

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)



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August 9, 2015 Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

From the RE Desk—CORRECTION

We are in need of RE teachers for the 2015-2016 school year. I ask you to prayerfully consider sharing your time to guide our children on a path that brings them closer to our great God! Please contact Alyce Hafer at (217)745-2411 if you feel the call to this very important ministry. Thank you and God Bless

RE REGISTRATION

Saturday, August 15 starting at 4PM until after 5PM Mass
Sunday, August 16 from 8AM to 12Noon

The Beauty of Christian Marriage by Pope Francis I



The beauty of Christian marriage, which is not simply the beauty of the ceremony that takes place in church, but rather the Sacrament made by the church, gives rise to a new family community...a new "domestic church." It is what the apostle Paul summarizes in his famous expression: This mystery is profound, and I am saying that it refers to Christ and the Church. Inspired by the Holy Spirit, Paul affirms that the love between spouses is the image of the love between Christ and the Church. An unimaginable dignity!

But in reality it is inscribed in God's plan of creation and with Christ's grace countless Christian couples, even with their limits, their sins, have achieved this. St. Paul, speaking of new life in Christ, says that all Christians are called to love each other and Christ has loved them, that is "submitting to one another," meaning at each other's service. Here he introduces the analogy between the husband-wife couple and that of Christ and the Church.

It is clear that this is an imperfect analogy, but we must grasp the spiritual meaning, elevated and revolutionary but at the same time very simple, within the reach of every man and woman who trust in God's grace. "Husbands should love their wives as their own bodies," says Paul; "as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her." The effect of this radicalism of the devotion required of man, for the love and the dignity of the woman, based on the example of Christ, must have been enormous within the Christian community itself. The sacrament of marriage is a great act of faith and of love: it bears witness to the courage of believing in the God's creating act and of living that love that drives us always to go onwards, beyond ourselves and even beyond the family itself.

The Christian vocation to love without reserve and without measure is such that, with Christ's grace, it is at the base of the free consensus that constitutes marriage. Furthermore, the Church herself is fully involved in the history of each Christian marriage: she is built on its successes and suffers in its failures. However, we must ask ourselves seriously: do we accept fully, ourselves, as believers, this indissoluble bond of the history of Christ and the Church with the history of marriage and the human family? Are we willing to take on this responsibility seriously?

The decision to marry in the Lord: also contains a missionary dimension, which means having at heart the willingness to become conduits of God's blessing and the Lord's grace for all. Indeed, Christian couples participate in the mission of the Church inasmuch as they are couples. And thus the life of the Church is enriched every time by the beauty of this matrimonial alliance, just as it is impoverished every time it is defaced.

The Church, to offer the gift of faith, love and hope to all, is in need of the courageous faithfulness of married couples in the grace of their sacrament. The people of God needs their daily progress in faith, love and hope, with all the joys and the hardships that this path involves in a marriage and in a family. The family is also threatened by growing efforts on the part of some to redefine the very institution of marriage. People and nations must not be tempted by confusing presentations of sexuality, marriage and the family.

As you know, these realities are increasingly under attack from powerful forces which threaten to disfigure God's plan for creation and betray the very values which have inspired and shaped all that is best in our Western culture. Yes: St. Paul was right, it is a great mystery. Men and women, courageous enough to place this treasure in the clay vessels of our humanity, are an essential resource for the Church and also for all the world.

May God Bless you a thousand times for this!!

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President**

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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 August 10	8:00AM	Joseph Theneth
TUE August 11	8:00AM	Alvin Bode
WED August 12	8:00AM	Priest Intentions
THU August 13	6:30PM	Eberle Family Eichelberger Family
FRI August 14	8:00AM	Gerry Gravlin
SAT August 15	5:00PM	Marge Carlson
SUN August 16	7:00AM (OLOL) 8:30 AM (IC) 10:30 AM (OLOL)	Parish Family Burnes Family Fr. Dennis Kollross

**Thank You
For Your Gifts
OLOL**

Envelopes \$2658.00
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Imm. Conception

Total \$138.00

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CMAA Goals
OLOL: \$11,780
Goal: (\$12,576)
IC: \$1,165
(Goal: \$1,224)

MINISTRY SCHEDULES

<u>Date</u>	<u>Altar Servers</u>	<u>Lectors</u>	<u>Euch. Minister</u>	<u>Ushers</u>	<u>Homebound Ministry</u>
Sat, Aug 15 5:00PM	Kaleb & Lacey Cotter	Lisa Heap	Stan Alt	Bruce Killian Jerry Lynch	Rosenbaum Family
Sun, Aug 16 7:00AM		Kathleen Reum			
Sun, Aug 16 10:30AM	Andrew Laughery Caine Jost	Paul Sarantakos	Paul Sarantakos	Greg Laughery Frank Titus	

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.

A LITTLE CATHOLIC HUMOR



"Pastor, about this new idea to reach teens..."



Gene Johnson (8/12)
John Swearingen (8/13)
Melvin Fischer (8/13)
Kayla Burnes (8/14)
Edna Huppert (8/15)
Austin Eichelberger (8/15)



John & Linda Martin (8/14)
Jason & Amy Eberle (8/14)
Gene & Lisa Heap (8/15)

SAINTS OF THE WEEK

Monday, August 10

St. Lawrence

Tuesday, August 11

St. Clare of Assisi

Wednesday, August 12

St. Jane Frances de

Chantal

Thursday, August 13

Sts. Pontian and

Hippolytus

Friday, August 14

St. Maximilian Mary

Kolbe

Saturday, August 15

Solemnity of the

Assumption of Mary

Sunday, August 16

St. Stephen of Hungary

The Word From Father Thomas

This is a miracle that happened nearly two years ago back in India not far from my home. I know this church and the priest.

One Bible preacher, he was a catholic, and also a high school teacher, once went for a week long retreat and was attracted to bible preaching and started helping this preaching ministry. Gradually he became a prominent preacher and helped a lot of people. But, unfortunately, he slowly slipped away from catholic teaching and started his own version of Biblical interpretation and faith in Christ. He was sent out of Catholic Church, but he continued in his own way. Once he planned a mega convention, the main theme of the convention was the real presence of Christ in the Eucharist. He wanted to establish that there is no real presence. In one of the preparatory gatherings he preached that "Jesus is not a fool to come down to a piece of bread when a priest says the words of consecration. These ideas are man-made and the result of foolish interpretation of the Catholic Church". Thousands of people were praying all over that area that this 'mega convention' must not take place. The fear was that thousands might believe in his preaching against the Holy Eucharist. The Friday before the 'mega convention' the following miracle happened. The priest took the bread for the breaking ceremony during the Holy Mass and saw the face of Jesus as seen in the pictures. The priest could not do the breaking ceremony with that Eucharistic bread. The people there that day witnessed this event and later thousands of people flocked there and witnessed this miraculous Eucharistic phenomenon. Later the Archbishop took that bread for further studies. Needless to say the 'mega convention' was a flop.



The church is conducting further studies before this is accepted as a recognized miracle in the Catholic Church.



Food Pantry Food Pantry

Saturday, September 5 from 8 A.M. until noon will be our second scheduled opportunity to supply the labor for the local food pantry. Members of the Presbyterian Church will also be assisting on this date. At least 25 workers will be needed on that Saturday.

If you have not signed up previously, please place your name on the sign-up sheet located in the back of the church if you, your spouse, or your children are willing to assist. The only age qualification is to be in at least 6th grade.

There may also be a need for a few workers for set-up on the evening of Friday, September 4.



PARISH EVENTS



Wednesday, August 12

- K of C 7PM

Saturday, August 15

- Food Pantry 8AM-12Noon

Tuesday, August 18

- CALM between 6:30PM-7PM

Wednesday, August 26

- Staff Meeting 6PM
- Parish Council Meeting 7PM

ALL KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

We are in need of your current contact and EMAIL information.

Please contact Stan at partsman464@gmail.com.

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Pray for the Sick & Homebound

Tony Coons
Mary Cothorn
Jesse Cervelli
Dick Walter
Loretta Bode
Vivian Geurts
Mardella Duffy
Chuck Freehill
Paul Volker
Milt Seyller

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

August 9, 2015

What is the Sabbatine Privilege?

Have you heard of the Sabbatine Privilege? I read that it releases the soul from purgatory on the first Saturday after death. Is that true?

There is a lot of misinformation about this practice. It's based on a letter by Pope John XXII—a contested “papal bull” issued in 1322—that says that those who fulfill three conditions can obtain early liberation from purgatory, through Mary, on the day consecrated to her: Saturday. These conditions are:

1. Wear the Brown Scapular of the Carmelite Order
(A scapular consists of two pieces of cloth that are worn on the chest and back under one's clothing.);
2. Observe chastity according to one's state in life; and
3. Recite the Little Office of Our Blessed Mother (or the rosary, with permission from a priest to substitute it, or if one is obligated to do the Liturgy of Hours, then that is acceptable).

Regardless of the document's authenticity, since the counting of time is a human work, and God lives in eternity, we cannot expect him to be bound to our calendar. However, if anyone fulfills all the conditions listed above, then I am sure he or she is going to spend little time in purgatory, whatever day of the week it is here on earth.

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Monday
August 10
St. Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr
2 Cor 9:6–10
Jn 12:24–26

Tuesday
August 11
St. Clare, Virgin
Dt 31:1–8
Mt 18:1–5, 10, 12–14

Wednesday
August 12
Weekday
Dt 34:1–12
Mt 18:15–20

Thursday
August 13
Weekday
Jos 3:7–10a,
11, 13–17
Mt 18:21–19:1

Friday
August 14
St. Maximilian Kolbe, Priest and Martyr
Jos 24:1–13
Mt 19:3–12

Saturday
August 15
The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Rv 11:19a;
12:1–6a, 10ab
1 Cor 15:20–27
Lk 1:39–56

Sunday
August 16
Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Prv 9:1–6
Eph 5:15–20
Jn 6:51–58

Good News!

August 9, 2015

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B)

1 Kgs 19:4–8 / Eph 4:30—5:2 / Jn 6:41–51

I have a clear memory of leaning over to the classmate in the next row and complaining about an assignment we had just been given. I wasn't the only one. Throughout the classroom, pairs of heads came together in a wave of rolling eyes and muttered remarks. I suppose we thought it went unnoticed. "Is there anything you would like to share with the rest of the class?" the teacher asked. "No, thank you," was the general response. We were a little embarrassed at having been found out.

That long-ago recollection surfaced as I read that the crowd "murmured" when Jesus said that he was the bread that came down from heaven. The word is also used of the Israelites who "murmured" about their hunger in the desert. Jesus calls them out by answering the question they thought he didn't hear. When he explains that he is greater than the manna that kept them alive in the desert, they can't believe their ears. They couldn't see that Jesus was far more than they understood him to be and they did not have faith in him because of that.

Has there ever been a time when you have murmured to yourself or someone else about God? Maybe God called you to ministry and you didn't believe him. Maybe he asked you to give up something and you complained like I did in that class of years past. Maybe you think God has been unfair to you. Save your breath; God hears you. Instead, go to him. Pour out your questions and fears and, with an open and willing heart, listen to the promise of life he alone can give you.

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