



The Parish Bulletin

Lord's Day Mass Schedule:
Saturday: SM-4:00pm; IC-5:30pm
Sunday: IC-8:00am; SM-9:30am

The Parish Office
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Sacraments

BAPTISM for children - Attendance at an information session prior to Baptism is required. Call the pastor to make arrangements.

MARRIAGE - Couples are to schedule an appointment with the pastor 8 months before the planned wedding date.

PENANCE/RECONCILIATION -
15 minutes before weekday Masses
Saturdays: IC Lacon 11:30 a.m.-12 noon
SM Henry 3:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
Other times by appointment with a priest.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK - This holy sacrament is encouraged for all who are preparing for surgery or who have a serious health condition. Call the pastor anytime!

Parish Staff Directory

Pastor: Fr. John Bosco Mujuni
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Deacon: J. Robert Murphy (retired). 309-397-2960
Secretary: Sue Kyle 309-246-5145
Monday-Thursday: 9am-3pm (Friday-Closed)
St. John XXIII Center Manager [Henry, IL]
Dawn Glenn 309-364-2011
Religion Directors:
Lacon: Katie Bogner 309-238-3587
Henry: Christy Beall 309-238-3394
Children Religion Classes:
Lacon Sundays 9:00-10:15 am
Henry Sundays 10:30-11:30 am
Youth Group Coordinator [Henry, IL]
Margy 309-364-3584 & Jeremy 815-866-6572
Youth Group Coordinator [Lacon, IL]
Katie 309-238-3587

Christian Stewardship

Because we are a family, parish membership means that you are a faithful steward of the gifts God has given you. You are asked to share your faith and prayers, your time, talents and treasures in support of the Gospel Mission of our parish.

New parishioners are asked to call or stop in at the Parish Office. Also, there are Registration Forms on the tables in the church. If you are changing your address or moving from the Parish, please call the Office so we may update our Parish Register.

Bulletin Deadline:

Submit items in writing by noon on Monday, at the Parish Office in Lacon, IL.



January 16-17, 2021 Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Intentions & Liturgy Schedule

SM=St. Mary Church, Henry ▼ IC=Immaculate Conception, Lacon

Lord's Day Masses, January 16-17, 2021

Saturday, January 16th—Vigil: 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 pm SM +Joseph Vizgirda [Mary Vizgirda]

5:30 pm IC +Roger Rumbold [Sharon & David Sager]

Sunday, January 17th—Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am IC +Mrs. Verla Martinek [Lacon K of C]

9:30 am SM +Bill Shearer [Betty Shearer]

Weekday Masses

Monday, January 18th—Weekday - No Mass

Tuesday, January 19th—Weekday

8:30am SM +Stanislaw Koterba [family]

Wednesday, January 20th—Weekday

5:30pm IC +Ahna Merdian [Charles & Norma Roth]

Thursday, January 21st—Saint Agnes, Virgin and Martyr

8:30 am SM All Souls Day Intentions

Friday, January 22nd—Day of Prayer for the Legal

Protection of Unborn Children

8:30 am IC +Wilma Farley [Dan & Kathy Coyle]

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION/CONFESSIONS

Saturdays @ 11:30 am - 12:00 Noon IC Lacon

Saturdays @ 3:00 - 3:30 pm SM Henry

For other arrangements call Fr. John Bosco @ 312-520-9599

- - - NEXT WEEKEND - - -

Lord's Day Masses, January 23-24, 2021

Saturday, January 23rd—Vigil: 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 pm SM +Dave Mattern [Larry & Myra Uftring]

5:30 pm IC +Ray & Marie Pairan [grandkids]

Sunday, January 24th—Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am IC +Becky Bogner [family]

9:30 am SM +Leon Mattingly [Betty Shearer]

Make a planned gift: where there is a WILL there is a way...to be an angel for our Parishes. Please remember us in your will.

If hospitalized or homebound, please notify our Parish office 309-246-5145 or Fr. John Bosco 312-520-9599.

Bld. Upkeep Fund/Donations	Actual	YTD Actual	Budgeted
SJT: Church coping/Center Roof...	\$ 3,495	\$23,797	\$80,000
IC: Church boiler.....	\$ 1,000	\$19,410	\$22,000

Parish Support—January 10, 2021

	Actual	Budgeted	YTD Actual (28 wks)	YTD Budget (28 wks)
Saint John XXIII—Sunday	\$ 1,581.00	\$ 2,430.00	(\$849)	\$ 64,885.70
Immaculate Conception—Sunday	\$ 2,420.00	\$ 1,720.00	(\$700)	\$ 51,389.10

Lay Ministry Schedule

LECTOR	COMMUNION MINISTERS	ALTAR SERVERS
4:00 p.m. – SM – Saturday, January 23, 2021		
Colleen Bogner	Betty Shearer	
5:30 p.m. – IC – Saturday, January 23, 2021		
Amy Sloan	Todd McAllister	
8:00 a.m. – IC – Sunday, January 24, 2021		
Katie Bogner	Ron Moore	
9:30 a.m. – SM – Sunday, January 24, 2021		
Doug Clinton	Susan Real	



PRAYER LINE: If you have a need for special prayer, please contact Sharon Benz at 309-238-2325.

Pray for the Sick/injured/hospitalized:

Katie Grumbine; Candy Martin; Judy Schwiderski; Judy Carson; Pat Phillips; Beth Adams (cousin of Richard Dubois); Janice Maubach; Mary Jo Zulz & Rob Sloan (sister & brother of Tony & Pat Sloan); Mary Ann Child; Tim Cowell; Ryker Anderson (son of Erika & Ryan Anderson); Rita Buritz; Parker Waldschmidt (grandson of Leonard & Gay Waldschmidt); David Dunagan; Alvin Olszanowski; Karen Ariens; Mary Breen-Underwood; Carol Ratliff; Pat Selquist; Kathy Tomasson; David Sager (father of Renee Streitmatter); Bob Behrends; Kim Hardy (niece of Sandy Moore); Chris Steele; Mary Poignant; Eugene Poignant; Anna Lukac; Rex Swords; Julia Ann Condit; Dennis Dragon; Clifford Harvey; Mary Doyle (sister of Germaine Paolucci); Steve Alvin; Carmen Hank (sil of Becky Palm); Ty, Avery & Taylor Griffin (great-grandchildren of Nedra Bischler); Linda Link; Dena Glatz; Jerry Shurts (brother of Sharon Murphy); Josephine Swanson (sil of Alice Tyson); John Watkins; Mike Barnes (son of Tom & Angie Barnes); Mary Kent; Jim Klein (brother of Linda Shaffer); Karen McVey; Cindy Judd (daughter of Judy Carson); Judy Murphy; Becky Strong; James Brown; Katy Morris Broshears (daughter of Joe & Monica Morris); Jerry Longman; Glenn Federicke; Alice McCully; victims of wars & natural disasters



Names of the sick will be listed in the bulletin for 3 months unless the office is notified.

Pray for those in a Nursing Home or Homebound:

Kathryn Waldschmidt; Russell Ziegler; Fr. Harold Schmitt; Jean Neuhalfen; Frances Ziegler; Tom & Angie Barnes; Sandy Carson; Irma Watkins; Robin Webber; Mary Watkins; Nancy Reichen; Eleanor Sears; Alice McCully



May they rest in peace: victims of wars & natural disasters
 Pray for peace in our world, in our country, in our families.
 Pray for our leaders to be instruments of peace.
 Pray for our troops fighting overseas for peace.
 Pray for the dignity of all human life.
 Pray for Christian unity.
 Pray for religious liberty in our country.
 Pray for the end of abortion and euthanasia.



As we are opening our Churches, **we are reminded of our responsibility to take care of ourselves, the sick and vulnerable.** We are therefore posting some warnings in our bulletin for guidance:

WARNING ABOUT RISK ASSUMED BY PARISHIONERS:

While our parish staffs will attempt to take appropriate precautions consistent with the advice of public health authorities, parishioners and guests should understand that they assume the risk of contracting COVID-19 anytime they enter a public space since such precautions do not eliminate the risk of infection.

WARNING ABOUT THOSE WHO MAY BE ILL:

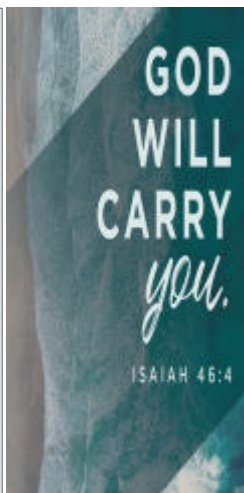
- Do you have a fever or flu-like symptoms? Have you recently traveled out of the country? Have you been exposed to someone with COVID-19? Those who show signs of risk should not enter the church and should stay at home.
- Those who are vulnerable to infection or uncomfortable to gather in large groups are under no obligation to attend Mass.
- Please wear your mask or face covering and maintain social distancing when at church. Family members in the same household do not need to maintain distance from each other.
- Follow other guidelines posted in the Church and cooperate with the ushers.

Did you Know? Your child can attend a Catholic School Financial Assistance Available: Tuition assistance scholarship grants will be available for the 2021-2022 school year for students enrolled in or intending to enroll in grades K-12 in any Catholic school located in the Diocese of Peoria whose families are active members of a Catholic parish in the diocese. All grants will be based on financial need objectively assessed. Information may be obtained from any Catholic elementary or secondary school in the Diocese of Peoria or on the Diocesan website www.cdop.org under **Catholic Education** then under **Financial Assistance**. Parents must apply online at: online.factsmtg.com/aid. Deadline date for the completed application is **April 30, 2021**. Notification of grant awards will be made by the end of June 2021. Another funding opportunity is also available due to the Invest in Kids Act legislation in Illinois. Students may be eligible for up to 100% of tuition and fees under a new program for tax credit scholarships (TCS). Details on how to apply and who qualifies are available on the Empower Illinois website at www.empowerillinois.org. Students who receive a TCS are ineligible to receive a Spalding award.

Prayer During A Health Crisis

Compassionate and Loving Father, In the face of confusion and concern impart to us the calm of your presence. In You allow us to find hope and healing. Be with those who serve the sick and give them Your caring hands. Be with those who lead and give them Your Spirit of wisdom. Be with those who have fallen ill and give them Your comforting heart. Wrap your arms around our world and hold us in your love. Allow us at this time of trial to then serve as instruments of that love to all we meet. We ask this in Your Name. Amen.

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From Your Pastor

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

In the first reading (1 Samuel 3:3-10, 19) God called Samuel in the middle of the night. Samuel was confused, but eventually he responded, "Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening." In the Gospel, the disciples of John the Baptist were listening when he pointed out to Jesus and said, "Behold, the Lamb of God." They then followed Jesus at once. On this Sunday, let us listen to God's word, ponder how we ourselves are called, and recommit ourselves to following the Lord. At the time of Holy Communion, "Behold, the Lamb of God", will be said to us. In this week and in the middle of January where there is a lot to pray for, let us reflect on how the Lord is speaking us and sending us.

SPECIAL JANUARY OBSERVANCES

The two weeks of January 18-25 invite us to three special observances: (1) January 18th – Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday. This holiday invites us to avoid any tendency towards discrimination and pray for peace and harmony in our nation, especially during this time of tension as we look forward to the inauguration of the USA president on January 20, 2021. (2) Days of Prayer for Christian Unity (January 18-25). Jesus prays in John 17 that all may be one. Unity is still lacking in nation and around the world. Let us in those days pray for and work for Christian Unity and political unity. (3) Days of prayer for Sanctity of Human Life (January 18-29). The U.S. Catholic Bishops invite us to join thousands of Catholics nationwide in those days to pray and participate in events aimed at protecting the gift of human life, at every stage and in every circumstance.

RECEPTION OF MODERNA VACCINE

Your Pastor received a Vaccine for COVID-19. He received information from one of the parishioners that Bureau, Putnam & Marshall County Health Department was giving vaccine against COVID-19 to the first group of essential healthcare providers and frontline workers, and that the clergy in the area who are in active ministry, were included in the group. A call was made and he was scheduled for it, on January 7th at Lacon Fire Department House. So far, no side effects have been experienced. The second dose is scheduled for February 4, 2021.

*Sincerely Yours in Christ,
Fr. John Bosco Mujuni*

Just a Second

Adam: What is a million years like to you?
God: Like one second.
Adam: What is a million dollars like to you?
God: Like one penny.
Adam: Can I have a penny?
God: Sure, just a second.

ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL 2020 (as of 11/30/20)

	Goal	Pledged	Received	Bal to Goal	# of Families
SJT: \$	23,849	\$ 18,950	\$ 14,210	\$ 9,639	69
IC: \$	19,398	\$ 20,615	\$ 16,640	\$ 2,758	65

The Rose and Candle:

The Rose & the Candle in the sanctuary reminds us to pray for a greater respect for all human life.

"It's time that we recognize the Supreme Court is not the Supreme Being, and we change the policy to be pro-life and protect children instead of rip up their body parts and sell them like they're parts to a Buick." Mike Huckabee





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