

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

534 N. Wood Street
Gibson City, IL 60936

Parish Office Secretary
Phone & Fax (217) 784-4671

General Information
office@ololgc.org

Website www.ololgc.org

Mass Schedule
(effective June 21/2020)

Saturday 5 pm
Sunday 11:00 am
Wednesday 8:00 am
Thursday 5:30 pm

Eucharistic Adoration

Wednesday following Mass

Confession

During Wednesday Adoration
4:30 pm before Saturday Mass
Any time by Appointment

❖ FOR YOUR INFORMATION ❖

St. Mary

407 W. Pells Street
Paxton, IL 60957
Phone—217-379-4033

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

October 11, 2020 28th Sunday Ordinary Time



Mt 22:8-10 Then he said to his servants, 'The feast is ready, but those who were invited were not worthy to come. Go out, therefore, into the main roads and invite to the feast whomever you find.' The servants went out into the streets and gathered all they found, bad and good alike, and the hall was filled with guests..

Prayers of the Faithful during Coronavirus and Flu Season

- * For those who are suffering in the current outbreak of sickness that they might be healed, and for the happy repose of all who have died from this sickness in recent weeks;
let us pray to the Lord.
- * For scientists, health professionals, public officials, and all who are serving the common good in this difficult and uncertain time, that they will be filled with wisdom and understanding; *let us pray to the Lord.*
- * That in times of illness our merciful and loving Father will strengthen our faith and trust in his goodness and divine providence; *let us pray to the Lord.*
- * That our compassionate Father would touch all affected by the current outbreak with healing and peace; *let us pray to the Lord.*

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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 each.		
MON October 12 (St. Witfrid)		No Mass
TUE October 13 (St Edward the Confessor)	8:00 AM (OLOL) 5:30 PM (STJ)	Parish Family
WED October 14 (St. Callistus)	8:00 AM (OLOL) 7:00 PM (STM)	+ Pearl Gale (by Tannie and Mike Smith)
THU October 15 (St Teresa of Jesus)	5:30 PM (OLOL)	+ Mary Wurmnest (by Fran Mardis)
Friday October 16 (St Margaret Mary Alacoque)	8:00 AM (STM) 5:30 PM(OLOL)	Parish Family
SAT October 17 (St. Ignatius of Antioch)	5:00 PM (OLOL)	+ Mike Freehill (special request)
SUN October 18 29th Sunday Of Ordinary Time (WORLD MISSION SUNDAY))	8:00 AM (STJ) 9:30 AM (STM) 11:00 AM (OLOL)	Parish Family

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GIFTS	
September 19/20 26/27	\$1,078.00 \$1,770.00
Capital Imp.	\$0.00
CMAA 2020 (goal:\$11,900)	\$11,881.00
Food Pantry Sept. Total Yr to Date FP	\$39.00 \$263.00 \$1,602.20

Special Collection

**Sept.26/27
Christ is Our Hope
\$120.00**

**Octpber 17/18
World Missions**

MINISTRY SCHEDULES

Date	Altar Servers	Lectors	Euch. Minister	Ushers	Homebound Ministry Members
SATURDAY October 17	Not needed at this time	Michael Smith	Not needed at this time	Volunteer Needed (Contact Craig Davis 815-848-5554)	Sarah Sarantakos Joyce Foster
SUNDAY October 18 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Not needed at this time	Alyce Hafer	Not needed at this time	Volunteer Needed (Contact Craig Davis 815-848-5554)	Jerry/Marg Brown Jean Wilhelmi

Baptism
 Call the Rectory at least four weeks before the baptism. Instruction for the parents and God-parents is required.

Confession
 Contact Fr. Dong at 217-784-4671

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.

Announcements for this week: (summarized by the OLOL Re-opening Committee)

- Masks are to be worn at all times you are inside the church.
- Please use the hand sanitizer at the back of the church when entering.**
- Use hand sanitizer prior to receiving communion. (Provided at each pew)
- The first pews on both sides of the aisle will be given communion in their pews.
- To receive communion, leave mask on....Father will place the host in your hand.... step to the side...remove your mask and consume.....return to your seat.

Thank you ALL for your cooperation as we re-open our Church !!!


**PRAYERFULLY CONSIDER
YOUR SUPPORT OF THE
2020 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES ANNUAL APPEAL**

Please be Kind and Merciful to those in need.

Our parish goal is \$11,900.00 and as of October 4 we have received \$11,881.00.

Thank you for your support !

When we meet our CMAA Goal! OLOL will get back **70%** of every dollar received above our goal. Reaching our goal is a great achievement, and continuing to give is even greater!



Starting October 3rd, at the 5:00 pm Mass,

- 1.) We will now have 3 reserved benches in the back.
- 2.) Reusable Face Shields will be provided and will be allowed to sit in those areas. Take them home and wear them every week. We have adult and children's sizes.
- 3.) We will also be using our Missallets again and everyone with face masks or face shields will be allowed to sing.

October is the *Month of the Rosary*. Flower stands will be placed in front of our Blessed Mother's statue for you to put any flower or flowers you would like to bring. Our Mother Mary is a great intercessor for all prayers. Please pray the Rosary at least once a week.

MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY

The Catholic Church designates October as the Month of the Holy Rosary. During this month the faithful venerate the Blessed Virgin Mary especially under her title of Our Lady of the Rosary, and make special effort to honor the Holy Rosary with group recitations and rosary processions. St. Dominic de Guzman, the founder of the Order of Preachers, is the saint to whom Our Lady famously appeared and gave the prayers of the Holy Rosary to assist him as a spiritual weapon in combating heresy and leading souls back to the one, true Catholic faith.

Prayer and Pastries—9 am—11 am

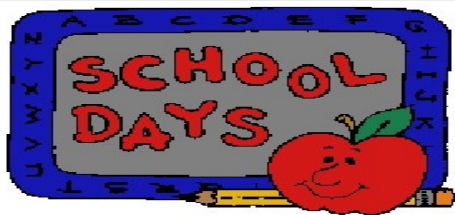
When: Friday, October 23

Where : Sarah's home , 120 West 11th Street, Gibson City

Limited to 10. RSVP 217-781-0528



A message from Sarah Sarantakos: Many of you may still not feel safe coming to Mass. If you would like to receive **Holy Communion or other **Outreach Ministries**, please call Sarah at 217-781-0528.



Thank you to those who have been helping Alyce Hafer sanitize the church after Mass on Sunday. She has requested that if anyone would be willing to help sanitize the church after Saturday Mass, she will be glad to show 2 to 3 people how it is done. *Please see Alyce after mass, email her at joenalyceh@cawl.org, or call 217-745-2411 to volunteer.*

THANK YOU to Rob Kollross for donating gallons of hand sanitizer to the church for our use !

RE Classes

RE classes have begun for our students on Sundays at 9:30 am in the Hall.

- 1.) Vehicles—Please line up single file heading North on Wood Street.
- 2.) Keep your kids in the car until you are in front of the main doors.
- 3.) Please wait for your child/children to enter the building before leaving.
- 4.) No parents will be allowed in the building.
- 5.) Classes will be dismissed one at a time to allow social distancing.

2020—2021 Parish Council

President-Dan Kleist (309-824-7301)
Secretary-Alyce Hafer (217-745-2411)
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Please contact these dedicated people if you have any concerns or suggestions about church related issues.



PARISH Events

Check out our website (calendar) for important dates in October, and our weekly bulletin. olgc.org

- October-Month of the Rosary
- October-40 Days for Life-Fall 2020
- October 11-NO RE Classes
- October 19-The Spirituality of Asking For and Receiving Help (Webinar)
- October 23-Prayer and Pastries



SAVE the DATE !!!
Sunday, November 8
11 am—1pm
Annual Turkey Dinner
(Carry-out ONLY)

Watch for more information !



Evangeline Helmig (10//13)
Marilyn Fischer (10/15)
Joseph Allen (10/18)

Happy Anniversary

Gary and Lori Gale (10/17)

Pray for the Sick & Homebound

Brian Sullivan
Emma Davis
Terry Hutchcraft
Leo Chapman
Joyce Pearson
Fran Mardis
Rosanne Miller
Carol Obert
Connie Cimino
Ken Freehill



If you wish to add the name of a loved one who is sick, please contact the parish office at 217-784-4671 or office@olgc.org.

Good News!

October 11, 2020

Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

Is 25:6-10a; Phil 4:12-14, 19-20;

Mt 22:1-14 or 22:1-10

When people think of heaven, they often imagine a place up in the sky. Episodes of Star Trek should challenge that notion. The Bible usually speaks of heaven as an experience. According to our first reading, it is like a banquet, “a feast of rich food and choice wines” (Isaiah 25:6). Such a meal is an extraordinary event for hard-working people who seldom get to enjoy such luxury. According to today’s Gospel account, the kingdom of heaven is like a wedding banquet, a feast of “calves and fattened cattle” (Matthew 22:4), a celebration of love and new life.

Some people might prefer an image that thrills the ear rather than the palette, like a Handel concerto or a Beethoven symphony. Whatever image is favored, heaven is an incomparable phenomenon that cannot be described. It is an experience that will thrill us to the core of our being.

To be invited to such an astounding experience might well be the event of a lifetime. This is, after all, an invitation from the king. Who would possibly turn it down? And yet, some do. As the Gospel recounts, some are too busy with work. Others would rather watch “the game.” Still others who might accept the invitation minimize it by refusing to dress appropriately. How can people be so foolish? Yet, you and I often are.

God’s invitation to the heavenly feast simply asks that we realize the magnitude of the honor extended to us, that we accept it graciously, and that we enjoy the experience. —Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

Dear Padre,

What is the Catholic Church’s position on grace versus works?

“For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not from you; it is the gift of God; it is not from works” (Ephesians 2:8–9). The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* attests that we have merit in God’s sight only because “God has freely chosen to associate man with the work of his grace” (CCC 2008). After God acted first on his own initiative, it then follows that we’re free to act through his collaboration, “so that the merit of good works is to be attributed in the first place to the grace of God, then to the faithful” (CCC 2008). In other words, it’s only through God’s empowering Spirit in



each of us that makes our good works for salvation pleasing to the Lord!

Moreover, Catholics believe these good works “contribute to growth in grace, so that the righteousness that comes from God is preserved and communion with Christ is deepened. When Catholics affirm the ‘meritorious’ character of good works, they wish to say that...a reward in heaven is promised to these works. Their intention is to emphasize the responsibility of persons for their actions, not to contest the character of those works as gifts, or far less to deny that justification always remains the unmerited gift of grace” (*Joint Declaration on the Doctrine of Justification*, Lutheran World Federation and the Catholic Church, 38).

Christian prayer provides us with the grace that’s needed for meritorious actions (CCC 2010).

—Fr. Byron Miller, CSsR
Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org



A WORD FROM *Pope Francis*

Do good works, don’t just say words that are gone with the wind....Through the good works that we carry out with love and joy towards others, our faith emerges and bears fruit. Let us ask ourselves...Is our faith fruitful? Does our faith produce good works? Or is it sterile instead, and therefore more dead than alive?

—ANGELUS, JULY 10, 2016

Calendar

Monday

OCTOBER 12

Weekday

Gal 4:22–24, 26–27,
31—5:1

Lk 11:29–32

Tuesday

OCTOBER 13

Weekday

Gal 5:1–6

Lk 11:37–41

Wednesday

OCTOBER 14

Weekday

Gal 5:18–25

Lk 11:42–46

Thursday

OCTOBER 15

St. Teresa of Jesus,
Virgin and Doctor of
the Church

Eph 1:1–10

Lk 11:47–54

Friday

OCTOBER 16

Weekday

Eph 1:11–14

Lk 12:1–7

Saturday

OCTOBER 17

St. Ignatius of Antioch,
Bishop and Martyr

Eph 1:15–23

Lk 12:8–12

Sunday

OCTOBER 18

Twenty-ninth Sunday in
Ordinary Time

Is 45:1, 4–6

1 Thes 1:1–5b

Mt 22:15–21