

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

July 18, 2021—Year of Saint Joseph 16th Sunday of Ordinary Time



Mc 6:34 When he disembarked and saw the vast crowd, his heart was moved with pity for them, for they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.

Welcome back !!

We would love to welcome you ALL back to mass!

- Masks are no longer required for vaccinated individuals.
- The dispensation to attend Sunday Mass remains in place for the time being
- Holy water fonts will still remain empty
- The sign of peace will remain with no physical contact
- The chalice will still not be used for everyone
- Presentation of Gifts will be allowed
- Collection baskets will be used again and there will be 2 lines for communion as well as an Eucharistic Minister being used again- this being said, Craig Davis could use ushers. Please email him at cmdavis@crop-side or call him at (815)848-5554
- Altar Servers can be used again- Contact Tannie Smith at tanniehutchcraft599@hotmail.com or (309) 893-0073 if you would like your child to serve on the altar.
- Hand Sanitizer will not be required upon entering the church or receiving communion
- If wanting to receive communion on the tongue that is allowed, but we ask that you wait at the end of the line
- All pews are available and we will reserve room for those that feel uncomfortable yet to sit near others

**We would love to see all of you this weekend in mass. We have room for everyone!
We thank God for bringing us closer to the end of this crisis.**



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 (217) 781-1813

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 July 19 <i>(St Mary MacKillop)</i>		No Mass
TUE July 20 <i>(St. Apollinaris, Bishop/Martyr)</i>	8:00 AM (OLOL) 5:30 PM (STJ)	OLOL Parishioners 7:30 am— (Before Mass) Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet
WED July 21 <i>(St Lawrence of Brindisi)</i>	8:00 AM (OLOL) Adoration after Mass	• Aldo Celeschi (by House of Flowers) 7:30 am Rosary and Divine Chaplet
THU July 22 <i>(St. Mary Magdalene)</i>	5:30 PM (OLOL)	+ Patrick Lynch (Doug and Tammy Parsons) 5:00 pm Rosary and Divine Chaplet
Friday July 23 <i>(St Bridget, Religious)</i>	5:30 PM (OLOL)	Parishioners of OLOL
SAT July 24 <i>(St Sharbel Makhluf, Priest)</i>	5:00 PM (OLOL)	+ Michael Freehill (by family) 4:30 pm—Rosary and Divine Chaplet
SUN July 25 <i>(17th Sunday Ordinary Time)</i> <i>(Grandparents Day)</i>	8:00 AM (STJ) 9:30 AM (STM) 11:00 AM (OLOL)	Parishioners of OLOL

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GIFTS
OLOL

July 10/11	\$1807.00
Capital Imp.	\$5.00
CMAA 2021 (goal:\$11,300)	\$10,988.00
Food Pantry July Total	\$146.00 \$161.00
Yr to Date FP	\$2610.00

Special Collections



MINISTRY SCHEDULES

<u>Date</u>	<u>Altar Servers</u>	<u>Lectors</u>	<u>Euch. Minister</u>	<u>Ushers</u>	<u>Homebound Ministry Members</u>
SATURDAY July 24 5:00 PM	Contact Tannie (309) 893-0073	Patti Huppert	Frank Titus	Volunteer Needed (Contact Craig Davis 815-848-5554)	Sarah Sarantakos Joyce Foster
SUNDAY July 25 11:00 AM 17th Sunday of Ordinary Time	Contact Tannie (309) 893-0073	Jack Kollross	Rob Kollross	Volunteer Needed (Contact Craig Davis 815-848-5554)	Jerry/Marg Brown Jean Wilhelmi

Baptism

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

Confession

Contact Fr. Dong at 217-784-4671

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.



MONTH OF THE PRECIOUS BLOOD

The month of **July** traditionally honors the Most Precious Blood of Jesus. It is the blood of Christ, the Lamb of God, which cleanses us from sin—therefore the Church developed a devotion to Jesus' physical blood and its mystical power, just as it did for His Sacred Heart from which His blood poured out on the Cross. The Precious Blood of Jesus courses through the Church spiritually, giving eternal life to the Body of Christ through the sacraments. Many saints had a devotion to the Precious Blood of Jesus, especially St. Catherine of Siena. Devotion to the Precious Blood spread widely through the preaching of Saint Gaspar del Bufalo, who was a 19th-century priest and the founder of the Missionaries of the Precious Blood. This devotion was later approved and recommended by the Holy See. The feast day of the Most Precious Blood of Jesus is July 1.

The Roman Catholic Diocese of Joliet, IL
 Join the **Grandparents Mass Celebration** ONLINE Sunday, July 25 at 2:00 pm from Cathedral of St. Raymond, Joliet. Registration was required by July 15, 2021, but you may still call The Office of Family Ministry at (815) 838-5334 or email: familyministry@dioceseofjoliet.org.



PARISH CALENDAR

For more information, check out our website, and our weekly bulletin, **OLOLGC.org**.

- **Monday, July 19** - Office Open 8 am to noon
 - **Thursday, July 22**—Office open 8 am to noon
 - **Sunday, July 25**—**Grandparents Day**
 - **Monday, July 26**—Office open 8am to noon
 - **Thursday, July 29**—Office Open 8 am to noon
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 - **Thursday, August 19**
Parish Council 7:25 pm
- Mark your calendars !!**
- **Sunday, September 12—All Churches Prayer Service - North Park Pavilion—2:00 pm**
 - **Sunday, September 26**— after 11:00 Mass
Parish Picnic (details to follow)



PRAYER FOR GRANDPARENTS

Lord Jesus,
 you were born of the Virgin Mary,
 the daughter of Saints Joachim and Anne.
 Look with love on grandparents the world over.
 Protect them! They are a source of enrichment for families, for the Church and for all of society.
 Support them! As they grow older,
 may they continue to be for their families
 strong pillars of Gospel faith,
 guardians of noble domestic ideals,
 living treasuries of sound religious traditions.
 Make them teachers of wisdom and courage,
 that they may pass on to future generations the fruits of their mature human and spiritual experience.

Lord Jesus,
 help families and society
 to value the presence and role of grandparents.
 May they never be ignored or excluded,
 but always encounter respect and love.
 Help them to live serenely and to feel welcomed
 in all the years of life which you give them.
 Mary, Mother of all the living,
 keep grandparents constantly in your care,
 accompany them on their earthly pilgrimage,
 and by your prayers, grant that all families
 may one day be reunited in our heavenly homeland,
 where you await all humanity
 for the great embrace of life without end. Amen!

Benedictus II In



Divine Mercy Daily

Daily Reflections from the Diary of Saint Maria Faustina Kowalska

Divine Mercy - Works of Mercy

St. Faustina was tempted repeatedly by Satan against her vocation of proclaiming God's mercy and praying for mercy for souls, especially sinners (see Diary, 1496-1499):
 At that moment, I saw Jesus, who said, I am pleased with what you are doing. And you can continue to be at peace if you always do the best you can in respect to this work of mercy. Be absolutely as frank as possible with your confessor. Satan gained nothing by tempting you, because you did not enter into conversation with him. Continue to act in this way. You gave Me great glory today by fighting so faithfully (Diary, 1499).

Lord, may I be faithful to my vocation at times of temptation. May I not enter into temptation by conversation with the Evil One. By the grace of Your presence, help me to withstand temptations.

Works of Mercy

(Try to practice one of These Works of Mercy Everyday.)

The 7 Spiritual Works of Mercy

Admonish the Sinner / Instruct the Ignorant
 Counsel the Doubtful / Bear Wrongs Patiently
 Forgive Offenses Willingly / Comfort the Afflicted
 Pray for the Living and the Dead

The 7 Corporal Works of Mercy

Feed the Hungry / Give Drink to the Thirsty
 Clothe the Naked / Shelter the Homeless
 Visit the Sick / Visit the Imprisoned
 Bury the Dead



Rich Perkins (7/18)
 Paul Sarantakos (7/20)
 Erin Nuss (7/24)

Happy Anniversary

Blessings to all parish families !



Parish Registration

If you are not registered at Our Lady of Lourdes parish and would like to become a member our parish family would be delighted.
 In addition if your address, email address, phone number or any other contact information has changed please let us know. Starting at the Saturday night Mass on July 31, 2021 through September 30, 2021 we will have members of the Parish Council outside of Church to assist you in the registration processes.

Introducing our New Parish Secretary :



Meet Lori Gale, our new parish secretary, who has been our parish secretary since July 1, 2021. Lori has taught CCD and has been a member of Our Lady of Lourdes. Office hours at the Rectory, 534 N Wood Street, next to the Church, Monday and Thursday - 8:00am to Noon.
 Our Lady of Lourdes Parish number is 217-784-4671.

If no answer please leave a message or email Lori Gale at Office@ololgc.org. In an **emergency**, please call Fr. Dong at 630-456-5406 or Deacon Paul Sarantakos at 217-781-1440.

Prayer and Pastries

When: August 6, August 20
 9AM-noon

Where : Home of Sarah Sarantakos
 120 West 11th Street,
 Gibson City
 Limited to 10.

RSVP 217-781-0528
 (Please wear a mask)



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.

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.

The Choir is in need of some additional voices and musicians. Please contact : Pam Aubry at (217) 781-1237.

Good News!

July 18, 2021
Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)
Jer 23:1-6; Eph 2:13-18; Mk 6:30-34

Follow the leader. This is not simply the name of a childhood game. It is actually an essential directive for living. We learn so many things in life because we followed someone. That is how we learned to read, to play a musical instrument, to speak another language, or to understand social behavior.

Many nations at the time of Jeremiah represented their kings as shepherds, leading the people to verdant pastures and restful waters. We see this in the art they left behind. However, many of the kings of Jeremiah's day were not good leaders—not attentive shepherds, nor faithful to God, who had entrusted the people to their care. Consequently, God stepped in to be their shepherd. This is the image of the divine shepherd found in the responsorial psalm. Jesus also characterized religious leaders as shepherds. He was distraught that the people were “like sheep without a shepherd” (Mark 6:34).

Is this situation different today? Many are eager to follow a leader, but which one? Ours is a multicultural, pluralistic, international society with innumerable viewpoints. Voices cry out from many corners, demanding to be heard. But which voice should we heed? Which worldly leaders should we follow? It's apparent that our leaders, both civic and religious, disagree on certain matters. What are we to do? The issue is not “with whom do I agree?” but rather “whose point of view makes me a better person? More compassionate? More understanding? More selfless? More Christlike?” Are we following the right leader?

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

Dear Padre,

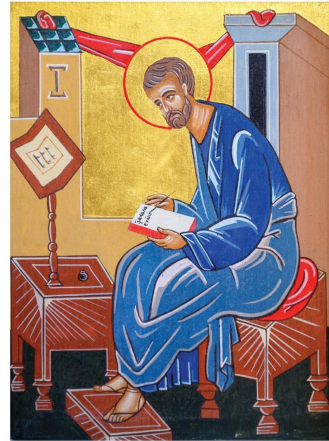
I read this is the liturgical year of Mark, that next year will be the year of Matthew, and the following year, Luke. Then it starts over with Mark again. Why doesn't John have a year?

The purpose in a three-year cycle of readings at Mass was primarily a pastoral one. “The treasures of the Bible are to be opened up more lavishly, so that richer fare may be provided for the faithful at the table of God's word. In this way a more representative portion of the holy Scriptures will be read to the people in the course of a prescribed number of years” (Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy [*Sacrosanctum Concilium*], 51).

All of Scripture is the word of God, but “Christ, present in his word, proclaims the Gospel” (*General Instruction of the Roman Missal*, 29). Moreover, Christ reveals himself to us from four different Gospel perspectives. For some people, John's version—often deeply symbolic and theological—can be pastorally challenging.

The semicontinuous reading of the three synoptic Gospels (Matthew, Mark, Luke) “provides a presentation of each Gospel's distinctive doctrine as well as a development of the Lord's life and preaching” (*Lectionary for Mass*, 1970; 16,1). Nevertheless, John's Gospel appears in all three cycles. For example, five readings from chapter six on the bread of life are inserted in Year B, when Mark's short Gospel is proclaimed. John's Gospel is also read during Easter and scattered throughout the seasons of Advent, Christmas, and Lent.

Fr. Byron Miller, CSsR | Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org



ADAM JAN FIEB / SHUTTERSTOCK

A WORD FROM Pope Francis



For leadership there is only one road: service. There is no other way. If you have many qualities—the ability to communicate, etc.—but you are not a servant, your leadership will fail, it is useless, it has not power to gather [people] together.

ADDRESS TO PONTIFICAL COLLEGES
AND RESIDENCES OF ROME, MAY 12, 2014

Calendar

Monday

JULY 19
Weekday
Ex 14:5–18
Mt 12:38–42

Tuesday

JULY 20
Weekday
Ex 14:21–15:1
Mt 12:46–50

Wednesday

JULY 21
Weekday
Ex 16:1–5, 9–15
Mt 13:1–9

Thursday

JULY 22
St. Mary Magdalene
Sg 3:1–4b or
2 Cor 5:14–17
Jn 20:1–2, 11–18

Friday

JULY 23
Weekday
Ex 20:1–17
Mt 13:18–23

Saturday

JULY 24
Weekday
Ex 24:3–8
Mt 13:24–30

Sunday

JULY 25
Seventeenth Sunday in
Ordinary Time
2 Kgs 4:42–44
Eph 4:1–6
Jn 6:1–15

Do you have a
question for
the Padre?

Go to DearPadre.org
to share your question
and to learn more
about Dear Padre.

Plenary Indulgences Available for the Year of Saint Joseph

Special opportunities to receive a plenary indulgence were also included, subject to the usual conditions: sacramental confession, reception of Holy Communion, prayers for the intentions of the Pope, and total detachment to all sin, including venial sin.

The following prayers and activities have been enriched with a plenary indulgence.

- 1.) Meditate for at least 30 minutes on the Lord's Prayer ('Our Father') or participate in a spiritual retreat of at least one day that includes meditation on Saint Joseph.
- 2.) Perform a corporal or spiritual work of mercy, inspired by the life and example of Saint Joseph.
- 3.) Pray the Rosary together as a family or a couple, modeling the virtues of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph.
- 4.) Dedicate with confidence their daily work to the protection of Saint Joseph the Worker, including the efforts of those who are unemployed, underemployed, or seeking more dignified work.
- 5.) Devoutly recite the Litany of Saint Joseph (available at USCCP.org/prayer-and-worship/prayers-and-devotions/litanies/litany-of-saint-joseph)
- 6.) Devoutly recite another approved prayer to Saint Joseph, for example 'To you, O blessed Joseph' (available at USCCB.org/prayer-and-worship/prayers-and-devotions/prayers/prayer-to-st-joseph-after-rosary), especially on various feasts of Saint Joseph that will be posted in this bulletin. A copy of this prayer is available at the back of the church.