

**Saint Mary
Church**
401 South Street
Henry, IL 61537



**Immaculate Conception
Church**
412 N. Center Street
Lacon, IL 61540

IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY PARISH

Parish Office: Monday-Thursday 9am-3pm
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The Twelfth Sunday of Ordinary Time June 21, 2026

Mass Intentions & Liturgy Schedule

*SMC = St. Mary Church, Henry
ICC = Immaculate Conception, Lacon
(ProPopulo—Mass for the People of the Parish)*

The Twelfth Sunday of Ordinary time June 20-21

Saturday Vigil	4:30pm	SMC	+Robert & Marilyn Bogner
Sunday	8:00am	ICC	Pro Populo
	10:30am	SMC	+Nikola & Ljubica Lukac

Weekday Masses

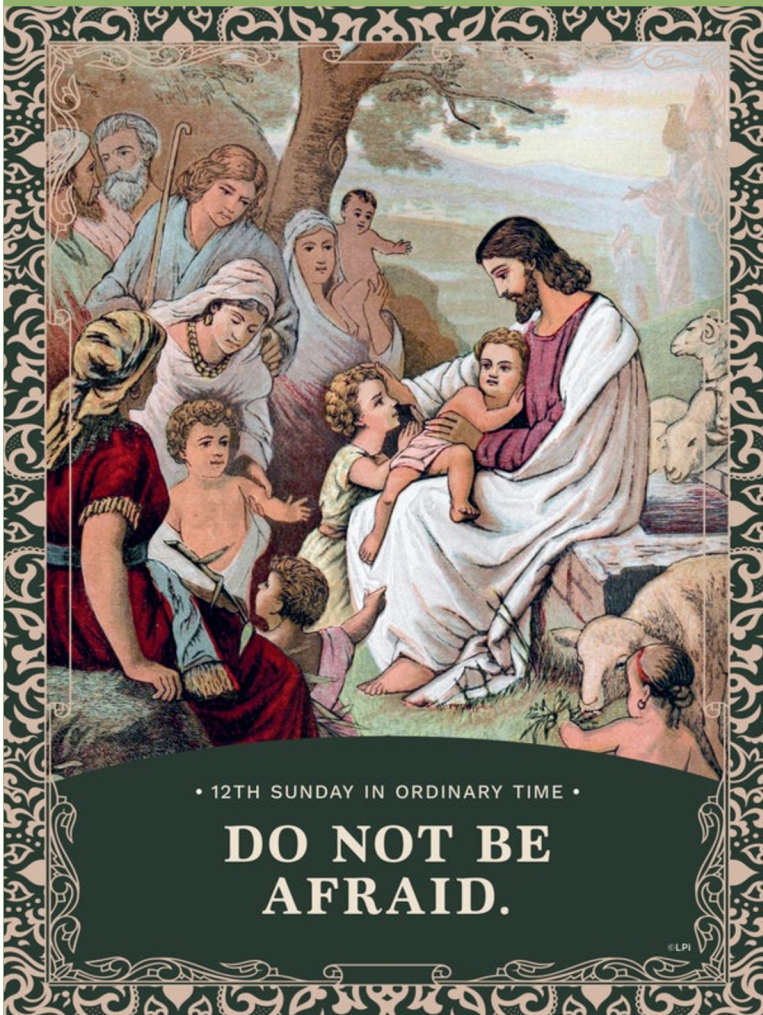
Mon. June 22	8:00am	SMC	Cynthia Schernayder
Tues. June 23			No Mass
Wed. June 24	5:30pm	ICC	+Kim Thompson
Thurs. June 25	7:30am	SMC	+Michelle Steele
Fri. June 26	8:00am	ICC	+Rowena Vincent

NEXT WEEKEND : June 27-28

Saturday Vigil	4:30pm	SMC	Pro Populo
Sunday	8:00am	ICC	+Leonard Balensiefen
	10:30am	SMC	Robert Damm

NEED A SUNDAY EVENING MASS?

5:00pm at St. Thomas, 904 E. Lake Ave, Peoria Heights
5:30pm at Queen of the Holy Rosary, 529 4th St, LaSalle
7:30pm at St. Philomena, 1000 W. Albany, Peoria



• 12TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME •

**DO NOT BE
AFRAID.**

Lay Ministry Schedule for Next Weekend June 27-28

Lector	EMHC	Altar Server
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4:30 p.m. - SMC - Saturday June 27, 2026

Betty Shearer	Father Pica	James
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8:00 a.m. - ICC - Sunday, June 28, 2026

Myra Uftring	Liz Nunley	Larry
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10:30 a.m. - SMC - Sunday, June 28, 2026

Nick Mattern	Margy Mattern	Mikey
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Daily Mass: 6:30am at the Convent in Lacon (Monday-Friday)

7:00am at the Convent in Lacon (Saturday)

11:00am at the Lacon Nursing/Rehab (Sunday)

Sacraments**Baptism:**

Please contact the Parish Office at least one month in advance to schedule the Baptism preparation. Both parents and godparents are required to attend a Baptism class prior to the Baptism.

Matrimony:

Please contact the Parish Office at least eight months in advance to schedule the wedding and begin the marriage preparation program.

Confessions:

Wednesdays: ICC Lacon 4:15pm-5:15pm

Saturdays: SMC Henry 3:15pm-4:15pm

Thursday before First Friday:

SMC Henry 6:00pm-8:00pm

First Friday: ICC Lacon 7:15am-7:45am

Other times by appointment with a priest.

Anointing of the Sick:

Please contact the Parish Office to schedule. If admitted to the hospital, please be sure at check-in to register your faith and your parish. In case of medical emergency, please call Fr. Pica at any time and follow automated directions for emergency calls.

Christian Stewardship

Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish is a family of families. And as a Parish Family we are asked to be faithful stewards of the gifts God has given each of us. Please share your faith and prayers, your time, your talents, and your treasures as we seek to faithfully live the Gospel; to Go and Mike Disciples of All Nations.

Are you new or Just Visiting? Welcome to Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish! We are glad you are here with us. I hope to personally welcome you after Mass if you are able to say hi! May God reward you! ~ Father Pica

Bulletin Deadline: Submit items in writing or email by noon Monday at the Parish Office in Lacon, IL.

Online bulletin: www.parishesonline.com**If hospitalized or homebound, please notify our Parish office****309-246-5145 or Fr. Pica 309-270-1052.**

Prayer line: If you have a need for special prayer, please contact the office at 309-246-5145

June 22 Parish Council IC Hall @6pm

June 27 St. Joseph's Men's Group @ SM Center 7-8am

"The most important person on earth is a mother... She has built something more magnificent than any cathedral a dwelling place for an immortal soul, the tiny perfection of her baby's body." ~ Joseph Cardinal Mindzenty

Prayer For Life: Dear Heavenly Father, I thank my Mom and Dad for my birth. I love life, I love living. In Jesus name I pray. Amen



O Sacred Heart of Jesus, to Thee I consecrate and offer up my person and my life, my actions, trials, and sufferings, that my entire being may henceforth only be employed in loving, honoring and glorifying Thee. This is my irrevocable will, to belong entirely to Thee, and to do all for Thy love, renouncing with my whole heart all that can displease Thee.

I take Thee, O Sacred Heart, for the sole object of my love, the protection of my life, the pledge of my salvation, the remedy of my frailty and inconstancy, the reparation for all the defects of my life, and my secure refuge at the hour of my death. Be Thou, O Most Merciful Heart, my justification before God Thy Father, and screen me from His anger which I have so justly merited. I fear all from my own weakness and malice, but placing my entire confidence in Thee, O Heart of Love, I hope all from Thine infinite Goodness. Annihilate in me all that can displease or resist Thee. Imprint Thy pure love so deeply in my heart that I may never forget Thee or be separated from Thee.

I beseech Thee, through Thine infinite Goodness, grant that my name be engraved upon Thy Heart, for in this I place all my happiness and all my glory, to live and to die as one of Thy devoted servants. Amen. -- St. Margaret Mary Alacoque

Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish Support**Thank you for your generosity!**

	June 14,2026	YTD	YTD Budget
Collection	\$2874.	\$157,626.	\$214,307.50 (56,681.50)
Bldgs & Grounds (Blue envelope)	\$115.	\$15,600	\$15,600
SM Resolution (Orange Envelope)	\$365.	\$39,910	\$65,000 (25,090.)

+JM J+

Dear Parishioners,

*Praised be Jesus Christ! -Now and forever!**Happy Father's Day to all the fathers in our Parish! Thank you to the Parish Council and all others who helped to make our Parish Feast Day a great celebration!**We now enter back into the weekly rhythm of Ordinary Time- where we return to the middle of the Gospel of St. Matthew.*

Below Pope St. John Paul II, in Chapter III, *Dies Ecclesiae- The Day of the Church*- helps us to understand how the people of God are also a Pilgrim people, meaning that our home is not here and now on earth, but rather our true home is the Kingdom of Heaven in the world to come- *a new heaven and a new earth*. Each Sunday we exercise our desire for the Lord's return when the elect will enter into the holy city of the Heavenly Jerusalem. With this eschatological view, that is a view towards the end of time, we are also a people of Hope, and Christian Hope gives hope to the world.

From *Dies Domini* (1998)- an Apostolic Letter to the Bishops, Clergy, and Faithful of the Catholic Church on Keeping the Lord's Day Holy- Pope St. John Paul II.

A pilgrim people

37. As the Church journeys through time, the reference to Christ's Resurrection and the weekly recurrence of this solemn memorial help to remind us of the pilgrim and eschatological character of the People of God. Sunday after Sunday the Church moves towards the final "Lord's Day", that Sunday which knows no end. The expectation of Christ's coming is inscribed in the very mystery of the Church(55) and is evidenced in every Eucharistic celebration. But, with its specific remembrance of the glory of the Risen Christ, the Lord's Day recalls with greater intensity the future glory of his "return". This makes Sunday the day on which the Church, showing forth more clearly her identity as "Bride", anticipates in some sense the eschatological reality of the heavenly Jerusalem. Gathering her children into the Eucharistic assembly and teaching them to wait for the "divine Bridegroom", she engages in a kind of "exercise of desire".(56) receiving a foretaste of the joy of the new heavens and new earth, when the holy city, the new Jerusalem, will come down from God, "prepared as a bride adorned for her husband" (Rev 21:2).

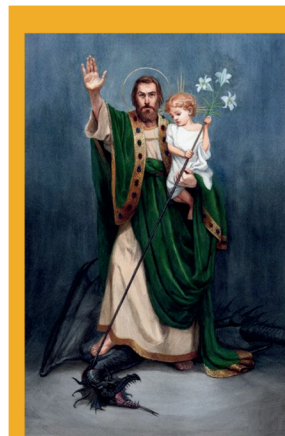
The day of hope

38. Viewed in this way, Sunday is not only the day of faith, but is also the day of Christian hope. To share in "the Lord's Supper" is to anticipate the eschatological feast of the "marriage of the Lamb" (Rev 19:9). Celebrating this memorial of Christ, risen and ascended into heaven, the Christian community waits "in joyful hope for the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ".(57) Renewed and nourished by this intense weekly rhythm, Christian hope becomes the leaven and the light of human hope. This is why the Prayer of the Faithful responds not only to the needs of the particular Christian community but also to those of all humanity; and the Church, coming together for the Eucharistic celebration, shows to the world that she makes her own "the joys and hopes, the sorrows and anxieties of people today, especially of the poor and all those who suffer".(58) With the offering of the Sunday Eucharist, the Church crowns the witness which her children strive to offer every day of the week by proclaiming the Gospel and practising charity in the world of work and in all the many tasks of life; thus she shows forth more plainly her identity "as a sacrament, or sign and instrument of intimate union with God and of the unity of the entire human race".(59)

*¡Viva Cristo Rey!**Father Pica*

IHM 2025 Annual Diocesan Appeal May Update

Goal	Pledged	Received	To be Pledged	# of Donors
\$50,457	\$42,237.50	\$40,477.50	\$8,219.50	86



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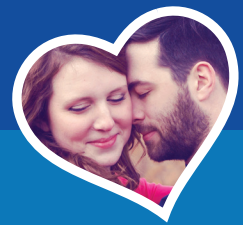


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