



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
415 N. High; Lacon, IL 61540
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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
Cell: 312-520-9599
Email: mujunijaybe@yahoo.co.uk
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

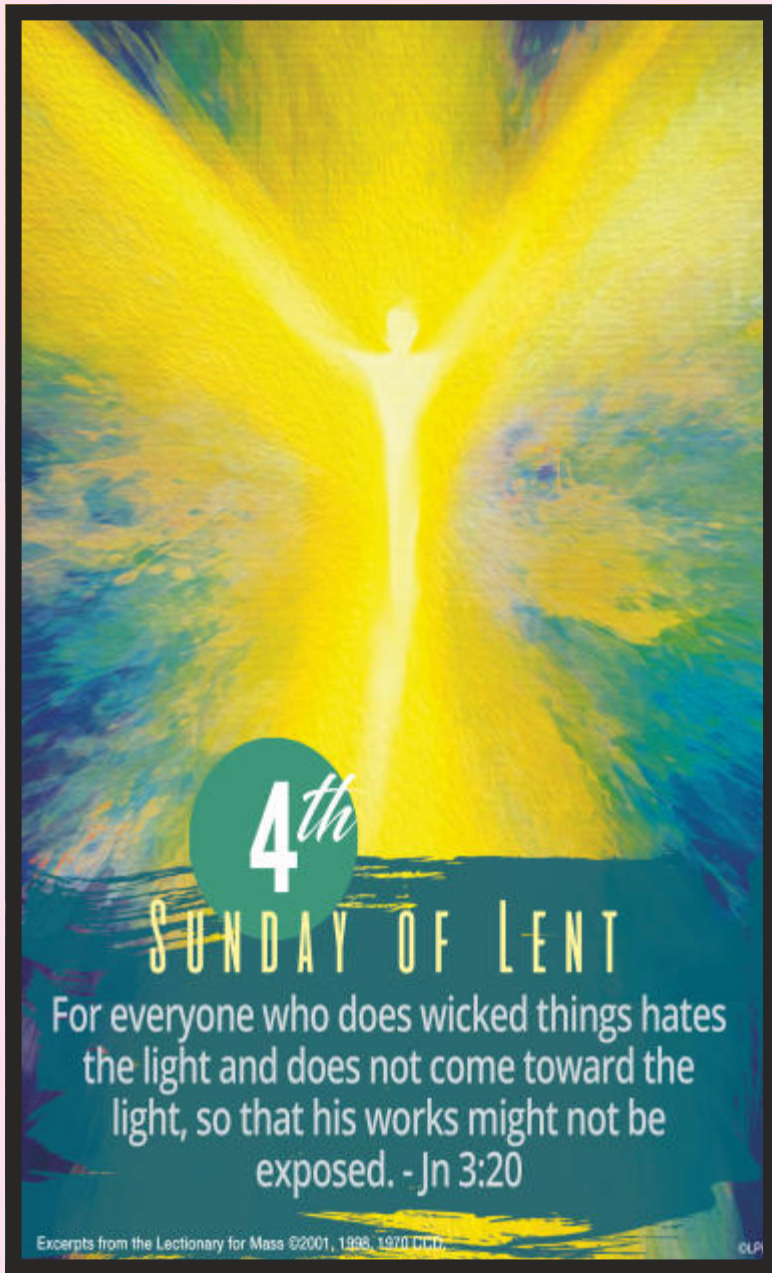
Christian Stewardship

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.



March 13-14, 2021 Fourth Sunday of Lent

Mass Intentions & Liturgy Schedule

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

Lord's Day Masses, March 13-14, 2021

Saturday, March 13th—Vigil: Fourth Sunday of Lent

4:00 pm SM +Sandy Bogner [family]

5:30 pm IC +Jim Augustyn [family]

Sunday, March 14th—Fourth Sunday of Lent

8:00 am IC +George Jason [Larry & Myra Uftring]

9:30 am SM +Richard Link [Tom Bogner]

Weekday Masses

Monday, March 15th—Lenten Weekday-No Mass

Tuesday, March 16th—Lenten Weekday

8:30am SM +Jean DiGregorio [Ken Villiger]

Wednesday, March 17th—Lenten Weekday

5:30pm IC +Deacon Kevin Breen [Katie Bogner]

Thursday, March 18th—Lenten Weekday

8:30 am SM All Souls Day Intentions

Friday, March 19th—Saint Joseph,

Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:30 am IC +Mary & Eugene Klein [Tom & Linda Shaffer]

5:00pm SJ Mass of Thanksgiving [John & Dorie Keegan]

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, March 20-21, 2021

Saturday, March 20th—Vigil: Fifth Sunday of Lent

4:00 pm SM +Joseph Vizgirda [family]

5:30 pm IC +Amanda Condit [Doug & Jackie Fennell]

Sunday, March 21st—Fifth Sunday of Lent

8:00 am IC +Al Skutt [Judy Skutt]

9:30 am SM +Ralph Turpen [Brian & Laura Young]

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...\$	360	\$35,733	\$80,000
IC: Hall remodeling.....\$	1,025	\$ 1,035	\$47,500

Lay Ministry Schedule

LECTOR	COMMUNION MINISTERS	ALTAR SERVERS
4:00 p.m. – SM – Saturday, March 20, 2021		
Dirk Nauman	Betty Shearer	
5:30 p.m. – IC – Saturday, March 20, 2021		
Amy Sloan	Phil Fennell	
8:00 a.m. – IC – Sunday, March 21, 2021		
Myra Uftring	Cathy Moore	
9:30 a.m. – SM – Sunday, March 21, 2021		
Susan Real	Bob Eckert	



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

Pray for the Sick/injured/hospitalized:

Lizzy Robertson; John Monier; Sharon Benz; Melissa Duncan (niece of Richard Dubois); Katie Grumbine; Tom Miller; Judy Schwiderski; Judy Carson; Pat Phillips; Beth Adams (cousin of Richard Dubois); Janice Maubach; Rob Sloan (brother of Tony & Pat Sloan); David Dunagan; Mary Breen-Underwood; Kathy Tomasson; David Sager (father of Renee Streitmatter); Bob Behrends; Kim Hardy (niece of Sandy Moore); 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; Karen McVey; Cindy Judd (daughter of Judy Carson); Judy Murphy; Becky Strong; Tim Cowell; Ryker Anderson (son of Erika & Ryan Anderson); Rita Buritz; Parker Waldschmidt (grandson of Leonard & Gay Waldschmidt); 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.



Parish Support—March 7, 2021

Thank you for your generosity

	Actual	Budgeted	YTD Actual (36 wks)	YTD Budget (36 wks)
Saint John XXIII—Sunday	\$ 2,034.00	\$ 2,430.00	(\$396)	\$ 79,471.70
Immaculate Conception—Sunday	\$ 2,259.05	\$ 1,720.00	(\$539.05)	\$ 61,920.00



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.

Immaculate Conception Cemetery Maintenance
We need someone to do the mowing of Immaculate Conception Cemetery and the old Cemetery. It is a paid job. If you know someone who can do it, he or she should contact the Parish Office at 309-246-5145.

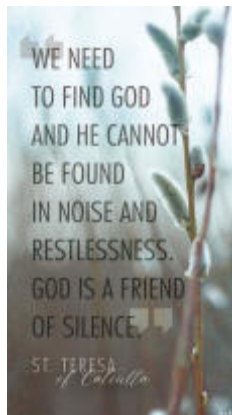
Did you remember to:



Spring Clean Up @ Calvary & St. Patrick's Cemeteries
It's time for spring cleanup at our cemeteries. By March 28, please remove all old decorations, including hanging baskets and saddle displays. Grave blankets and wreaths may be placed by the east side of the storage shed for the sexton to dispose of; all other decorations, take home and dispose of with your garbage. Thanks, the Sexton



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. ©LPi



From Your Pastor

Fourth Sunday of Lent

Today, approximately halfway through Lent, we celebrate “Laetare” Sunday (Rejoice Sunday). We remain joyful people even during Lent, for we believe that God loves us despite our sinfulness. God loves us so much that Jesus Christ sacrificed himself so that we may be redeemed and born into eternal life. Today on Laetare Sunday, we anticipate the joy we will feel on Easter. Let us give thanks to God for the grace and mercy we have regularly received and trust we will continue to receive throughout our lives.

On this Sunday, I'm very thankful to God we have been able to have in person Masses and have, slowly increased our capacity. It has been a blessing to have so many parishioners and families return over the past weeks. Praying and hoping that ALL of our parishioners will eventually come for Mass and in person receive the Sacraments. We are working so hard at sanitizing and making this a safe environment to worship God, and we miss having everyone here. Just a reminder, our Sunday offerings are put in the safe boxes at the entrance of the Church.

POPE FRANCIS PROCLAIMS 12/8/2020 – 12/8/2021 “YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH”

With the Apostolic Letter “Patris corde” (“With a Father’s Heart”), Pope Francis declared the liturgical year 2020/2021 as “Year of St. Joseph.” As a parish we shall officially honor this declaration beginning with the Feast of St. Joseph’s on March 19, with two Masses: 8:30 am at Immaculate Conception Church, Lacon and 5:00 pm at St. Joseph’s Church, Henry. Some materials we can use in praying through the intercession of St. Joseph’s will be given on March 19, and thereafter. From March 19th and onwards we shall recite the prayer of St. Joseph during mass after Post-communion prayer and before the blessing and dismissal.

As the cases of COVID-19 keep lowering, I ask for suggestions from various groups in our Parishes (Knights of Columbus, Women’s groups, Altar and Rosary, Youth Groups, Religious Directors, Bible Study, Parish Councils) to start thinking of some events we can have in the course of the year in honor of St. Joseph.

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES COLLECTION

This weekend of March 13-14, 2021 is the annual time to support the Catholic Relief services. Your support through this collection serves Jesus in disguise in some of the most marginalized communities in our world. In November 2019, the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops were informed of the experience and challenges of chaplains who serve in the maritime world, serving sailors, fishers, harbor workers and their families. When you give, you help to support this valuable ministry. Appeal envelopes are in your home packages. Some are at the entrances of the Church. If you are writing a check, make it payable to your Parish and on memo write Catholic Relief services.

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

The Rose and Candle:

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

There is no word more “dangerous” than liberalism, because to oppose it is the new “unforgivable sin.”





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