

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 11, 2022 Third Sunday of Advent



Mt 11:8-11

Then what did you go out to see? Someone dressed in fine clothing? Those who wear fine clothing are in royal palaces. Then why did you go out? To see a prophet? Yes, I tell you, and more than a prophet. This is the one about whom it is written: 'Behold, I am sending my messenger ahead of you; he will prepare your way before you.' Amen, I say to you, among those born of women there has been none greater than John the Baptist; yet the least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he.



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 12 <i>(Our Lady of Guadalupe)</i>	No Mass
TUE December 13 8:00 AM (OLOL) <i>(Saint Lucy, Virgin and Martyr)</i> 5:30 PM (STJ)	+Loretta Bode (by Marj Brown)
WED December 14 8:00 AM (OLOL) (NOTE) Adoration 8:30 am to 4:00 pm <i>(Saint John of the Cross)</i>	Bode family
THURS Dec. 15 4:00 PM (OLOL) <i>(Blessed Mary Frances Schervier)</i>	Our Lady of Lourdes Parishioners
FRIDAY Dec. 16 4:00 PM (OLOL) <i>(Blessed Honoratus Kozminski)</i>	+Sally Jones (by Michael Smith family)
Saturday Dec. 17 5:00 PM (OLOL) <i>(Saint Hildegard of Bingen)</i>	+Carol Obert (by Paul Obert family)
SUN December 18 7:00 AM (OLOL) 8:00 AM (STJ) <i>(4th Sunday of Advent)</i> 9:30 AM (STM) 11:00 AM (OLOL)	Our Lady of Lourdes Parishioners (7 am) Our Lady of Lourdes Parishioners (11 am)

**THANK YOU FOR
 YOUR GIFTS
 OLOL**

Dec. 3/4	\$ 2,884.00
Capital Imp. Dec. 2022	\$654.00
CMAA 2022 (thru Dec.4) (goal:\$ 11,700)	\$16,170.00
Food Pantry Dec.. Total Yr to Date FP	\$70.00 \$70.00 \$3,501.00

Special Collections

**December 8
 Immaculate Conception**

**Dec. 10/11
 Religious Retired**

Ministry Schedules

Date	Altar Servers Contact Tannie Smith (309) 893-0073	Lectors Contact Tannie Smith (309) 893-0073	Euch. Minister Contact Sarah (217) 781-0528	Ushers Contact Craig Davis (815) 848-5554	Homebound Ministry Deacon Paul (217) 781-1440
SATURDAY December 17, 2022 5:00 PM	Needed	James Meyer	Deacon Paul Sarantakos	Needed	Deacon Paul Sarantakos
SUNDAY Dec. 18, 2022 7:00 AM 11:00 AM 4th Sunday of Advent	7:00 am—none needed 11:00 am —Youth Mass	7:00 am— none 11:00 am—Youth Mass	7:00 am—none 11:00 am Mass— Deacon Paul Sarantakos	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. 14, Dec. 21, Dec. 28
 Choir practice 4:00 pm-5:00 pm (All singers are welcome !)

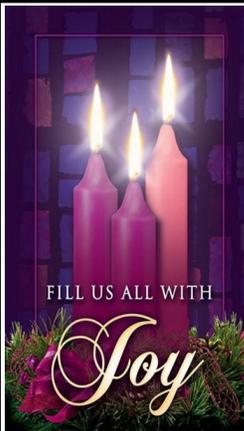
Sunday, December 11—3rd Sunday of Advent
 Thursday, December 15 - Staff Meeting 6:15 pm/ followed by Parish Council 7:15 pm
Saturday, December 17—Decorate church for Christmas 9:00 am
 Sunday December 18— 4th Sunday of Advent/ Youth Mass / Christmas Program
 Saturday, December 24—Christmas Eve—Mass at 4:00 pm (OLOL) / 6:00 PM St. Mary
 Sunday, December 25— Christmas Day Mass—Mass 8:00 am (OLOL) / 9:00 AM St. Mary

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.



The Third Sunday of Advent is December 11, 2022. Called “Gaudete Sunday,” meaning rejoice, a pink candle on the Advent wreath represents this Sunday. At Mass, you’ll also see priests and deacons in pink vestments, leading us to await the birth of Jesus joyfully

A Prayer for Joy in Our World
 Luke 2:10-11 says, “But the angel said to them, “Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people. Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord.”

(Prayer) Lord, the good news of Jesus’ arrival brings such joy to our world! Reach those who are lost and searching with the message of hope that we have through the Messiah. God, allow your message of peace to bring comfort to our anxious world. As we all go about the holiday season, let the message of great joy pierce through all the noise and into people's hearts. Amen.

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

Altar Flowers provided by :
 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 !!!

2023 Flowers—Just a note that July 1/2, Sept. 30/Oct.1 are open for donation of flowers. Also, Please consider signing up for Easter 2023 and Christmas 2023 flowers. The sign up sheet is inside the back door of the church. Thank you for all you do for our parish. !!!



Dinner for One Christmas Party
 Date: Monday December 19, 2022
 Time: 9:00 am to Noon
 Place: Home of Sarah Sarantakos 120 W. 11th Street Gibson City, IL 60936
 RSVP: By Wednesday December 14, 2022
 Cell: 217-781-0528
 Email: sarah.sarantakos1@gmail.com



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

Jody Goodin (12/11)
 Ian Miller (12/12)
 John Martin (12/13)
 Mary Fairfield (12/15)
 Chuck Aubry (12/15)
 Maggie Davis (12/17)

Happy Anniversary

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.



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
 Peter Hartford

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.

(Ps 146)
 “Lord, come and save us.”



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.**



Divine Mercy Daily

Daily Reflections from the
Diary of Saint Maria Faustina Kowalska

To the Full

When I (**Saint Faustina**) received Holy Communion, I said to Him, “Jesus, I thought about You so many times last night,” and Jesus answered me, And I (**Jesus**) thought of you before I called you into being. “Jesus, in what way were You thinking about me?” In terms of admitting you to My eternal happiness. After these words, my soul was flooded with the love of God. I could not stop marveling at how much God loves us (Diary, 1292). On my way to the veranda, I went into the chapel for a moment. My heart was plunged in profound adoration, praising God’s incomprehensible goodness and His mercy. Then I heard these words in my soul: I am and will be for you such as you praise Me for being. You shall experience My goodness, already in this life and then, to the full, in the life to come (Diary, 1707).

(Prayer) Lord Jesus, may I think of You and praise and thank You more fervently and constantly in anticipation of what You have prepared in Heaven for me and all those who love 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!**

Novena of the Immaculate Conception November 30th to December 8th

The Novena to the Immaculate Conception is a custom that flourished in the Church as a way of preparing for the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception on December 8th. St. Josemaria Escriva encouraged everyone to practice this devotion. During the novena (means 9 days), we can also help our family members, friends and acquaintances to come closer to Jesus Christ through Mary reminding them, as St. Josemaria Escriva said: “You are not alone. — Neither you nor I can ever find ourselves alone. And even less if we go to Jesus through Mary, for she is a Mother who will never abandon us”

.The Novena is available in print in the back of the church on the table.

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 12
Our Lady of Guadalupe

Zec 2:14-17 or
Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a,
10ab

Lk 1:26-38 or Lk
1:39-47

Tuesday

December 13

St. Lucy, Virgin and Martyr

Zep 3:1-2, 9-13

Mt 21:28-32

Wednesday

December 14

St. John of the Cross, Priest and Doctor of the Church

Is 45:6c-8, 18,
21c-25

Lk 7:18b-23

Thursday

December 15

Advent Weekday

Is 54:1-10

Lk 7:24-30

Friday

December 16

Advent Weekday

Is 56:1-3a, 6-8

Jn 5:33-36

Saturday

December 17

Advent Weekday

Gn 49:2, 8-10

Mt 1:1-17

Sunday

December 18

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Is 7:10-14

Rom 1:1-7

Mt 1:18-24