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

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Mass Schedule

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

Eucharistic Adoration

Tuesday 8:30-9:30 am Thursday 6-7 pm (except first Thursday of month-no Adoration) First Friday of Month 8:30-9:30

Confession

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

Immaculate Conception

202 E. Green Street Roberts, IL 60962

Mass Schedule Sunday 8:00 am Confession

Sunday 7:45 am (IC)

Parish Office

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OCTOBER 16, 2016 Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time



OUR LADY OF LOURDES CATHOLIC CHURCH ANNUAL TURKEY DINNER



JOIN US AT FATHER KIRK HALL 534 N WOOD STREET GIBSON CITY

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2016 11 AM-11PM ADULTS \$8

PURCHASE DINNERS AT THE DOOR

CARRYOUT AVAILABLE IN THE CHURCH BASEMENT

NEEDED FOR TURKEY DINNER...DISHWASHERS. Please contact Stan Alt at 217-727-2131, if you can help with this area for the Turkey Dinner it will be greatly appreciated.

RE PROGRAM AND THE MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY—OCTOBER

Parents and parishioners please joins us on Sunday, **October 23rd at 9:50AM** in the **church** for recitation of the Glorious Mysteries of the Rosary before Mass.

And again on Sunday, **October 30th at 9:40AM** the RE children will be **walking over to the North Park** in Gibson City for a special recitation of the Sorrowful Mysteries. Please join us if you can to commemorate Mary and the memory of her Son in the Rosary.





MONSTER DASH

The GCMS Education Foundation will have a 5K run and 2-mile walk on October 29, 2016 at 9AM at the North Park in Gibson City. The Education Foundation provides funding for items needed in the GCMS school system such as the all school trip, active boards, Kindergarten first day materials, tutoring and much more. Come support our GCMS Education Foundation.

More information and registration forms can be found at www.gcmsk12.org. Costumes are enouraged!

Pastor Rev. Thomas Theneth, CMI	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.		Thank You For Your Gifts OLOL	
(217)784-4671 ttheneth@ololgc.org	MON October 17 8:00AM	NO MASS	Sunday Total	\$2595.50
Deacon Paul Sarantakos p.sarantakos@hotmail.com	St. Ignatius of Antioch TUE October 18 8:00AM	NO MASS	Capital Imp.	\$127.00
Parish Secretary Patti Meunier	The Luke WED October 19 8:00AM	NO MASS	Food Pantry Sept. Total Yr to Date FP	\$ \$412.75 \$2591.02
pastor@ololgc.org Religious Education	St. John de Brebeuf THU October 20 5:30PM	NO MASS	Imm Conception Sunday \$0	
Alyce Hafer Youth Ministry Bruce Killian	St. Paul of the Cross FRI October 21 8:00AM		Total Capital Imp.	\$197.00 \$0
Music Director	St. Hilarion		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! 2016 CMAA Goals OLOL: \$14,123 Goal: (\$12,712) IC: \$1370 (Goal: \$905)	
If interested contact pastor@ololgc.org	SAT October 22 5:00PM St. John Paul II, Pope	Parish Family		
Parish Council President Eric Rosenbaum (OLOL)	SUN October 238:00 AM (IC)St. John of10:30 AM (OLOL)Capistrano	+Genevieve Schwarz +Paul Baby		
	MINISTRY SCH	EDULES		

<u>Date</u>	<u>Altar Servers</u>	<u>Lectors</u>	Euch. Minister	<u>Ushers</u>	<u>Homebound</u> <u>Ministry</u>
Sat, October 22 5:00PM	Cane Jost	Michael Smith	Jean Wilhelmi	Robert Bode Stan Alt	Frank Titus
Sun, October 23 10:30AM	Ethan Garard Joe Allen	YOUTH MASS	Paul Sarantakos	YOUTH MASS Brett Beyers Craig Davis	

Beginning in **NOVEMBER**, the first Friday of the month adoration will follow 8AM Mass. The remaining weeks of every month Adoration will be on the usual Thursday evening following 5:30PM Mass and always Tuesday following 8AM Mass.

Baptism

Call the Rectory at least four weeks before the baptism. 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.



BEGINNING NEXT WEEKEND, 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

Pray for the Sick & Homebound

Loretta Bode Mary Cothern Mardelle Duffy Donovan Gaines Dick Walter Mary Masco Jeff McGuire Judy Schall



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.

The Word From Father Thomas

10 DAY ROSARY DEVOTION NEXT WEEK

The month of October is dedicated to the Holy Rosary. It is the Catholic tradition and some Eastern non-Catholic traditions consider praying the Rosary as the most powerful weapon against Satan and his evil power to ruin the spiritual life of men. "If

we consider the power of the Rosary as seen in its effects, we find a great abundance of proofs of its wonderful value. Many are the favors granted to private individuals through its devout recitation, there are few devoted users of the Rosary who cannot testify to experiencing its power in their own lives. If we turn to history, we see many great triumphs of the Rosary.

The Rosary is Christocentric, setting forth the entire life of Jesus Christ, the passion, death, resurrection and glory. Of course, the Rosary honors and contemplates Mary too, and rightly so, for the same reason that the Liturgical Year does likewise: "Because of the mission she received from God, her life is most closely linked with the mysteries of Jesus Christ, and there is no one who has followed in the footsteps of the Incarnate Word more closely and with more merit than she"142 (*Mediator Dei*). Meditation on this cycle of Joyful, Sorrowful, Glorious and Luminous Mysteries makes the Rosary not only "a breviary or summary of the Gospel and of Christian life,"(*Ingravescentibus malis*) but also a compendium of the Liturgical Year. Therewith the Rosary stands revealed as a dynamic teacher and nurturer of Christian faith, morality, and spiritual perfection, fostering in various ways faith, hope, charity, and the other virtues, and mediating special graces, all to the end that we may become more and more like unto Christ.

The authentic Rosary is a happy combination of vocal and mental prayer, each of which is essential to the devotion. It is incorrect to say that meditation is "the very essence of the Rosary devotion," for vocal recitation of the prayers is also of the essence. Meditation is, of course, the nobler element, the "soul," while vocal prayer is the "body" of the devotion. The Rosary, Pope Leo XIII declared, "is composed of two parts, distinct but inseparable — the meditation on the mysteries and the recitation of the prayers.

It is a practice in the Catholic Church to dedicate ten days of Holy Rosary. It is done with Blessed Sacrament exposed. There are special indulgences declared by Popes. We will do this devotion in our church from October 22nd through 31st. On Saturdays and Sundays before the Holy Mass and on weekdays after the regular Holy Mass.

My dear brothers and sister in Christ,

"Mercy Changes the World!"

On **World Mission Sunday**, **October 23**, Pope Francis invites each of us to be part of that change for our world of great need, calls us to announce the mercy of God, "the beating heart of the Gospel" (*Misericordiae Vultus*, 12).

On this 90th World Mission Sunday, our diocesan family joins our brothers and sisters around the world who will gather at the Lord's Table to celebrate, with great joy, our common vocation as missionaries. Our prayers and financial help, through the Society for the Propagation of the Faith, support the work of the Mission Church, its witness to Christ and service to the poor.

"Let us not lose our hearts within our own particular concerns, but let us open them of all of humanity."

Message for World Mission Sunday, 2016

I echo these words of our Holy Father, asking you to open your hearts as you connect on World Mission Sunday with every corner of the globe... with the *Americas*, where catechists travel to remote areas to bring the Good News of God's great love to families; with *Europe*, where new churches are being built to welcome faith communities, renewed after years of persecution; with *Asia*, where six million children receive an education from Religious Sisters in some 16,000 Church-run elementary schools; with the *Pacific Islands*, where 1,000 young men are preparing for the priesthood, to bring the Lord's healing hope and peace to those in need; with *Africa*, where those who are sick are provided with loving care at 6,400 Catholic hospitals and small clinics.

And don't forget the corners of the globe where the Diocese of Joliet serves. Your support helps us to continue our missionary work in the Philippines, in Bolivia, in Africa and in the Navajo nation. Each year hundreds of adults and young people donate two weeks of their time and talent to connect with other people in diverse cultures and live their vocation as missionary disciples.

Grateful always for your generosity of spirit and heart, and confident of your missionary commitment to share the joy of the Gospel and help the poor, I pray for blessings for you and your families!

Faithfully yours in the Lord,

Most Reverend R. Daniel Conlon





Wednesday, October 26 Staff Mtg 6PM

Parish Council Mtg 7PM

Sunday, November 13

• Turkey Dinner 11AM-1PM



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Gary & Lori Gale (10/17)

Bulletin submissions should be received by Wednesdays at 5:00 pm. Call the parish at 784-4671 or email to pastor@ololgc.org.

Dear Padre

OCTOBER 16, 2016

I am a devoted Catholic who likes to read and study the Bible. My parish offers no Bible classes, so several friends and I go to a neighboring Protestant church that offers Bible study. Is this OK?

It's wonderful that you enjoy being close to Scripture. It's unfortunate that your parish doesn't offer a Bible-based ministry, but this is not always possible. I imagine you have spoken to your pastor about this; if you haven't, please do. He may be willing to arrange a study if he knows that parishioners are interested.

As for whether you should participate in a Protestant Bible study, discussing Scripture can be an opportunity to share your faith with others. If such discussions cause confusion or uncertainty, however, you should discuss the situation with your priest. You must be cautious about interpretations that directly bear on Catholic beliefs, such as the perpetual virginity of Mary or her immaculate conception. Some may try to demonstrate that such teachings are false. Remember: As Catholics, we believe that revelation comes through Scripture and Tradition.

It would not be right to place yourself in a position that could weaken your faith. Assuming your current study doesn't do this, there is nothing wrong with pursuing it. If your priest has reservations about this, perhaps he can recommend other ways that you and your friends can explore and reflect on God's word.

—Fr. Joe Nolen, CSsR

Calendar

Monday **OCTOBER 17** St. Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop and Martyr Eph 2:1-10 Lk 12:13-21 Tuesday OCTOBER 18 St. Luke, Evangelist 2 Tm 4:10-17b Lk 10:1-9 Wednesday **OCTOBER 19** Sts. John de Brébeuf and Isaac Jogues, Priests, and Companions, Martyrs Eph 3:2-12 Lk 12:39-48 Thursday OCTOBER 20 Weekday Eph 3:14-21 Lk 12:49-53 Friday OCTOBER 21 Weekday Eph 4:1-6 Lk 12:54-59 Saturday OCTOBER 22 Weekday Eph 4:7-16 Lk 13:1-9 Sunday OCTOBER 23 Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time Sir 35:12-14, 16-18 2 Tm 4:6-8, 16-18 Lk 18:9-14

Good News!

October 16, 2016 Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C) Ex 17:8-13; 2 Tm 3:14-4:2; Lk 18:1-8

"Remain faithful to what you have learned and believe."

This was a favorite motto of a former director of the Catholic center where I work. Students who had just entered college and graduating seniors heard many reflections and homilies on this phrase because he felt it was one of the best pieces of advice he could give them. And so it is for us. The world is a complex place. Our choices are many, from the trivial (what breakfast cereal should I buy?) to the vitally important (how do I uphold the dignity of every human person?). We see great beauty in creation and great evil in its wanton destruction for profit. There are those who think so little of human life that they bomb public places in order to destroy their enemies and those who think so much of life that they run into burning buildings or minister to the poorest and least.

In some cases, our path is crystal clear. In other cases, competing goods push and pull us in different directions. How do we make up our minds? This is where the teaching of Jesus and the Church, our prayer, and our conscience come together. Being faithful to what we believe gives us the foundation for good decisions in complex situations. It makes it possible for us to pass on the faith to the next generation and to the world. Doing this hard work is not always convenient. But this good news is what the world needs and is our path and guide as well.

—Mary Katharine Deeley