

## 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 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

## 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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# July 31, 2016

# Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

## Ordinary Time

July 31, 2016 ♦ Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)

Ecll 1:2; 2:21-23 ♦ Col 3:1-5, 9-11 ♦ Lk 12:13-21

I love to buy storage materials. My heart longs for the matching bins and boxes that claim to organize all the stuff in my house. *If I just get the right-sized box, I think, I will be able to keep everything I have and make room for more.* If Jesus were telling this parable today, perhaps the rich man wouldn't (just) be building bigger barns; he may be installing a better organization system.

The problem with a consumer society is that it tempts us to buy and collect far more than we need. We sometimes think we must have the latest phone, appliances, or fashions even as our existing toys and clothes vie for space in our closets and drawers. We rush to "recycle" in order to take advantage of sales and hardly pause to wonder, "Do I really need this?" We rarely, if ever, reflect on the truism, "You can't have everything—what would you do with it?"

If we give in to the temptation to acquire more things, to build bigger barns, we may find ourselves held captive by material goods—counting them, managing and maintaining them, or protecting and paying them off. Perhaps our time and energy would be better spent making sure that others have enough to eat and a place to sleep—in other words, being the image of the generous and loving God who "bestow[s] on the world all that is good" (Eucharistic Prayer III and IV). Today let us let go, clear away the clutter, and embrace the simplicity and freedom of loving in truth and fullness.

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### A Word From Pope Francis

"Sometimes...we are...carried away by the limitless possibilities for consumption and distraction offered by...society. This leads to a kind of alienation at every level."

— The Joy of the Gospel  
(Evangelii Gaudium), 196

## From the RE Desk

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION FOR 2016-2017

Religious Education class registration will be held at Fr. Kirk Hall on Saturday, August 20 from 4PM-6:30PM and Sunday August 21 from 7AM-12Noon. Classes begin Sunday, September 11 at 9AM.. Registration forms will be emailed to the addresses you have on file at the office and additional forms will be available at the back of church. **PLEASE COME TO THE HALL THE WEEKEND OF REGISTRATION TO GET YOUR PARENT PACKETS** which will include the yearly schedule as well as to sign other necessary forms. In response to our annual budget audit from the Diocese, the fee for individual registration will be increased by \$5. For families with 3 or more children a flat fee of \$35. A registration fee waiver form is available through Fr. Thomas or Alyce. Please know that no child registered with our RE program will be refused for inability to pay. Thank you!! Any one wishing to help out in any way this year or anyone having questions should contact Alyce at 217-745-2411 or joenalyce@cawi.org.

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Eric Rosenbaum (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> August 1	8:00AM	Jeff McGuire
St. Alphonsus Liguori		
<b>TUE</b> August 2	8:00AM	Bill Middleton
St. Eusebius of Vercelli		
<b>WED</b> August 3	8:00AM	Priest Intentions
St. Peter Julian Eymard		
<b>THU</b> August 4	5:30PM	Reum Family Roesch Family
St. John Vianney		
<b>FRI</b> August 5	8:00M	Romshek Family Rosenbaum Family
Ded. of St. Mary Major Basilica		
<b>SAT</b> August 6	5:00PM	Jeff McGuire
Transfiguration of the Lord		
<b>SUN</b> August 7	8:00 AM (IC) 10:30 AM (OLOL)	Parish Family Romshek Family Rosenbaum Family
St. Cajetan		

**Thank You For Your Gifts OLOL**

Sunday Env.	\$1238.50
Loose	\$444.00
Capital Imp.	\$10
Food Pantry	\$93.00
July Total	\$264.01
Yr to Date FP	\$2255.27

**Imm Conception**

Sunday Env.	\$222.00
Capital Imp.	\$0

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: \$12,255  
Goal: (\$12,712)  
IC: \$1370  
(Goal: \$905)

**MINISTRY SCHEDULES**

Date	Altar Servers	Lectors	Eucl. Minister	Ushers	Homebound Ministry
Sat, August 6 5:00PM	Caine Jost Daxter Chaddock	Fran Mardis	Fran Mardis	John Carlson Michael Smith	Marj Brown
Sun, August 7 10:30AM	Andrew & Aidan Laughery	Sarah Sarantakos	Jack Kollross Paul Sarantakos	Jerry Lynch Jerry Lynch, Jr.	

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. 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.

In your charity, prayers and Mass offerings, please remember those who have died. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. May they and all the souls of the faithful dead rest in peace.

Amen

*Margaret Rock*




Abigail Miller (8/1)  
James Fairfield (8/5)  
Ron Woolums (8/6)  
Angelo Cullotta (8/6)



Gary & Jean Welhelmi (8/2)  
Greg & Nancy Kurtenbach (8/5)  
Andrew & Heather Killian (8/7)  
Enrique & Carolina Gonzalez (8/7)

## The Word From Father Thomas



The Church lives an authentic life when she...proclaims mercy—the most stupendous attribute of...the Redeemer—and when she brings people close to the sources of the Savior’s mercy...

It is precisely because sin exists in the world...that God, who is love, cannot reveal himself otherwise than as mercy. This corresponds...to the whole interior truth of man and of the world which is man’s temporary homeland. Mercy in itself, as a perfection of the infinite God is also infinite. Also infinite therefore and inexhaustible is the Father’s readiness to receive the prodigal children who return to his home. Infinite are the readiness and power of forgiveness which flow continually from the marvelous value of the sacrifice of the Son.

No human sin can prevail over this power or even limit it. On the part of man only a lack of good will can limit it, a lack of readiness to be converted and to repent, in other words persistence in obstinacy, opposing grace and truth, especially in the face of the witness of the cross and Resurrection of Christ. Therefore, the Church professes and proclaims conversion. Conversion to God always consists in discovering his mercy...Authentic knowledge of the God of mercy, the God of tender love, is a constant and inexhaustible source of conversion...as a permanent attitude, as a state of mind.

~Dives in Misericordia 13

August 6

## Transfiguration of the Lord

All three Synoptic Gospels tell the story of the Transfiguration (Matthew 17:1-8; Mark 9:2-9; Luke 9:28-36). With remarkable agreement, all three place the event shortly after Peter’s confession of faith that Jesus is the Messiah and Jesus’ first prediction of his passion and death. Peter’s eagerness to erect tents or booths on the spot suggests it occurred during the Jewish weeklong, fall Feast of Booths.



In spite of the texts’ agreement, it is difficult to reconstruct the disciples’ experience, according to Scripture scholars, because the Gospels draw heavily on Old Testament descriptions of the Sinai encounter with God and prophetic visions of the Son of Man. Certainly Peter, James and John had a glimpse of Jesus’ divinity strong enough to strike fear into their hearts. Such an experience defies description, so they drew on familiar religious language to describe it. And certainly Jesus warned them that his glory and his suffering were to be inextricably connected—a theme John highlights throughout his Gospel.

Tradition names Mt. Tabor as the site of the revelation. A church first raised there in the fourth century was dedicated on August 6. A feast in honor of the Transfiguration was celebrated in the Eastern Church from about that time. Western observance began in some localities about the eighth century. On July 22, 1456, Crusaders defeated the Turks at Belgrade. News of the victory reached Rome on August 6, and Pope Callistus III placed the feast on the Roman calendar the following year.

One of the Transfiguration accounts is read on the second Sunday of Lent each year, proclaiming Christ’s divinity to catechumens and baptized alike. The Gospel for the first Sunday of Lent, by contrast, is the story of the temptation in the desert—affirmation of Jesus’ humanity. The two distinct but inseparable natures of the Lord were a subject of much theological argument at the beginning of the Church’s history; it remains hard for believers to grasp.

## PARISH EVENTS



### Tuesday, August 2

- CALM between 6:30PM-7PM

### Wednesday, August 3

- Finance Council Mtg

### Wednesday, August 10

- K of C Mtg 7PM

### Thursday, August 11

- St. Peregrine Mass 7PM

### Saturday, August 13

- Food Pantry 9AM-12Noon

### Tuesday, August 16

- CALM between 6:30PM-7PM

### Wednesday, August 17

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

### Saturday, August 27

- Food Pantry 9AM-12Noon
- Paul Sarantakos Ordianaton

### Sunday, August 28

- **All-Parish Ordination Party for Paul following 10:30 Mass at the Hall**

### Tuesday, August 30

- CALM between 6:30PM-7PM

## Pray for the Sick & Homebound

Tony Coons  
Loretta Bode  
Mary Cothorn  
Mardelle Duffy  
Donovan Gaines  
Dick Walter  
Mary Masco  
Jeff McGuire



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.

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# dear Padre



## Making restitution

**Q** My wife and I belonged to an evangelical fellowship and sent our children to their Christian day school. Our tuition discount required that we tithe, but we never did. When we returned to the Catholic Church and I confessed this sin, I was told to make restitution. I don't remember the tuition rates or our income at the time. I want to do this penance but not be legalistic about it.

**The Seventh Commandment**—You shall not steal—“requires respect for the universal destination of goods and respect for the right to private property” (Exodus 20:15; CCC 2401). The virtue of justice empowers us “to preserve our neighbor’s rights and render him what is his due,” including “the restitution of stolen goods to their owner...in proportion to their responsibility and to their share of what was stolen” (CCC 2407, 2412).

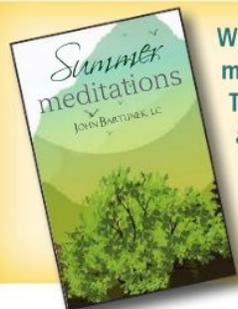
I’m glad you are restoring any injustice you were responsible for. Catholic moral teaching requires that we be as exact as possible in making restitution but also recognizes that determining an exact amount is sometimes impossible. In these

cases, we should simply make the best estimate we can, return that amount, and be at peace. Your willingness and desire to be generous are praiseworthy. Like Zacchaeus, the tax collector who made restitution upon encountering Jesus, I’m sure the Lord will be pleased with your effort (Luke 19:1–10).

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We can learn to be wiser, to order our lives better, so that when the many chances of summer come our way, we can welcome them all. There is a time to work hard, and a time to relax, a time to do something, and a time to let things be. The wise person knows the difference.

— From *Summer Meditations*  
by John Bartunek, LC, SThD (825620)

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### Monday AUGUST 1

*St. Alphonsus Liguori,  
Bishop and  
Doctor of the Church*  
Jer 28:1–17  
Mt 14:13–21

### Tuesday AUGUST 2

*Weekday*  
Jer 30:1–2, 12–15, 18–22  
Mt 14:22–36 or  
15:1–2, 10–14

### Wednesday AUGUST 3

*Weekday*  
Jer 31:1–7  
Mt 15:21–28

### Thursday AUGUST 4

*St. John Vianney,  
Priest*  
Jer 31:31–34  
Mt 16:13–23

### Friday AUGUST 5

*Weekday*  
Na 2:1, 3; 3:1–3, 6–7  
Mt 16:24–28

### Saturday AUGUST 6

*Transfiguration  
of the Lord*  
Dn 7:9–10, 13–14  
2 Pt 1:16–19  
Lk 9:28b–36

### Sunday AUGUST 7

*Nineteenth Sunday  
in Ordinary Time*  
Wis 18:6–9  
Heb 11:1–2, 8–19 or  
11:1–2, 8–12  
Lk 12:32–48 or  
12:35–40

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