

2024-2025 School Calendar

Dear Parents,

We are excited to have all our students back from Christmas break. It sounds like they had a wonderful time with family and friends. This week is a short one, but we have been busy! Today is First Friday so we had Mass this morning and Adoration. We will go to Benediction this afternoon and then from there we will head over to the gym for a pep rally to kick of the Lady Crusader Invitational. There is a lot of school spirit in the air today and we are ready to get pumped up for the tournament. Thank you to our Student Council for coordinating that!

We hope that you will be able to stop by the tournament and watch our girls play over the next couple of weeks. The bracket is linked below. Also, make sure you stop by the Knights of Columbus fish fry before or after the Lady Crusader Invitational! A percentage of the proceeds from the fish fry will go towards our parking lot project, which will take place this summer.

It is hard to believe, but this is also the time of year where we start looking towards NEXT school year. Our Open House is coming up on Sunday, January 26 from 12:00-2:00pm. If you know of anyone who might be interested in sending their children here, please encourage them to come to the Open House. Below you will be able to watch the promotional video that we put together for our school. It will be in an upcoming issue of the Messenger and will be posted on our school website and our social media. We are so proud of our students and all that they do and accomplish here at St. Henry!

If you have been looking at the weather for this weekend you probably know that they are projecting a significant amount of snow for Sunday and Monday. Please see below for a reminder about winter weather announcements.

Thank you for partnering with us in the education of your children! Have a great weekend!

God Bless,

Kimberly Wagner, Principal



Every month this year, we will talk about a different virtue and a saint who exemplified that virtue in their life. Our goal is to grow in virtue as a school as we work toward becoming saints! Every week we will recognize students who have been exhibiting that month's virtue in the classroom. See our Virtue Rockstars below!

After Care Sign Up

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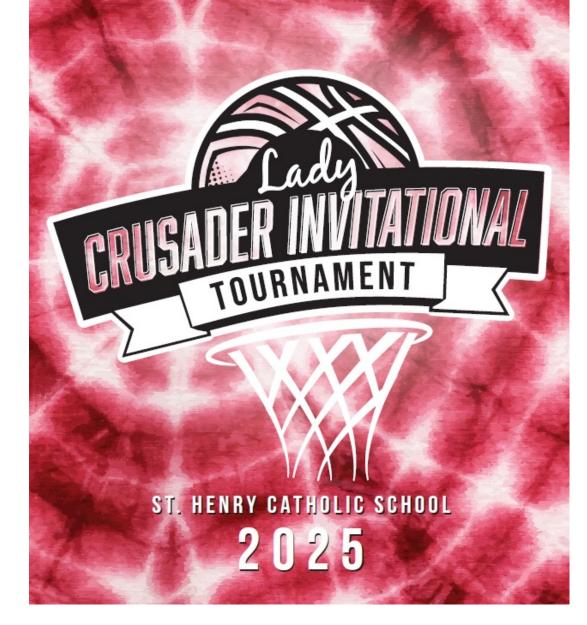
Winter Weather Announcement **T. HENRY** CATHOLIC SCHOOL

As we head into the colder months, we have a couple of winter weather reminders! First, please make sure that your children are wearing a coat to school! We still have outdoor recess even when it is cold. Also, the forecast is showing snow for this weekend. Just a reminder of ways that we will share information about school closings and delays...

- Text Message Alert System
- Email
- School Facebook Page
- Television Channels

The goal is to make a decision about delays and closings as early as possible to give you time to make plans. We will have any delay or closings posted by 6:00am at the latest, but it will be earlier than that if at all possible.





The Lady Crusader Invitational kicks off this weekend! <u>Click for brackets!</u>

Volunteers are also needed! Perfect for eighth graders needing Confirmation service hours and families! <u>Sign up to volunteer!</u>

acting to Know you

- Cindy was born in Minneapolis, but has lived the majority of her life in Northern Kentucky.
- She is married to Bob and has two married daughters and three wonderful grandchildren.
- She loves that St. Henry is like one big family!
- If you look in her freezer, you'll probably find Junior Mints, her fave!
- Best piece of advice? Be kind.
- Her favorite escape is camping with family and friends.



BINGO

Thank you to all of our parents/grandparents/parishioners/SHCS friends that volunteer with our bingo.

We have several regular monthly positions that need to be filled. Volunteers for these positions are exempt from the pull-tab requirements. Training is provided for all positions. A coveted Bingo Cru t-shirt is provided, as is free dinner, drinks, and fun!

Bingo Paper Sales

Cindy Lageman

Secretary

This is a seated or standing position and requires the volunteer to review customer's orders, ring them up using a laptop, collect money/provide change, and give out bingo paper (some bending/stretching is involved). Great position for those who don't want to walk or stay late. Shifts are available the **third week of the month**, 5:00-7:00 PM and 5:15-7:30 PM.

Bingo Caller

A **second week caller** is needed from 6:30-10:00 PM. This person should have a commanding voice, be able to take charge of the bingo hall, and not be afraid of the microphone. Caller calls bingo balls and keeps the games running smoothly.

For more information, contact Ryan Bihl, <u>watermobihl@yahoo.com</u>, Jamie Powers, jamielpowers00@gmail.com, or call the school office, 859-342-2551.

Pop Tab War!

PTO & ST. HENRY SCHOOL ARE PARTNERING WITH THE RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE TO COLLECT POP TABS, WHICH HELP FUND PROGRAMS TO SUPPORT SICK OR INJURED CHILDREN.

BRING IN POP TABS NOW

THROUGH APRIL 4TH

The grade with the most pop tabs will receive either an out of uniform day or extra recess

SUPPORT YOUR CRUSADERS



It's easy to support your Crusaders!



Every time you or your family and friends shop at Kroger, we earn rewards! Scan the QR code to sign up or log into your account to select St. Henry (school code TL347). The Kroger Community Rewards program does not interfere with your fuel points!



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JUBILEE 2025

Our Holy Father, Pope Francis, has announced that 2025 will be a Jubilee Year, something which happens every 25 years. This Jubilee Year themed "Pilgrims of Hope" is a time to re-establish a proper relationship with God, with one another, and with all of creation.

OPENING MASS OF THE JUBILEE YEAR

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 29 • 2:00PM • CATHEDRAL BASILICA Mass will begin with a procession from St. Mary's Park (across the street).

DIOCESAN JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS

Join the Diocese of Covington for a year filled with hope! Throughout the Jubilee Year, the Diocese will offer opportunities for pilgrimage: locally, regionally, or internationally. You can also participate in spiritual and corporal works of mercy through our ongoing "Campaign of Mercy." Discover your Jubilee path by visiting our website: www.covdio.org/jubilee or by scanning the QR code.



MORE INFO on the Jubilee, Pilgrimages and our Diocesan Celebrations

WHAT IS A JUBILEE?

In the Catholic Church, the concept of Jubilee or 'Holy Year' was used to declare special years for forgiveness and reconciliation. Pope Boniface VIII declared the first Jubilee on February 22, 1300.

In ancient Judaism, the Jubilee Year was when Mosaic law prescribed that slaves could regain their freedom, and that land, (of which God is the sole master), should be returned to its former owners.

WHY MAKE A PILGRIMAGE?

A pilgrimage is a journey with a purpose. It is an experience of conversion, of transforming one's very being to conform to the holiness of God. A pilgrimage during the Jubilee Year 2025 offers a unique opportunity for us to deepen our Faith, experience God's grace, and embrace the theme of "Pilgrims of Hope."

To explore opportunities for pilgrimage locally, regionally, or internationally, visit covdio.org/jubilee or scan the QR code above.

WHAT IS THE JUBILEE LOGO?

The logo shows four stylized figures, representing all of humanity, coming from the four corners of the earth, uniting all peoples. The figure at the front is holding onto the cross. It is a sign of faith and hope. There are rough waves under the figures, symbolizing life's pilgrimage does not always go smoothly. The anchor is well known as a symbol of hope. The cross bends down towards humanity, stretching out to them to offer the certainty of its presence and the security of hope.

ST. HENRY DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL



Applications Are Open for 25-26– Apply Now.

We are excited to announce that the 2025-2026 school year applications are now open. Due to the high level of interest, we anticipate a waitlist this year. We encourage you to apply as soon as possible to secure your place.

Shadow Days

Prospective students are invited to experience a day in the life of a Crusader! Shadow Days provides a firsthand look at our classes, teachers, and vibrant school community.

If you have any questions or need assistance with the application process, please don't hesitate to contact Toni Lehan at tlehan@shdhs.org.

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YOUTH FLAG <mark>Football</mark>

Get ready for an exciting introduction to the world of football!

Our Youth Flag Football program is open to players from 1^{st} through 8^{th} grade in the 2024/25 school year. Grades 1-6 will be 5 vs. 5 and the 7th & 8th grade will be 7 vs. 7.

Through fun and engaging activities, you'll learn the fundamentals of the game while developing essential skills like passing, catching, and teamwork. With a focus on sportsmanship and fair play, this program provides a dynamic platform for personal growth and athletic development.

All experience levels are welcome to join the fun.

Scan the QR codeon the right to register for the upcoming Spring 2025 season.



CHEERLEADING

Join our spirited Crusader Youth League Cheer squad and showcase your skills at our exciting games and events!

This program is open to 6th, 7th, and 8th graders in the 2025/26 school year.

Whether you're a seasoned cheerleader or brand new to the sport, we welcome athletes of all experience levels to come out and be a part of our dynamic team.



Scan the QR code on the left to pre-register for the upcoming Fall 2025 season.

TACKLE FOOTBALL



CRUSADER

Our Tackle Football program is open to 6th, 7th, and 8th graders in the 2025/26 school year.

You'll have the chance to lead your team to victory with all-new top-of-the-line equipment and coaching staff led by RJ Riegler

Whether you're a seasoned player or brand new to the sport, all experience levels are welcome to join the fun.

Scan the QR code on the left to pre-register for your spot on the team for the upcoming Fall 2025 season

It's hard to think about Spring Flag football with snow in the forecast....But spring flag registration is open as well as interest forms for 2025 Fall Middle School Tackle and Cheerleading. Visit: <u>https://www.crusaderyouthleague.com/</u> for information and signups.

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.

To find classes, visit <u>VIRTUS.org</u> > 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, Leah St. John, <u>lstjohn@sthenrynky.com</u> or call 859-342-2551.

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.

Date	Location
1/14/2025 @ 9:00 AM & 6:00 PM	Diocesan Curia, Covington
1/15/2025 @ 6:00 PM	Bishop Brossart HS, Alexandria
1/30/2025 @ 9:00 AM & 6:00 PM	Diocesan Curia, Covington
2/13/2025 @ 9:00 AM & 6:00 PM	Diocesan Curia, Covington
2/26/2025 @ 9:00 AM & 6:000 PM	Diocesan Curia, Covington
3/11/2025 @ 9:00 AM & 6:00 PM	Diocesan Curia, Covington
3/26/2025 @ 9:00 AM & 6:00 PM	Diocesan Curia, Covington

UPCOMING EVENTS

- January 3: Lady Crusader Invitational Begins
- January 7: Dine to Donate: Erlanger Skyline all day long
- January 7: Boosters Meeting, 7:00 PM
- January 14: Dine to Donate: Panera, Crestview Hills, 4:00-8:00 PM
- January 15: PTO Meeting, 7:00 PM
- January 20: No School, Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
- January 24: 8th Grade Fun Friday, 2:45-3:45 PM
- January 26: SHCS Open House, 12:00-2:00 PM

Theorem 1 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.

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