

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
Phone & Fax (217) 784-4671

General Information
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Website www.ololgc.org

Mass Schedule

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

Sunday 7:30am

November 14, 2021—Year of Saint Joseph 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

NOTE— Mass times for Thursdays and Fridays will be at 4:00 pm until further notice. (see inside for schedule)



Mc 13:26-27

And then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in the clouds' with great power and glory, and then he will send out the angels and gather (his) elect from the four winds, from the end of the earth to the end of the sky.

New Message from the Diocese of Joliet:

In accordance with CDC guidelines, masks are required regardless of vaccination status.

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THIS WEEK'S INTENTIONS		
If you wish to have a Mass intention for a loved one, anniversary death, birthday or other occasion, please contact the parish office or Lori Gale at 309 475-9261.		
MON November 15 <i>(St. Albert the Great)</i>	8:00 am (STM)	No Mass
TUE November 16 <i>(St Margaret of Scotland)</i>	8:00 AM (OLOL) 5:30 PM (STJ)	OLOL Parishioners
WED November 17 <i>(St Elizabeth of Hungary)</i>	8:00 AM (OLOL) 7:00 PM (STM)	+ James and Maude Duffy Anniversary (by Duffy family)
THU November 18 <i>(Dedication of the Churches of Sts. Peter & Paul)</i>	4:00 PM (OLOL) (NOTE Time Change)	+ Mary Wurmnest (by Jerry and Marj Brown)
Friday November 19 <i>(St. Agnes of Assisi)</i>	4:00 PM (OLOL) (NOTE Time change)	OLOL Parishioners
SAT November 20 <i>(St. Rose Phillipine Duchesne)</i>	5:00 PM (OLOL)	+Donnie Heavilin +Steve "Abner" Heavilin (by Martha Heavilin)
SUN November 21 <i>(Our Lord Jesus Christ King of the Universe)</i>	8:00 AM (STJ) 9:30 AM(STM) 11:00 AM(OLOL)	Parishioners of OLOL

**THANK YOU FOR
 YOUR GIFTS
 OLOL**

November 6/7	\$3484.00
Capital Imp. (November)	\$450.00
CMAA 2021 (goal:\$11,300)	\$13,216.00
Food Pantry Nov. Total Yr to Date FP	\$57.00 \$57.00 \$3697.00

Special Collections
 All Saints Day (Nov.1) \$266.00
 All Soul's Day (Nov.2) \$30.00

 November 20
 Catholic Campaign for Human Development

Ministry Schedules

Date	Altar Servers Contact Tannie (309) 893-0073)	Lectors	Euch. Minister Contact Sarah (217) 781-0528	Ushers Contact Craig Davis (815) 848-5554	Homebound Ministry
SAT November 20 5:00 pm	None	Jim Meyer	Jean Wilhelmi	Jerry Brown Robert Bode	Sarah Sarantakos Joyce Foster
SUN November 21 Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe	None	Sarah Sarantakos	Deacon Paul Sarantakos	Craig Davis and daughter	Jerry/Marj Brown Jean Wilhelmi

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.



NOVEMBER
 Month of the Holy Souls

The Catholic Church dedicates the entire month of November to praying in a special way for the Holy Souls in Purgatory. The Holy Souls (also called the Faithful Departed) are members of the Church who await the purification of their souls before joining the saints in heaven for all eternity. Specifically, they are referred to as the Church Suffering (the saints in heaven are the Church Triumphant, and the faithful on earth are the Church Militant). The poor souls in purgatory cannot pray for themselves or do anything to hasten their entrance into heaven, but we can and ought to Pray for them as an act of Charity, do Good Works and especially have the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass prayed in their honor.

Handel's Messiah Practice :

Gibson Area Music Foundation is planning a special and different type of Christmas program this year. This year's event will offer a few much-loved selections from Handel's "Messiah," along with a "Festival of Lessons and Carols" that will tell the Christmas Story through carols and scripture. The performance will be held at 3 p.m. on **Sunday, December 5**, at the Gibson City Bible Church. The event is free and open to the public. Audience members will be invited to join in singing the carols

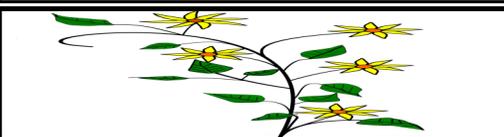
NOTE—RE teacher is urgently needed for 2nd grade students. (reminder, This is a sacramental year.)
Contact Tannie at (309)893-0073.



Psalm of the Week (Ps 16)
"You are my inheritance
O Lord"

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). This 'Prayer Chain' has been very successful in offering up our prayers to those in need.



Divine Mercy Daily

Daily Reflections from the
Diary of Saint Maria Faustina Kowalska

Thinking about Poor Sinners

Pure love gives the soul strength at the very moment of dying. When I was dying on the cross, I was not thinking about Myself, but about poor sinners, and I prayed for them to My Father (Diary, 324).

Jesus, may Your pure love give me strength to love and pray for sinners. Have mercy on us all. And thank You, Lord, that on the Cross, you were not thinking of Yourself but of us poor sinners.



Rosary Prayer Schedule for November For Holy Souls in Purgatory

- Saturday Nov. 20 4:15pm before 5:00pm Mass
- Sunday Nov. 21 10:30am before 11:00am Mass
(For an end to Abortion)
- Saturday Nov. 27 4:15pm before 5:00pm Mass
- Sunday Nov. 28 10:30am before 11:00am Mass

Altar Flowers are now being billed directly to the church at \$30.00 per week. Please mark your check memo line 'Altar Flowers' for your donation when it is your turn.
Thank you.

- Nov. Altar Flowers are provided by :
- Nov. 6/7—Rob and Linda Schmitt
 - Nov. 13/14—Marilyn and Mel Fischer
 - Nov. 20/21—Jerry and Marj Brown
 - Nov. 27/28—Rob and Linda Schmitt

2021—2022 Parish Council

- President-Fred Sarantakos (217-781-1813)
- Vice President -Marj Brown (217-377-3132)
- Secretary-Alyce Hafer (217-745-2411)
- Craig Davis (815-848-5554)
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Please contact these dedicated people if you have any concerns or suggestions about church related issues.

Parish Office Hours

Located at the Rectory next to the church,
534 N Wood, Gibson City
Monday: 8am to Noon
Thursday: 8am to Noon
Lori Gale, Church Secretary
Phone: 217-784-4671
Note— the office will be closed on Federal Holidays

Fr. Dong hears **Confessions**, on Wednesdays during adoration about 8:30am, Saturdays before Mass at 4:30pm, and the **2nd Saturday of the month 10—11 am.** or you may call Fr. Dong at 217-784-4671 and set up a time that is more convenient for you. Confession is a way to get your Soul back into the state of grace.



- Ethan Garard (11/14)
- Walter Smith (11/17)
- Rob Schmitt (11/19)
- Kathleen Reum (11/20)
- Harrison DeYoung (11/21)
- Lori Gale (11/22)

Happy Anniversary

- Jim and Donna Ruddy (11/21)
- Bruce and Amy Killian (11/24)
- Ron and Eileen Woolums (11/24)

Bless our families !!!

Parish Calendar (More dates to be posted)

- Thursday, Nov 18—Dinner for One—4:30 pm (MUST RSVP)
- Thursday, Nov. 18—Staff Meeting 6:15 pm / Parish Council Meeting 7:15 pm
- Friday, Nov. 19—Prayers and Pastries 9 am to noon (MUST RSVP)
- Sunday, Nov 21—RE Class online**
- Thursday, Nov. 25—Thanksgiving Day
- Sunday, Nov 28—No RE Classes **Thanksgiving Break**
- Sunday, Nov 28—Advent Begins**
- Thursday, Dec 2—Dinner for One 4:30 pm—6:30 pm (MUST RSVP)
- Friday, Dec. 3—Prayers & Pastries 9:00 am to noon (MUST RSVP)
- Sunday, Dec. 5—Handel's 'Messiah'—Gibson City Bible Church 3:00 pm**
- Sunday Dec 12—Reconciliation after 11 am Mass (Lunch will be served).
- Thursday, Dec. 16—Dinner for One 4:30 pm—6:30 pm (MUST RSVP)
- Sunday Dec. 19—RE Christmas program (details forthcoming)
- Friday, Dec. 17—Prayers & Pastries—9:00 am to noon (MUST RSVP)
- Sunday, Dec. 19—RE Christmas Program (details to be announced)
- Sunday, Dec 26 to Sunday January 2, 2022 No RE Classes **Christmas Break**

Pray for the Sick & Homebound

- Brian Sullivan
- Emma Davis
- Terry Hutchcraft
- Joyce Pearson
- Fran Mardis
- Rosanne Miller
- Connie Cimino
- Ken Freehill

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!

November 14, 2021

Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)

Dn 12:1-3; Heb 10:11-14, 18; Mk 13:24-32

In Those Days... This phrase is frequently found in the writings of the prophets. While it sometimes points to a future time of peace and happiness, it often portends imminent fear and trembling, as it does in today's readings. Both Daniel and Jesus speak of the suffering that will precede the end of the world. This suffering is often called the "birth pangs of the Messiah" (Matthew 24:8; Mark 13:8; John 16:21). This apt metaphor includes both life-threatening distress and wondrous joy over new birth. Pain and subsequent happiness are both described in today's readings.

The author of Daniel may be referring to the end of the whole world but is probably also presenting that in terms of the end of his own world, which would have included the suffering and even death of Jews who remained faithful under persecution. Some interpreters suggest Jesus is speaking similarly. That is, he is using a familiar figure of speech that characterizes suffering as birth pangs. According to this metaphor, there might be terrible suffering, but at the end there is utter happiness.

Both Daniel and Jesus seek to encourage their hearers to remain faithful even in the face of torment, for new life can come out of such suffering. This is a message we all need to hear. Suffering is a reality in every life. How do we endure it? Does it sour us, break us down? Or do we come out of it new people, more sensitive and understanding? It is up to us.

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

Dear Padre,

Is a homily necessary at every Mass?

The homily is "highly recommended" not only because it is an essential part of the liturgy but also because "it is necessary for the nurturing of the Christian life" (*General Instruction of the Roman Missal*, 65). "On Sundays and holy days of obligation there is to be a homily at every Mass that is celebrated with the people attending and it may not be omitted without a grave reason. On other days it is recommended, especially on the weekdays of Advent, Lent and Easter time, as well as on other festive days and occasions when the people come to church in greater numbers" (*GIRM* 66). In practice, brief homilies are usually offered on nonfestive weekday Masses during Ordinary Time, too—especially in church parishes and religious communities—even for a minimal number of people in the congregation.

"Whoever preaches, let it be with the words of God" (1 Peter 4:11). To the office of an ordained minister belongs the tremendous sacred duty to preach a homily rooted in prayer, and with an understanding of the Scriptures and the needs of the particular faith community in mind. "If the words of Scripture are divinely inspired, as we believe them to be, then divine inspiration must be at work when those words are made alive and contemporary to the believing community in and through" the ministry of preaching (*Fulfilled in Your Hearing*, U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops, 1982).

Fr. Byron Miller, CSSR
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A WORD FROM *Pope Francis*

Please, make the homily brief, but prepare it well. And how do we prepare a homily, dear priests, deacons, bishops? How should it be prepared? With prayer, by studying the word of God and by making a clear and brief summary; it should not last more than ten minutes, please.

GENERAL AUDIENCE, FEBRUARY 7, 2018

Calendar

Monday

NOVEMBER 15

Weekday

1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43,
54-57, 62-63
Lk 18:35-43

Tuesday

NOVEMBER 16

Weekday

2 Mc 6:18-31
Lk 19:1-10

Wednesday

NOVEMBER 17

*St. Elizabeth of
Hungary, Religious*

2 Mc 7:1, 20-31
Lk 19:11-28

Thursday

NOVEMBER 18

Weekday

1 Mc 2:15-29
Lk 19:41-44

Friday

NOVEMBER 19

Weekday

1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59
Lk 19:45-48

Saturday

NOVEMBER 20

Weekday

1 Mc 6:1-13
Lk 20:27-40

Sunday

NOVEMBER 21

*Our Lord Jesus Christ,
King of the Universe*

Dn 7:13-14

Rv 1:5-8

Jn 18:33b-37

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a question for
the Padre?**

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