

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

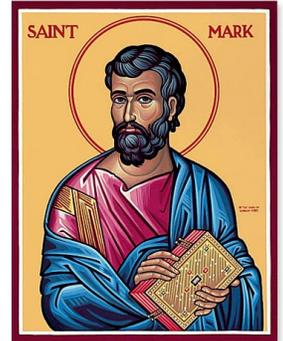
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April 19, 2015

Third Sunday of Easter

April 25

St. Mark



Most of what we know about Mark comes directly from the New Testament. He is usually identified with the Mark of Acts 12:12. (When Peter escaped from prison, he went to the home of Mark's mother.)

Paul and Barnabas took him along on the first missionary journey, but for some reason Mark returned alone to Jerusalem. It is evident, from Paul's refusal to let Mark accompany him on the second journey despite Barnabas's insistence, that Mark had displeased Paul. Because Paul later asks Mark to visit him in prison, we may assume the trouble did not last long.

The oldest and the shortest of the four Gospels, the Gospel of Mark emphasizes Jesus' rejection by humanity while being God's triumphant envoy. Probably written for Gentile converts in Rome—after the death of Peter and Paul sometime between A.D. 60 and 70—Mark's Gospel is the gradual manifestation of a "scandal": a crucified Messiah.

Evidently a friend of Mark (Peter called him "my son"), Peter is only one of the Gospel sources, others being the Church in Jerusalem (Jewish roots) and the Church at Antioch (largely Gentile).

Like one other Gospel writer, Luke, Mark was not one of the 12 apostles. We cannot be certain whether he knew Jesus personally. Some scholars feel that the evangelist is speaking of himself when describing the arrest of Jesus in Gethsemane: "Now a young man followed him wearing nothing but a linen cloth about his body. They seized him, but he left the cloth behind and ran off naked" (Mark 14:51-52).

Others hold Mark to be the first bishop of Alexandria, Egypt. Venice, famous for the Piazza San Marco, claims Mark as its patron saint; the large basilica there is believed to contain his remains.

A winged lion is Mark's symbol. The lion derives from Mark's description of John the Baptist as a "voice of one crying out in the desert" (Mark 1:3), which artists compared to a roaring lion. The wings come from the application of Ezekiel's vision of four winged creatures (Ezekiel, chapter one) to the evangelists.

Mark fulfilled in his life what every Christian is called to do: proclaim to all people the Good News that is the source of salvation. In particular, Mark's way was by writing. Others may proclaim the Good News by music, drama, poetry or by teaching children around a family table.

Quote:

There is very little in Mark that is not in the other Gospels—only four passages. One is: "...This is how it is with the kingdom of God; it is as if a man were to scatter seed on the land and would sleep and rise night and day and the seed would sprout and grow, he knows not how. Of its own accord the land yields fruit, first the blade, then the ear, then the full grain in the ear. And when the grain is ripe, he wields the sickle at once, for the harvest has come" (Mark 4:26-29).

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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 April 20	8:00AM	Roesch Family Rosenbaum Family
TUE April 21	8:00AM	Roy Family Ruddy Family
WED April 22	8:00AM	Sarantakos Family Schmitt Family
THU April 23	6:30PM	Susan Verdeyn
FRI April 24	8:00AM	Seymour Family Shambrook Family
SAT April 25	5:00PM	Marge Carlson
SUN April 26	7:00AM (OLOL) 8:30 AM (IC) 10:30 AM (OLOL)	Shilts Family Skinner Family Masco Family Slavicek family Michael Smith Family

Thank You For Your Gifts OLOL

Envelopes \$2290.00
Loose \$511.00
Capital Imp. \$150.00
Food Pantry \$136.00

Imm. Conception

Total \$146.43

When we meet our CMAA Goals!
OLOL and IC will get back 65% of every dollar received above our goals. Reaching our goals is a great achievement, and continuing to give is even greater!

CMAA Goals
OLOL: \$7442
Goal: (\$12,576)
IC: \$515
(Goal: \$1,224)

MINISTRY SCHEDULES

Date	Altar Servers	Lectors	Euch. Minister	Ushers	Homebound Ministry
Sat, April 25 5:00PM	Nathan & Ethan Garard	Lisa Heap	Frank Titus	Paul Obert Bob Mardis	Fran Mardis
Sun, April 26 7:00AM	Remi Astronomo	Michelle Rosenbaum			
Sun, April 26 10:30AM	Caleb & Lacey Cotter	Maggie Davis		Dan Day Tim Fackler	

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 .

Marriage

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

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Michael Davis (4/20)
Terry Fields (4/20)
Sam Baillie (4/21)
Dick Walter (4/22)
Steve Heavilin (4/22)
Norma Thompson (4/24)



Leo & Audrey Chapman (4/22)
Eric & Michelle Rosenbaum (4/23)
Harry & Dori Groom (4/25)

TOTUS TUUS

Mark your calendars
for Totus Tuus
JUNE 14-19
REGISTRATION WILL
BE AVAILABLE AT THE
PARISH PICNIC!

There is a glass jar on the table at the back of church for any weekly Gibson City Food Pantry donations.

Thank you for your commitment to our newest Parish Ministry!

SAINTS OF THE WEEK

Monday, April 20
St. Conrad of Parzham
Tuesday, April 21
St. Anseim
Wednesday, April 22
St. Adalbert of Prague
Thursday, April 23
St. George
Friday, April 24
St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen
Saturday, April 25
St. Mark
Sunday, April 26
St. Pedro de San Jose Betancur

PARISH PICNIC

Our Annual Parish Picnic is
Sunday, MAY 3, 2015
After 10:30AM Mass until 3:30PM

Come enjoy the BOUNCE HOUSE, GAMES, and FELLOWSHIP for the day!! We are asking parishioners to bring DESSERTS (meat and drink provided) and any YARD GAMES they might want to share....AND we could still use some help with the picnic so please contact Alyce (217)745-2411 or joenalyceh@cawi.org. Pray for good weather!

If you have not already purchased tickets from our youth for the Catholic Heart Work Camp trip in June, the picnic is a good opportunity to do so! CHWC silent auction fundraiser will also be taking place during the Picnic. We are in need of donations which can be brought to Alyce or dropped into the empty classroom marked downstairs at the hall.

From the RE Desk

FIRST COMMUNION

Please remember our 2nd grade children, families and their teachers as we make final preparations for First Communion on Sunday April 26th at 10:30am. We expect the church to be quite full with families and friends of the 14 children receiving their First Communion. If possible, you may want to consider choosing a different mass this weekend to help accommodate the families for this very important Sacrament.



As the week of June 7-12 nears, the kids set to attend Catholic Heart Work Camp in Knoxville, TN continue to work on some final FUNDRAISERS to help offset the costs. You can look forward to the following activities!

MAY 3— PARISH PICNIC

- **SILENT AUCTION** taking place at the parish picnic.

One of the items being auctioned is THEIR TIME for things such as light cleaning, yard work, babysitting and holiday decorating help.

- **RAFFLE TICKETS** will be available before the drawing at the picnic. Tickets are \$10 for one/\$20 for three, for a chance to win \$100 a month for a year!

MAY 9/10

- **BAKE SALE** AFTER ALL THREE MASSES.

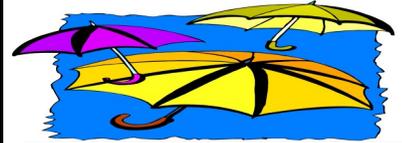
PROJECT READ

VOLUNTEER TUTORS ARE NEEDED throughout Parkland College District 505. Individuals receive Project READ training certification after completing our 15 hour online and in classroom training program. This training will prepare you to help adult learners improve their skills in reading, basic mathematics, or English as a Second Language. Training is offered several times during the year. Tutors and students work together at community-based sites including public libraries, local churches, coffee shops, etc. and in Adult Basic Education or ESL classrooms. All learning materials are provided free of charge. Please contact our office to get started! Call (217)351-2361 or email nknittel@parkland.edu.

DO YOU NEED HELP with reading, math or English? Project READ provides Trained volunteer tutors for those who would like to improve their skills in reading, arithmetic, or English as a Second Language. If you are an adult (17 or older and officially withdrawn from high school) tutors will help you reach your personal goals, such as getting a better job, working towards your GED, or managing your money. All services and learning materials are free of charge. Please contact our office to begin! Call (217)351-2361 or email nknittel@parkland.edu.



PARISH EVENTS



Sat, April 18

- **Food Pantry 9AM-12PM**

Tues, April 21

- **CALM Mtg between 6:30 -7PM**

Sun, April 26

- **FIRST COMMUNION 10:30AM Mass**

Wed, April 29

- **Staff Mtg 6PM**
- **Parish Council Mtg 7PM**



We are searching for any historical information on Our Lady of Lourdes Church, specifically the

stained glass windows and the families that donated them. If you can help us out, please contact the office or Denis Fisher at (217)249-1989.

Pray for the Sick & Homebound

Tony Coons
Mary Cothorn
Jesse Cervelli
Dick Walter
Penny Campbell
Loretta Bode
Chuck Kemmer
Vivian Geurts
Mardella Duffy
Dennis Stack
Chuck Freehill
Paul Volker
Milt Seyller
Judy Schall
Joseph Theneth

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.

dear Padre

April 19, 2015

Is it a sin to use things I stole by accident?

A few years ago I downloaded music from what turned out to be pirate sites. I stopped once I realized it was stealing, but I still listen to the music I had already downloaded. Am I making the sin worse? What should I do?

We can't sin unless we're conscious we're sinning and do it freely. Therefore, even if the action was wrong, you didn't sin if you didn't know it was wrong.

Of course, that doesn't apply to civil law. If you break a law and are caught by a legitimate authority, you might have to accept the punishment. Ignorance of the law is no excuse, as the old saying goes.

But, all that aside, there is a principle that says we shouldn't benefit from theft, which is probably why you're feeling guilty. It might make you feel better to wipe out the stolen recordings, reorder them, and pay the going rate. Or, donate the value of the downloads to your parish or some other worthy cause.

Sometimes it's not possible to restore the damage done by a mistaken act. In those cases, practice a virtuous act in its place. Doing volunteer work for a charitable organization or running errands for a sick or elderly person are two examples.

So make your donation, enjoy your music, and don't download more music without paying for it unless it's a legitimate giveaway from a reputable provider.

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Monday

April 20
Easter Weekday
Acts 6:8-15
Jn 6:22-29

Tuesday

April 21
Easter Weekday
Acts 7:51-8:1a
Jn 6:30-35

Wednesday

April 22
Easter Weekday
Acts 8:1b-8
Jn 6:35-40

Thursday

April 23
Easter Weekday
Acts 8:26-40
Jn 6:44-51

Friday

April 24
Easter
Weekday
Acts 9:1-20
Jn 6:52-59

Saturday

April 25
St. Mark,
Evangelist
1 Pt 5:5b-14
Mk 16:15-20

Sunday

April 26
Fourth
Sunday of
Easter
Acts 4:8-12
1 Jn 3:1-2
Jn 10:11-18

Good News!

April 19, 2015

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER (B)

Acts 3:13-15, 17-19 / 1 Jn 2:1-5a / Lk 24:35-48

During a particularly difficult period at one place I worked, I would come home at night and rehash conversations and events, wondering whether the outcome would have been different if I'd said or done something else.

I wonder whether the apostles asked themselves the same kinds of questions after the crucifixion. "Should we have done something differently? Could we have prevented this somehow?" Perhaps they locked the door because they were afraid they'd be put to death too.

When we're in a bad situation, sometimes all we want to do is hide. It's a child's response: If I don't look at it, maybe it will go away. But the locked door was no barrier, and Jesus came and stood in their midst. Rather than ridicule their fear, he gently put it to rest: "Peace be with you." The more Jesus talked, the more they heard, and they came to know that the peace of the Lord is not like the world's peace.

It's not a temporary measure that will only give way to more turmoil. Jesus calmly and lovingly put their fears to rest. It wasn't that the world was suddenly going to be welcoming; rather, they would be confident in the new life that was in them and in the grace Christ alone can give.

Jesus does this for us as well. He walks through the locked doors of our hearts and blesses us with peace. The more we listen to Jesus' words, the more we can understand and witness to his truth.

Is the Lord with you today?

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