

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 4:00 pm

Eucharistic Adoration

Every Wednesday

8:30 am – 4:00 pm

Confession

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

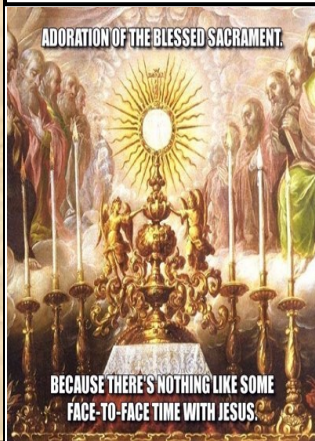
Confession - Sunday 7:30am

December 4, 2022 Second Sunday of Advent



Mt 3:4-8

John wore clothing made of camel's hair and had a leather belt around his waist. His food was locusts and wild honey. At that time Jerusalem, all Judea, and the whole region around the Jordan were going out to him and were being baptized by him in the Jordan River as they acknowledged their sins. When he saw many of the Pharisees and Sadducees coming to his baptism, he said to them, "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the coming wrath? Produce good fruit as evidence of your repentance."



Eucharistic Adoration—Every Wednesday

8:00am Mass

8:30 am to 4:00 pm Adoration

8:30 am – 9:00 am Confession

3:00 pm Divine Mercy Chaplet Prayed

4:00 pm Benediction

If possible, please sign up when you can be at Adoration. The sign-up sheet is on the podium at the entrance of church. If you cannot commit to a time, please come when you can. Jesus will be waiting for you!

There are books/pamphlets at the back of the church for you to read and ponder while you adore Jesus.

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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 December 5 <i>(Saint Sabas, Priest)</i>	No Mass
TUE December 6 <i>(Saint Nicholas, Bishop)</i>	Our Lady of Lourdes Parishioners 8:00 AM (OLOL) 5:30 PM (STJ)
WED December 7 <i>(NOTE) Adoration 8:30 am to 4:00 pm (Saint Ambrose)</i>	+Bill Hartford (by family and friends) 8:00 AM (OLOL)
THURS Dec. 8 <i>(Immaculate Conception of Blessed Virgin Mary) (Holy Day of Obligation)</i>	Our Lady of Lourdes Parishioners 4:00 PM (OLOL)
FRIDAY Dec. 9 <i>(Saint Juan Diego)</i>	Our Lady of Lourdes Parishioners 4:00 PM (OLOL)
Saturday Dec. 10 <i>(Our Lady of Loreto) (Blessed Kolping, Priest)</i>	+Carol Obert (by Paul Obert family) 5:00 PM (OLOL)
SUN December 11 <i>(3rd Sunday of Advent)</i>	Our Lady of Lourdes Parishioners (7 am) Adriana Cullotta(Confirmation) (by Maggie Davis) 11 AM 7:00 AM (OLOL) 8:00 AM (STJ) 9:30 AM (STM) 11:00 AM (OLOL)

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GIFTS OLOL	
Nov. 26/27	\$ 2,221.00
Capital Imp. Nov. 2022	\$459.00
CMAA 2022 (thru Nov.27) (goal:\$ 11,700)	\$15,895.00
Food Pantry Nov. Total Yr to Date FP	\$72.00 \$145.00 \$3,431.00
Special Collections *****	
Dec. 3/4 —Capital *****	
December 8 Immaculate Conception *****	
Dec. 10/11 Religious Retired	

Ministry Schedules					
Date	Altar Servers	Lectors	Euch. Minister	Ushers	Homebound Ministry
	Contact Tannie Smith (309) 893-0073	Contact Tannie Smith (309) 893-0073	Contact Sarah (217) 781-0528	Contact Craig Davis (815) 848-5554	Deacon Paul (217) 781-1440
SATURDAY December 10, 2022 5:00 PM	Needed	Marj Brown	Deacon Paul Sarantakos	Needed	Deacon Paul Sarantakos
SUNDAY Dec. 11, 2022 7:00 AM 11:00 AM 3rd Sunday of Advent	7:00 am Mass— Sarah S. 11:00 am Davis family	7:00 am Sarah S. 11:00 am Jack Kollross	Deacon Paul Sarantakos	Sarah S. Needed	

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.

Parish Calendar

Every Wednesday—Adoration (see front page for details)
Every Wednesday - Dec. 7, Dec. 14, Dec. 21, Dec. 28
 Choir practice 4:00 pm-5:00 pm (All singers are welcome !)

Sunday, December 4—RE classes 9:30 am / Youth 9:30 am
Sunday, December 4—Reconciliation Luncheon—after 11:00 am mass—Contact Tannie
Sunday, December 4—'Celebrate the Season' program—Gibson Bible Church 3:00 pm
Thursday, December 8—Feast of Immaculate Conception (Holy Day of Obligation)
Friday, Dec. 9/ Saturday, Dec. 10—Food Pantry Volunteers (see memo on nect page)
Saturday, December 17—Decorate church for Christmas 9:00 am

Prayer Chain
OUR LADY OF LOURDES PRAYER CHAIN
 This 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 Alyce Hafer at (217) 745-2411 or joenalyceh@cawi.org
 (Your specific prayer need does NOT need to be disclosed to activate the prayer chain).



2022—2023 Parish Council

President—Marj Brown (217-377-3132)
 Vice President—Alyce Hafer (217-745-2411)
 Secretary—Jody Goodin (217-377-5208)
 Fred Sarantakos (217-781-1813)
 Dr. Dritan Dragu
 Roy Acree (217-649-2263)

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: afternoon TBA
 Thursday: afternoon TBA
Lori Gale, Church Secretary
 Phone: 217-784-4671
 Note— the office will be closed on Federal Holidays

December is dedicated to Advent and the coming of Christ. This refers to the preparation of the four weeks before Christmas. The celebration of remembering Christ's birthday over 2000 years ago, but also the time of prayerful, spiritual preparation for the second and final coming of the Lord Jesus Christ. The word advent comes from the Latin term adventus meaning "arrival" or "coming," particularly the coming of something having great importance. Advent season, then, is both a time of joy-filled, anticipatory celebration of the arrival of Jesus Christ and a preparatory period of repentance, meditation, and penance.



**Second Week of Advent:
 Light the Second Purple Candle, Peace
 Advent Wreath**

The lighting an Advent Wreath is a custom that began with Lutherans and Catholics in 16th-century Germany. Typically, the Advent Wreath is a circle of ever green branches or garland with four or five candles arranged on the wreath. During the season of Advent, one candle on the wreath is lit each Saturday/Sunday during Advent Masses. Many Christian families enjoy making their own Advent Wreath as part of celebrating the season at home as well. The traditional structure involves three candles and one rose pink one, set in a wreath. One more candle is lit each week of Advent till all four candles are lit. **We know then that Christmas/Jesus will be coming soon. Prepare!**

Altar Flowers provided by :

Paul and Sarah Sarantakos (Dec.3/4)
 Alyce Hafer (Dec. 10/11)
 Lisa Heap (Dec. 17/18)
 Dec. 24/25—2022 Christmas Sign Ups
The flowers are now \$35.00 a bouquet.
You will be billed by the florist Rural Rose of Fisher, not the church. Thank you !!!



Food Pantry Volunteers !!!!



Friday Dec 9 at 6:15 pm ... 10 people needed to set up
Saturday Dec 10— 8 am to noon20

people needed including 3 drivers as there will be home-bound deliveries

Our Lady of Lourdes will be the only servers this weekend. Please consider volunteering.

Contact Deacon Paul Sarantakos (217) 781-1440

Decorate Church for Christmas

Date—Saturday, December 17

Time—9:00 am

Where—Church

Places: Inside large Christmas trees and set up Nativity Scene outside. There is much to do to make our church ready for Christmas. Please come and help out. If we get enough people, we should be done in about 1-1/2 hours.

Thank you, Sarah

Happy Anniversary

Paul and Mary Geurts (12/13)

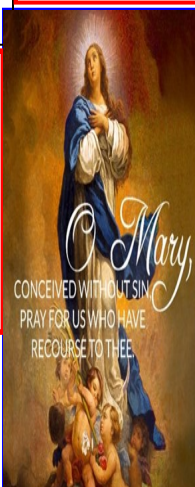
GOD Bless our families !

NOTE from Lori Gale, secretary:

Effective **Monday, October 17th**, I will NOT be in the office at the usual times. If you need anything, please call the rectory and leave a message. I will answer your call later in the day. You can also send an email to the office, to which I will respond. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.

(PS 72)

“Justice shall flourish in his time, and fullness of Peace tor ever”



December Rosary Schedule (Dedicated to Advent and the coming of Christ)

Tuesday 7:30 am before Mass
 Wednesday 8:30 am
 Thursday 3:30 pm before Mass
 Friday 3:30 pm before Mass
 Saturdays 4:15 pm
 Sundays 10:30 am before Mass

(Please try to pray the rosary every day this month)
**Mary Queen of Peace,
 Pray for us.**

Pray for the Sick & Homebound

Brian Sullivan / Emma Davis
 Terry Hutchcraft / Joyce Pearson
 Fran Mardis / Rosanne Miller
 Connie Cimino / Ken Freehill
 Mae Gardner / Pat Huth
 Linda Martin / Peg Bane



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@lolgc.org.

NOTE ** Bulletin submissions should be received by WEDNESDAY at 5:00 pm.
Call the parish at 217-784-4671 or email to office@ololgc.org.**



**Month of the Immaculate Conception
Feast Day, Thursday, December 8, 2022
Holy Day of Obligation—Mass at 4:00 pm**

This feast invites us to meditate on the virtue of purity. "Mary alone — 'our tainted nature's solitary boast'— never saw her soul's purity darkened with the dust of any stain, nor did she see in any part of her triumphal course toward heaven any sin or trace of worldliness. By a unique and singular privilege from God she was preserved from original sin from the first moment of her Immaculate Conception; by another privilege derived from the first, the Lord did not permit her ever to be stained even with those unavoidable failings of human weakness." — Luis M. Martinez



Divine Mercy Daily

Daily Reflections from the
Diary of Saint Maria Faustina Kowalska

Be Always Ready

Today I (**Saint Faustina**) said to the Lord, "When will You take me to Yourself? I've been feeling so ill, and **I've been waiting for Your coming with such longing!**" **Jesus** answered me, **Be always ready**; I will not leave you in this exile for long. My holy will must be fulfilled in you. (**Saint Faustina**) O Lord, if Your holy will has not yet been entirely fulfilled in me, here I am, ready for everything that You want, O Lord! O my **Jesus**, there is only one thing which surprises me; namely, that You make so many secrets known to me; but that one secret — the hour of my death — You do not want to tell me. And the (**Jesus**) Lord answered me, **Be at peace**; I will let you know, but not just now (Diary, 1539).

(Prayer) Lord **Jesus**, prepare me for my own personal end times. May I fulfill Your will in my life and be at **peace** with Your perfect timing for my death and entrance into eternal life with You

Please try to pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet every day at 3:00pm for this is when Our Lord **Jesus Christ** gave us his life for sins. If you cannot pray at that time, take at least a moment at 3:00pm to feel the inconceivable, abundant **Mercy** that falls from heaven every day at 3:00pm for the whole world. **Jesus, I Trust In You!**

Confession/Reconciliation

Fr. Dong will hear your confession **Every Wednesday at 8:30am after Mass, Every Saturday at 4:30pm before Mass, Second Saturday of every month 10:00-11:00am**

And By Appointment 630-456-5406

The Catechism of the Catholic Church says, (No.1457), that all Catholics should go to confession at least once a year. Don't miss out on this incredible grace that Our Lord wants to bestow upon you.



Homebound Ministry is always available for Catholics who cannot come to Mass because they are in the hospital, recovering at home, sick at home, have moved to a care facility. Please contact Sarah Sarantakos at 217-781-0528 to have a Eucharistic Minister bring Holy Communion to you.

Invitation : Dinner for One

When: Thursday Dec. 15 (RSVP Dec.14th)

Where: Country Kettle
810 S Sangamon Ave. Gibson City

Social time: 4:30pm-5:00pm

Dinner: 5:00pm (from the menu)

Cost: Depends on what you order from the menu

Alcohol : Available

Please Call or Text Sarah Sarantakos (Coordinator/Our Lady of Lourdes):

217-781-0528 or email Sarah.Sarantakos1@gmail.com



- Monday**
December 5
Advent Weekday
Is 35:1-10
Lk 5:17-26
- Tuesday**
December 6
Advent Weekday
Is 40:1-11
Mt 18:12-14
- Wednesday**
December 7
St. Ambrose, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
Is 40:25-31
Mt 11:28-30
- Thursday**
December 8
The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Gn 3:9-15, 20
Eph 1:3-6, 11-12
Lk 1:26-38
- Friday**
December 9
Advent Weekday
Is 48:17-19
Mt 11:16-19
- Saturday**
December 10
Advent Weekday
Sir 48:1-4, 9-11
Mt 17:9a, 10-13
- Sunday**
December 11
Third Sunday of Advent
Is 35:1-6a, 10
Jas 5:7-10
Mt 11:2-11