

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

Parish Office Secretary

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General Information
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Website

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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

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

July 12, 2020 15th Sunday Ordinary Time



All these things Jesus spoke to the crowds in parables. He spoke to them only in parables, to fulfill what had been said through the prophet: "I will open my mouth in parables, I will announce what has lain hidden from the foundation (of the world)."

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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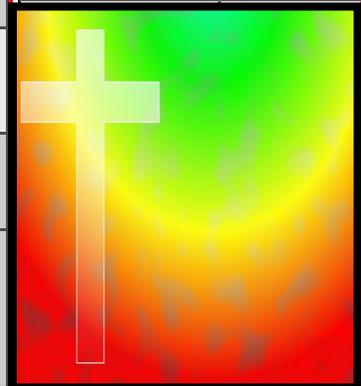
THIS WEEK'S INTENTIONS

If you wish to have a Mass intention for a loved one, anniversary or other occasion, please contact the parish office.

MON July 13		No Mass
TUE July 14	8:00 AM (OLOL) 5:30 PM (STJ)	+Chuck Kollross (by Tannie/Michael Smith)
WED July 15	8:00 AM (OLOL) 7:00 PM (STM)	+Josephine Chase By Eileen / Ron Woolums)
THU July 16	5:30 PM (OLOL)	+Lucy Shilts (by family request)
Friday July 17	5:30 PM (OLOL)	Parish Family
SAT July 18	5:00 PM (OLOL)	+Caroline Thomas (by Dorothy Johnson)
SUN July 19 16th Sunday Of Ordinary Time	8:00 AM (STJ) 9:30 AM (STM) 11:00 AM (OLOL)	Parishioners of OLOL

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GIFTS

July	\$2630.00
Capital Imp.	\$ 180.00
CMAA 2020 (goal:\$11,900)	\$8,888.00
Food Pantry July Total	\$68.00
Yr to Date FP	\$989.20

**MINISTRY SCHEDULES**

<u>Date</u>	<u>Altar Servers</u>	<u>Lectors</u>	<u>Euch. Minister</u>	<u>Ushers</u>	<u>Homebound Ministry</u>
SAT July 18	None	Volunteer Needed	None	Volunteers Needed (Contact Craig Davis)	None
SUN July 19 16th Sunday/ in Ordinary Time	None	Volunteer Needed	None	Volunteers Needed (Contact Craig Davis)	None

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.

Please pray for our 1st Communion Students as they prepare for this most Holy Sacrament

Jack Eichelberger Erin Lynch
 Natalie Davis Benjamin Roesch
 Pearl Smith Theodore Smith

These special students will receive their 1st Communion on
 August 16, 2020 at 11:00 am Mass

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

Please be Kind and Merciful to those in need. A

mailing has been sent to all parishioners who have not yet made a gift to the Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal (CMAA). Please prayerfully consider supporting the CMAA, if your means allow. The CMAA helps our parish and the Diocese of Joliet to provide vital ministries, programs and services to support our friends and neighbors in need, especially during these unprecedented times.

Our parish goal is \$11,900.00 and as of July 5, we have received \$8,888.00.

Thank you for your support !

Announcements for this week:

(summarized by the OLOL Re-opening Committee)

- 1.) Masks are to be worn at all times you are inside the church.
- 2.) **Please use the hand sanitizer at the back of the church when entering.**
- 3.) No singing.
- 4.) Use hand sanitizer prior to receiving communion. (Provided at each pew)
- 5.) The first pews on both sides of the aisle will be given communion in their pews.
- 6.) To receive communion, leave mask on....Father will place the host in your hand....step to the side...remove your mask and consume.

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

Message from GAH Incident Command:
Drive-Thru Covid-19 Testing

The drive-thru Covid-19 testing site will now be held EVERY Monday and Wednesday during the month of July from 10 am –6 pm.

There is NO charge for the test !

All GAH staff and family members are encouraged to utilize this testing !

This is FREE to the community and you are welcome and encouraged to get tested if you feel that you may have been exposed.

Please don't hesitate to take the opportunity to use the drive-thru site.

Tests will be administered in our drive-thru location in the alley-way between Melvin Street and Lott Blvd, next to the big red building.

Patients should remain in their vehicles and provide a valid DL or photo ID for identification verification purposes.

Notification of positive test results will be provided by your Primary Care Provider. No appointment or referral is needed.

Please follow the signs and enter the South end of the alley and proceed North to the testing tents.



July PARISH CALENDAR

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

There are a limited copies of the Bulletin at the back of the Church.

Pray for our Parishes and our Country at this trying time.

God Bless Us and keep us safe !

*******A message from Sarah Sarantakos.**

Many of you may still not feel safe coming to Mass. If you would like to receive

Holy Communion, please call me at 217-781-0528. We can set a time when I can bring Holy Communion to you.



- Bernadette Ray (7/12)
- Zachary Smith (7/14)
- Steve Shilts (7/16)
- Audrey Chapman (7/17)
- Rich Perkins (7/18)



God Bless all of our parents

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

The Diocese of Joliet will hold its Forty-second Annual Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, August 23, 2020 at 2:00PM at the Cathedral of St. Raymond in Joliet. **If you are celebrating either your 25th or 50th anniversary this year, please contact the parish office so that we may submit your name to the Diocese for a formal invitation.** Those celebrating over 50 year anniversaries do not receive a formal invitation, but will be able to register to attend at a later date.



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).

To the OLOL Parish Council:
Thank you for awarding me with the Linda Sunderland Scholarship this year. The scholarship will help me reach my educational goals in becoming a teacher. A special Thank you to all those who contributed to the fund

Sincerely,

Hannah Hathaway (GCMS 2020)



Thank You

PARISH COUNCIL / FINANCE COUNCIL MEMBERS NEEDED

We are looking for anyone that feels called to serve on the Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Council (meets monthly-2nd Thursday) or the Finance Council (meets quarterly). If you are interested or would like more information, contact the office at pastor@ololgc.org. We have several positions opening this spring that need to be filled. We ask for your prayerful consideration.

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
- Rosanne Miller



Designed by Carolyn & Jim
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.

Good News!

July 12, 2020

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

Is 55:10-11; Rom 8:18-23; Mt 13:1-23 or 13:1-9

Have you ever explained something so carefully and at length, and yet the other person misses your point? This seems to be the situation in today's Gospel. The scene Jesus first described was a familiar one. The people listening to him might have sown seed in this manner themselves. So, what was the point?

First it is important to recall that a parable is a story with a double meaning. One meaning is literal, the other is metaphoric. The literal meaning of this parable is obvious. So, what's the point? It is in the second part of the passage that Jesus explains the metaphoric meaning. He tells his disciples that the seeds represent those who hear the word of the kingdom. Then the reality of life intervenes and each seed (the one who hears the word) must decide how to deal with that reality. One might think: Very interesting story. I know just what the seed is going through.

We are now ready to ask: What's the real point of the story? The metaphoric meaning of the parable should pose several questions for each of us: What yield do I produce? Do I appreciate what it means to be a disciple; or is that privilege far from my consciousness? Am I grounded in my faith, or am I religiously rootless? Do I live according to the standards of Jesus, or do the allure and riches of the world entrap me? That's the point of the story.

—Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

Dear Padre,

Recently my husband's union was involved in a messy strike that nearly turned violent. Does the Catholic Church support strikes like this?

I grew up in Detroit. Most of my family and extended family worked in the automobile plants there. I clearly remember long strikes when my father was out of work and our family would struggle along, sometimes wondering where we would get money for the necessities of life.

In the past hundred years, many of the writings of the popes and the bishops' conferences have centered on the issues of work, including the issue of receiving a just wage. The Church spoke in support of child-labor laws, eight-hour workdays, organized unions, collective bargaining, and a just wage. Because of this, at times the Church has been labeled unpatriotic, socialistic, and even communist. The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops published a pastoral letter, "Economic Justice for All," which outlines the six moral principles drawn from Scripture that form the basis of the Church's social teaching. In this letter, the Church fully supports the rights of workers to form unions to secure their rights to fair wages and working conditions. Unions may also legitimately resort to strikes when this is the

only available means to the justice owed the workers (EJA 104-105). The Church draws the line at violence. The strike becomes morally unacceptable when accompanied by violence (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 2435).

—Fr. Paul J. Coury, CSsR
Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org



A WORD FROM *Pope Francis*

Every worker...should have the right to decent remuneration, to social security, and to a pension. Among you here are... workers in grassroots jobs who are excluded from labor rights, who are denied the possibility of unionizing, whose income is neither adequate nor stable. Today I...join my voice to yours and support you in your struggle.

—WORLD MEETING OF POPULAR MOVEMENTS, OCTOBER 28, 2014

Calendar

Monday

JULY 13

Weekday

Is 1:10-17

Mt 10:34-11:1

Tuesday

JULY 14

St. Kateri Tekakwitha,

Virgin

Is 7:1-9

Mt 11:20-24

Wednesday

JULY 15

St. Bonaventure,

Bishop and Doctor
of the Church

Is 10:5-7, 13b-16

Mt 11:25-27

Thursday

JULY 16

Weekday

Is 26:7-9, 12, 16-19

Mt 11:28-30

Friday

JULY 17

Weekday

Is 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8

Mt 12:1-8

Saturday

JULY 18

Weekday

Mi 2:1-5

Mt 12:14-21

Sunday

JULY 19

Sixteenth Sunday

in Ordinary Time

Wis 12:13, 16-19

Rom 8:26-27

Mt 13:24-43

or 13:24-30