

## 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](mailto: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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**Phone & Fax (217) 784-4671**

General Information  
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**Website** [www.ololgc.org](http://www.ololgc.org)

**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  
Phone—217-379-4033

**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

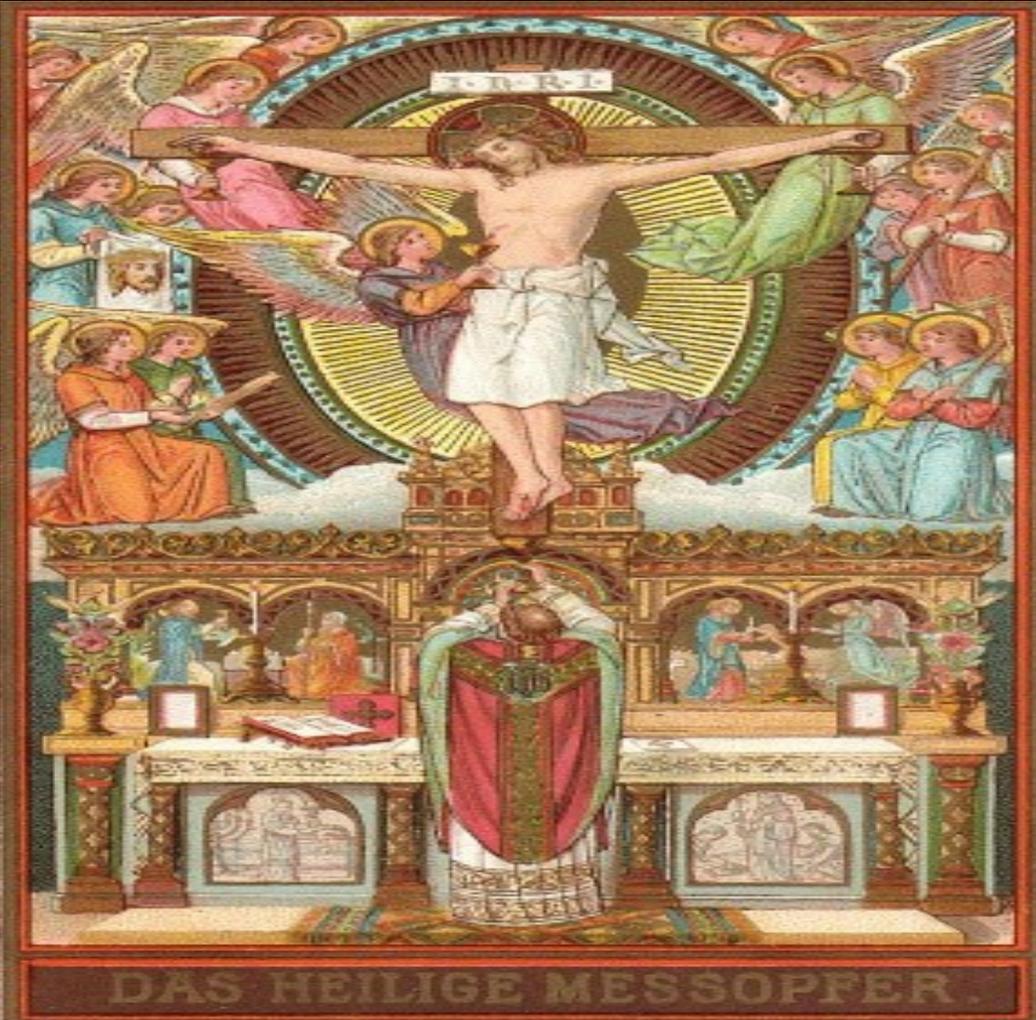


#### St. Joseph

312 N. Hickory Street  
Loda, IL 60948

**Mass Schedule**  
Sunday 8:00 am  
Tuesday 5:30 pm  
**Confession**

## September 27, 2020 26th Sunday Ordinary Time



Phil 2:8-11 He humbled himself, becoming obedient to death, even death on a cross. Because of this, God greatly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, of those in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

### 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.

<b>MON</b> September 28		No Mass
<b>TUE</b> September 29	8:00 AM (OLOL) 5:30 PM (STJ)	Parish Family
<b>WED</b> September 30	8:00 AM (OLOL) 7:00 PM (STM)	+ Dr. Greg Delost (by Paul/Carol Obert)
<b>THU</b> October 1	5:30 PM (OLOL)	+ Mike Freehill (by Knights of Columbus)
<b>Friday</b> October 2	8:00 AM (STM) 5:30 PM (OLOL)	Parish Family
<b>SAT</b> October 3	5:00 PM (OLOL)	+ Abigail Geurts Sarjeant (by Geurts family))
<b>SUN</b> October 4 27th Sunday Of Ordinary Time	8:00 AM (STJ) 9:30 AM (STM) 11:00 AM (OLOL)	Parish Family

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR GIFTS**

September 12/13	\$2446.00
Capital Imp.	\$175.00
CMAA 2020 (goal:\$11,900)	\$10,799.00
Food Pantry Sept. Total	\$158.00 \$203.00
Yr to Date FP	\$1546.20

**Special Collection  
 Sept.26/27  
 Christ is Our Hope**

**MINISTRY SCHEDULES**

Date	Altar Servers	Lectors	Euch. Minister	Ushers	Homebound Ministry
SATURDAY October 3	None	Michael Smith	None	Volunteer Needed (Contact Craig Davis)	None
SUNDAY October 4 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time	None	Jack Kollross	None	Volunteer 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

**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.....return to your seat.

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

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



**Please be Kind and Merciful to those in need.**

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 September 20 we have received \$10,799.00.**

Thank you for your support !

# SEPTEMBER PARISH CALENDAR

Sept 27—No Mass / Confirmation ONLY (11:00 am)



## September

### PARISH NEWS

Check out our website (calendar) for important dates in September, and our weekly bulletin. [ololgc.org](http://ololgc.org)

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

*\*\*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.

### Congratulations to our Confirmation Students

Sunday September 27th at 11:00 am

Officiated by Bishop Richard Pates

Amanda Freehill

Victoria Cullotta

Carter Eichelberger

Paul Baillie

Elizabeth Giroux

Anthony Gonzalez

William Baillie

Gaines Parsons

Sophia Ray

Aiden Helmig

Spencer Kleist

Charley Ulrich

Annabelle Goodin

Colleen Davis

Enrique Gonzalez

\*\*\*Thank you to our RE teachers, Tannie Smith and Jodi Beyers, who have

prepared these students for this very blessed Sacrament.

\*\*\*Thank you to Margy Shambrook and Sarah Sarantakos



### RE classes Sunday, September

RE classes have begun for our students on Sundays at 9:30 AM. In the Hall.

- 1.) Vehicles—Please line up single file heading North on Wood Street.
- 2.) Keep your kids in the car until you are in front of the main doors.
- 3.) Please wait for your child/children to enter the building before leaving.
- 4.) No parents will be allowed in the building.
- 5.) Classes will be dismissed one at a time to allow social distancing.

Thank you to those who have been helping Alyce Hafer sanitize the church after Mass on Sunday. She has requested that if anyone would be willing to help sanitize the church after Saturday Mass, she will be glad to show 2 to 3 people how it is done. Please see Alyce after mass, email her at [joenalyceh@cawl.org](mailto:joenalyceh@cawl.org), or call 217-745-2411 to volunteer.

THANK YOU to Rob Kollross for donating gallons of hand sanitizer to the church for our use!



Nancy Kurtenbach 9/(27)  
Greg Kurtenbach (9/30)  
Aiden Laughery (10/1)  
Vivian Geurts (10/3)



Curt and Holly Miller (9/27)

### ARE YOU REGISTERED ?

All Catholics who worship at our parish or who are a part of our parish services are requested to register. In registering, you are becoming an active member of Our Lady of Lourdes Parish.

If you have not registered, please complete the following and drop it in the collection basket and a registration form will be mailed or emailed to you. If you have not received email reminders or calls regarding parish events, you probably are not registered!

Name:

Address:

City: Zip:

Phone:

Email Address:

How long have you been coming to

Our Lady of Lourdes Church?

### 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](mailto:tomandjanettownsend@yahoo.com) (your specific prayer need does NOT need to be disclosed to activate the prayer chain).

### Pray for the Sick & Homebound

Linda Ellington  
Dale Enghausen  
Brian Sullivan  
Emma Davis  
Terry Hutchcraft  
Leo Chapman  
Adam Reed  
Fran Mardis  
Joyce Pearson  
Rosanne Miller  
Carol Obert



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](mailto:office@ololgc.org).

# Good News!

September 27, 2020

*Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)*  
Ez 18:25-28; Phil 2:1-11 or 2:1-5; Mt 21:28-32

In the Gospels, Jesus seldom teaches doctrine. Rather, the stories themselves provide examples of how we are to model our lives after him. He was a man for others, a compassionate healer, an understanding friend. As clear as such stories might be, because we can be selfish people, the example they offer us is difficult to follow. If it is hard to follow a man who lived a human life with others, how are we to follow the example sketched by Paul in today's second reading?

Paul declares in Philippians: "Have among yourselves the same attitude that is also yours in Christ Jesus" (2:5). What attitude is he talking about? Jesus emptied himself of the preeminence that was rightly his as possessing "equality with God" (2:6). He did not demand that they treat him with the reverence and veneration that was due him. Rather, "he emptied himself...he humbled himself" (2:7, 8).

Why does Paul insist on this? It seems the Philippians were having internal problems that were threatening their unity. Various forms of arrogance were tearing them apart: *Don't you know who I am? I am a celebrity. I have more money. I know the right people. And who are you? Who do you know? What can you do?* These attitudes of arrogance infect our communities even today. To this Paul proclaims: If Jesus, who "though he was in the form of God" (2:6) could empty himself of such dignity for the sake of others, you certainly should be able to put aside your trivial vainglory and be "united in heart" (2:2).

Can we?

—Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

## Dear Padre,

**Where does the tradition of praying with your hands together originate? I pray with my fingers intertwined. Is that acceptable?**

**A**ccording to the *Caeremoniale Episcoporum* (The Ceremonial of Bishops, 1985), "palms extended and joined together in the front of the breast, with the right thumb over the left in the form of a cross" (CE 107, n. 80) is the correct Catholic hand posture at Mass and prayer.

The origin of praying with hands folded is not known, but there's mention of it in the Jewish Talmud. Historians have also asserted that it's modeled on the practice of citizens in ancient Rome who joined their hands in the presence of rulers to communicate loyalty and submission to that higher authority.

Gestures and postures should allow our whole body to pray, as well as our heart and mind. Moreover, they are expressions of our faith. For example,

like the early Christians, we stand during prayer and worship to express our readiness for Christ's return, and as a sign of reverence to hear the gospels. Kneeling and striking the breast are expressions of penitence, humility, and our lowliness before God.

Likewise, at Mass the priest assumes the ancient posture of outstretched arms and hands, slightly elevated, to symbolize surrender in a gesture that reverences Christ's outstretched arms on the cross. When we join hands together in prayer, it's a gesture of supplication and a symbol of total submission to God, our supreme authority.

—Fr. Byron Miller, CSSR  
[Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org](mailto:Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org)



AFRICA STUDIO/SHUTTERSTOCK



### A WORD FROM *Pope Francis*

*Today let us look at our hands, so often empty of love, and let us try to think of some free gift that we can give without expecting anything in return. That will please the Lord. And let us ask him: "Lord, let me rediscover the joy of giving."*

—EPIPHANY SUNDAY, JANUARY 6, 2018

## Calendar

### Monday

SEPTEMBER 28  
Weekday  
Jb 1:6-22  
Lk 9:46-50

### Tuesday

SEPTEMBER 29  
Sts. Michael, Gabriel,  
and Raphael,  
Archangels  
Dn 7:9-10, 13-14  
or Rv 12:7-12a  
Jn 1:47-51

### Wednesday

SEPTEMBER 30  
St. Jerome,  
Priest and  
Doctor of the Church  
Jb 9:1-12, 14-16  
Lk 9:57-62

### Thursday

OCTOBER 1  
St. Thérèse of the  
Child Jesus, Virgin and  
Doctor of the Church  
Jb 19:21-27  
Lk 10:1-12

### Friday

OCTOBER 2  
Holy Guardian Angels  
Jb 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5  
Mt 18:1-5, 10

### Saturday

OCTOBER 3  
Weekday  
Jb 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17  
Lk 10:17-24

### Sunday

OCTOBER 4  
Twenty-seventh Sunday  
in Ordinary Time  
Is 5:1-7  
Phil 4:6-9  
Mt 21:33-43