

## 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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# August 31, 2014

## Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time



**Our Lady of Lourdes  
Catholic Church**



**Immaculate Conception  
Catholic Mission**

Mother Teresa of Kolkata (1910 – 1997)  
Feast Day September 5

Mother Teresa of Kolkata, the tiny woman recognized throughout the world for her work among the poorest of the poor, was beatified October 19, 2003. Among those present were hundreds of Missionaries of Charity, the order she founded in 1950 as a diocesan religious community. Today the congregation also includes contemplative sisters and brothers and an order of priests.



Born to Albanian parents in what is now Skopje, Macedonia (then part of the Ottoman Empire) Gonxha (Agnes) Bojaxhiu was the youngest of the three children who survived. For a time, the family lived comfortably, and her father's construction business thrived. But life changed overnight following his unexpected death.

During her years in public school Agnes participated in a Catholic sodality and showed a strong interest in the foreign missions. At the age 18 she entered the Loreto Sisters of Dublin. It was 1928 when she said goodbye to her mother for the final time and made her way to a new land and a new life. The following year she was sent to the Loreto novitiate in Darjeeling, India. There she chose the name Teresa and prepared for a life of service. She was assigned to a high school for girls in Kolkata, where she taught history and geography to the daughters of the wealthy. But she could not escape the realities around her-poverty, the suffering, the overwhelming numbers of the destitute people.

In 1946 while riding a train to Darjeeling to make a retreat, Sister Teresa heard what she later explained as "a call within a call. The message was clear. I was to leave the convent and help the poor while living among them." So she also heard a call to give up her life with the Sisters of Loreto and, instead, to "follow Christ into the slums to serve him among the poorest of the poor."

After receiving permission to leave Loreto, established a new religious community and undertake her new work, she took a nursing course for several months. She returned to Kolkata, where she lived in slums and opened a school for poor children. Dressed in a white sari and sandals (the ordinary dress of an Indian woman) she soon began getting to know her neighbors - especially the poor and the sick - and getting to know their needs through visits.

The work was exhausting, but she was not alone for long. Volunteers who came to join her in the work, some of them former students, became the core of the Missionaries of Charity. Others helped by donating food, clothing, supplies, the use of buildings. In 1952 the city of Kolkata gave Mother Teresa a former hostel, which became a home for the dying and the destitute. As the order expanded, services were also offered to orphans, abandoned children, alcoholics, the aging, and street people.

For the next four decades Mother Teresa worked tirelessly on behalf of the poor. Her love knew no

**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.

<b>MON</b> Sept 1	8:00AM	<b>NO MASS</b>
<b>TUE</b> Sept 2	8:00AM	Eva Acree Family Roy & Terri Acree Family
<b>WED</b> Sept 3	8 :00AM	The Allen Family The Alt Family
<b>THU</b> Sept 4	6:30PM	The Andreae Family The Aubry Family
<b>FRI</b> Sept 5	8:00AM	The Baillie Family Margaret Bane Family
<b>SAT</b> Sept 6	5:00PM	Gerry Gravlin
<b>SUN</b> Sept 7	7:00AM(OLOL) 8:30 AM (IC) 10:30 AM (OLOL)	Tim & Jody Bane Family The Beyers Family The Brennan Family The Burnes Family Darrell Volker

**Thank You  
For Your Gifts  
OLOL**

Envelopes \$2164.65

Loose \$578.00

Capital Imp. \$5.00

**Imm. Conception**

Total \$443.00

**CMAA Goals**  
**OLOL: \$13,543**  
Goal: (\$11,786)  
**IC: \$1,260**  
(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, Sept 6 5:00PM	Hattie Parsons Brooke Beyers	Mary Fairfield Jim Meyer	Fran Mardis	Jerry Brown Steve Heavilin	Fran Mardis
Sun, Sept 7 7:00AM	Remi Astronomo	Becky Doran			
Sun, Sept 7 10:30AM	Hannah & Haven Hathaway	Jack Kollross Ray Hankes	Deacon Volker	Bruce Killian Steve Killian	

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.



The Gibson Food Pantry is need of the following items...canned meat, canned fruit, jelly, and paper products. If you are able to help in some way, it will be greatly appreciated.

**FAMILY MASS INTENTIONS**

Beginning in September, we will choose two families daily and pray for the members of those families during the mass. We always pray for our parish family at every mass, however, thought this would be a nice addition to parish traditions. If there is a specific day or any special intention that you have in mind, please feel free to email Patti at pastor@ololgc.org or call the office on Monday's at (217)784-4671.

If for some reason mass is canceled for a given day, those families will be moved to the following week!

**Anyone needing to talk to Father Thomas directly, feel free to call or text his cell number at 630-639-0502.**



**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@ololgc.org.

# A Word From Father Thomas

**Jesus asks the question: what will a person give in exchange of his or her life?**

**Neither wealth nor possessions can buy heaven, mend a broken heart, or cheer a lonely person. Everything we have is a generous gift of God. We owe him everything including our very lives. It is possible to give God our money, but not ourselves, or to give him lip services, but not our heart.**

**As St. Paul says in the second reading we must be careful not to be trapped by the lure of glamour of the secular world around us. A true disciple gladly gives up all he has in exchange for an unending life of joy and happiness with God. God gives without measure. No sadness or loss can diminish the joy he offers.**

**The cross of Christ leads to victory and freedom from sin and death. What is the cross which Jesus Christ is commanding you to take up each day? It is his teaching that you must follow to gain eternal happiness. Are you ready to lose for Christ in order to gain all with Jesus Christ?**

## From the RE Desk

All of us in the RE Program would like to thank the Knights of Columbus for presenting us with a magnificent framed print of Pope Francis. The print is displayed in the Fr. Kirk entryway for RE students, parents, teachers and parishioners to enjoy!

Registration is ongoing for the 2014-15 RE year, please come to the hall Saturday, August 30, after 5PM mass or Sunday, August 31, after 7:00AM mass or before/after 10:30AM mass and register your children. Classes start Sunday, September 7 at 9AM.

Mark your calendars for the catechist Sunday September 21st at 10:30AM mass when we honor our catechists. OLOL is very fortunate to have all our returning teachers and welcomes newcomer Erika Foltz who will serve in the second grade reconciliation/first

### WOMEN'S CURSILLO WEEKEND

**Ladies, you are invited to attend the upcoming Women's Cursillo weekend. Cursillo is primarily a lay movement. It is an instrument of renewal by which Christianity can permeate, live and grow in today's world. It proposes a method through which one's spirituality can be strengthened, lived and shared in all areas of one's environment. The weekend will be October 9-12, 2014 at Our Lady of the Lake in Mahomet. Check in is at 7PM, Thursday, the 9th. Please contact Pam Krisman 217-841-0805 or Dick Baxley 217-867-2686 with questions or to reserve your spot.**

### PARISH EVENTS

*September*

**Wed, September 13**

- K of C Mtg 7PM

**Wed, September 17**

- Staff Mtg 6PM

**Wed, September 24**

- Parish Council Mtg 7PM



### THOUGHTS

August 31, 2014

In today's second reading, St. Paul exhorts the Romans to total stewardship. Brothers and sisters, he urges, "...offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God."



Please pray for our teachers and students who will begin the new RE year next Sunday, September 7 at 9AM! Stop early and see Alyce if you still need to register!



**Kin-ley Beyers (9/4)**  
**Petra Chaddock (9/5)**  
**Cherry Fisher (9/7)**  
**Austin Hornstein (9/7)**  
**Joachim Nunnink, Jr. (9/7)**



**Angelo & Monique Culotta (9/1)**  
**Jack & Susan Kollross (9/2)**  
**Norm & Judy Schall (9/5)**  
**Tim & Michele Fackler (9/6)**