

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 pastor@ololgc.org or stop by any time on Monday or after Masses.

Our Lady of Lourdes

Established - 1875

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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

MAY 12, 2019

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Happy Mothers' Day



My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all, and no one can take them out of the Father's hand. The Father and I are one."

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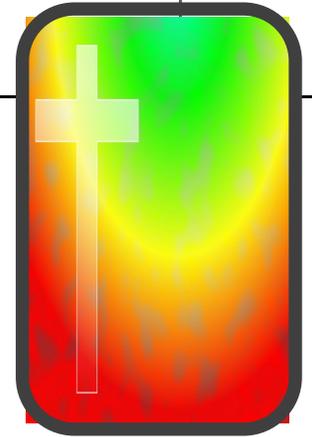
THIS WEEK'S INTENTIONS

MON May 13 Our Lady of Fatima		NO MASS
TUE May 14 St. Matthias	8:00AM (OLL) 5:30PM (STJ)	Parish Family
WED May 15 St. Isidore	8:00 AM (OLL) 7:00PM (STM)	Helmig Family Hoffman Family
THU May 16	5:30PM (OLL)	Hornstein Family Huppert Family
FRI May 17	8:00AM (STM) 5:30PM (OLL)	Parish Family
SAT May 18 St. John	5:00PM (OLL)	Hutchcraft Family Huth Family
SUN May 19 Fifth Sunday of Easter	8:00AM (STJ) 9:30AM (STM) 11:30AM (OLL)	+ Roman Falter

**THANK YOU FOR
 YOUR GIFTS**

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Sunday Total	\$2657.00
Capital Imp.	\$34 0.00
CMAA 2019 (goal: \$12,300)	\$7141
Food Pantry April Total Yr to Date FP	\$86.00 \$291.01 \$1064.01



MINISTRY SCHEDULES

<u>Date</u>	<u>Altar Servers</u>	<u>Lectors</u>	<u>Euch. Minister</u>	<u>Ushers</u>	<u>Homebound Ministry</u>
SAT May 18 5:00PM	Walter Smith	Lisa Heap	Jack Kollross Rosanne Miller	Steve Killian Bruce Killian	Helen Haynes
SUN May 19 11:30AM	Isabella & Sophia Helmig	Jody Beyers		Nathan & Ethan Garard	

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.

LECTORS NEEDED

We are in need of people for our Lector Ministry. If you feel called to participate in the Mass, please contact Tannie Smith at tanniehutchcraft599@hotmail.com.

With enough lectors, it is only a one Mass commitment a month. Please prayerfully consider participating in this ministry.



SHOES...SHOES...SHOES...

We have a parishioner in need of shoes for their shoe drive.

Shoes need to be used or new (adult, children, men or women) and in good condition... meaning soles intact, laces if necessary, no holes, dry and clean. Tie laces together and rubber band any others in pairs. They can be brought to church in a bag and dropped in the corner by the choir loft steps and I will be happy to collect them on Monday mornings.

If you didn't feel like getting in those closets before, this is some great motivation for spring clean out!

Thanks in advance!

SAINTS OF THE EASTER SEASON

The Easter season, which is actually not just one day but forty days long, is the time when we are encouraged to proclaim the Good News of Christ's resurrection to new life with God. But even more than just proclaiming it, we are invited to be transformed by our contact with the risen Christ and live resurrection lives. The saints whom we remember and celebrate during this season exemplify what we are also trying to do. As Vatican Council II reminded us: "The saints have been traditionally honored in the Church and their authentic relics and images held in veneration. For the feasts of the saints proclaim the wonderful works of Christ in his servants, and display to the faithful fitting examples for their imitation." So may these holy men and women, clergy and laity, rich and poor, popes and peasants encourage and embolden us to live our resurrection lives to the fullest.

St. Matthias —May 14

The Acts of the Apostles (1:15-26) tells us that Matthias was chosen after the resurrection to replace Judas. Peter, quoting a psalm, told the 120 people gathered that they must choose a new apostle: someone who had been with them from the time of the baptism of the Lord until the resurrection, someone who could join them in bearing witness to these events. Two names were put forward and the assembly cast lots, the lot falling to Matthias. Nothing more is known of his life or apostolic work.

How might I be ready when God calls me to witness to the resurrection?

St. Isidore—May 15

Isidore "the farmer" was born in Madrid, Spain, to a family of poor farm laborers. He and his wife, St. Maria (Torribia) de la Cabeza, spent their lives working on the estate of Juan de Vergas and were renowned for their piety, love of animals and generosity to the poor.

After his death, his remains were transferred to a beautiful shrine (1170) and his fame spread. Many miracles were attributed to him, including the cure of King Philip III (1615) who saw to it that Isidore was formally canonized (1622). He is a patron of farmers and rural communities and of the city of Madrid. May we thank God for all the farmers, men and women, who work so hard that we may eat.

How might I support the good work of those trying to protect our food sources and environment?

St. John I—May 18

Nothing is known of his life before he became pope (523). Italy was then ruled by Theodoric the Goth, an Arian, who was angry because the emperor Justin I in Constantinople was persecuting Arians. Theodoric sent John to persuade Justin to end the persecutions. The first pope ever to travel to the East, John was enthusiastically received and treated with great honor. When he returned to Ravenna (526), although Justin had accepted almost all of Theodoric's demands, Theodoric was not satisfied. So he imprisoned the pope who died soon after, probably of starvation. His remains were taken to Rome where he was considered a martyr and buried in St. Peter's with the epitaph "victim for Christ."

How might I be willing to suffer in order to bring Christ to others?

COFFEE AND CONVERSTAION—MAY 23 FROM, 9AM-10AM
AMERICAN LUTHERAN CHURCH
905 EAST FIRST STREET, GIBSON CITY



The guest speaker on May 23 will be Curt Howmann, Director of Development of Gibson Area Hospital Foundation. He will talk about the expansion and future plans for the hospital.

PARISH CALENDAR



Saturday, May 25

- Food Pantry 8AM-12Noon

**VOLUNTEERS
NEEDED!**



We are looking for some of our youth that would like to earn about about 30 minutes of service each week

around our parish. There is some light weeding and occasional watering needed as well as a few other odd jobs. If a Monday works around lunch time, Patti will even throw in lunch!



Joe Baillie
Elizabeth Goodin
Angelica Cullotta
Andrew Miller



Daniel & Jane Lange (5/13)
Jerry & Amy Stoltz (5/15)
John & Amy Veneto (5/17)
Dan & Sylvia Day (5/19)

Pray for the Sick & Homebound

Linda Ellington
Greg Delost
Dale Enghausen
Brian Sullivan
Emma Davis
Terry Hutchcraft
Norma Thompson
Leo Chapman
Adam Reed
Joyce Pearson

Designed by Lisa
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.

Calendar

Monday
MAY 13

Easter Weekday
Acts 11:1-18
Jn 10:1-10

Tuesday
MAY 14

St. Matthias, Apostle
Acts 1:15-17, 20-26
Jn 15:9-17

Wednesday
MAY 15

Easter Weekday
Acts 12:24-13:5a
Jn 12:44-50

Thursday
MAY 16

Easter Weekday
Acts 13:13-25
Jn 13:16-20

Friday
MAY 17

Easter Weekday
Acts 13:26-33
Jn 14:1-6

Saturday
MAY 18

Easter Weekday
Acts 13:44-52
Jn 14:7-14

Sunday
MAY 19

Fifth Sunday of Easter
Acts 14:21-27
Rev 21:1-5a
Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35

Dear Padre,

My young son asks, "If Jesus was Jewish, then why are we called Catholics?"

Jesus was a first-century Jew, as were his first disciples. They continued their Jewish practices after Jesus' resurrection, but they believed and proclaimed that he was the long-awaited Messiah, the fulfillment of Judaism. Such claims inevitably led to clashes with Jewish authorities, as when Stephen, the first martyr, was charged with blasphemy and stoned to death in Jerusalem in AD 36 (Acts 6-7). Nevertheless, Jesus' followers initially saw themselves as reformers of Judaism—not founders of a new religion.

The Acts of the Apostles traces the first thirty years of this community of believers, from Jesus' ascension in Jerusalem to Paul's imprisonment in Rome.

It details the beginnings of their separation from Judaism, as when the Jewish disciples wanted to impose certain practices of Mosaic Law on the Gentile disciples—circumcision, for example (Acts 15:11). Acts and the epistles also chronicle their expansion outside of Jerusalem to the Mediterranean region—where, for example, in Antioch, the disciples of Jesus were called Christians for the first time (Acts 11:26). The first written reference to "Catholic Church" is from St. Ignatius of Antioch around the year 107. *Catholic* means universal.

"The Church is catholic: she proclaims the fullness of the faith. She bears in herself and administers the totality of the means of salvation. She is sent out to all peoples. She speaks to all men. She encompasses all times. She is missionary of her very nature" (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 868).

Fr. Byron Miller, CSSR

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A Word from Pope Francis

The Gentiles, observing the early Christians, said: How they love each other, how they wish one another well! They do not hate, they do not speak against one another. This is the charity, the love of God, that the Holy Spirit puts in our hearts....

Our smallest gesture of love benefits everyone!

—General audience, November 6, 2013

Good News!

May 12, 2019

Fourth Sunday of Easter (C)

Acts 13:14, 43-52; Rev 7:9, 14b-17; Jn 10:27-30

Paul and Barnabas were preaching to the Jewish people in synagogues, but today's reading reveals why they changed audiences and began preaching to the Gentiles. After initial interest was shown by the Jews, the leaders became jealous and stirred up a persecution against the apostles.

Jealousy is a powerful thing. It deafens us from perceiving the good things God wants to give us through others and turns our neighbor into an enemy. It makes us critical, unsatisfied, bitter, and discouraged. Rather than find support in our brother or sister, we lose that gift and alienate ourselves. God and peace are never found in jealousy.

God sent Paul and Barnabas to preach to the Gentiles and to bring his good news to souls who were open to hearing his voice. Humility is the virtue that helps us see the good of others and appreciate it as if it were our own.

The Good Shepherd was speaking to his flock and wanted to lead them to greener pastures, but only the humble were able to hear him and be led to those springs of life-giving water.

Beware of the dangers of jealousy and pride that make us rebellious sheep who are unable to be led and taught by those who love us most. We think we know better than God, his word, and his Church, separating from the flock and the shepherd. May God grant us a listening and humble heart, open to discovering his truth through the Good Shepherd who constantly wants to speak it to us.

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC