

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 18, 2022 Fourth Sunday of Advent



Mt 1:22-23 All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had said through the prophet: "Behold, the virgin shall be with child and bear a son, and they shall name him Emmanuel," which means "God is with us."



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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 217-377-3132

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 19 <i>(Blessed Urban V, Pope)</i>	No Mass
TUE December 20 <i>(Saint Dominic of Silos, Bishop)</i> 8:00 AM (OLOL) 5:30 PM (STJ)	+Bill Hartford (by Marj Brown)
WED December 21 <i>(NOTE) Adoration 8:30 am to 4:00 pm</i> <i>(Saint Peter Canisius, Priest)</i> 8:00 AM (OLOL)	+Doris Cook (by Michael Smith family)
THURS Dec. 22 <i>(Blessed Jacopone da Todi)</i> 4:00 PM (OLOL)	Our Lady of Lourdes Parishioners
FRIDAY Dec. 23 <i>(St. John of Kanty, Priest)</i> 4:00 PM (OLOL)	Our Lady of Lourdes Parishioners
Saturday Dec. 24 <i>(Christmas Eve)</i> 4:00 PM (OLOL) 6:00 pm (STM) NOTE time change	+Carol Obert (by Paul Obert family)
SUN December 25 <i>(Nativity of the Lord)</i> 8:00 AM (OLOL) 9:00 AM (STM) Note time change	Our Lady of Lourdes Parishioners

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GIFTS OLOL	
Dec. 10/11	\$ 2,915.00
Capital Imp. Dec. 2022	\$ 1004.00
CMAA 2022 (thru Dec.4) (goal:\$ 11,700)	\$ 16,170.00
Food Pantry Dec.. Total Yr to Date FP	\$ 134.00 \$ 204.00 \$ 3,635.00
Special Collections *****	
December 8 Immaculate Conception \$485.00 *****	
Dec. 10/11 Religious Retired \$395.00	

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 Christmas Eve December 24, 2022 4:00 PM	Needed	Fran Mardis	Deacon Paul Sarantakos	Needed	Deacon Paul Sarantakos
SUNDAY Dec. 25, 2022 8:00 AM Nativity of the Lord	Needed	Sarah Sarantakos	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

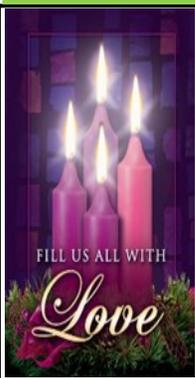
Every Wednesday—Adoration (see front page for details)
 Every Wednesday - Dec. 21, Dec. 28
 Choir practice 4:00 pm-5:00 pm (All singers are welcome !)

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
 Sunday, December 25—NO RE classes (Christmas break)
 Sunday, January 1, 2023—NO RE classes (Christmas break)

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.



What do each of the candles on the advent wreath mean?
 The *first purple candle* is called the Prophecy Candle or Candle of Hope.
 The *second purple candle* is the Bethlehem Candle or the Candle of Preparation.
 The *third (pink) candle* is the Shepherd Candle or Candle of Joy.
 The *fourth candle, a purple one*, is called the Angel Candle or the Candle of Love.
 And the last (*white*) candle is the Christ Candle.

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

The fourth Sunday of Advent is December 18, 2022
Prayers - *Give me peace today, O Lord. Help me to live this day in eternal hope knowing Jesus will come again. *Heavenly Father, give me the strength to have the same trust in You that Mary had, as she awaited the birth of Jesus. *I pray for humility today, Father. Our Savior entered this world in a manger with animals. When I feel too proud, let me remember the Holy Family and Jesus’s humble birth.

Altar Flowers provided by :
 Lisa Heap (Dec. 17/18)
 Dec. 24/25—2022 Christmas Sign Ups
 (Please send your \$35.00 to OLOL, marked Christmas flowers)
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 blowers. 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
 Or Email:
 sarah.sarantakos1@gmail.com



Maggie Davis (12/17)
 Rucker Parsons (12/21)
 Therese Davis (12/22)
 Jane Lange (12/22)
 Donna Ruddy (12/23)
 Isidore Ortiz (12/23)
 Tom McCall (12/23)
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.

PSALMS
 (Ps 24)
 “Let the Lord enter;
 He is king of glory



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 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.

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

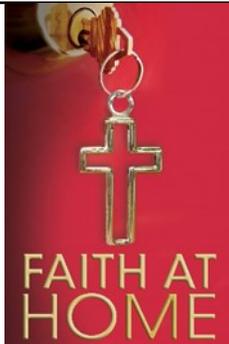
Daily Reflections from the
Diary of Saint Maria Faustina Kowalska

This Vale of Tears

When I (**Saint Faustina**) met with the Lord, I said to Him, “You are fooling me, Jesus; You show me the open gate of heaven, and again You leave me on earth.” (**The Lord**) said to me, When, in heaven, you see these present days, you will rejoice and will want to see as many of them as possible. I am not surprised, My daughter, that you cannot understand this now, because your heart is overflowing with pain and longing for Me. Your vigilance pleases Me. Let My word be enough for you; it will not be long now (Diary, 1787).

(Prayer) Lord Jesus, I long to see Your face and rejoice in Your presence as I live in this vale of tears. Give me courage, Lord, to persevere in serving You until You call me home to be with You forever.

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!**



New series: Learning your Catholic Faith at Home
This will require you and your family to take some time to watch a podcast (You-Tube) Have a spiral notebook to take notes. That’s it! There will be a new podcast every week.

This week’s podcast:

“The Facts of Christmas: How Traditions Came to be.

Given by Fr. Chris Alar

Website – <https://youtu.be/rNXLGBnzqOw>

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 Jan. 5 / 19
(RSVP by January 4th / January 18th)

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 19
Advent Weekday

Jgs 13:2-7,
24-25a

Lk 1:5-25

Tuesday

December 20
Advent Weekday

Is 7:10-14

Lk 1:26-38

Wednesday

December 21
Advent Weekday

Sg 2:8-14

Lk 1:39-45

Thursday

December 22
Advent Weekday

1 Sm 1:24-28

Lk 1:46-56

Friday

December 23
Advent Weekday

Mal 3:1-4, 23-24

Lk 1:57-66

Saturday

December 24
Advent Weekday

2 Sm 7:1-5,
8b-12, 14a, 16

Lk 1:67-79

Sunday

December 25
Nativity of the Lord
(Christmas)

Is 52:7-10

Heb 1:1-6

Jn 1:1-18