

## Welcome

We are glad you are here with us today.  
If you would like to join our Faith Community, please contact our parish office at [office@lolgc.org](mailto:office@lolgc.org) or stop by any time on Monday or after Masses.

### Our Lady of Lourdes

Established - 1875

534 N. Wood Street  
Gibson City, IL 60936

#### Parish Office Secretary

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General Information  
[office@lolgc.org](mailto:office@lolgc.org)

#### Website

[www.lolgc.org](http://www.lolgc.org)

#### Mass Schedule

Saturday 5 pm

Sunday 11:30 am

Wednesday 8:00 am

Thursday 5:30 pm

#### Eucharistic Adoration

Wednesday following Mass

#### Confession

Saturday 4:30 pm

Wednesday during Adoration

Any time by Appointment

#### ❖ FOR YOUR INFORMATION ❖

#### St. Mary

407 W. Pells Street  
Paxton, IL 60957

#### Mass Schedule

Sunday 9:30 am

Wednesday 7:00 pm

Friday 8:00 am

#### Eucharistic Adoration

Friday following 8AM Mass

#### Confession

Friday following 8AM Mass



#### St. Joseph

312 N. Hickory Street  
Loda, IL 60948

#### Mass Schedule

Sunday 8:00 am

Tuesday 5:30 pm

#### Confession

Sunday 7:30am

# NOVEMBER 17, 2019

## THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### PARISH SECRETARY POSITION AVAILABLE **IMMEDIATELY**

Our Lady of Lourdes is in search of someone to **IMMEDIATELY** step in to the position of **PARISH SECRETARY**.

This is a part time, paid position.

Anyone interested can contact  
Fr. Dong at (217)379-4033.



I would like to thank all of you for the blessing of allowing me to serve as the Parish Secretary for the last 8 years. It has been an honor and a joy! Our family has decided to relocate to sunny Florida and we ask for continued prayers as we move forward in our exciting journey.



"Before all this happens, however, they will seize and persecute you, they will hand you over to the synagogues and to prisons, and they will have you led before kings and governors because of my name. It will lead to your giving testimony. Remember, you are not to prepare your defense beforehand, for I myself shall give you a wisdom in speaking that all your adversaries will be powerless to resist or refute.

**Pastor**

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Tannie Smith DRE

**Youth Ministry**

Michael Smith

**Music Director**

If interested contact  
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**Parish Council  
 President**

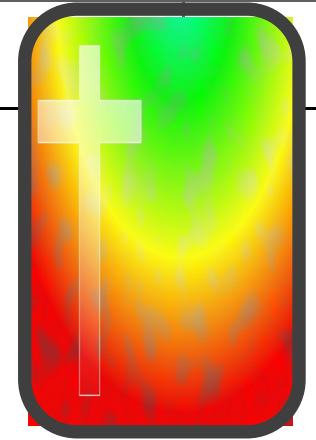
Michael Smith  
 (309)530-1803

**THIS WEEK'S INTENTIONS**

<b>MON</b> November 18		NO MASS
<b>TUE</b> November 19	8:00AM (OLL) 5:30PM (STJ)	Parish Family
<b>WED</b> November 20	8:00 AM (OLL) 7:00PM (STM)	*Donald & Ruby Kemmer
<b>THU</b> November 21	5:30PM (OLL)	+Doris Cook
The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary		
<b>FRI</b> November 22	8:00AM (STM) 5:30PM (OLL)	+Tom & Mardelle Duffy
<b>SAT</b> November 23	5:00PM (OLL)	+Rich Meunier
<b>SUN</b> November 24	8:00AM (STJ) 9:30AM (STM) 11:30AM (OLL)	+Lucy Shilts
Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time		

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR GIFTS  
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Sunday Total	\$1437.50
Capital Imp.	\$35.00
CMAA 2019 (goal: \$12,300)	\$12,741
Food Pantry November Total	\$17.00
Yr to Date FP	\$46.00
	\$2227.44



Volunteers are always needed for our parish ministries. For more information on how to join, contact the parish office.

**MINISTRY SCHEDULE**

Date	Altar Servers	Lectors	Euch. Minister	Ushers	Homebound Ministry
SAT November 23 5:00PM	Walter Smith	Michael Smith	Marj Brown Carla Moxley	VOLUNTEERS NEEDED	Helen Haynes
SUN November 24 11:30AM	Will Baillie Paul Baillie	Sarah Sarantakos		Dan Day Dan Kleist	

**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. Dong at (217)784-4671

Emergency (630)456-5406

**Marriage/RCIA**

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

**Food Pantry Volunteers**

**Saturday, November 23 will be an OLL Food Pantry Weekend**

6-8 Volunteers are needed for set up on Friday, November 22 at 6:30PM. Please park on the East side of the parking lot.

Please arrive by no later than 8:30AM Saturday, November 23 and park at County Market. Parking is very limited at the Pantry. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

If you are available to help or have any questions, please contact Paul Sarantakos at 217-781-1440 or by email at [psarantakos@parkland.edu](mailto:psarantakos@parkland.edu).

**NOTE: THE FOOD PANTRY IS NOW LOCATED IN THE OLD ALCO BUILDING (NEXT TO BIG R ON ROUTE 9). Volunteers please park on the NORTH end of the County Market parking lot.**



## SUPPORT OUR YOUTH FOR CHRISTMAS

Being young and being Catholic can have many challenges. Trying to stick to your faith in this day and age and being out on your own for the first time can be a very stressful time. So during this time before the Christmas season begins we would like to collect gift cards for these past RE students who are out on their own for possibly the first time. We would like to remind them that they are not alone and to turn to God to see them through any exciting, or stressful, times in their lives right now. We will be sending out these care packages before Christmas and will except cash, gift cards, and notes of inspiration if you would like to do that too ! Thank you so much for your support !

Have a Blessed Day !  
Tannie Smith



## PARISH CALENDAR



- **SATURDAY, NOV 23**  
Food Pantry 8AM-12Noon  
(THIS IS OUR OLL WEEKEND PARTICIPATION NEEDED)
- **THURSDAY, NOV 28**  
THANKSGIVING DAY



### CHRISTMAS DECORATING

Please mark your calendars to help with Christmas decorating on December 7, at 9AM. We could use some youth and muscle hauling things from the basement and garage. Please reply to [pastor@ololgc.org](mailto:pastor@ololgc.org) if you can help so we know we have enough hands.

### **From the RE Desk .....**

The RE Program will be hosting another Christmas Food Drive. They will be collecting food from November 17—December 8. You will find boxes at the back of the church and at the Hall for deposit. Thank you in advance for your generosity.



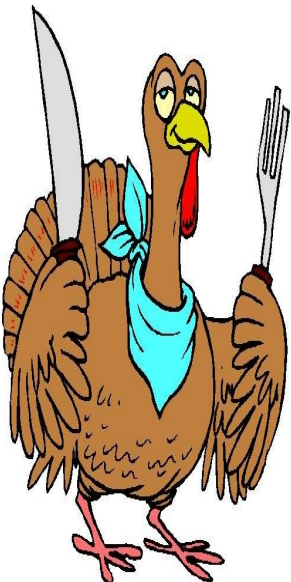
Rob Schmitt (11/19)  
Kathleen Reum (11/20)  
Lori Gale (11/22)  
Tammy Parsons (11/23)  
Jude Killian (11/24)



Jim and Donna Ruddy (11/21)  
Bruce and Amy Killian (11/24)  
Ron and Eileen Woolums (11/24)

### **Thank you for your support**

*I would like to thank the Gibson City and surrounding communities for their generous support of Our Lady of Lourdes Annual Turkey Dinner. The turnout was great once again, serving over 500 dinners. It is the largest fund raiser the Church does each year. What a beautiful day to come out and have some turkey. I would also like to thank all of the OLL Parish members who contributed their time, baked goods and hard work to make the event a success. I hope to see you all again in November next year. Wishing you and your family more blessings  
Tannie Smith  
Chairman OLOL Turkey Dinner*



### **Pray for the Sick & Homebound**

Linda Ellington  
Greg Delost  
Dale Enghausen  
Brian Sullivan  
Emma Davis  
Terry Hutchcraft  
Leo Chapman  
Adam Reed  
Michael Gardner  
Fran Mardis  
Joyce Pearson



Designed by Carol  
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](mailto:pastor@ololgc.org).

## Calendar

### Monday

NOVEMBER 18

Weekday

1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43,  
54-57, 62-63  
Lk 18:35-43

### Tuesday

NOVEMBER 19

Weekday

2 Mc 6:18-31  
Lk 19:1-10

### Wednesday

NOVEMBER 20

Weekday

2 Mc 7:1, 20-31  
Lk 19:11-28

### Thursday

NOVEMBER 21

Presentation of  
the Blessed Virgin Mary

1 Mc 2:15-29  
Lk 19:41-44

### Friday

NOVEMBER 22

St. Cecilia,  
Virgin and Martyr

1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59  
Lk 19:45-48

### Saturday

NOVEMBER 23

Weekday

1 Mc 6:1-13  
Lk 20:27-40

### Sunday

NOVEMBER 24

Our Lord Jesus Christ,  
King of the Universe

2 Sm 5:1-3  
Col 1:12-20  
Lk 23:35-43

# Dear Padre,

**I have a hard time accepting that my money for the Sunday collection may be used to compensate victims of clerical sexual abuse. Do I have to keep giving to my local parish, only to see my money pay for a sex scandal?**

The money you give runs your parish and provides assistance to the poor, both locally and throughout your diocese. Scripture mentions the disciples offering money to meet the needs of the poor. The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* states: "The faithful also have the duty of providing for the



Volunteers organize stock for a distribution hub that helps supply fresh produce and nutritious food to pantries and soup kitchens in underserved areas.

material needs of the Church, each according to his abilities" (CCC 2043). Similarly, canon law reminds us that we are "obliged to promote social justice...and to help the poor," both signs of Christian charity (Canon 222).

While you give for the needs of your parish, it appears that these lawsuits create a real concern for you. For the most part, awards for lawsuits are paid from two main sources: insurance and the sale of

unused property, such as office space, bishops' homes, and seminaries.

While we are pained by the revelations of clerical abuse, we must also understand the victims' need for healing. Money won't end their pain, but it may help a survivor who needs psychological counseling or someone who has difficulty working due to trauma. This is a devastating time in their lives, but the Church will continue to offer hope and claim its responsibility.

—Fr. John K. Schmidt, CSSR  
Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org



## A Word from Pope Francis

*We hear these children and their cries of pain...the sufferings, the experiences, and the pain of minors who were abused sexually by priests. It is a sin that shames us. Persons responsible for the protection of those children destroyed their dignity. We regret this deeply and we beg forgiveness.*

—Feast of the Holy Innocents, December 28, 2016

# Good News!

November 17, 2019

Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)  
Mal 3:19-20a; 2 Thes 3:7-12; Lk 21:5-19

As we approach the end of the liturgical year, the readings prepare us for the conclusion of our earthly pilgrimage. In this Sistine Chapel fresco, Moses is punishing the rebellious Israelites who were acting as priests without being authorized by him or called by God.

This chaotic scene seems similar to what Jesus describes of the end times in today's Gospel. He warns us not to follow false prophets who will arise and claim to come in his name. He prophesies a time of war, natural disasters, famines, and plagues. Persecution will fall upon his followers, allowing them the chance to give testimony—*martyrion* in Greek. Jesus' monitions for that time are simple: do not follow false prophets or prepare a defense, but persevere instead. In the section "I Believe in Life Everlasting," the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* also speaks to us about the last times. We believe in heaven, hell, and a personal, universal judgment. These last things await us all, and Jesus doesn't keep us in the dark about these realities.

We don't know when the end times may come. But regardless, our call is to live prepared by fulfilling God's will and trusting in him. Jesus clearly wants us to be aware of the end of the world, but he doesn't want us to be overly anxious about it. If we are in Christ, we are already a new creation. The old has passed away. Behold the new has come. Be not afraid!

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC