

## 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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## August 14, 2016 Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Hebrews 12:1...

*Let us persevere in running the race that lies before us.*



## 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 one child and a flat fee of \$35 for families with multiple children. 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 joena-lyceh@cawi.org.

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**Parish Secretary**  
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**Religious Education**  
Alyce Hafer

**Youth Ministry**  
Bruce Killian

**Music Director**  
If interested contact  
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**Parish Council President**  
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 15	8:00AM	Slavicek Family Smith Family
Solemnity of Assumption of Mary		
<b>TUE</b> August 16	8:00AM	Monte Cluver
St. Stephen of Hungary		
<b>WED</b> August 17	8:00AM	Priest Intentions
St. Joan of the Cross		
<b>THU</b> August 18	5:30PM	Stoltz Family Stroh Family
St. Louis of Toulouse		
<b>FRI</b> August 19	8:00AM	John Stuckey
St. John Eudes		
<b>SAT</b> August 20	5:00PM	Cletus Geurts
St. Bernard of Clairvaux		
<b>SUN</b> August 21	8:00 AM (IC) 10:30 AM (OLOL)	Parish Family Mary Wurmnest 90th Birthday
Queenship of Mary		

**Thank You For Your Gifts OLOL**

Sunday Total	\$2698.50
Capital Imp.	\$258.00
Food Pantry	\$40.00
July Total	\$348.01
Yr to Date FP	\$2339.27

**Imm Conception**

Sunday Total	\$210.50
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: \$12,635  
Goal: (\$12,712)  
IC: \$1370  
(Goal: \$905)

**MINISTRY SCHEDULES**

Date	Altar Servers	Lectors	Eucl. Minister	Ushers	Homebound Ministry
Sat, August 20 5:00PM	Alex Killian Braden Roesch	Lisa Heap	Stan Alt	John Carlson Michael Smith	Frank Titus
Sun, August 21 10:30AM	Hannah Hathaway Keegan Kutemeier	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.



**PARISHIONER IN NEED OF WEEKLY RIDE TO CHURCH**

We have a parishioner that resides in Gibson City that is in need of a ride to Mass on Saturday evenings each week. If there is anyone willing to help them, please contact Patti in the office at 217-784-4671 or [pastor@ololgc.org](mailto:pastor@ololgc.org), for contact information. Many thanks in advance!

**A LITTLE CATHOLIC HUMOR**



After 39½ years of wandering in the desert, Mrs. Moses secretly asks for directions.



- Austin Eichelberger (8/15)
- Edna Huppert (8/15)
- Rich Baillie (8/17)
- Jane Skinner (8/18)
- Craig Davis (8/18)
- John Koopman (8/18)
- Michael Meunier (8/19)
- Bruce Killian (8/21)
- Graydon Leonard (8/21)



Gene & Lisa Heap (8/15)

# The Word From Father Thomas



ILL-GOTTEN GRACE (Lk 12:48)

It's true what is written"  
"To the one who has, more will be given":  
The worker whose day is brief,  
The lost and found son,  
The Kingdom-bound thief.  
We may protest such success  
Yet ill-gotten Grace  
We have all received,  
Gain that is murder-based  
Where Mercy hangs in ruin  
But tears through veiled space,  
Annihilates the tomb.  
(Betrayal will not stay to see the final proof.)  
The one the Master trusts,  
Must trust the Master's wounds.

~Rita A. Simmonds

## PARISH EVENTS



### 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 Ordination

### Sunday, August 28

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

### Tuesday, August 30

- CALM between 6:30PM-7PM



## COREY FIELDS

Chosen as the July employee of the month at GAHHS. Corey is a CNA in Long Term Care and has worked at the hospital for 2 years. He is currently enrolled at ISU in the Mennonite College of Nursing program.

## 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@ololg.org.

# Ordinary Time

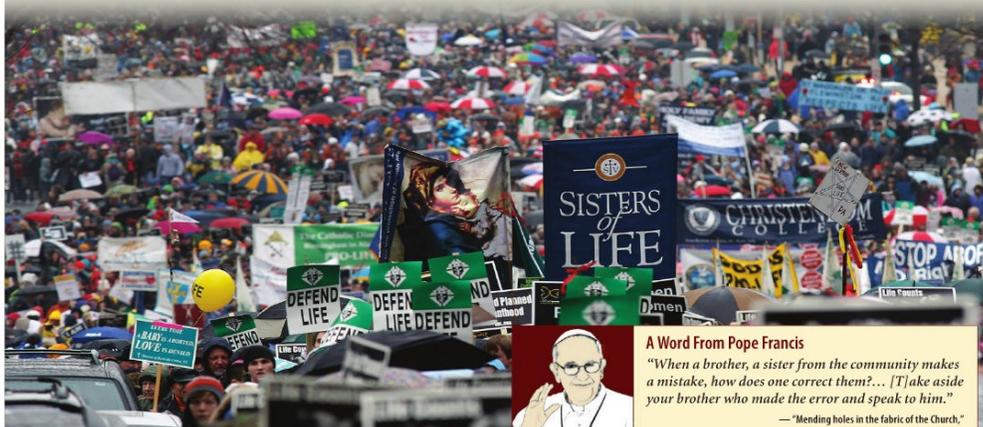
August 14, 2016 ♦ Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)  
Jer 38:4-6, 8-10 ♦ Heb 12:1-4 ♦ Lk 12:49-53

When I was young, one of my favorite pictures of Jesus was one of his blessing little children. How calm and peaceful Jesus seemed, and his eyes were full of love. In later years, I have been drawn to other images and art of Jesus holding, healing, and granting mercy to his beloved children. That image of Jesus is so comforting that I tend to forget that Jesus also disturbed the peace, questioned authority, and demanded complete obedience and loyalty. For first-century Christians, following Jesus often meant leaving family and friends, civil disobedience (not considering Caesar as a god), and reimagining religious traditions.

The Christ who sows division is uncomfortable, but Christians in every century have had to speak

out against evil and sin, especially when their culture's or country's practices lead people away from rather than toward God. Even here in the United States, Catholics have found themselves defending the dignity of all human life and economic and social justice for the poor, even when it meant challenging the prevailing culture and political climate. It's rarely easy to speak truth to power or popularity, and we have to guard against those who think they are always right or somehow above God. Jesus himself recognized that he would not always be popular, so he lifted up the two great commandments to love God and neighbor as the measure of how we should act even when those actions divide us.

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### A Word From Pope Francis

"When a brother, a sister from the community makes a mistake, how does one correct them?... [T]ake aside your brother who made the error and speak to him."

— "Mending holes in the fabric of the Church," Morning Meditation, September 12, 2014

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

**Tuesday**  
AUGUST 16  
*Weekday*  
Ez 28:1–10  
Mt 19:23–30

**Wednesday**  
AUGUST 17  
*Weekday*  
Ez 34:1–11  
Mt 20:1–16

**Thursday**  
AUGUST 18  
*Weekday*  
Ez 36:23–28  
Mt 22:1–14

**Friday**  
AUGUST 19  
*Weekday*  
Ez 37:1–14  
Mt 22:34–40

**Saturday**  
AUGUST 20  
*St. Bernard, Abbot and Doctor of the Church*  
Ez 43:1–7a  
Mt 23:1–12

**Sunday**  
AUGUST 21  
*Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
Is 66:18–21  
Heb 12:5–7, 11–13  
Lk 13:22–30

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# dear Padre



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## The Gospel rises above crass political posturing



Who says the Church isn't political? Don't they endorse bills and candidates all the time?

**I'm not sure** that anyone has ever claimed that the Church is not political. As long as there are moral implications to political decisions, the Church will always give guidance to voters and politicians. I believe that the quality the Church is looking for is to be non-partisan. We cannot wed ourselves to party platforms or individual candidates. The Gospel rises above crass political posturing. Whenever the Gospel supports or corrects the politics of the day, we must be faithful to the teachings of Jesus and call all in power to account.

In fact it is supremely sad that some moral issues are even politically controversial. When the Church speaks

up for the unborn or the poor, when we try to protect the environment or the freedom of religion, it is tragic that there is any political opposition at all.

The Church is a prophetic voice to our society and has been historically in many societies. The goal of influencing elections and supporting candidates is far too small for the disciples of Christ. Our hopes are to evangelize voters, leaders, and all people in Gospel values. As a priest I am not allowed to endorse candidates from the pulpit, but I am required by the Church to faithfully preach our values, even if they are political or unpopular.

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The Church teaches us lessons that no human law ever could. Who but the Church can teach us to love God and neighbor as we ought? Where else will we learn civilizing lessons like the last shall be first, the strong must protect the weak, or that our dignity is rooted in the majesty of our divine Creator? All of these are things the Church does to shape citizens, to make us the kind of men and women capable of living our freedom well.

—From *Red, White, Blue, and Catholic* by Stephen P. White (826450)

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