

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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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

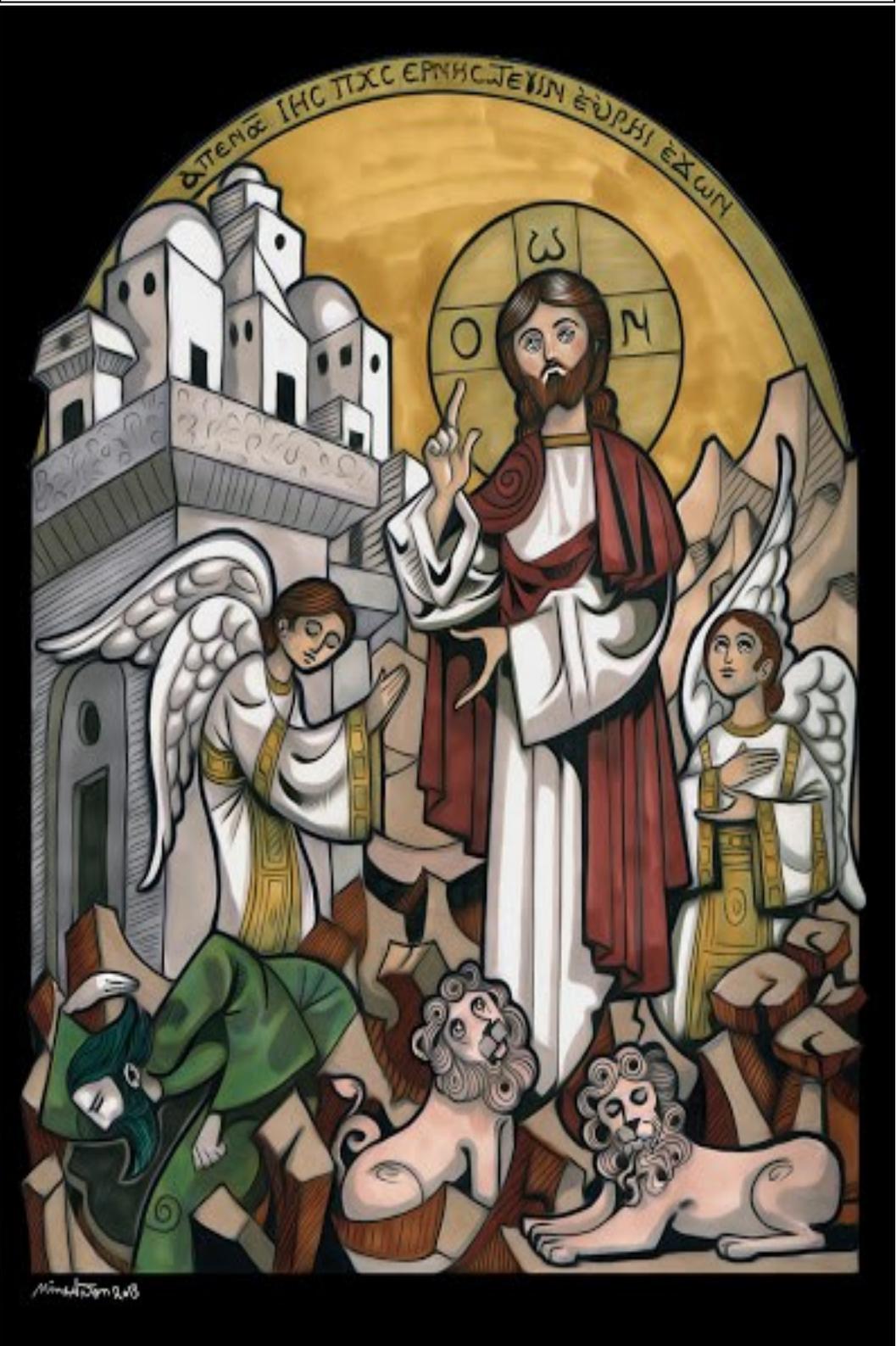
Sunday 8:00 am

Tuesday 5:30 pm

Confession

Sunday 7:30am

March 1, 2020 1st Sunday of Lent



At this, Jesus said to him, "Get away, Satan! It is written: 'The Lord, your God, shall you worship and him alone shall you serve.'" Then the devil left him and, behold, angels came and ministered to him.

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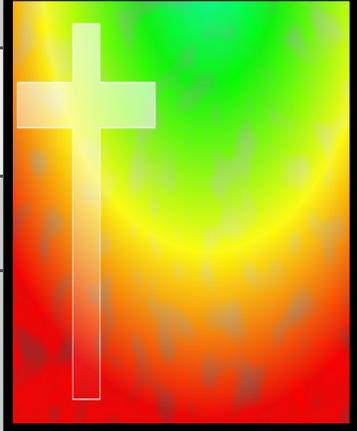
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THIS WEEK'S INTENTIONS		
If you wish to have a Mass intention for a loved one, anniversary or other occasion, please contact the parish office. Mass intentions are \$10.00		
MON March 2		No Mass
TUE March 3	8:00 AM (OLL) 5:30 PM (STJ)	Parish family
WED March 4	5:30 pm (OLL) 7:00 PM (STM)	+Lucy Shilts
THU March 5	5:30 PM (OLL)	+Aldo Celeschi
FRI March 6	8:00 AM (STM) 6:00 PM (OLL) Stations of the Cross 6:30 PM (OLL)	Mike Gardner
SAT March 7	5:00 PM (OLL)	+Mike Freehill
SUN March 8	8:00 AM (STJ) 2nd Sunday of Lent 9:30 AM (STM) 11:30 AM (OLL)	Parish family

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GIFTS	
Saturday/ Sunday Total	\$1935.00
Capital Imp.	\$0.00
CMAA 2020 (goal: \$11,900)	\$0.00
Food Pantry February Total Yr to Date FP	\$27.00 \$162.00 \$463.10



MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Date	Altar Servers	Lectors	Euch. Minister	Ushers	Homebound Ministry
SAT March 7 5:00PM	Alex Lillian	Fran Mardis	Fran Mardis Marge Brown Jerry Brown	Frank Titus Fred Sarantakos	Lisa Heap
SUN March 8 11:30AM	Seth Kollross Spencer Kleist	Maggie Davis	needed	needed	

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.

LENT
 'Fridays of Lent there will be Mass at 6:00 pm followed by Stations of the Cross at 6:30 pm'

TRIDUUM and EASTER
Holy Thursday: OLL 5:30 pm, Adoration until 11:00 pm
 STM 7:30 pm
Holy Friday Stations: OLL 3:00 pm
 STM 12:00 pm
Passion Service: OLL and STM 7:00 pm
 STJ 3:00 pm
Holy Saturday Vigil Service:
 OLL 7:30 pm
 STM 8:00 pm
Easter Sunday: OLL 9:00 am
 STJ 8:00 am
 STM 9:30 am

Vocational Prayer March 2020

God our Father, You made each of us to use our gifts in the Body of Christ. We ask that You inspire young people whom You call to priesthood and consecrated life to courageously follow your will. Send workers into Your great harvest so that the Gospel is preached, the poor are served with love, the suffering are comforted, and Your people are strengthened by the sacraments. We ask this through Christ our Lord.
 Amen



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

Your gift to the CMAA makes a difference.

The opening report for the 2020 Catholic Ministries Appeal (CMAA) in today's bulletin illustrates how the 30 ministries supported through our annual appeal truly exemplify this year's theme, *Be Kind and Merciful*. These ministries allow the diocese to serve our most vulnerable brothers and sisters and assist parishes, including ours. Our parish goal for the 2020 CMAA is **\$11,900**, with 70 percent of any amount we raise over goal will be returned to us for our needs. Please prayerfully reflect on your gift to this year's CMAA and make a commitment next week during our CMAA Commitment/InPew Weekend. Thank you for considering the most generous pledge possible to this year's annual appeal.

Pray for US

Pray for our Parish Mission

Parish Mission is a parish awakening ! A time for the whole parish to come together to reflect upon God's word, to renew our faith, and to pray with open hearts and hands.

Join us At the Father Kirk Hall to pray that we have a successful mission !

Our Parish Mission will be :

Thursday March 5th to start at 6:00 pm preceded by 5:30 Mass

Friday March 6th to start 6:00 pm preceded by Mass at 5:30 pm

Saturday March 7th to start at 6:00 pm following 5:00 Mass

Snacks will be available Thursday March 5 and Friday March 6.

Dinner will be provided on March 7th.

Parish Prayers Needed: We as a Parish will offer the Rosary and Chaplet of the Immaculate Conception for **Caine Smith**, son of Mike and Tannie Smith, who was involved in a serious vehicle accident on Feb. 14th and is now home for further recovery. Please join us at **4:30 Saturday**, prior to 5:00 PM Mass. Cards of encouragement may be sent to **Caine Jost, 702 N Main, Saybrook, IL 61770** Thank you in advance !



PARISH CALENDAR

Also Check out our website (calendar) for important dates in February. ololgc.org

- **Thursday, March 5—Parish Mission 6:00 –7:00 pm (after Mass)**
- **Friday, March 6—Parish Mission 6:00 pm –7:00 pm (after Mass)**
- **Saturday, March 7— Parish Mission 6:00 –7:00 pm (after Mass)**
- **Sunday, March 8—Daylight Saving**
- **Friday March 13—KofC Fish Fry 4:30 –6:30 (Fr. Kirk Hall)**
- **Saturday March 14—Food Pantry**
- **Saturday March 28— Food Pantry**



- Ray Hanks (3/1)
- Keaton Beyers (3/1)
- Ted Grote (3/2)
- Molly Killian (3/2)
- Victoria Medernach (3/3)
- Amy Eberle (3/3)
- Colleen Davis (3/4)
- Andrea Killian (3/4)
- Eva Acree (3/5)
- Amanda Freehill (3/6)
- Andrew Laughery (3/6)
- Seth Kollross (3/8)
- Axel Doran (3/8)



- Laura and Adam Burnes (3/1)
- Roger & Kathleen Reum (3/6)
- Mark and Jill Andreae (3/8)



Knights of Columbus Fish Fry dates:
Friday March 13
Friday March 27 Friday, April 3
Service from 4:30 PM to 6:30
Ticket: \$8.00 (all you can eat)
Kids under 12 eat free.



Sunderland Scholarship

The Sunderland Scholarship is awarded each year to a graduating senior from Our Lady of Lourdes. To make a donation toward this year's scholarship award, please use the red offertory envelope marked for this purpose and drop it in the collection basket. Your generosity toward helping our parish youth is greatly appreciated.



During the Lenten season we will offer
STATIONS OF THE CROSS
 on Friday evenings at 6:30PM following 6:00PM Mass

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
- Caine Jost



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@ololgc.org.

Dear Padre,

Is gambling a sin?

The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* mentions gambling in the context of “temperance” to moderate attachment to worldly goods, “justice” to render to our neighbor what is due, and “solidarity in accordance with the golden rule” (CCC 2407). “Games of chance (card games, etc.) or wagers are not in themselves contrary to justice. They become morally unacceptable when they deprive someone of what is necessary to provide for his needs and those of others. The passion for gambling risks becoming an enslavement. Unfair wagers and cheating at games constitute grave matter....” (CCC 2413).

Gambling, therefore, is morally neutral. When properly controlled, it can be a form of recreation for some. However, it becomes an enslavement when obsessive gamblers neglect their families or jobs, risk financial security, and compromise their responsibilities to self, others, and God. The allure of winning and the desire to win even more—along with venues that provide easy gambling credit and other incentives—often make it harder for people to know their limits. Consequently, a severe gambling addiction can lead and has led to stealing to pay debts, divorce, job loss, despair, and suicide.

No wonder St. Augustine cautioned, “The devil invented gambling.” Even if Satan didn’t invent it, he’ll gladly take credit for it when gambling becomes a means to his ends. In so many words, those who win large amounts from lotteries and games of chance frequently warn, “All that glitters isn’t gold.” Despite its enticements, gambling ultimately fails to satisfy the human heart’s longing for meaning and fulfillment.

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



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A WORD FROM *Pope Francis*

There are three temptations of Christ....First, wealth: seizing hold of goods destined for all and using them only for “my own people.” That is, taking “bread” based on the toil of others or even at the expense of their very lives. That wealth tastes of pain, bitterness, and suffering.

—HOMILY IN MEXICO, FEBRUARY 14, 2016

Calendar

Monday
MARCH 2
Lenten Weekday
Lv 19:1-2, 11-18
Mt 25:31-46

Tuesday
MARCH 3
Lenten Weekday
Is 55:10-11
Mt 6:7-15

Wednesday
MARCH 4
Lenten Weekday
Jon 3:1-10
Lk 11:29-32

Thursday
MARCH 5
Lenten Weekday
Est C:12, 14-16,
23-25
Mt 7:7-12

Friday
MARCH 6
Lenten Weekday
Ez 18:21-28
Mt 5:20-26

Saturday
MARCH 7
Lenten Weekday
Dt 26:16-19
Mt 5:43-48

Sunday
MARCH 8
Second Sunday of Lent
Gn 12:1-4a
2 Tm 1:8b-10
Mt 17:1-9

Good News!

March 1, 2020

First Sunday of Lent (A)
Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7; Rom 5:12-19
or Rom 5:12, 17-19; Mt 4:1-11

If only temptation was obvious, we might have a better chance of avoiding it. But sometimes it’s so subtle. It often disguises itself as something rather attractive. This is precisely what happened in the Garden of Eden. Scripture says temptation takes on a living form—a serpent that convinces the woman that the fruit of the wisdom tree will make them “like gods, who know good and evil” (Genesis 3:5).

Who wouldn’t jump at such a possibility? Actually, who hasn’t already fallen into that trap—acting as if we are God, thinking we know everything or wishing to be in complete control? Our faith certainly encourages us to become more and more like God. What made that desire wrong was the way Adam and Eve sought to become like gods in their own way, not God’s way.

The Gospel passage tells us that Jesus also was tempted. Who doubts that Jesus wanted to be successful in his ministry? But what would he do to ensure success? Would he use divine power to attract a following? No! Would he call upon God to protect him from misunderstanding, rejection, even physical harm? No! Would he bargain with the devil, who obviously exercised power over many people? No! That was not the way he would be the Messiah. Unlike the couple in the Garden, Jesus recognized what was wrong even when it was disguised as something good. How good are we at recognizing temptation in our lives? —Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA