

Welcome

Welcome to Our Lady of Lourdes and Immaculate Conception! We are glad you are here with us today. If you would like to join our Faith Community,

Our Lady of Lourdes

Established - 1875
534 N. Wood Street
Gibson City, IL 60936

Mass Schedule

Saturday 5 pm
Sunday 7 am & 10:30 am
Monday 8 am
Tuesday 8 am
Thursday 6:30 pm
Friday 8 am
Holy Days: 7 am & 7 pm

Eucharistic Adoration

Tuesday 8:30-9:30 am
Thursday 7-8 pm

Confession

Saturday 4:30 pm (OLOL)
Any time by Appointment



Immaculate Conception

202 E. Green Street
Roberts, IL 60962

Mass Schedule

Sunday 8:30 am

Confession

Sunday 8:15AM (IC)



Parish Office

Phone & Fax:
(217) 784-4671
General Information
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Gibson City, IL 60936
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DECEMBER 8, 2013

Second Sunday of Advent



**Our Lady of Lourdes
Catholic Church**



**Immaculate Conception
Catholic Mission**

Pastor

Rev. Thomas Theneth, CMI

Deacon

Jeff Volker

Parish Secretary

Patti Meunier

Religious Education

Alyce Hafer

Youth Ministry

Bruce Killian

Musicians

Michele Fackler
Corey Fields

Parish Council President

Matt Doran (OLOL)

THIS WEEK'S INTENTIONS

If you wish to have a mass intention for a loved one, anniversary or other occasion, please contact the parish office. Mass intentions are \$10.

MON Dec 9	8:00AM	Esther Molck
TUE Dec 10	8:00AM	Lyla Hutchcraft
WED Dec 11		No Mass
THU Dec 12	6:30PM	Eleanor Kerber
FRI Dec 13	8:00AM	Lyla Hutchcraft
SAT Dec 14	5:00PM	Faye O'Neal
SUN Dec 15	7:00AM(OLOL) 8:30 AM (IC) 10:30 AM (OLOL)	For Parishioners Michael Weber Esther Molck

Thank You For Your Gifts

OLOL

Envelopes	\$2108.50
Loose	\$439.00
Capital Improvements	\$665.00

Imm. Conception

Total	\$250.00
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MINISTRY SCHEDULES

Date	Altar Servers	Lectors	Euch. Minister	Ushers	Homebound Ministry
Sat, Dec 14 5:00PM	Rucker Parsons Hattie Parsons	Lisa Heap Patti Huppert		Mel Fischer John Carlson	Michelle Rosenbaum
Sun, Dec 15 7:00AM	Brooks Schmitt	Jim Freehill			
Sun, Dec 15 10:30AM	Andrew Laughery Braden Roesch	Jim Meyer Sarah Sarantakos	Deacon Jeff	Frank Titus Chuck Weber	

Volunteers are always needed for our parish ministries. For more information on how to join, contact the parish office.

Baptism

Call the Rectory at least four weeks before the baptism. Baptismal instruction for the parents and God-parents is required.

Sick??

If you or a family member is sick or admitted to the hospital or makes a trip to the Emergency Room, please contact Fr. Thomas at (630) 639-0502 or Deacon Jeff at (217) 781-8238.

Marriage

Call the Rectory at least six months before. A six month preparation time is required.



Paul and Sarah Sarantakos invite you to write any need you have in the *Prayer Book* located at the back of the church. You and your needs will be kept in their prayers as they travel to and from Joliet for Paul's diaconate classes.



Join The Caring Team

Volunteers are needed in the upcoming weeks to clean our beautiful church. Simply sign up on the schedule, which is located on the table at the back of the church. The binder provides additional details on the cleaning process. Questions? Call the parish at 784-4671. This is a great opportunity for our youth to log service hours as well!

Pray for the Sick & Homebound

Tony Coons
Mary Cothorn
Jesse Cervelli
Vicky Stuckey
Dick Walter
Doris Benter
Penny Campbell
Loretta Bode
Rita Benefiel
Chuck Kemmer

If you wish to add the name of a loved one who is sick, please contact the parish office at 217-784-4671 or pastor@ololgc.org.

Father Thomas' Corner

What is ADVENT? Advent is a period of spiritual preparation in which many Christians make themselves ready for the birth of the Lord, Jesus Christ. Advent typically involves a season of prayer, fasting and repentance, followed by anticipation, hope and joy.

Last week we were reminded of what each of the four candles of the Advent Wreath symbolize. What many do not realize is that the wreath is equally symbolic and beautiful.

The wreath is made of various evergreens, signifying continuous life. The laurel signifies victory over persecution and suffering; pine, holly, and yew, immortality; and cedar, strength and healing. The prickly leaves of the holly also remind us of the crown of thorns. The circle of the wreath, which has no beginning or end, symbolizes the eternity of God, the immortality of the soul, and the everlasting life of Christ. Any pine cones, nuts, or seedpods used to decorate the wreath symbolize life and resurrection. All together, the wreath of evergreens symbolizes the immortality of our soul and the new, everlasting life of Christ. It reminds us of the eternal Word of the Father, who entered our



Parish Events

Wed. Dec 11

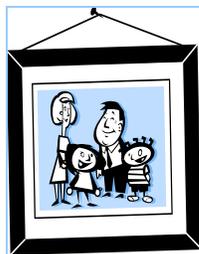
- Knights of Columbus Meeting 7PM

Tues. Dec 17

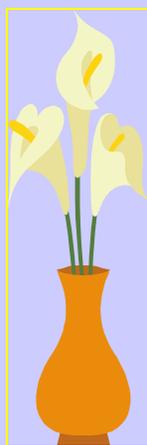
- C.A.L.M. Meeting

From the RE Desk

A friendly reminder about the RE food drive... Items needed are paper goods and personal hygiene items, and canned as well as dried goods. Boxes can be found at the hall and the back of church. These items will go to the local food pantry at Shepherds Closet during the months of November, December, and January ..many thanks



If you had pictures from the directory photo sessions delivered to the office, they have been arriving all week!!! You can find them on the table at the back of church.



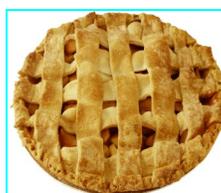
Sign up sheet for altar flowers for 2014 will be in the back of the church. Flowers are provided by Front & Center Gallery and are \$30. You may have already signed up for a permanent date--if you wish to make any changes, please note them on the sheet.

Our Condolences to the family of

Eric & Michelle
Rosenbaum



The Our Lady of Lourdes Youth Group is having a pie fundraiser. There are order forms at the back of church or you can ask any member of our youth group as they all have extra forms. Checks can be made payable to OLL. Christmas orders need to be in by December 8 and pickup will be December 14 & 15. What a great opportunity to purchase your pies for Christmas, AND help the youth group raise funds for their mission trip to Nashville for CHWC this summer.



Funeral Dinner Ministry

Extra hands are always welcome at funeral dinners. If you'd like to be called to work or donate food in the future, contact Fran Mardis at 784-8515.