bible School here at St. Henry in July so be sure to sign your students up for that. There will also be a St. Henry Night at Brookwood Swim Club. We hope to see you all there! Also, for our Jr. High students there is the Summer Connect Junior High Event and the middle school Pro-Life Boot Camp. You can find more information below about those events.

God Bless,

# CruNews



## From the Pastor's Desk

We have some exciting things happening this summer to upgrade our school facilities! One of these upgrades is that the elementary school building will be receiving all new windows and doors! Money raised through this year's Derby Night at St. Henry event and unspent funds from past Cru Giving fundraisers made it possible for us to replace all of the windows on the parking lot side of the building. We are able to complete the windows on the rest of the building due to a very generous, anonymous donor. We were also able to use EANS funding (emergency government funds from COVID) to pay for the labor and installation costs for this project. Thank you to Principal Kimberly Wagner, Don Bodner our Business Manager, and Sean Duffy our Maintenance Director, who have worked hard to coordinate and prepare our building for this project. Sean especially has put in many labor hours to prepare our buildings for this project as well as our upcoming library renovation.

*In light of this project, please be prepared for the temporary closure of the driveway under the school "skywalk." (I always say to other pastors, "I bet your school doesn't have a skywalk!") That driveway will be closed for 6-7 weeks during the summer due to window construction workers having their vehicles and supplies there. Thank you for your patience!*

I am also excited to share about two teacher appreciation and retention efforts that have been in the works. Throughout this school year, a group of parents worked in conjunction with Mrs. Wagner to raise funds to give our teachers an end-of-the-year bonus to express their appreciation for all that they do for our school. Due to these efforts, all faculty and staff members will be receiving a \$500 bonus. The other effort is that we will be increasing our tuition discount for teachers next year. We will be offering all contracted teachers a 50% discount on tuition for their children and a 25% discount to all full-time staff members. This is a great way to help draw and retain quality teachers to our school. Our gratitude is beyond measure to everyone involved in making these projects happen. We appreciate our teachers who give so much of themselves — past, present ... and future!

*Fr. Joshua Lange, Pastor*

# Uniform Drop & Swap

## The Drop

Monday-Thursday  
June 10-20  
9 AM-1 PM

Drop off gently used uniforms and spirit wear.

## The Swap

Wednesday-Thursday  
June 26-27  
9 AM-1 PM

Stop by the cafeteria and outfit your  
Crusader/s for the school year!



St. Henry Parish is in the planning process of Vacation Bible School (VBS) and we need your help!

VBS is for students in kindergarten through fifth grade. Our theme is *SCUBA: Diving into Friendship with God*. Each day, kids will learn a Bible point that corresponds to a Bible story and key Bible verse! Students visit five stations each day with their Crew. Each station is staffed by an adult station leader and features a different activity that reinforces what kids are learning about God. Crew leaders (junior high and high school volunteers) help keep the Crews on track and where they should be! Training for all leaders is provided.

To have this amazing experience, WE NEED YOUR HELP! Please complete the form at the link below if you are able to volunteer. Volunteering for our parish VBS is an excellent way for those receiving the participating tuition rate to fulfill some of their requirements. For eighth graders, it's a great way to get service hours for Confirmation!

Please pray about this and let us know! The success of our VBS depends on YOU! Email Susan Bier with any questions you may have, [sbier@sthenrynky.com](mailto:sbier@sthenrynky.com).

**VBS Volunteer  
Survey**

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## Summer Bingo Sign Up



### St. Henry Night at Brookwood Swim Club

We'd like to invite all our St. Henry families and staff to an ALL SCHOOL Summer Gathering at Brookwood Swim Club!

**Date:** Monday, July 1 (Rain Date Monday July 8)

**Time:** 5:00-9:00 PM

**Place:** Brookwood Swim Club, 1 Fair Oaks Lane, Edgewood

**Price:** FREE (Thanks to Mike Kuebler)

At the gate, tell them you are with the St. Henry Summer Gathering. We have the space between the building and the baby pool under the shelter reserved.

Please click the link below to RSVP by Sunday June 23rd- (so we can be sure the pool has enough staff on hand) and to sign up to bring an appetizer, snacks, desserts, fruits & veggies, or anything else you'd like to bring and share. NO GLASS.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0449AEAB2EA7F49-49969070-sthenry>

For those who haven't been to Brookwood before or as a reminder, they have a gated baby pool area, basketball court, grass area for wiffle ball/kickball/tag or whatever the kids come up with, tetherball, pickle ball, ping pong table, and a little wooden playset (let's keep the big kids off of the playset). Bring your toys/sports equipment! You can bring your own floats or pool toys.

They have concession stands and do serve adult beverages (or you can bring your own (NO GLASS!). The concession stand serves hot dogs, burgers, chicken tenders, pizza, and many other snacks. They do have grills, if you desire to grill some food.

For questions about the gathering you can reach out to Jen Neuhaus 859-322-2214.

For questions about deals on family memberships to Brookwood, reach out to Mike Kuebler, 859-512-2380.

**Cafeteria Volunteer Sign Up**

## Diocese of Covington Events



The poster features a central graphic with the word "Summer" in a cursive font and "CONNECT" in a bold, blocky font, both surrounded by colorful, swirling brushstrokes. Above this graphic is the Diocese of Covington logo, which includes a shield with a cross and an anchor, topped with a mitre. Below the main text, the date and time are listed, followed by the location and a QR code. At the bottom, there is a note about the event's target audience and contact information.

**DIocese OF COVINGTON**

*Summer*  
**CONNECT**  
**JR. HIGH EVENT\***  
**JUNE 18TH**  
**9:30 AM - 4:30 PM**

**St. Barbara Church**  
**4042 Turkeyfoot Rd,**  
**Erlanger, KY 41018**



[HTTPS://COVDIO.ORG/YOUTH](https://covdio.org/youth)

**\*THIS EVENT IS FOR INCOMING 6TH-8TH GRADE**  
**QUESTIONS: EMAIL ANGIE POAT [APOAT@COVDIO.ORG](mailto:APOAT@COVDIO.ORG)**

**This is a great opportunity for our sixth-eighth graders to meet up with other faith-**

filled friends in the Diocese of Covington  
taking place at St. Barbara!

**Register Today!**



# ATTENTION!

## RECRUITING FOR PROLIFE TRAINING

**Calling all Catholic Teens to PT: "Pro-Life Training"**  
5-day Overnight Camp for High School Students Ages 14-17  
New! Day Camp for Middle School Students Ages 11-13  
Young Adults Ages 18-25 May Apply as Special Forces



**June 27-July 1, 2024**  
High School  
(\$150 Deadline 6/15)

**July 12-13 2024**  
Middle School  
(\$75 Deadline 7/7)

*Complete registration packet will be sent to you for completion and payment*

**Scholarships available**

- Family picnic at drop-off
- Retreat style weekend
- National and Local Speakers
- Praise and Worship
- Daily Sacraments
- Hands on experience
- Plenty of chow

**"Nor shall you stand by idly while your neighbor's life is a stake." Lev 19:16**

**WWW.PROLIFEBOOTCAMP.ORG**  
**ENLIST ONLINE**

- Event details
- Speakers
- Registration

Mary's Pro-Life Boot Camp is a ministry of the Franciscan Daughters of Mary [fdofmary.org](http://fdofmary.org)  
Questions/donate/volunteer: [marysprolifebootcamp@gmail.com](mailto:marysprolifebootcamp@gmail.com)



Indispensable  
Unrepeatable  
Irreplaceable  
Infinitely Loved

**Pro-Life Boot Camp Details**

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.

**VIRTUS training courses for the summer are at 9:00 AM or 6:00 PM on the following dates: Tuesday, June 18; Thursday, July 18; Tuesday, July 30; or Wednesday, August 7; additional dates may be added. Training takes place at the Diocesan Curia, Bishop Howard Memorial Auditorium, 1125 Madison Avenue, Covington.**

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

## Upcoming Events

- **July 29-August 2:** St. Henry Vacation Bible School, 9:00 AM-Noon
- **August 3:** 127 Yard Sale
- **August 11:** Readyfest
- **August 13:** First Day of School; noon dismissal

### **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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sthenrychurch.net

## Cristo Rey

25 Cavalier Boulevard  
Florence, KY 41042  
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## St. Henry Catholic School

*Kimberly Wagner, Principal*

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