

## 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, please contact our parish office or stop by any time.

## 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

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# November 9, 2014

## The Dedication of Lateran Basilica



**DON'T FORGET IT IS TURKEY DINNER WEEKEND....  
SEE DETAILS INSIDE!! GORRIE GORRIE**

**As we all know, Father Thomas will be traveling to Rome for the canonization of Blessed Euphrasia (member of CMC (Congregation of Mother Carmel), which we featured last week and this week we feature Kuriakose Chavara (founder of the CMI (Carmelites Mary Immaculate) and CMC orders) These individual are the first in these orders to be canonized.**



Kuriakose (Cyriac) Chavara was born in 1805, of devout Catholic parents at Kainakary, Kerala, India. After his school education in his native village, he continued his priestly studies under Fr. Thomas Palackal at Pallippuram, Kerala, he was ordained priest in 1829.

In 1831 with Fr. Thomas Palackal and Fr. Thomas Porukara, he founded the first indigenous religious congregation for men, now known as the Carmelites of Mary Immaculate (CMI). In 1855 he made his religious profession taking the name Kuriakose Elias of the Holy Family. He started the first religious house in Mannanam, and then six more house in different parts of Kerala state.

This newly started Congregation made great strides in the spiritual renovation of the Syro-Malabar Catholic Church. Seminaries for the education and formation of the clergy, introduction of annual retreats for priests and people, a publishing house for the propagation of Catholic doctrine, a house for the dying and destitute, special attention to catechumens and schools for general education, were a few among the various activities started by the Congregation under the leadership of Fr. Kuriakose Elias.

Fr. Chavara also introduced many valuable improvements and reforms in the Syro-Malabar liturgy. In 1866, with the co-operation of Fr. Leopold Boccato OCD, he started the Congregation of the Mother of Carmel (CMC) for women. When a schism threatened the church in 1861, Fr. Kuriakose Elias Chavara, the Vicar General of the Syro-Malabar Church then, took a strong stand and gave effective leadership in thwarting Thomas Rocco's intrusion and saved the Syro-Malabar Catholic Church from schism.

Fr. Chavara has also written a number of books in pros as well as in verse with unique spiritual vision. His counsel to the Christian families in the form of the 'Testament of a Loving Father' is applicable and relevant even today. As a man of prayer and great charity, he lived in close communion with the Lord amidst his several religious and social activities. Seeing his spirituality that permeated all his actions, he was accepted and referred to as a man of God.

On January 3rd, 1871, Fr. Kuriakose Elias Chavara, after a short but painful illness, passed away at Koonammavu preserving his baptismal innocence unto death. His mortal remains were transferred from Koonammavu to Mannanam in 1889 and have been interred in St. Joseph's Monastery church.

The process of beatification of Father Chavara started in 1958. In 1984 he was declared as venerable, and in 1986 as Blessed, and on November 23rd 2014, he will be canonized.

The CMI congregation has about 3000 members and serving God and His people in 32 countries.



### Pastor

Rev. Thomas Theneth, CMI  
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TTheneth@ololg.org

### 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.

<b>MON</b> Nov 10	8:00AM	McCall Family Joseph McGuire Family
<b>TUE</b> Nov 11	8:00AM	Vickie Stuckey Birthday
<b>WED</b> Nov 12	8:00AM	Medernach Family Meyer Family
<b>THU</b> Nov 13	6:30PM	Miguel Family Randy Miller Family
<b>FRI</b> Nov 14	8:00AM	Andrew Miller Family Molck Family
<b>SAT</b> Nov 15	5:00PM	Nunnink Family Obert Family
<b>SUN</b> Nov 16	7:00AM(OLOL) 8:30 AM (IC) 10:30 AM (OLOL)	Pearson Family Doug Parsons Family Ortiz Family Meunier Family Josh Parsons Family

### Thank You For Your Gifts OLOL

Envelopes \$1477.50

Loose \$287.00

Capital Imp. 745.00

### Imm. Conception

Total \$175.02



**CMAA Goals**  
**OLOL: \$14,765**  
Goal: (\$11,786)  
**IC: \$1,450**  
(Goal: \$1,149)

### MINISTRY SCHEDULES

<u>Date</u>	<u>Altar Servers</u>	<u>Lectors</u>	<u>Euch. Minister</u>	<u>Ushers</u>	<u>Homebound Ministry</u>
Sat, Nov 15 5:00PM	Andrew & Aiden Laughery	Lisa Heap Marj Brown	Marj Brown	John Carlson	Denis & Cherry
Sun, Nov 16 7:00AM	Jessica Freehill				
Sun, Nov 16 10:30AM	Nathan & Ethan Garard	Denis Fisher Ray Hanks	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.



**OUR LADY OF LOURDES CATHOLIC CHURCH  
WILL BE HOSTING THEIR ANNUAL TUR-  
KEY DINNER AT FATHER**

**THIS SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2014**

**11AM-1PM**

**ADULTS \$8**

**KIDS 12 UNDER \$4**

**PURCHASE DINNERS AT THE DOOR**

**CARRYOUT AND DELIVERY ARE AVAILABLE. FOR DELIVERY  
RESERVATIONS PRIOR TO  
NOVEMBER 10, PLEASE CALL BRIAN LOZIER AT 784-2600 AND  
LEAVE YOUR NAME, ADDRESS, PHONE NUMBER, AND HOW MANY  
DINNERS YOU NEED.**

### SAINTS OF THE WEEK

Monday, November 10

**St. Leo the Great**

Tuesday, November 11

**St. Martin of Tours**

Wednesday, November 12

**St. Josaphat**

Thursday, November 13

**St. Francis Xavier Cabrini**

Friday, November 14

**St. Gertrude the Great**

Saturday, November 15

**St. Albert the Great**

Sunday, November 16

**St. Margaret of Scotland**

# A Word From Father Thomas



The house of God is a house of prayer. In his house, the offering is not animals, birds or money but one's own self. When Jesus came to the temple, he saw money changers and people selling animals and birds to be offered to God. He overturns this custom in order that people may recognize the ultimate victim that will be offered as expiation for our sins, the blood of the Lamb of God that is offered on the cross. John tells us that "And the word became flesh and dwelt among us (Jn. 1:14)". This is the unique act of God and nothing can excel or replace it. This intimacy has to be recognized, experienced, celebrated and enjoyed. Jesus is the only offering and sacrifice and we should all join with this offering of Jesus to the Father. Jesus' act in the temple teaches us that a new way of worship, a new experience in prayer, a new orientation in understanding of sacrifice and offering. Jesus is the center of our worship and he is the victim that is offered to the Father. We should have proper understanding of our worship and come to participate in the offering of Jesus that obtains for us victory over sin and death and which ultimately leads us to the Father. Let us allow Jesus to overturn those table of our pride, selfishness, meaningless rituals and customs, and profit oriented religious celebrations so that we may freely come to the table of the Lord to share and participate in his self-offering to the Father and become one with Him.

## PARISH EVENTS

November

**Sun, November 9**

- **Turkey Dinner**  
**11AM-1PM**

**Wed, November 12**

- **Staff Meeting 6PM**
- **K of C Mtg 7PM**

**Wed, November 19**

- **Parish Council Mtg**  
**7PM**



### 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  
Vivian Geurts  
Mardella Duffy  
Joanne Baker  
Don Hahn  
Dennis Stack

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@ololg.org](mailto:pastor@ololg.org).



### "WHO WILL FILL THESE SHOES?"

Friday, November 28, 2014

11Am-3PM

Cathedral of St. Raymond  
604 N Raynor Avenue, Joliet, IL

For men ages 16-40

This is a day for men to hear more about the priesthood, meet our seminarians, and to find out if the Lord is asking them to "fill the shoes" of the priests who have gone before us.

### SEMINARY VISIT

November 13-15, 2014

St. John Vianney College Seminary  
St. Paul, MN

For more information contact:  
Fr. Burke Masters (815)221-6171.



### A HUGE THANK YOU TO:

**Carla Moxley  
Chuck & Pam Aubry  
Mike, Patti  
& Megan Meunier**

**for their help digging the 38 holes for the new landscaping. Just one more example of our parish working together for beautiful results!!**



### THOUGHTS

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The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

The first reading says that water will help people live and make salt water fresh. How can living a stewardship life help us really be alive and make our lives fresh this week?



**USHER MINISTRY: We are in need of someone to head this important ministry.** We are also calling all men (from high school up) in the parish to consider joining the Usher team. Please contact the office at [pastor@ololg.org](mailto:pastor@ololg.org) if you are able to help with this very important ministry or would like more information.

**LECTOR MINISTRY:** The Lector ministry is always looking for new members! If you are interested in being a Lector and need more information, please contact Lisa Volker at [lmv3161@hotmail.com](mailto:lmv3161@hotmail.com) or 217.781.1738 as soon as possible to be on the new schedule. Lectors are needed for all Masses and duties are usually every 3 to 4 weeks.

We invite everyone to look through the feast of all souls book of remembrance at the back of church and note anyone that they would like to remember this November.



**Father Thomas (11/11)**  
**Vicky Stuckey (11/11)**  
**Roger Huppert (11/13)**  
**Emma McGuire (11/14)**  
**Tom Townsend (11/14)**  
**Garrett Tredennick (11/15)**  
**Joe Schwarz (11/16)**