



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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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

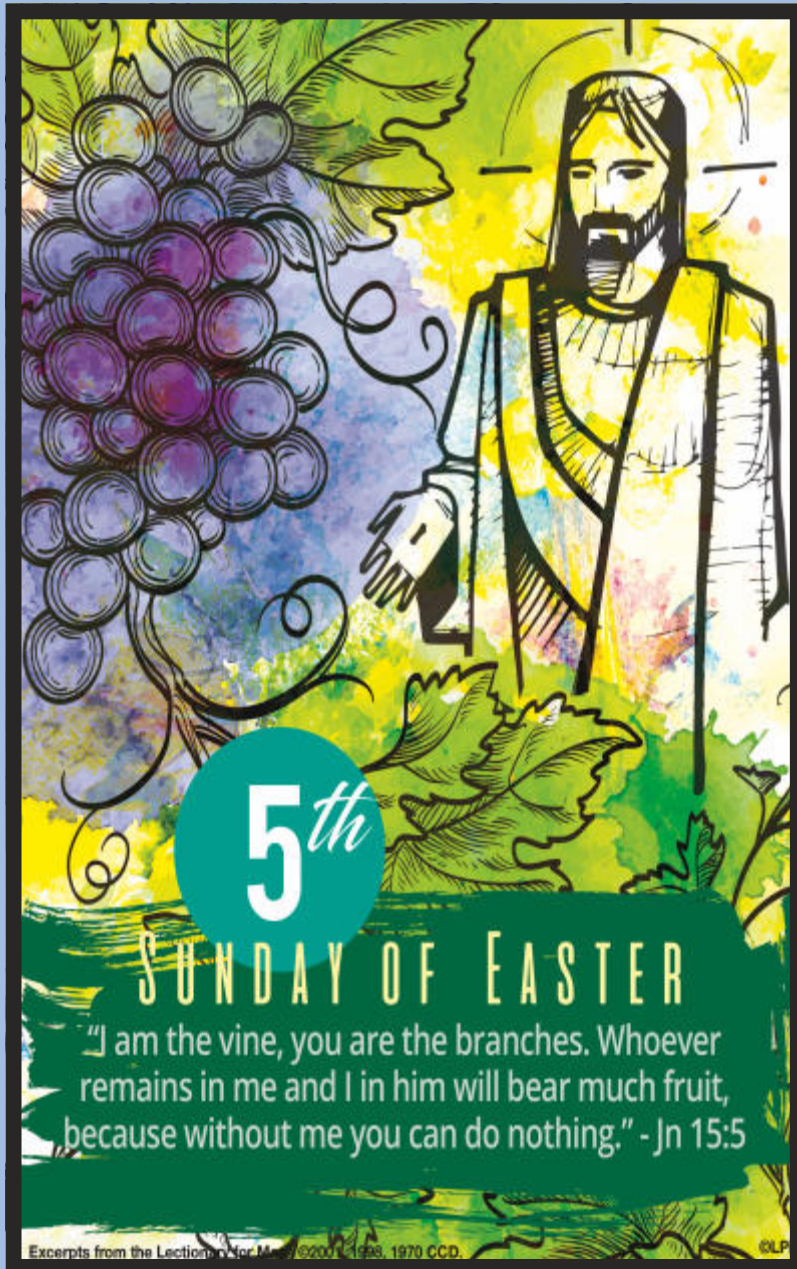
Christian Stewardship

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.



May 1-2, 2021 Fifth Sunday of Easter

Mass Intentions & Liturgy Schedule

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

Lord's Day Masses, May 1-2, 2021

Saturday, May 1st—Vigil: Fifth Sunday of Easter

4:00 pm SM +Fred & Helen Schmitt [family]

5:30 pm IC +Jacque Keffeler [family]

Sunday, May 2nd—Fifth Sunday of Easter

8:00 am IC +Amanda Condit [Dan & Kathy Coyle]

9:30 am SM +Timothy Longman

[Michael Bogner & Art Bogner]

Weekday Masses

Monday, May 3rd—Saints Philip and James, Apostles

No Mass

Tuesday, May 4th—Easter Weekday

8:30am SM All Souls Day Intentions

Wednesday, May 5th—Easter Weekday

5:30pm IC +Jeanne McCrosky [family]

Thursday, May 6th—Easter Weekday

8:30am SM +Helen & Fred Schmitt [family]

Friday, May 7th—Easter Weekday

8:30am IC Vocations [Altar & Rosary]

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, May 8-9, 2021

Saturday, May 8th—Vigil: Sixth Sunday of Easter

4:00 pm SM +Kevin Dunagan [family]

5:30 pm IC +George Jason [Justine Budd]

Sunday, May 9th—Sixth Sunday of Easter

8:00 am IC +Dorothy Schaer [family]

9:30 am SM +Gretchen Hallen [Tom Bogner]

ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL 2020 (as of 04/01/2021)

Goal	Pledged	Received	Bal to Goal	# of Families
SJT: \$ 23,849	\$ 22,715	\$ 21,315	\$ 2,534	75
IC: \$ 19,398	\$ 22,015	\$ 20,770	\$ 1,372 (over)	71

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...\$	895	\$59,038	\$80,000
IC: Hall remodeling.....\$	1,060	\$ 2,295	\$47,500

Lay Ministry Schedule

LECTOR	COMMUNION MINISTERS	ALTAR SERVERS
4:00 p.m. – SM – Saturday, May 8, 2021		
Dirk Nauman	Pam Waldschmidt	
5:30 p.m. – IC – Saturday, May 8, 2021		
Marian Bohm	Phil Fennell	
8:00 a.m. – IC – Sunday, May 9, 2021		
Kathy Coyle	Cathy Moore	
9:30 a.m. – SM – Sunday, May 9, 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:

Richard Mahrt; Kolton Villiger; Lindsey McGlasson; Lizzy Robertson; Melissa Duncan (niece of Richard Dubois); Beth Adams (cousin of Richard Dubois); Janice Maubach; Rob Sloan (brother of Tony & Pat Sloan); David Dunagan; Kathy Tomasson; David Sager (father of Renee Streitmatter); Kim Hardy (niece of Sandy Moore); Mary Poignant; Eugene Poignant; Anna Lukac; Rex Swords; Julia Ann Condit; Dennis Dragon; Clifford Harvey; 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; Karen Diehl; 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:

Mary Walin; 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—April 25, 2021

Thank you for your generosity

	Actual	Budgeted	YTD Actual (43 wks)	YTD Budget (43 wks)
Saint John XXIII—Sunday	\$ 1,769.00	\$ 2,430.00 (-\$661)	\$ 95,091.68	\$104,490.00
Immaculate Conception—Sunday	\$ 1,182.00	\$ 1,720.00 (-\$538)	\$ 74,600.90	\$ 73,960.00



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.

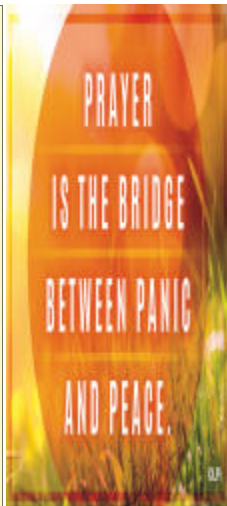
Upcoming Events in the Diocese

- May 8 Pre-Cana Conference, Epiphany Parish Hall, Normal
- May 15 Christian Sexuality Workshop, Epiphany Parish Hall, Normal
- Jun 5 Pre-Cana Conference, Spalding Pastoral Center, Peoria
- Jun 12 Christian Sexuality Workshop, Spalding Pastoral Center, Peoria
- Jun 11-14 Emmaus Days, St. John Newman Center, Champaign
- Jun 19 Pre-Cana Conference, Spalding Pastoral Center, Peoria
- Jun 25-28 Emmaus Days, St. John Newman Center, Champaign
- Jun 26 Christian Sexuality Workshop, Spalding Pastoral Center, Peoria

Setting the Captives Free-Spiritual Warfare and the Voice of God by Dan Burke @ St. Louis Church, Princeton
Saturday, May 15 from 9am-1pm Mass @ 8am
 Register online: SpiritualDirection.com/Events. Cost \$29.
 Questions: email Events@MyAvila.com. Covid compliant.



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

Fifth Sunday of Easter

The Gospel of this Sunday (John 15: 1-8) invites us to be like good branches of the vine that bear much fruit. Saul of Tarsus persecuted the early Church, trying to destroy the blossoming vine. But in today's first reading (Acts 9: 26-31), after his conversion and baptism, Saul – now Paul – boldly preaches in the Lord's name. We also hear in the second reading (1 John 3: 18-24) that if we keep God's commandments we will remain in the Lord, remain on the vine, bearing fruit. United in Love which sums up all the commandments, let us consider how we can remain in Jesus Christ and bear fruits of Love and Peace.

MAY-MARIAN MONTH

The month of May like the month of October is a special month on the Catholic Church's liturgical calendar, dedicated to the veneration of the Virgin Mary, mother of Jesus. The commemoration of the Blessed Virgin in the month of May dates back from the 17th Century. Observance of the month of May became more solidified as a Marian month in 1945 when Pope Pius XII proclaimed May 31 as the feast day of the Queenship of Mary. In later years, the day was moved to August 22.

The Church also based on the May 13, 1917- apparitions of Mary at Fatima in Portugal to further affirm the month of May as a Marian month. On May 13, 1917, three young girls, Lucia Santos and her cousins Jacinta and Francisco Morta were herding sheep when they saw a woman "brighter than the sun, shedding rays of light clearer and stronger than the rays of the sun." The lady is said to have asked them to devote themselves to the Holy Trinity and to pray "the rosary every day, to bring peace to the world and an end to war" (1st World War). The May 13, 1917 apparitions happened a year before the "The Spanish flu pandemic of 1918" that created havoc in the world.

May of this year 2021 is a special month as it is in the Year of St. Joseph. When we talk of Mary, we cannot forget her spouse St. Joseph and of course we have also to think of Jesus whom they raised in that Holy Family in Nazareth.

During this year in which we honor St. Joseph let us in this month of May, pay special homage to the Holy Family by saying the rosary daily and if possible the litanies of the Blessed Virgin Mary and St. Joseph seeking for their intercession, for an end of COVID-19 Pandemic and for PEACE in our nation and the whole world.

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.

God does not love us because we are valuable. We are valuable because God loves us. God loves every child He sends into the world. Pray and work to end abortion and euthanasia.



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