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

Cucharistic 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 Cucharistic Adoration Friday following 8AM Mass Confession Friday following 8AM Mass

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St. Joseph

312 N. Hickory Street Loda, IL 60948 Mass Schedule Sunday 8:00 am Tuesday 5:30 pm Confession

Sunday 7:30am

August 1, 2021—Year of Saint Joseph 18th Sunday of Ordinary Time



Jn 6:33-35 For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." So they said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always." Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me will never hunger, and whoever believes in me will never thirst.

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!



Pastor Rev. Dong van Bui (217) 784-4671 (OLOL)	THIS WEEK'S INT If you wish to have a Mass intention for a loved o other occasion, please contact the parish offic	THANK YOU FOR YOUR GIFTS OLOL		
(217) 379-4033(STM) dvanbui@ololgc.org Emergency (630) 456-5406	MON August 2 (St Eusebius of Vercelli)	No Mass	July 24/25	\$3091.00
Deacon Paul Sarantakos (217-781-1440)	TUE August 38:00 AM (OLOL)(St. Peter Julian Eymard)5:30 PM (STJ)	OLOL Parishioners 7:30 am— (Before Mass) Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet	Capital Imp.	\$0.00
psarantakos@parkland.edu Parish Secretary/ Hall Rent	WED August 4 8:00 AM (OLOL) (St. John Vianney, Priest) Adoration after Mass 7:00 PM (STM)	+ Patrick Lynch (by Gary, Jean, Adam Wilhelmi)	CMAA 2021 (goal:\$11,300)	\$11,326.00
office@ololgc.org Lori Gale (309) 475-9261 Bulletin Editor	7:00 PM (STM) THU August 5 5:30 PM (OLOL) (Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major)	+ Joe Hafer (by Carla Moxley)	Food Pantry July Total Yr to Date FP	\$88.00 \$322.00 \$2771.00
Carla Moxley (217) 552-9013 Religious Education Tannie Smith Dir.RE	Friday August 6 5:30 PM (OLOL) (Transformation of the Lord)	5:00 pm Rosary and Divine Chaplet + Evelyn Tuley (by Fran Mardis) 5:00 pm Rosary and Divine Chaplet	Special Collections	
Youth Ministry Michael Smith Music Director If interested contact	SAT August 7 5:00 PM (OLOL) (St Sixtus II and St Cajetan)	+ Mary Wurmnest (by Peg Bane) 4:30 pm—Rosary and Divine Chaplet		
dvanbui@ololgc.org Parish Council President Fred Sarantakos (217) 781-1813	SUN August 88:00 AM (STJ)(19th Sunday Ordinary Time)9:30 AM (STM)11:00 AM (OLOL)	Parishioners of OLOL	5	
	MINISTRY SCHEDULE	S		

<u>Date</u>	<u>Altar Servers</u>	<u>Lectors</u>	Euch. Minister	<u>Ushers</u>	<u>Homebound</u> <u>Ministry</u> <u>Members</u>			
SATURDAY August 7 5:00 PM	Contact Tannie (309) 893-0073	Fran Mardis	Volunteer needed	Volunteer Needed (Contact Craig Davis 815-848-5554)	Sarah Sarantakos Joyce Foster			
SUNDAY August 8 11:00 AM 19th Sunday of Ordinary Time	Contact Tannie (309) 893-0073	Sarah Sarantakos	Volunteer needed	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 Immaculate Heart

The month of August is dedicated to the Immaculate Heart. Since the 16th century Catholic piety has assigned entire months to special devotions. The month of August is traditionally dedicated to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. The physical heart of Mary is venerated (and not adored as the Sacred Heart of Jesus is) because it is united to her person and is the seat of her love (especially for her divine Son), virtue, and inner life. Such devotion is an incentive to a similar love and virtue. On October 31, 1942, Pope Pius XII made a solemn Act of Consecration of the Church and the whole world to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Let us remember this devotion yearround, but particularly through the month of August.

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 <u>Janet Townsend</u> 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.



Sunday September 26 (after 11 am Mass) PARISH PICNIC

Father Bui announces that 'Finally, our churches are fully open to Everyone ! It has been over a year since we have 100 percent open to our congregation. We give thanks to our Lord for

God's loving Care ! We no longer need reservations to attend Mass, and those who are fully vaccinated no longer need to wear masks. Also the 6 ft social distancing requirement has been lifted, although we still have a designated area for those of you who may feel uncomfortable or unsafe." To celebrate we plan to have a Parish Picnic ! More details will be announced soon. ALL ARE WLECOME !

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.



Bulletin submissions should be received by <u>Wednesday</u> at 5:00 pm. Call the parish at 784-4671 or email to office@ololgc.org.

Good News!

August 1, 2021 Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B) Ex 16:2-4, 12-15; Eph 4:17, 20-24; Jn 6:24-35

Last week's stories about bread take a very different turn this week. In today's Gospel, Jesus uses the bread theme as a metaphor. Here bread symbolizes the teachings of Jesus that will nourish us, that will satisfy our deepest needs. Jesus employs a method of interpretation favored by the rabbis of his day. He refers to a passage from the religious tradition (the passage that happens to be the first reading for today), and then, step by step, explains its meaning for the people of his day. His "homily" is really a response to the challenge from those who demanded a sign that would give evidence of the authority with which he spoke.

Those who challenged Jesus did so after they had been filled by the bread that he earlier miraculously provided. Jesus knew they weren't looking for signs of the presence of God in their midst. They simply wanted more food.

Jesus pointed out that the people of Moses' time had been called to trust that, day by day, God would provide them with food—as impossible as that might have seemed. Likewise, Jesus' hearers were called to trust his claims about his unique relationship with God, whom he called Father—as impossible as that might have seemed. This really isn't a story just about bread—the edible kind or the eucharistic kind. It is a story about believing in Jesus and accepting his teaching about the bread from heaven that promises eternal life.

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

Dear Padre,

My elderly aunt is suffering from a terminal illness, and says she wants to die. Is this all right?

Popular psychological writings on death and dying often list the five different stages that people might go through when they are dying, namely: denial, anger, bargaining, depression, and acceptance. For Christians, the last stage of acceptance is saying yes to God's

will. They may have been reconciled to God and others, said the things they have wanted to say, finished any unfinished business, and feel ready to leave this world and return to God.

For the dying person with faith, there may come a time when the desire to be fully united to her loving God takes priority over all other concerns and she actually desires to die. Her eyes turn toward the next life and she is not only ready to go but desires to go. This desire to leave this life is not the result of despair but rather the fruit of Christian hope.

We have a different situation when someone is not dying or is in good physical health, for the desire to die may indicate desperation or depression rather than acceptance and hope. Such persons may need personal and professional help to regain a zest for the life God has given them until the time comes that God calls them to himself.

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Do you have a question for the Padre?

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



A WORD FROM Pope Francis

Dear brothers and sisters who are ill, your sickness makes you in a particular way one of those "who labor and are burdened," and thus attract the eyes and heart of Jesus. In him, you will find light to brighten your darkest moments and hope to soothe your distress. He urges you: "Come to me." WORLD DAY OF THE SICK, FEBRUARY 11, 2020

Calendar

Monday AUGUST 2 *Weekday* Nm 11:4b–15 Mt 14:13–21

Tuesday AUGUST 3 *Weekday* Nm 12:1–13 Mt 14:22–36 or Mt 15:1–2, 10–14

Wednesday AUGUST 4 St. John Vianney, Priest Nm 13:1–2, 25—14:1, 26–29a, 34–35

> Thursday AUGUST 5 *Weekday* Nm 20:1–13 Mt 16:13–23

Mt 15:21-28

Friday AUGUST 6 Transfiguration of the Lord Dn 7:9–10, 13–14 2 Pt 1:16–19 Mk 9:2–10

> Saturday AUGUST 7 *Weekday* Dt 6:4–13 Mt 17:14–20

Sunday AUGUST 8 Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 1 Kgs 19:4–8 Eph 4:30—5:2 Jn 6:41–51

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.

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