

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

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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

April 26, 2020 Third Sunday of Easter



But they urged him, "Stay with us, for it is nearly evening and the day is almost over." So he went in to stay with them. And it happened that, while he was with them at table, he took bread, said the blessing, broke it, and gave it to them.

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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 27		No Mass
TUE April 28	Father Bui ONLY No attendance	For the Parishioners of OLL, St Mary and St Joseph
WED April 29	Father Bui ONLY No attendance	For the Parishioners of OLL, St Mary and St Joseph
THU April 30	Father Bui ONLY No Attendance	*Lucy Shilts
Friday May 1	Father Bui ONLY No attendance	*Mike Freehill
SAT May 2	Father Bui ONLY No attendance	For the Parishioners of OLL, St Mary and St Joseph
SUN May 3	Father Bui ONLY No attendance	For the Parishioners of St Mary, OLL and St Joseph

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GIFTS

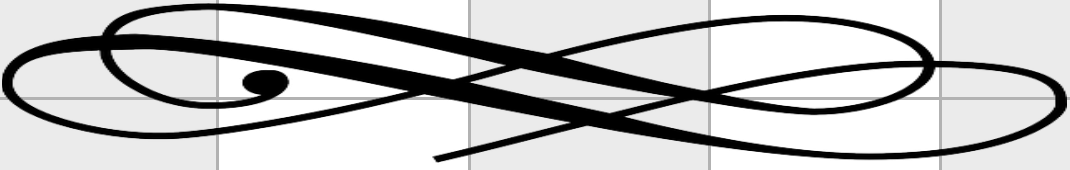
Saturday/ Sunday Total	\$0.00
Capital Imp.	\$0.00
CMAA 2020 (goal: \$11,900)	\$0.00
Food Pantry April Total	\$0.00
Yr to Date FP	\$551.10

You may mail
 your donations
 to:

Our Lady of Lourdes
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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 May 2					
SUN May 3 3rd Sunday of Easter					

Baptism

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

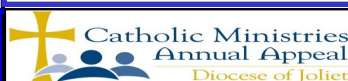
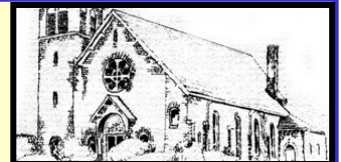
Sick??

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.

SAINTS OF THE EASTER SEASON

The Easter season, which is actually not just one day but forty days long, is the time when we are encouraged to proclaim the Good News of Christ's resurrection to new life with God. But even more than just proclaiming it, we are invited to be transformed by our contact with the risen Christ and live resurrection lives. The saints whom we remember and celebrate during this season exemplify what we are also trying to do. As Vatican Council II reminded us: "The saints have been traditionally honored in the Church and their authentic relics and images held in veneration. For the feasts of the saints proclaim the wonderful works of Christ in his servants, and display to the faithful fitting examples for their imitation." So may these holy men and women, clergy and laity, rich and poor, popes and peasants encourage and embolden us to live our resurrection lives to the fullest.

St. Catherine of Siena—April 29

At the age of 7 Catherine had a vision of Christ in glory and dedicated herself to God. She joined the Dominican Third Order (1365) and after a vision (1368) in which Christ accepted her as his "bride," she began actively caring for the poor and tending the sick. She was a prolific correspondent, counseling popes and princes, and a renowned reformer and peacemaker. She is also known for her spiritual reflections (The Dialogue). She was canonized (1461), declared patroness of Italy (1939), a doctor of the Church (1970) and, with St. Bridget of Sweden and St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross (Edith Stein), co-patroness of Europe (1999). Like her, may we offer both our prayer and our actions in service of God.

How might I seek greater renewal and reconciliation in my household, workplace, and parish?

St. Pius V-Pope—April 30

Antonio Ghislieri spent much of his early life tending sheep. He entered the Dominican Order (1518) and after ordination taught philosophy and theology. He was appointed bishop, cardinal and finally pope (1566). As pope he implemented the reforms decreed by the Council of Trent (1545-63). He revised the Roman Missal and the breviary, published the Roman Catechism and restored modernation to the papal court.

St. Joseph the Worker—May 1

Although popular devotion to Joseph, husband of Mary, may have begun as early as the 8th century, it was not until the 15th century that his name was entered in the Church calendar. Since that time, devotion to Joseph has been marked by growing enthusiasm and, in 1955, Pope Pius XII proclaimed a second feast day on May 1, which recognizes Joseph as the skilled craftsman and coincides with Labor Day in many countries.



PARISH CALENDAR

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

- All Masses, Stations of the Cross, 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 !



Sylvia Day (4/30)
Julia McGuire (5/1)
Eric Rosenbaum (5/1)
Amy Killian (5/2)
Gina Medernach (5/2)

Happy Anniversary

Jerry and Marj Brown (4/28)
Tom and Sarah McCall (4/28)

In your charity, please pray for
Fr. Vytautas Memenas
who was called to eternal rest.
Pastor at OLL/ St George
1967- 1972
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.



OUR LADY OF LOURDES **PRAYER CHAIN**

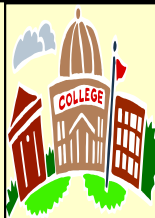
We have organized a PRAYER CHAIN for those in need of prayer support. If you would like to be a 'prayer warrior' in the prayer chain OR if you have a need for prayers, contact Janet Townsend at (217) 621-4812 or

tomandjanettownsend@yahoo.com

(your specific prayer need does NOT need to be disclosed to activate the prayer chain).

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.



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,

Why couldn't the disciples recognize Jesus after the resurrection? Do you think we would recognize Jesus if he came back today?

Before the resurrection, Jesus likely would have suffered the ravages of illness and lack of proper nutrition that all the people of his time were subject to. After the resurrection, Jesus showed he was exalted with the very power of God. Even his physical appearance had changed.

In view of his glorified appearance, the disciples were able to recognize Jesus with the aid of his marks of the passion (John 20:20). No one would go to the extreme of putting nails through his own hands and feet and thrust a spear into his side to pretend he was Jesus! He bore those marks, so he *had* to be the Lord.

Another purpose of showing his disciples his glorified body was to assure them we would undergo a similar glorification. In the resurrection we shall be completely changed and perfected in our humanity (1 Corinthians 15:52).

We are sometimes slow to recognize our Lord in the ways he indicated he would be with us today:

in the Eucharist (John 6:55); in the poor (Matthew 25:40); in his body, the Church (1 Corinthians 12:12). Coming to recognize him among us in these ways today will ensure we are more like him in our resurrection.

—Fr. Gary Lauenstein, CSsR
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In the poor, Jesus is with us. Here, volunteers work at a food pantry in Nashville.



WORD FROM *Pope Francis*

We have all had difficult moments in life, dark moments in which we walked in sadness, pensive, without horizons, with only a wall before us. And Jesus is always beside us to give us hope, to warm our hearts and to say: "Go ahead, I am with you. Go ahead."

—GENERAL AUDIENCE, MAY 24, 2017

Calendar

Monday
APRIL 27
Easter Weekday
Acts 6:8–15
Jn 6:22–29

Tuesday
APRIL 28
Easter Weekday
Acts 7:51—8:1a
Jn 6:30–35

Wednesday
APRIL 29
St. Catherine of Siena,
Virgin and Doctor
of the Church
Acts 8:1b–8
Jn 6:35–40

Thursday
APRIL 30
Easter Weekday
Acts 8:26–40
Jn 6:44–51

Friday
MAY 1
Easter Weekday
Acts 9:1–20
Jn 6:52–59

Saturday
MAY 2
St. Athanasius,
Bishop and Doctor
of the Church
Acts 9:31–42
Jn 6:60–69

Sunday
MAY 3
Fourth Sunday
of Easter
Acts 2:14a, 36–41
1 Pt 2:20b–25
Jn 10:1–10

Good News!

April 26, 2020

Third Sunday of Easter (A)

Acts 2:14, 22–33; 1 Pt 1:17–21; Lk 24:13–35

It was a very simple encounter. Two people, probably husband and wife, on their way home from Jerusalem to a neighboring village, are joined by a lone traveler walking on the same path. The couple was downcast for some reason, and the lone traveler showed interest and concern. It was nothing out of the ordinary, just simple human interest. However, it's often just such an unexpected situation that becomes a profound event of God.

Jesus was talking beside them, explaining their sacred writings, and they did not recognize him. What would it take for them to realize the identity of their companion? As he appeared to continue his journey, they offered him hospitality: "Stay with us" (Luke 24:29). Though they didn't understand who he was or everything he had said to them, their hearts were open to him and so he stayed. "At table, he took bread, said the blessing, broke it, and gave it to them" (Luke 24:30). That did it! Now they knew. "He was made known to them in the breaking of bread" (Luke 24:35).

This is another moving story about the past and the present. How often we fail to recognize Jesus in our midst. He is with us in the very ordinary events of life, like walking home or preparing a meal. He is there even in our misunderstandings and disappointments. When we realize this, our hearts burn within us. We begin to see that the entire world is a place of encounter. Every human action holds the possibility of revelation.

—Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA