

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
office@ololgc.org

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

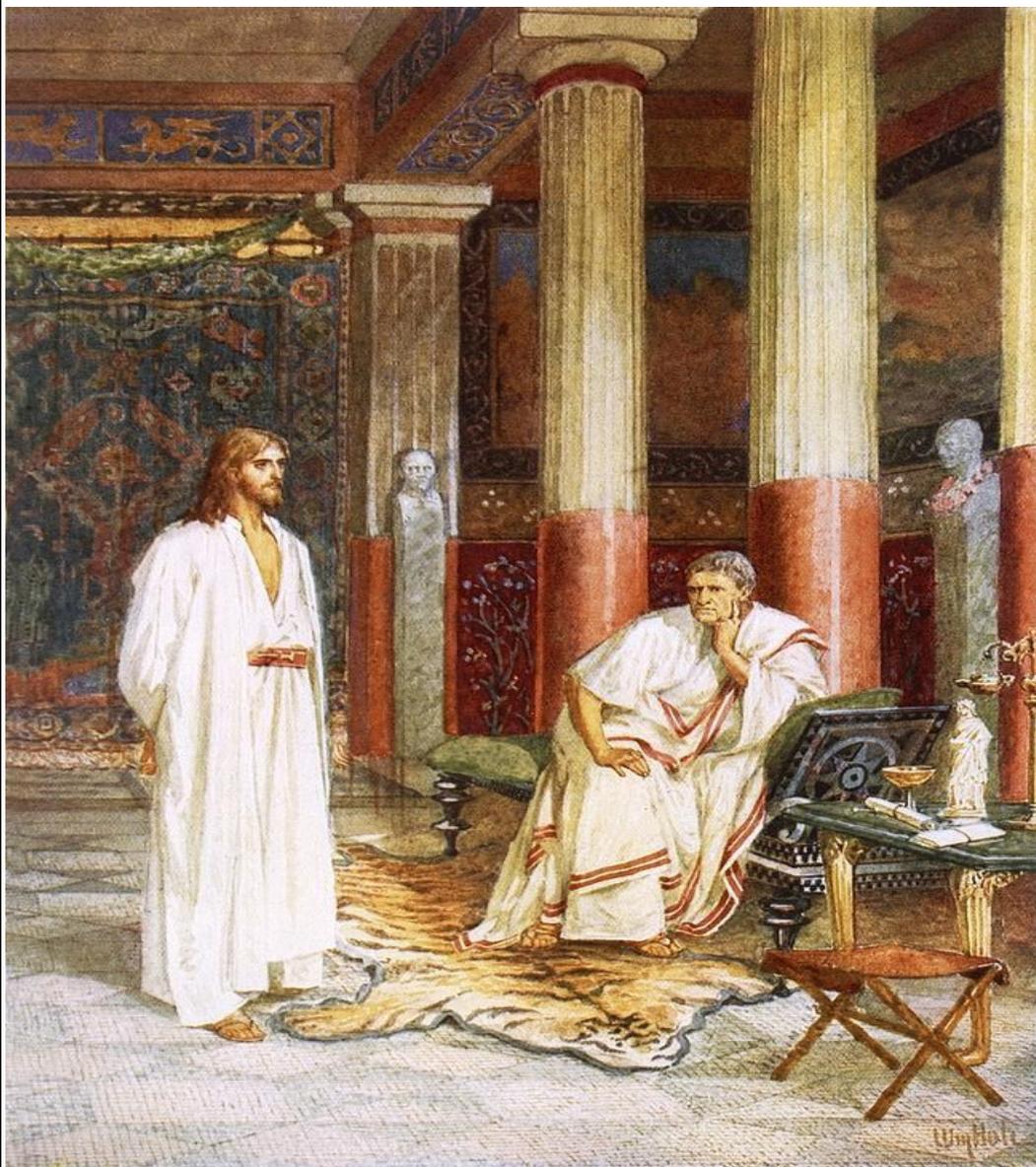
Tuesday 5:30 pm

Confession

Sunday 7:30am

November 21, 2021—Year of Saint Joseph Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

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



Jn 18:33-37

So Pilate went back into the praetorium and summoned Jesus and said to him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" Jesus answered, "Do you say this on your own or have others told you about me?" Pilate answered, "I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests handed you over to me. What have you done?" Jesus answered, "My kingdom does not belong to this world. If my kingdom did belong to this world, my attendants (would) be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not here." So Pilate said to him, "Then you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say I am a king. For this I was born and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice."

New Message from the Diocese of Joliet:

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

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 Fred Sarantakos
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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 22	8:00 am (STM) <i>(St. Cecilia, Virgin and Martyr)</i>	No Mass
TUE November 23	8:00 AM (OLOL) 5:30 PM (STJ) <i>(St. Clement 1, St. Columban, Blessed Miguel)</i>	OLOL Parishioners
WED November 24	8:00 AM (OLOL) <i>(St. Andrew Dung-Lac)</i> 7:00 PM (STM)	+ Tom and Mardelle Duffy Anniversary (by Duffy Family)
THU November 25	8:00 AM (STM) Thanksgiving Day 9:30 AM (OLOL) <i>(St. Catherine of Alexandria)</i>	+Joy, Julia, Ronnie Wilhemi + Chet and Betty Kennedy (by Gary, Jean, Adam Wilhemi)
Friday November 26	4:00 PM (OLOL) (NOTE Time change) <i>(St Columban)</i>	OLOL Parishioners
SAT November 27	5:00 PM (OLOL) <i>(St. Francesco Antonio Fasani)</i>	+Marge Carlson (by Carla Moxley and John and Ann Carlson family)
SUN November 28	8:00 AM (STJ) <i>(1st Sunday of Advent)</i> 9:30 AM (STM) 11:00 AM(OLOL)	Parishioners of OLOL

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GIFTS
OLOL

November 13/14	\$1367.00
Capital Imp. (November)	\$450.00
CMAA 2021 (goal:\$11,300)	\$13,496.00
Food Pantry Nov. Total Yr to Date FP	\$58.00 \$116.00 \$3755.00

Special Collections

November 20
Catholic Campaign for Human Development

Ministry Schedules

<u>Date</u>	<u>Altar Servers</u> Contact Tannie (309) 893-0073)	<u>Lectors</u>	<u>Euch. Minister</u> Contact Sarah (217) 781-0528	<u>Ushers</u> Contact Craig Davis (815) 848-5554	<u>Homebound Ministry</u> Contact Sarah (217) 848-5554
SAT November 27 5:00 pm	None	Marj Brown	Marj Brown	Jerry Brown Robert Bode	
SUN November 28 1st Sunday of Advent	None	Jack Kollross	Deacon Paul Sarantakos	Craig Davis and daughter	

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.

Parish Calendar (More dates to be posted)

Sunday, Nov 21—RE Class online

Thursday, Nov. 25—Thanksgiving Day—Mass 9:30 am

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**) (**limit 13**)

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

Saturday Dec. 11—Our Lady of Lourdes to serve at the Food Bank

(we are the only servers and there will be deliveries)

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**)

Friday, Dec. 17—Prayers & Pastries—9:00 am to noon (**MUST RSVP**)

Sunday, Dec. 19—RE Christmas Program after 11:00 am Mass

Saturday, Dec 24—Christmas Eve — Mass 4:00 pm (Father Dennis Spies)

Saturday, Dec. 25—Christmas Day - Mass 9:00 am (Father Dennis Spies)

Sunday, Dec 26 to Sunday January 2, 2022 - **Christmas Break - No RE Classes**

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)

Parker Hathaway (217-784-8193)

Jody Goodin (217-377-5208)

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



Food Pantry Volunteers
 Friday Dec 10 6:15 pm
 10 people needed to set up
 Saturday Dec 11—8 am to noon
 20 people needed including 3 drivers
 Our Lady of Lourdes will be the only servers this weekend. Please consider volunteering .
 Contact Deacon Paul
 At (217) 781-1440



Divine Mercy Daily
 Daily Reflections from the
 Diary of Saint Maria Faustina Kowalska

Suffering to Rescue Souls
 My daughter, your struggle will last until death. Your last breath will mark its end. You shall conquer by meekness (Diary, 1597)
 Jesus, help me not to waste my sufferings, little or great., because You need my sufferings to rescue souls. Keep me meek before You as I suffer and pray for souls.

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.



I would like to thank the Parish members for supporting the Annual Turkey Dinner. I would especially like to thank the committee chairpersons for their hard work and dedication this year. Special thanks to all of those who worked hard to help make the Turkey Dinner a success again this year !!!
 Sincerely, *Tannie Smith* Turkey Dinner Chairman

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

- Harrison DeYoung (11/21)
- Lori Gale (11/22)
- Tammy Parsons (11/23)
- Jude Killian (11/24)
- Lane Beyers (11/27)
- Helen Haynes (11/29)
- Joan Cole (11/30)



Psalm of the Week (Ps 93)
 "The Lord is King;
 He is robed majesty"

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

Happy Anniversary

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

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.

Rosary Prayer Schedule for November
For Holy Souls in Purgatory

 Tuesday and Wednesday 7:30 am
 Thursday and Friday 3:30 pm
 Saturday Nov. 27 4:15pm before 5:00pm Mass
 Sunday Nov. 28 10:30am before 11:00am Mass

Bless our families !!!

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.

****Thanksgiving Day****
November 25, 2021
 This Thanksgiving let's remember to thank God the Father for the gift of Life, God the Son for His death on the Cross, and the Holy Spirit for the help & daily inspirations we receive.

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.

- 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

Good News!

November 21, 2021

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe(B)
Dn 7:13-14 / Rv 1:5-8; Jn 18:33b-37

Your Majesty. This is an interesting form of address. It is not really a title like *Queen* or *Lord*. Nor does it identify a function ascribed to royalty, as does *ruler*. It refers to a status of excellence. It belongs to the position of royalty itself rather than the person in that position. Just what is majesty and why do we attribute it to some people? Originally people believed that royal individuals were descendants of the gods. This probably explains the notion of royal majesty. The readings for today's feast show that Jesus turned the ideas of kingship and royal majesty upside down.

The son of man in Daniel was a heavenly being upon whom "dominion, glory, and kingship" (7:14) were bestowed by God. The kingship of this figure is universal and everlasting. In the Gospels, Jesus frequently identifies with this title. When he does so, he is making a claim about his identity. The passage from Revelation depicts Jesus like this son of man, a heavenly being who comes "amid the clouds" (1:7) as "the ruler of the kings of the earth" (1:5).

In the Gospel scene, Jesus is interrogated about his identity. He insists that his kingship springs from love and service, not power and force. It's clear that his royal majesty flows from who he is, not from any political position he might hold. To call him king, as we do with today's responsorial psalm, was a very dangerous political statement for his early followers, for it claimed that Jesus is Lord, not Caesar.

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

Dear Padre,

Why does the Church continue to use the image of a king to describe Jesus? He didn't act like a king or expect his followers to treat him like one.

Hereditary kings ruled most nations in the ancient Near East. In Egypt, the king was actually recognized as a god. In Israel, God was considered the one true king, and God's covenant was the treaty that united God and the people.

But the time came when the Israelites thought they needed to strengthen themselves militarily and politically. Then the elders came to Samuel and asked him to appoint a king to govern them like other nations (1 Samuel 8:5). The three great kings of Israel (Saul, David, and Solomon) were considered instruments of God but were also subject to existing legal codes.

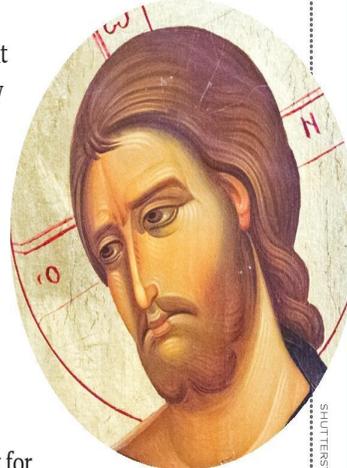
Throughout the New Testament runs the theme that Jesus, a descendant of the royal Davidic line, is a ruler or king. The Magi first proclaimed Jesus king, saying they were looking for the "newborn king of the Jews" (Matthew 2:2).

At the heart of Jesus' message was the good news that all people could enter the kingdom of God if they rejected sin. Jesus used the parable of the mustard seed (Mark 4:30-32) to show that his kingdom will grow until everyone can be embraced within its branches. This kingdom, first manifested in simplicity and love in the Galilean countryside, is to reach its fulfillment in a great love among all people. Jesus as king is an image that should lead us to recognize our commitment to love and service to others in his kingdom.

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A WORD FROM *Pope Francis*

Jesus asks us to allow him to become our king...But we must not forget that Jesus' kingdom is not of this world. He will give new meaning to our life—at times even put us to difficult tests through our mistakes and our sins—merely on the condition that we not follow the logics of the world and of its "kings."

ANGELUS, NOVEMBER 25, 2018

Calendar

Monday

NOVEMBER 22
St. Cecilia,
Virgin and Martyr
Dn 1:1-6, 8-20
Lk 21:1-4

Tuesday

NOVEMBER 23
Weekday
Dn 2:31-45
Lk 21:5-11

Wednesday

NOVEMBER 24
St. Andrew Dūng-Lac,
Priest, and Companions,
Martyrs
Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17,
23-28
Lk 21:12-19

Thursday

NOVEMBER 25
Weekday
Dn 6:12-28
Lk 21:20-28

Friday

NOVEMBER 26
Weekday
Dn 7:2-14
Lk 21:29-33

Saturday

NOVEMBER 27
Weekday
Dn 7:15-27
Lk 21:34-36

Sunday

NOVEMBER 28
First Sunday of Advent
Jer 33:14-16
1 Thes 3:12-4:2
Lk 21:25-28, 34-36

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