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 534 N. Wood Street Gibson City, IL 60936 Parish Office

Phone & Fax: (217) 784-4671 General Information pastor@ololgc.org

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Mass Schedule

Saturday 5 pm Sunday 11:30 am Wednesday 8:00 am Thursday 5:30 pm Cucharistic 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 Cucharistic Adoration Friday following 8AM Mass Confession Friday following 8AM Mass

St. Joseph

312 N. Hickory Street Loda, IL 60948 Mass Schødulø Sunday 8:00 am Tuesday 5:30 pm Conføssion Sunday 7:30am

AUGUST 18, 2019 TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us rid ourselves of every burden and sin that clings to us and persevere in running the race that lies before us while keeping our eyes fixed on Jesus, the leader and perfecter of faith. For the sake of the joy that lay before him he endured the cross, despising its shame, and has taken his seat at the right of the throne of God.

Pastor	THIS WEEK'S INTENTIONS			THANK YO	
Rev. Dong van Bui (217)784-4671 (OLL)	MON August 19 St. John Eudes		NO MASS	YOUR GIFTS OLOL	
(217)379-4033(STM) dvanbui@ololgc.org Emergency (630)456-5406 Deacon	TUE August 20 St. Bernard	8:00AM (OLL) 5:30PM (STJ)	Parish Family	Sunday Total	\$1823.50
Paul Sarantakos psarantakos@parkland.edu	WED August 21 St. Pius	8:00 AM (OLL)	Cullotta Family Cyphert Family	Capital Imp. CMAA 2019 (goal: \$12,300)	\$50.00 \$10,463
Parish Secretary Bulletin Editor Patti Meunier pastor@ololgc.org	THU August 22 The Queenship of th	7:00PM (STM) 5:30PM (OLL) ne Blessed	Mary Wurmnest 92nd Birthday	Food Pantry August Total Yr to Date FP	\$37.25 \$199.25 \$1625.44
Religious Education Tannie Smith CO-DRE Alyce Hafer CO-DRE	Virgin Mary FRI August 23 St. Rose of Lima	8:00AM (STM)	Parish Family		
Youth Ministry Michael Smith		5:30PM (OLL)			
Music Director	SAT August 24 St. Bartholomew	5:00PM (OLL)	+Cletus Geurts		
pastor@ololgc.org Parish Council President Michael Smith (309)530-1803	SUN August 25 Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time	8:00AM (STJ) 9:30AM (STM) 11:30AM (OLL)	Davis Family Day Family		

<u>Date</u>	<u>Altar Servers</u>	<u>Lectors</u>	Euch. Minister	<u>Ushers</u>	<u>Homebound</u> <u>Ministry</u>
SAT August 24 5:00PM	Walter Smith	Jim Meyer	Frank Titus Sarah Sarantakos Rob Kollross	VOLUNTEERS PLEASE	Paul &Sarah Sarantakos
SUN August 25 11:30AM	Hannah & Haven Hathaway	Sarah Sarantakos		Jerry Lynch Sr. 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. 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.

FROM THE RE DESK...

RE TEACHERS AND ASSISTANTS NEEDED 2nd grade, 3rd/4th grade, Youth Group

RE REGISTRATION will be before and after Mass on August 24/25. A copy of a baptismal certificate should accompany registration forms of children in a sacrament year. (not necessary if baptized at OLL).





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 back to school!

PARISH CALENDAR



This Eucharist awakening of hearts is often experienced as a kind of shock, a life "And going into the house they saw the -changing realization and experience of Christ's Sacred Presence. That kind of apostolic recognition of Jesus "in the breaking of the bread" is the kind of faith we need today if we are to turn the tide of sin into a deluge of God's love and mercy.

However, we have mostly forgotten that Jesus is really there, or we were never introduced into His Eucharistic Presence through the faith of another adoring believer. Many Catholics have never encountered any "wise men" in adoration before the Presence of the Incarnate Word.

child with Mary, His mother, and they fell down and worshiped Him. Then, opening their treasures, they offered him gifts, gold and frankincens3e and myrrh". What gift do we bring the King of Kings: I believe the gift of His Real Presence in the Eucharist deserves the gift of our real presence in perpetual Eucharistic adoration. However we have not given Him the homage and loving attention He deserves.

(Story by Matthey Malicki Part 2 of 4)

POUR OUT CHURCH-SEPTEMBER 14/15

Our Lady of Lourdes would like to participate in the POUR OUT CHURCH weekend and combine our efforts with other churches in Gibson City to help local residents.

The link to online sign-ups is https://www.signupgenius.com. Once on the site, click the magnifying glass in the upper right corner and enter the email mammyd2@gmail.com. This will give access to all of the sign ups.

We would also like to make sure that anyone in our own parish that needs labor for a project is aware of this opportunity. If you would like to participate or know of anyone in need of assistance, please contact Patti in the office (217)784-4671 or pastor@ololgc.org and she will get you on a contact list.

Please prayerfully reflect on this opportunity to join in a weekend filled with service and the opportunity to work side by side with our brothers and sisters in Christ.

A LITTLE CATHOLIC HUMOR



"No kidding Charlie, you'll find an awful lot to do out here-now tell me about your little confrontation with the bishop.""



Saturday, AUGUST 24 Food Pantry 8AM-12Noon



Bruce Killian (8/21) Paul Obert (8/21) Mary Wurmnest (8/22) Pat Huth (8/23) Carla Moxley (8/24) Sarah Sarantakos (8/24) Michelle Rosenbaum (8/25) Sydni Meunier (8/25) Lizzie Giroux (8/25)



Mark & Jane Skinner (8/25)





Linda Ellington Greg Delost Dale Enghausen Brian Sullivan Emma Davis Terry Hutchraft Norma Thompson Leo Chapman Adam Reed **Joyce Pearson Michael Gardner**

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 AUGUST 19 Weekday Jgs 2:11–19 Mt 19:16–22

Tuesday

AUGUST 20 St. Bernard, Abbot and Doctor of the Church Jgs 6:11–24a Mt 19:23–30

Wednesday

AUGUST 21 St. Pius X, Pope Jgs 9:6–15 Mt 20:1–16

Thursday AUGUST 22 Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary Jgs 11:29–39a Mt 22:1–14

Friday AUGUST 23 *Weekday* Ru 1:1, 3–6, 14b–16, 22 Mt 22:34–40

Saturday AUGUST 24 St. Bartholomew, Apostle Rv 21:9b-14 Jn 1:45-51

Sunday AUGUST 25 Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time Is 66:18–21 Heb 12:5–7, 11–13 Lk 13:22–30



Why do we ask the saints to intercede for us with God?

In Job 42:8, the Lord encourages Job's friends to seek his intercession on their behalf. Then in 1 Thessalonians 5:25, St. Paul asks Church members



in Thessalonica to pray for him and his missionary companions: "Brothers, pray for us." In neither the New nor Old Testament is there a concern that it might be inappropriate to ask living members of one's faith community for support in prayer before God.

Therefore, if we believe the saints are "living" members of our community, why would we not ask for their prayerful support just as we do the flesh-and-blood members of the community we can see and touch?

Christ is the one true mediator between God and humans, but Christ calls us into a community of faith. Prayer with the saints celebrates and builds this community that God delights in

working through and in. To ignore the saints is to deprive ourselves of gifts that God freely chooses to give.

We hope to be in communion with the saints forever. At this time, we strengthen our fellowship with them through prayer.

-Fr. Matthew Allman, CSsR Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org

A Word from Pope Francis

I encourage you always to have prophetic courage in rejecting everything that demeans human beings, and all forms of exploitation that degrades them. Continue to show those signs of hospitality and solidarity, great and small, which can light up the lives of children and old people, migrants and refugees, in search of peace.

-Address to Caritas Internationalis, November 17, 2016

Their strong messages are rarely met with open hearts even if conversion, rather than

open hearts even if conversion, rather than confrontation, is what the prophet seeks. Bartholomew, one of the Twelve Apostles, was preaching in India and Turkey in the first century and converted the Armenian king. But the king's brother had him flayed alive. Jeremiah foretold the destruction of Jerusalem unless the people returned their hearts to the Lord. This call to conversion was considered demoralizing for those who wished to continue in their self-centered ways. His words were even crushing the soldiers! Either Jeremiah was quite the preacher, the soldiers were weak, guilty or both!

Good News!

August 18, 2019

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)

Jer 38:4-6, 8-10; Heb 12:1-4; Lk 12:49-53

Persecution is part of a prophet's life.

The fire of the prophet's words is meant as a call to action for the soul caught up in lukewarm stagnation. They should be uncomfortable.

When more than 2,000 bishops reflected on the Church at Vatican II, they insisted that every baptized Christian has a prophetic mission. We're called to shake things up. The role of the prophet is to examine in prayerful observation the signs of the times, and to read into them calls to action. The prophet listens with one ear to the Lord and another to society in order to speak wisely to his contemporaries.

This call to preach whether convenient or not was experienced by Christ. The flame that burned in his bosom was a desire to turn hearts toward his Father. Jesus didn't back down from preaching out of fear of rejection of the gospel. Neither should we.—*Fr. Mark Haydu, LC*