



# 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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E-mail: iccc@grics.net

## 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

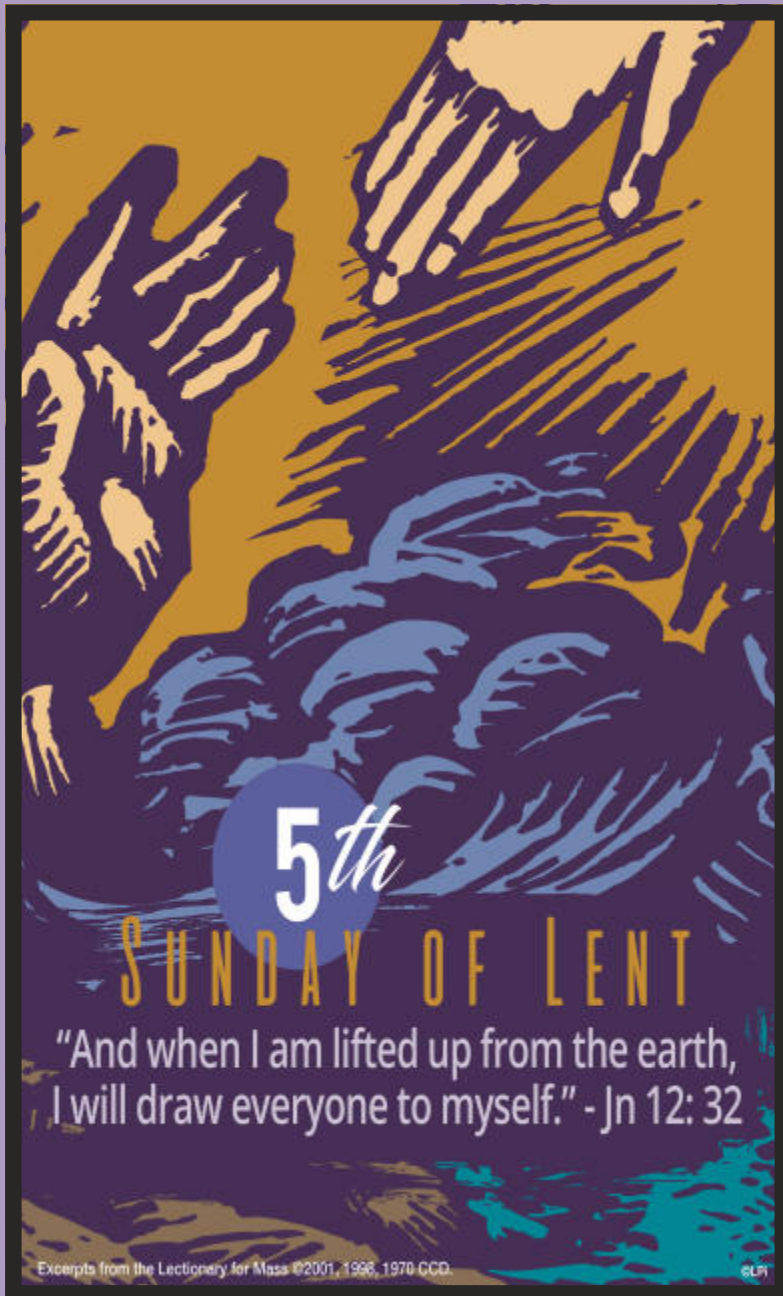
## Christian Stewardship

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 20-21, 2021 Fifth Sunday of Lent

# Mass Intentions & Liturgy Schedule

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

## 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]

## Weekday Masses

Monday, March 22nd—Lenten Weekday-No Mass

Tuesday, March 23rd—Lenten Weekday

- 8:30am SM +Sandy Bogner [Tom Bogner]

Wednesday, March 24th—Lenten Weekday

- 5:30pm IC +Augustyn-Kopera families [family]

Thursday, March 25th—Annunciation of the Lord

- 8:30 am SM +Robert & Marilyn Bogner [family]

Friday, March 26th—Lenten Weekday

- 8:30 am IC +Riley Burtsfield [Dan, Kathy & Conor 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, March 27-28, 2021

Saturday, March 27th—Vigil: Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

- 4:00 pm SM +Wm "Bud" Schlosser [Jean Mattingly family]
- 5:30 pm IC +Deceased members of the

IC Altar & Rosary [Altar & Rosary]

Sunday, March 28th—Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

- 8:00 am IC +Becky Bogner [Linda Ater]
- 9:30 am SM +Donald Catton [Jerry & Kathy Catton]

### 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...\$	315	\$36,048	\$80,000
IC: Hall remodeling.....\$	0	\$ 1,035	\$47,500

## Lay Ministry Schedule

LECTOR	COMMUNION MINISTERS	ALTAR SERVERS
<b>4:00 p.m. – SM – Saturday, March 27, 2021</b>		
Michelle Gibson	Michelle Lacey-Nauman	
<b>5:30 p.m. – IC – Saturday, March 27, 2021</b>		
William Klein	Todd McAllister	
<b>8:00 a.m. – IC – Sunday, March 28, 2021</b>		
Kathy Coyle	Ron Moore	
<b>9:30 a.m. – SM – Sunday, March 28, 2021</b>		
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:

Lindsey McGlasson; Lizzy Robertson; John Monier; 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 14, 2021

## Thank you for your generosity

	Actual	Budgeted	YTD Actual (37 wks)	YTD Budget (37 wks)
Saint John XXIII—Sunday	\$ 1,695.00	\$ 2,430.00	(\$735)	\$ 81,166.70
Immaculate Conception—Sunday	\$ 2,100.00	\$ 1,720.00	(\$380)	\$ 63,640.00





**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.

**ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL 2020 (as of 03/01/2021)**

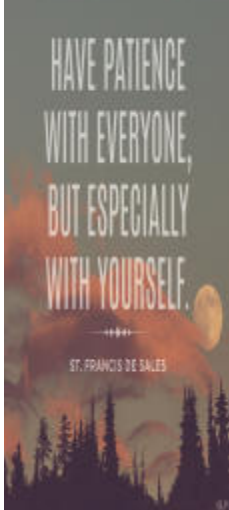
Goal	Pledged	Received	Bal to Goal	# of Families
SJT: \$ 23,849	\$ 22,715	\$ 20,575	\$ 3,274	75
IC: \$ 19,398	\$ 21,915	\$ 19,835	\$ 473 (over)	70



**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*

**Fifth Sunday of Lent**

As a community we shall celebrate the “Third Scrutiny” for our RCIA candidate Alannah Lester. We shall therefore use the readings of “Fifth Sunday of Lent Year A” which are Ezekiel 37: 12-14; Romans 8: 8-11 and John 11: 1-45. The first reading and Gospel reading, mention of death, graves and tombs, things we don’t like to hear about, especially during these days of the Pandemic. However death and suffering is not the end. The prophecy of Ezekiel in the First Reading tells us that God will put His Spirit in us that we may live. The Gospel speaks of resurrection, a gift of new life that transcends physical death. In the Second Reading St. Paul teaches that the Spirit of the One who raised Jesus from the dead will give life to our mortal bodies. As we step closer to the celebration of the paschal mystery, let us prepare our minds and our hearts for the cleansing power of God who will raise us up and establish us once more. We all are ill in one way or the other. Our illnesses need the attention of our Lord Jesus Christ whose healing power surpasses all things. May we continue to pray calling the attention of our Lord Jesus Christ, like the family of Lazarus, that our illnesses may be conquered as it was the case of Lazarus.

**YEAR OF ST JOSEPH: 12/ 8/2020 – 12/8/2021**

In honor of the year of St. Joseph we shall be reciting the prayer of St. Joseph after Post-communion prayer, before the blessing and dismissal. Prayer cards are on tables at the back of the Church. Get the prayer card and insert it in the resource book you come with to Church.

**LENTEN PENANCE**

On Friday March 26, 2021 (Before Palm Sunday) at Immaculate Conception Parish, after the 8:30 am; there will be exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Sacrament of Confession from 9:00 am to 10:00 or 11:00 am. We shall have a visiting priest Fr. Bruno Byomuhangi – parochial vicar at parishes in Ottawa available for confession during that time. Other times for penance remain the same: Saturdays 11:30 am-12 Noon @ Immaculate Conception in the Parish Church and @ St. John XXIII Parish 3:15pm-3:45 pm in the Rectory.

**REGIFTING**

One of the Lenten practices is almsgiving. There are some people who urge that the COVID-19 stimulus checks are being given out to those who may not be in need of it. In case you receive it and feel that you are not in need of it, good practice could be, re-gifting. As a parish, we have areas that are in need, these include: (1) Parish projects; (2) FAITH Outreach; (3) SJT Outreach Senior Meals program; (4) Food Pantries; (4) ADA program; etc...

*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.

Freedom does not mean that right to do whatever we please, but rather to do as we ought. The right to do whatever we please reduces freedom to a physical power and forgets that freedom is a moral power.





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