

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

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General Information
office@ololgc.org

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

April 19, 2020 Second Sunday of Easter Divine Mercy Sunday



On the evening of that first day of the week, when the doors were locked, where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in their midst and said to them, "Peace be with you."

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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 April 20		No Mass
TUE April 21	Father Bui ONLY No attendance	For the Parishioners of OLL, St Mary and St Joseph
WED April 22	Father Bui ONLY No attendance	For the Parishioners of OLL, St Mary and St Joseph
THU April 23	Father Bui ONLY No Attendance	For the Parishioners of OLL, St. Mary and St Joseph
Friday April 24	Father Bui ONLY No attendance	For the Parishioners of OLL, St Mary and St Joseph
SAT April 25	Father Bui ONLY No attendance	+ Steve Heavilin
SUN April 26	Father Bui ONLY No attendance	For the Parishioners of St Mary, OLL and St Joseph

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GIFTS

Saturday/ Sunday Total	\$0.00
Capital Imp.	\$0.00
CMAA 2020 (goal: \$11,900)	\$0.00
Food Pantry April Total	\$0.00
Yr to Date FP	\$551.10

You may mail your donations to:

Our Lady of Lourdes
534 N Wood St,
Gibson City, IL
60936

Thank you !

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

<u>Date</u>	<u>Altar Servers</u>	<u>Lectors</u>	<u>Euch. Minister</u>	<u>Ushers</u>	<u>Homebound Ministry</u>
SAT April 25					
SUN April 19 Divine Mercy Sunday					

Baptism

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

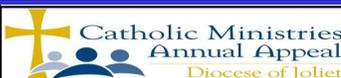
Sick??

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.

If you would like to make your weekly or monthly contribution to OLOL, even with the current situation. please mail your envelope with your contribution (please checks only) Thank you !
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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.

**From the desk of Most Reverend Richard E Pates,
Apostolic Administrator, Diocese of Joliet**

The Apostolic Penitentiary provided information on the Divine Mercy Plenary Indulgence in a document issued on June 29, 2002. It made references to cases wherein individuals were unable to attend Mercy Sunday services at a Church. The coronavirus situation would qualify since it was not foreseen.

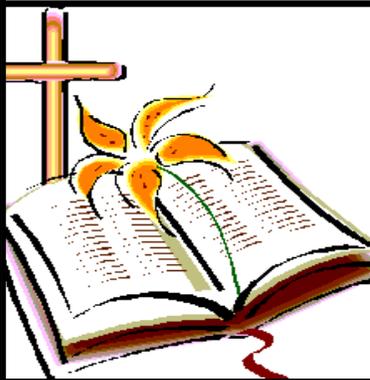
“All who for a just cause cannot leave their homes or who carry out an activity for the community which cannot be postponed, may obtain a plenary indulgence on Divine Mercy Sunday, if totally detesting any sin, as has been said before, and with the intention of fulfilling as soon as possible the three usual conditions, will recite the *Our Father* and the *Creed* before a devout image of Our Merciful Lord Jesus and, in addition, pray a devout invocation to the Merciful Lord Jesus (e.g Merciful Jesus, I trust in you)

If it is impossible that people do even this, on the same day they may obtain the Plenary Indulgence if with a spiritual intention they are united with those carrying out the prescribed practice for obtaining the Indulgence in the usual way and offer to the Merciful Lord a prayer and the sufferings of their illness and the difficulties of their lives, with the resolution to accomplish as soon as possible the three conditions prescribed to obtain the plenary indulgence.”

Therefore, for all of those who cannot pray in a church or chapel, the actions outlined above in bold would be applicable.

To receive the plenary indulgence, a person would have to:

- 1.) Recite the Our Father and the Creed in front of a devout image of the Merciful Lord Jesus.
- 2.) Meet these 3 conditions or have the sincere intention to fulfill them as soon as possible:
 - A.) Being truly repentant and receiving absolution in the Sacrament of Penance.
 - B.) Reception of Holy Communion
 - C.) Praying for the Holy Father’s intentions,
- 3.) And have total detachment from any inclination (desire) to sin, even venial sins.



**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).

Looking for another opportunity to bring Catholicism into your day.... tune your radio to Holy Family Radio, 95.7 FM, [EWTN](http://www.ewtn.com) Catholic radio programs.

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.



April

PARISH CALENDAR

Also Check out our website (calendar) for important dates in April, and our weekly bulletin. ololgc.org

- All Masses, Stations of the Cross, Holy Week services, Easter services and any gathering of parishioners in the church is suspended in an effort to keep safe during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Pray for our Parishes and our Country at this trying time.
God Bless Us and keep us safe !



Tim Bane (4/19)
Terry Fields (4/20)
Sam Baillie (4/21)
Caden Miller (4/21)



Leo and Audrey Chapman (4/21)
Eric and Michelle Rosenbaum (4/23)
Harry and Dorri Groom (4/25)
Jerry and Marj Brown (4/28)
Tom and Sarah McCall (4/28)

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
Rosanne Miller



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,

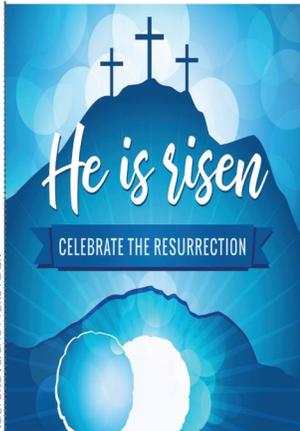
A friend of mine always makes such a big deal of the time after Easter. What is this Easter season all about?

These days and weeks after Easter are indeed significant. We Christians are an Easter people. The resurrection is the cornerstone of our faith. Without the belief that Christ conquered death and our hope that we will share in that same victory over the grave, our faith is pointless. We celebrate with great fanfare that we are a redeemed people in Jesus Christ.

Every year our forty-day Lenten preparation of fasting and penance leads us to the feasting and joy of the fifty days of Easter. This unbelievable news that the risen Christ is in our midst draws us into a festival that cannot be contained in a single day. “The fifty days from Sunday of the Resurrection to Pentecost Sunday are celebrated in joy and exultation as one feast day, indeed as one ‘great Sunday’” (*The Roman Missal*, “Universal Norms on the Liturgical Year and Calendar,” 22).

Part of the challenge of Easter is learning again how to celebrate a fifty-day feast. Most Catholics do not think of Easter as an extended feast. We tend to see Easter, the ascension, and Pentecost as three separate, independent feast days, each with its own themes. The truth of the matter is that they are all part and parcel of the other, intertwined and borne of the same glorious fact of Christ’s resurrection. This is a perfect time to remind ourselves of that joyous and significant connection.

—Fr. Joseph Ring
Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org



WORD FROM *Pope Francis*



To us also, on this Sunday, which St. John Paul II wished to dedicate to divine mercy, the Lord shows us, through the Gospel, his wounds. They are wounds of mercy.... Jesus invites us to behold these wounds, to touch them as Thomas did, to heal our lack of belief. Above all, he invites us to enter into the mystery of these wounds, which is the mystery of his merciful love.

—HOMILY, APRIL 12, 2015

Calendar

Monday
APRIL 20
Easter Weekday
Acts 4:23–31
Jn 3:1–8

Tuesday
APRIL 21
Easter Weekday
Acts 4:32–37
Jn 3:7b–15

Wednesday
APRIL 22
Easter Weekday
Acts 5:17–26
Jn 3:16–21

Thursday
APRIL 23
Easter Weekday
Acts 5:27–33
Jn 3:31–36

Friday
APRIL 24
Easter Weekday
Acts 5:34–42
Jn 6:1–15

Saturday
APRIL 25
St. Mark,
Evangelist
1 Pt 5:5b–14
Mk 16:15–20

Sunday
APRIL 26
Third Sunday
of Easter
Acts 2:14, 22–33
1 Pt 1:17–21
Lk 24:13–35

Good News!

April 19, 2020
Second Sunday of Easter
(Sunday of Divine Mercy)(A)
Acts 2:42–47; 1 Pt 1:3–9; Jn 20:19–31

Skepticism is a characteristic of a critical mind. Some claims are just too fantastic to trust: no salve can relieve you of all pain; no investment is certain to double your money; no politician can keep all promises; no one comes back from the dead. Who of us can fault Thomas for his initial skepticism?

Thomas has been known through history as “the doubter.” However, he might be considered the patron saint of all of us. Because of his absence when Jesus stood in the midst of the community, Thomas was expected to believe on the word of others. Like Thomas, we are torn between believing because of an experience of Jesus, and believing on the word of others. We all would prefer a direct, profound experience. However, that’s not what we’re offered.

But within the community we can indirectly experience Jesus—his goodness, his unselfish service to others, his desire to bring people together in peace and harmony. The first reading provides a glimpse of such a believing community devoted to “the teaching of the apostles and to the communal life, to the breaking of the bread and to the prayers” (Acts 2:42). Like our patron Thomas, we might be skeptical at first, but it is within a family or community of kindness and generosity that we can have our own experience of the risen Jesus.

—Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA