# 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**

Fstablished -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 7:00 am/ 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

# March 19, 2023 4th Sunday of Lent (Laetare Sunday)



Jn 9:4-6 We have to do the works of the one who sent me while it is day. Night is coming when no one can work. While I am in the world, I am the light of the world." When he had said this, he spat on the ground and made clay with the saliva, and smeared the clay on his eyes.



# **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. (Please return the reading materials when you are finished) Loretta Power—Coordinator (309-530-7121)



#### OUR LADY OF LOURDES PRAYER THREADS

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).

#### Pastor

Rev. Dong van Bui 217-784-4671 (OLOL) 217-379-4033 (STM) dvanbui@ololac.ora Emergency 630-456-5406

#### Deacon

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### Parish Secretary/ **Hall Rent**

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#### **Bulletin Editor**

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Tannie Smith Dir.RE

# **Youth Ministry**

Michael Smith

#### **Music Director**

Margy Shambrook 217-781-0089

#### **Parish Council President**

Marj Brown 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	OLO	
MON March 20	No Mass	
(Saint Joseph, Spouse of Mary)		March 11/12
TUE March 21 8:00 AM (OLOL)	Acree family	
(Blessed John of Parma) 5:30 PM (STJ)		Capital Imp. March 2023
<b>WED</b> March 22 8:00 AM (OLOL)	Allen family	
(NOTE) Adoration 8:30 am to 4:00 pm (Saint Nicholas Owen)		<b>CMAA 2023</b> (goal:\$12,900)
THURS March 23 4:00 PM (OLOL)	Andreae family	
(Saint Turibius of Mogrovejo)		Food Pantry March Total
FRIDAY March 24 6:00 PM (OLOL)	Our Lady of Lourdes	Yr to Date FP
Followed by Stations of the Cross at 6:30 (Saint Oscar Arnulfo Romero)	Parishioners	Special Co
Sotunday Manale 25 5:00 DM (OLOL)		

Saturday March 25 5:00 PM (OLOL) Fisher and Astronomo family (by Denis and Cherry Fisher) (Annunciation of the Lord)

SUNDAY March 26 7:00 am (OLOL) 5th Sunday of Lent 8:00 AM (STJ) (St. Catherine of Genoa) 9:30 AM (STM)

Baillie family 11:00 AM (OLOL)



THANK YOU FOR

**YOUR GIFTS** 

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# *Ministry* Schedules

<u>Date</u> Ministry Volunteers Contact Patti Huppert (217-778-4574)	<u>Altar Servers</u>	<u>Lectors</u>	Euch. Minister / Sacriston	<u>Ushers/Greeters</u>	Homebound Ministry Deacon Paul (217) 781-1440
SATURDAY March 25, 2023 5:00 PM	None	Doc Meyer	Denis Fisher	Bob Bode	March 18/19 To April 01/02 Fr. Dong
SUNDAY March 26, 2023 7:00 am / 11:00 AM 5th Sunday of Lent	7:00 am - None 11:00 am— Kleist family	7:00 am - Michelle Rosenbaum 11:00 am - Youth	7:00 am Carla Moxley 11:00 am— Rob Kollross	7:00 am-None 11:00 am- Youth	

## **Baptism**

Call the Rectory at least four weeks before the baptism. Instruction for the parents and Godparents 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.

Mass Attendance February March 11/12 Total 107 Are you among this faithful group? Pray with us! Sunday 7:00 am (17) Saturday 5:00 pm (39) Sunday 11:00 am (51)

Our Lady of Lourdes

Parishioners



Blessed candles are available at the back of the church for each Parish family.

# Parish Calendar

Every Wednesday—Adoration (see front page for details)

Every Wednesday - March 22, March 29 Choir practice 4:00 pm-5:00 pm \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

Sunday, March 26—Religious Ed (:30 am / Youth Group 9:30 am (YOUTH MASS 11 AM) Reconciliation Luncheon after 11 am Mass

Sunday, April 2—Palm Sunday

Monday, April 3 to Saturday, April 8—Holy Week

Monday, April 3- Chrism Mass in Joliet at Cathedral of St. Raymond



What is the Annunciation of the Lord that we celebrate on March 25, 2023. This is the announcement of the Birth of Jesus by the Archangel Gabriel to the virgin Mary. In Luke 1:26-38 In the 6 Month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a town in Galilee called Nazareth, to a virgin betrothed to a man named Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin's name was Mary. And coming to her, he said "Hail, favored one! The Lord is with you". But she was greatly troubled at what was said and pondered what sort of greeting this might be. Then the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary for you have found favor with God. Behold you will conceive in you womb and bear a son, and you shall name him Jesus. He will be great and will be called Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give him the throne of David his father, and he will rule over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end. But Mary said to the angel, "How can this

be, since I have no relations with a man?". And the angel said to her in reply, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. Therefore, the child to be born will be called Holy, The Son of God. And behold, Elizabeth, you relative, has also conceived a son in her old age, and this is the sixth month for her who was called barren; for nothing will be impossible for God." Mary said, "Behold, I am the hand maid of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word." Then the angel departed from her.



Laetare Sunday, the fourth Sunday of Lent, which marks the halfway point, celebrated with rose garments instead of the usual violet. Laetare means 'to rejoice' in Latin. A brief celebration in expectation of Easter, even in the midst of Lent.

### **Saturday Mass Servers Needed**

Currently, we have no options for servers for the Saturday evening Mass as we have a limited number of youth available. If there any adults who would be willing to help out, please contact <u>Patti Huppert at 217-778-4574</u>. Serving during the Mass is a wonderful and fulfilling way to honor our Lord.



Every Friday during Lent at Our Lady of Lourdes Mass 6:00 pm / Stations of the Cross 6:30 pm March 24, March 31 (Mary's Way) Please make this a 'thing to do' during this Lenten Season.



(Ps 23)
"The Lord is my shepherd,
there is nothing I shall
want"



Every Sunday after the 7:00am Mass. Fellowship will meet in the Rectory Kitchen. Coffee and pastries

available. All are Welcome. Contact Lori Gale for any questions. (309-475-9261)



March Rosary Schedule (Devoted to St. Joseph, Spouse of the Virgin Mary, Stepfather of Jesus)

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

(Please try to pray the rosary every day this month)

Saint Joseph, Pray for us.

#### 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: 4:30 pm
Thursday: 4:30 pm
Lori Gale, Church Secretary
Phone: 217-784-4671
Note—the office will be closed
on Federal Holidays

**Altar Flowers** provided by:

February 25-April 8—No flowers for Lent

The flowers are now \$35.00 a bouquet. You will be billed by the florist Rural Rose of Fisher, not the church. Thank you !!!



Gary Wilhelmi (3/19)
Fran Mardis (3/19)
Lily Giroux (3/19)
Bernadette Campos (3/20)
Liam Killian (3/21)
Gary Gale (3/21)
Remi Astronomo (3/24)

# Happy Anniversary

Rich and Beth Baillie (3/15) Tim and Jody Bane (3/25) Jack and Susan Kollross (3/27)

God Bless all of our Families !!

# Pray for the Sick & Homebound

Brian Sullivan / Emma Davis
Terry Hutchcraft / Joyce Pearson
Fran Mardis / Rosanne Miller
Connie Cimino / Ken Freehill
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@ololgc.org.



# Divine Mercy Daily

Daily Reflections from the Diary of Saint Maria Faustina Kowalska

### **Appeal to My Mercy**

Souls that make an appeal to My mercy delight Me. To such couls I grant even more graces than they ask. I cannot punish even the greatest sinner if he makes an appeal to My compassion, but on the contrary, I justify him in My Unfathomable and inscrutable mercy (Diary, (Prayer) Jesus, I appeal to Your mercy to me a sinner and for mercy on the whole 1146) world. Help all of us to appeal to Your great mercy. May we be justified by Your unfathomable and inscrutable mercy!

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!



What is Lent all about? Prayer, Penance, And Love

Lent is the time of preparation for Easter, the greatest feast of the Church. During Lent, we are asked to focus on changing our lives through prayer, penance, and love. In doing these, we try to become more like Christ in his love for God and others by his dying and rising to new life.

Website https://youtu.be/Fd C-jHUwZU

# **Learning your Catholic Faith at Home**

There will be a new podcast every week. The following series will go from Sunday, March 19 to March 26. My dear church family, OUR Catholic Faith and the world as we know it is changing at a rapid pace. These are important past and FAITH AT present prophecies that you need to know about and these several webcasts will help you understand the urgency and what may happen in the near future. Maybe

even in your lifetime. It is just time someone said something and provided you with the information for you to discern. I plead with you, please make time and view all the YouTube channels. You will at least now have the information. God Bless YOU!

Heaven's Messages for Our Times — See bulletin insert for website and topics

### **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 can-Homebound not come to Mass because they are in

the hospital, recovering at home, sick at home, have moved to a care facility. Please contact Fr. **Dong at 630-456-5406** to have a Eucharistic Minister bring Holy Communion to you.

### **Dinner for One**

Please, come and join our Dinner for One Group. This group is for anyone who is a Widow or Widower. These events are a chance to meet, talk to other people, have some laughs and a delicious meal (ordered from the menu) We normally meet the 1st and 3rd Thursday's at The Country Kettle (4:30 pm to 6:30 pm).

Due to Holy Week and Easter, the April Dinners are Thursday, April 13th and 27th.

Please RSVP by April 12th and 26th. Sarah Sarantakos Coordinator/Our Lady of Lourdes) Text 217-781-0528 or

email Sarah.Sarantakos1@gmail.com

### Monday

March 20 St. Joseph 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16 Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22 Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a

### **Tuesday**

March 21 Lenten Weekday Ez 47:1-9, 12 Jn 5:1-16

### Wednesday

March 22 Lenten Weekday Is 49:8-15 Jn 5:17-30

### **Thursday**

March 23 Lenten Weekday Ex 32:7-14 Jn 5:31-47

### Friday

March 24 Lenten Weekday Wis 2:1a, 12-22 Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

### Saturday

March 25 Annunciation of the Lord Is 7:10-14; 8:10 Heb 10:4-10 Lk 1:26-38

#### Sunday

March 26 Fifth Sunday of Lent Ez 37:12-14 Rom 8:8-11 Jn 11:1-45 or Jn 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45