

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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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 15, 2020 3rd Sunday of Lent



Jesus answered and said to her, "Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again; but whoever drinks the water I shall give will never thirst; the water I shall give will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life."

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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 16		No Mass
TUE March 17	8:00 AM (OLL) 5:30 PM (STJ)	Parish family <i>St. Patrick</i>
WED March 18	8:00 AM(OLL) 7:00 PM (STM)	+Lucy ShiIts
THU March 19	8:00 AM (OLL) 5:00 PM (STJ)	Parish family Solemnity of St Joseph Patron Saint of St. Joseph Mission
FRI March 20	8:00 AM (STM) 6:00 PM (OLL) 6:30 PM (OLL)	Parish Family <i>Stations of the Cross</i>
SAT March 21	5:00 PM (OLL)	+Mike Gardner
SUN March 22	8:00 AM (STJ) 9:30 AM (STM) 11:30 AM (OLL)	+Mike Freehill 4th Sunday of Lent

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GIFTS	
Saturday/ Sunday Total	\$1852.50
Capital Imp.	\$125.00
CMAA 2020 (goal: \$11,900)	\$0.00
Food Pantry March Total	\$10.00 \$115.00
Yr to Date FP	\$551.10

**2nd Collection
 March 21/22
 Catholic Relief
 Services**

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Date	Altar Servers	Lectors	Euch. Minister	Ushers	Homebound Ministry
SAT March 21 5:00PM	Kate McCall Adrianna Cullotta	Patti Huppert	Rob Kollross Tannie Smith	Frank Titus Fred Sarantakos	Marj / Jerry Brown
SUN March 22 11:30AM	Isabelle and Sophia Helmig	Jodi Beyers		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 the Stations of the Cross at 6:30pm’

Triduum and Easter

Holy Thursday: OLL 5:30 pm followed by 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 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. please contact the parish office.

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



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



A note from Margy Shambrook: Looking for some way to serve your church? We welcome anyone with music talent to help us by playing the piano for church, recording music with or without the congregation, pushing buttons during Mass, and/or singing in the choir on Saturday night or Sunday morning. Please consider this. Thanking you in advance for your help. (Contact Margy Shambrook or the office)

Please read a special note from our Diocese:

We received word from the Diocese that as a precautionary measure fighting the transmission of Coronavirus, we have been advised to **receive ONLY the Body of Christ** at Communion and suspense with receiving the Blood of Christ, as well as **no physical contact when offering the 'Sign of Peace'**. This practice will continue until further notified. It has also been suggested that if you are feeling ill, you are excused from Mass. Wishing you all God's Blessings and good health.

NOTE to CONFIRMATION Students

from Dan Schneider, Director of Faith Formation:

There will be a retreat for all of our Confirmation students (7th and 8th grade) on Sunday, March 28th at St. Mary St. Joseph Parish Center in Paxton from 12:30 pm to 4:00 pm.

Attendance at this activity is required in order to receive Confirmation.

Thank You

from the Smith family !

Tannie and Michael Smith want to send out a huge 'Thank You' to everyone for all of the cards, words of encouragement, support and visits from all of the parishioners. You have really made us feel like family and we are ever so grateful to have you all in our lives while our family goes through this difficult time with Caine and his recovery.



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.



PARISH CALENDAR

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

- Tuesday March 17—St. Patrick's Day
- Sunday, March 22—No RE classes
- Saturday, March 28—Food Pantry
- Saturday March 28—Retreat for all Confirmation Students— Paxton, St Mary St Joseph Parish Center 12:30 pm to 4:00 pm

There is a basket at the back of the Church that you can place your old psalms in. We will dispose of them. Thank you



- Josie Kleist (3/16)
- Brian Helmig (3/17)
- Willard Pearson (3/17)
- Aiden Killian (3/18)
- Lily Giroux (3/19)
- Fran Mardis (3/19)
- Gary Wilhelmi (3/19)
- Bernadette Campos (3/20)
- Gary Gale (3/21)
- Liam Killian (3/21)



- Rich and Beth Baillie (3/15)
- Tim and Jody Bane (3/25)

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,

For many of us older Catholics, our children have either left the faith or they don't belong to any church. Consequently, their children aren't baptized. We were taught that anyone may baptize in an emergency. Can we baptize our grandchildren? If so, how?

When necessary, "any person," even one who is not baptized, "can baptize provided that he has the intention of doing that which the Church does and provided that he pours water on the candidate's head while saying: 'I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit'" (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 1284).

Church law permits baptism when at least one consenting Catholic parent or guardian plans to nurture the child in the faith and in the faith community. Some people—with the best intentions—may disregard these legal conditions and resort to baptizing a child in secret or against the parents' will. However, while the Trinitarian formula used while pouring water over a child qualifies as the sacrament even under non-life-threatening circumstances, it's also contrary to Church law. This has negative consequences both for the child being baptized and the grandparents doing the baptizing!

May you find consolation in these words: "Baptism is necessary for salvation for those to whom the Gospel has been proclaimed and who have had the possibility of asking for this sacrament" (CCC 1257). Should a child die without baptism, we can trust in God's mercy, since the full proclamation of the gospel and request for the sacrament was not possible for the child. Moreover, Jesus' tenderness toward children allows us "to hope that there is a way of salvation for children who have died without baptism" (CCC 1261).

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



SHOOTING MARIANA/SHUTTERSTOCK



A WORD FROM *Pope Francis*

This season of Lent is a good occasion to draw near to [Jesus], to encounter him in prayer in a heart-to-heart dialogue; to speak with him, to listen to him....In this way we can renew in ourselves the grace of baptism, quench our thirst at the wellspring of the Word of God.

—ANGELUS, MARCH 19, 2017

Calendar

Monday
MARCH 16
Lenten Weekday
2 Kgs 5:1-15b
Lk 4:24-30

Tuesday
MARCH 17
Lenten Weekday
Dn 3:25, 34-43
Mt 18:21-35

Wednesday
MARCH 18
Lenten Weekday
Dt 4:1, 5-9
Mt 5:17-19

Thursday
MARCH 19
St. Joseph,
Spouse of the
Blessed Virgin Mary
2 Sm 7:4-5a,
12-14a, 16
Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22
Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a
or Lk 2:41-51a

Friday
MARCH 20
Lenten Weekday
Hos 14:2-10
Mk 12:28-34

Saturday
MARCH 21
Lenten Weekday
Hos 6:1-6
Lk 18:9-14

Sunday
MARCH 22
Fourth Sunday
of Lent
1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a
Eph 5:8-14
Jn 9:1-41 or
Jn 9:1, 6-9, 13-17,
34-38

Good News!

March 15, 2020

Third Sunday of Lent (A)

Ex 17:3-7; Rom 5:1-2, 5-8

Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42

Water flows through this Sunday's readings. In the passage from Exodus, the Hebrews cry out for the water so necessary for life. In the Gospel, Jesus speaks of living water that provides eternal life.

The exchange between the Hebrews and Moses is straightforward and startling. Physical thirst led them to question the divine care that miraculously delivered them from the hands of Egyptian oppressors. We shouldn't be too quick to shake our fingers at them. How many times have we looked past blessings we take for granted, only to focus on lesser immediate needs? These desert people are our ancestors in more ways than one.

The Gospel of John is most interesting. Jesus is in Samaria, a land hated by the Jews. There he initiates a conversation with an inhabitant of the town of Sychar, someone who is an outcast in three major ways. She is a woman—no self-respecting man would be alone with a woman he didn't know. She is a Samaritan—Jews considered Samaritans unclean. And she is promiscuous—his own honor might be at risk. The woman's questionable social status does not prevent Jesus from engaging her, first in social etiquette ("Give me a drink" [4:7]), then in a theological exchange ("Whoever drinks the water I shall give will never thirst" [4:14]).

The Hebrews experienced God's saving action in their exodus, but they lacked trust. The woman, hated by the Jews, was an outcast of her own people, yet she believed. How do we respond to the water?

—Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA