

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@ololgc.org or stop by any time after scheduled Masses.

Our Lady of Lourdes

Established - 1875

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Gibson City, IL 60936

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General Information
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Website

www.ololgc.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

JANUARY 12, 2020 Baptism of the Lord



After Jesus was baptized, he came up from the water and behold, the heavens were opened (for him), and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove (and) coming upon him. And a voice came from the heavens, saying, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased."

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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 \$10.00

MON January 13		No Mass
TUE January 14	8:00 AM (OLL) 5:30 PM (STJ)	Parish Family
WED January 15	10:30 AM (OLL) 7:00 PM (STM)	+ Funeral Mass for Martin Michael Gardner
THU January 16	5:30 PM (OLL)	Parish Family
FRI January 17	8:00 AM (STM) 5:30 PM (OLL)	Parish Family
SAT January 18	5:00 PM (OLL)	+Mike Freehill
SUN January 19 2nd Sunday Ordinary Time	8:00 AM (STJ) 9:30 AM (STM) 11:30 AM (OLL)	Parish Family

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GIFTS

Saturday/ Sunday Total	\$2110.50
Capital Imp.	\$235.00
CMAA 2019 (goal: \$12,300)	\$13,368.00
Food Pantry January Total	\$232.00
Yr to Date FP	\$232.00

**Special Collection
Solemnity of
Mary
Mother of God**

January 1

\$ 731.00

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

<u>Date</u>	<u>Altar Servers</u>	<u>Lectors</u>	<u>Euch. Minister</u>	<u>Ushers</u>	<u>Homebound Ministry</u>
SAT January 18 5:00PM	Walter Smith Adriana Cullotta	Marj Brown	Rosann Miller Carla Moxley Frank Titus	Gerald Lynch, Jr Gerald Lynch, Sr	Jerry and Marj Brown
SUN January 19 11:30AM	Will Baillie Paul Baillie	Youth Mass		Youth Mass	

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.

PLEASE PICK UP YOUR 2020 COLLECTION ENVELOPES AT THE BACK OF THE CHURCH

If you have not registered with the parish, or if there are not envelopes in your name and you would like them, please contact the office at (217)784-4671. Also, please let us know of address, additional children or other contact information changes, by emailing office@ololgc.org



PRAYERFULLY CONSIDER YOUR SUPPORT OF THE 2020 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES ANNUAL APPEAL

The Diocese of Joliet is mailing information about the 2020 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal (CMAA) to all registered parishioners this month. As you know, the CMAA supports 30 ministries that illustrate this year's theme and allow us all to **BE KIND and MERCIFUL** to the most vulnerable in our community.

Our parish goal for the 2020 CMAA is **\$11,900**. Please remember that 70 percent of any amount we raise over goal will be returned to us for our use. This is a great opportunity for our parish! Please review the material you receive and prayerfully reflect on your gift to this year's annual appeal.

If you do not receive a mailing form the diocese about the CMAA, please contact the parish office.

The Feast of the Baptism of the Lord

PRAYER FOR THE FEAST OF THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD

Almighty ever-living God, who, when Christ had been baptized in the River Jordan and as the Holy Spirit descended upon him, solemnly declared him your beloved Son, grant that your children by adoption, reborn of water and the Holy Spirit, may always be well pleasing to you. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.



Notable Notes

Ushers: Calling all Families to help usher ! If a member of your family is ushering, we would LOVE to have that family bring up the gifts ! If you have requested a Mass intention for a loved one or special occasion , PLEASE feel free to let one of the ushers know that you would like to bring up the gifts ! Ushers are now sitting in the back of the church and will have name tags on so that you can identify who is ushering for that Mass. If you would like your family to bring up the gifts for no reason other than you would like to do so, just let an usher know before Mass begins. We would love to see more people participating in this part of the Mass ! If you would like to Usher, please email office@ololgc.org. The whole family is welcome to help out ! There will also be a sign up sheet at the back of the church on the bookshelf for all current and new ushers to pick dates that they like to usher! Again, if you are having a special Mass intention that day—sign up !

Website: Our website has been updated! Check out ololgc.org. New features include a wonderful calendar that will help with scheduling and reminders! If there are any events that you like to be added (you will get an email notification to accept, and then it will send you a reminder to put on your own calendar). Email office@ololgc.org and we will get you an invite. There are all kinds of events scheduled in our Diocese that are also on the calendar. Please check it out ! Visit the Ministry tab on our website or email office@ololgc.org

January Calendar—*s mean—check the back of the church, the website Ministry tab, or OLOL office

January 17-19th Be Healed Women's Retreat*
January 18-20th—Boy's TEC (Teens Encounter Christ)*
January 19th—Youth Mass at OLOL 11:30 am
January 20th—Registration Deadline for Annulment Support Day*
January 25th— Annulment Support Day*
Food Pantry (Gibson City)
1st Reconciliation Retreat 3:00 to 4:30 pm (OLOL)
January 25th /26th— Second Collection (OLOL)
January 29th—Catholic Men's Night*

ACT OF CONTRITION

*O MY God, I am heartily sorry
for having offended Thee
and I detest all my sins,
because of Thy just punishments,
but most of all
because they offend Thee, my God,
who art all good
and deserving of all my love.
I firmly resolve,
with the help of Thy grace,
to sin no more,
and avoid the near occasions of sin.
Amen.*

In your charity, please pray for
Martin Michael Gardner
who was called to eternal rest.

Eternal rest grant unto him O
Lord, and let perpetual light
shine upon him.

May he rest in peace.
May he and all the
souls of the faithful
departed rest In peace.
AMEN.



PARISH CALENDAR

Sunday, January 12

K C Pancake/Sausage Breakfast 10 AM
RE Open House 10-11

Sunday, January 19

Youth Mass

Saturday January 25

Food Pantry 8 am to noon

OUR LADY OF LOURDES

PRAYER CHAIN

We have organized a PRAYER CHAIN for those in need of prayer support. If you would like to be a 'prayer warrior' in the prayer chain OR if you have a need for prayers, contact Janet Townsend at (217)621-4812 or tomandjanettownsend@yahoo.com (your specific prayer need does NOT need to be disclosed to activate the prayer chain).



LeaAnn Seymour (1/11)
Isabel Eichelberger (1/12)
Marj Brown (1/18)
Nora McCall (1/18)
Donald Hansen (1/19)

Happy Anniversary

Terry and Joyce Hutchcraft (1/12)
Gerald and Georgia Lynch, Sr. (1/18)

Pray for the Sick & Homebound

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



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.

Dear Padre,

What does holy water do, and why is it near the entrance to the church?

Blessed water is a sacramental—a sign of spiritual effects and favors from God. The Church admonishes us to use sacramentals, like holy water, crucifixes, and rosaries, with reverence and respect.

Water is full of mystery. Although material, it can express something spiritual. It cleanses us from filth and impurities; therefore, water is a symbol of interior cleansing and purifying. It also symbolizes life. The scarcity of water in many regions, including the Holy Land, gives it special value. What's more, water is necessary for the existence of all plants, animals, and people.

In Matthew's Gospel, John the Baptist baptized with water as an outward sign of inner sorrow for personal sins. In the sacrament of baptism instituted

by Christ, we are washed completely and born again of water and the Spirit. Water here symbolizes the grace of God washing away our sins, purifying our souls, and giving us new life in Christ.

The custom of placing a holy water font near the church doors is quite old. As you enter a Catholic church, making the sign of the cross with holy water reminds you of your baptism and of cleansing yourself before you approach God's presence. As you leave, bless yourself again and recall that baptism has marked you for eternal life. When we bless ourselves with holy water, we do it "in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen."

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A WORD FROM *Pope Francis*

In baptism, your life was already immersed in the mystery of the Trinity and you belong to Jesus. And if one day you should be taken by fear, or you think that evil is too great to be challenged, simply consider that Jesus lives within you.

—GENERAL AUDIENCE, SEPTEMBER 20, 2017

Calendar

Monday

JANUARY 13

Weekday

1 Sm 1:1-8

Mk 1:14-20

Tuesday

JANUARY 14

Weekday

1 Sm 1:9-20

Mk 1:21-28

Wednesday

JANUARY 15

Weekday

1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20

Mk 1:29-39

Thursday

JANUARY 16

Weekday

1 Sm 4:1-11

Mk 1:40-45

Friday

JANUARY 17

St. Anthony,
Abbot

1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a

Mk 2:1-12

Saturday

JANUARY 18

Weekday

1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19;

10:1

Mk 2:13-17

Sunday

JANUARY 19

Second Sunday in

Ordinary Time

Is 49:3, 5-6

1 Cor 1:1-3

Jn 1:29-34

Good News!

January 12, 2020

Baptism of the Lord (A)

Is 42:1-4, 6-7; Acts 10:34-38; Mt 3:13-17

Who has not been asked, at the dawning of young adulthood, "What do you want to be when you grow up?" Today there are so many options for both girls and boys. How does one decide? Money and security are very tempting, as are fame and reputation. And then there is the other side of the story when, in the quiet of our thoughts later in life, we wonder if we became everything we might have been. Did we choose the right path or the easy one? Did we rise to the occasion when life challenged us or did we stay where it was comfortable? Did we really grow up or did we just get older?

Today we cross the threshold of Christmastime and step into Ordinary Time when the readings focus on discipleship. What kind of disciples do we want to be? Regardless of the past, today we have a chance to start anew. The readings place two models before us—the servant in Isaiah and Jesus at his baptism.

Filled with the Spirit of God, Jesus is now ready to go out into the world to proclaim God's love and mercy and to give evidence of that love and mercy in the way he treats others. The servant in the Isaiah reading was also filled with the spirit of God in order to "bring forth justice to the nations" (Isaiah 42:1). By baptism, we, too, are filled with God's spirit. How are we going to use it? What do we want to be when we grow up?

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA