## 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 Thursday 8:00 am

Every Wednesday 8:00 am -4:00 pm

Confession 4:30 pm before Saturday Mass Any time by Appointment

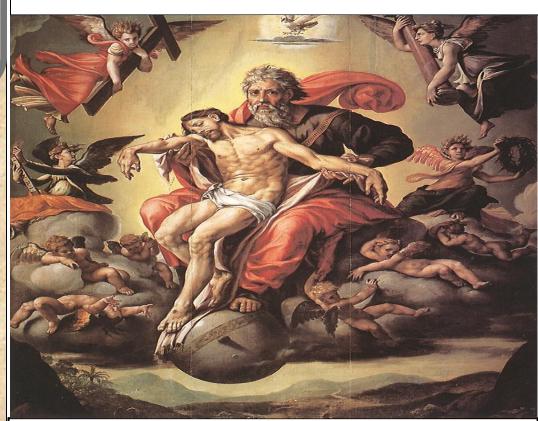
## FOR YOUR INFORMATION

St. Mary 407 W. Pells Street Paxton, IL 60957 Phone-217-379-4033 Mass Schødulø Sunday 9:30 am Wednesday 7:00 pm Friday 8:00 am Cucharistic Adoration Friday following 8AM Mass Conføssion Friday following 8AM Mass

# St. Joseph

312 N. Hickory Street Loda, IL 60948 Mass Schødulø Sunday 8:00 am Tuesday 5:30 pm Conføssion - Sunday 7:30am

# May 7, 2023 5th Sunday of Easter



Jn 14:8-10

Philip said to him, "Master, show us the Father, and that will be enough for us." Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you for so long a time and you still do not know me, Philip? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, Show us the Father'? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I speak to you I do not speak on my own. The Father who dwells in me is doing his works.



Father Dong announced last weekend that we will be welcoming <u>Father Nestor Sanchez</u>

as our new Pastor beginning July 1st. Please keep Father Sanchez in your prayers as he settles into his new assignment and gets to know all of us and our community.



**On May 13, we celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of Fatima**, looking to the Blessed Mother for peace and comfort in times of uncertainty. According to tradition, on May 13, 1917, the Virgin Mary appeared to three shepherd children, Lúcia dos Santos, Francisco Marto, and Jacinta Marto, near Fatima, Portugal. The children saw her five more times in the months that followed, and she asked them to pray the Rosary daily and give devotion to her Immaculate Heart. During the last sighting, she told the children her name was The Lady of the Rosary and gave them a message of prayer, peace, and penance known as the "Secret." The "Secret" was given in three parts in the years that followed.

<b>Pastor</b> Rev. Dong van Bui 217-784-4671 (OLOL)		<b>THIS WEEK'S INTENTIONS</b> 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.					THANK YOU FOR YOUR GIFTS OLOL													
217-379-4033 (STM)			May 8		No Mass															
dvanbui@ololgc.org		(St Peter of Tarentaise)					April 29/30	ו	\$ 2.399.02											
Emergency 630-456-5406 <b>Deacon</b>		TUE May 9 (OLOL)			No Mass		<u> </u>	_												
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217-781-1440		5:30 PM (STJ)			Mass		May 2023													
psarantakos@parkland.edu		WED May 10 Adoration			NO Mass		1													
Parish Secretary/		8:00am - 4:00 pm					CMAA 2023 \$10,03		\$10,035.00											
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office@ololgc.org		THURS May11 8:00 AM (OLOL)			+Mae Gardner		(goal:\$12,900)													
Lori Gale 309-475-9261 (home) Rectory 217-784-4671		(St. Ignatius of Laconi)			(by Carol / Michael Gilmore)		Food Pantry	,	\$22.00											
Bulletin Editor		(					April Total \$257		\$257.00											
Carla Moxley 217-552-9013		FRIDAY May 12 (OLOL)			No Mass		Yr to Date FP \$1,238		\$1,238.00											
Religious Education		(Sts. Nereus, Achilleus and Pancras)					Special Collections													
Tannie Smith Dir.RE Youth Ministry Michael Smith Music Director Margy Shambrook 217-781-0089 Parish Council President Marj Brown 217-377-3132		(Sist Wereas, Hermeas and Falleras) 8:00 am (STM)			Mass		Special Collections													
		Saturday May 13 (Our Lady of Fatima)5:00 PM (OLOL)SUNDAY May 148:00 am (STJ) 9:30 am (STM)6th Sunday of Easter (St. Matthias)11:00 am (OLOL)			+Karen Bode (by Justin / Loretta Jones) +Beverly Osborne (by Michael / Tannie Smith)		April 29/30 Catholic Home Missions \$349.00 ************ May 6/7 —Capital May 13/14—Mother's Day													
										Ministry Schedules	<u>Date</u> Ministry Volunteers Contact Patti Huppert (217-778-4574)		Altar Servers	<u>Lectors</u>	<u>Euch. Minister /</u> <u>Sacriston</u>	<u>Ushe</u>	Ushers/Greeters		<u>Homebound</u> <u>Ministry</u>	
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	SATURDAY May 13, 2023 5:00 pm		Needed	Patti Huppert	Marj Brown	Chuck Aubry		N	lay 6/7 to lay 13/14 rj and Jerry Brown											
	SUNDAY May 14, 11:00 am 6th Sunday of Ea		Davis Family	Maggie Davis	Jodi Beyers	Craig Davis														
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.		Mass Attendance April 29/30 Total attendance. 124 Are you among this faithful group ? Pray with us ! Sat 5pm (37) Sunday 7 am (25) Sunday 11 am (62)																		
		Parish Calendar																		
		Every Wednesday Adoration (see front page for details) Every Wednesday - Choir practiceMay 3, May 10, May 17, May 24, May 31 ************************************																		
		Saturday, May 13— Feast of Our Lady of Fatima Sunday, May 14— Mother's Day Sunday, May 21—Ascension of the Lord Sunday, May 28 - Pentecost Sunday																		
		Sunday, June 4—Father Dong's Retirement Luncheon (see next page) Sunday, September 24 - Our Lady of Lourdes Homecoming Picnic																		



*Father Dong's RETIREMENT LUNCHEON* Father Dong has served our parish for the last 5 years. Please keep Father in your prayers as he prepares to leave our parish late June and embark on a new retired life ! We are planning a catered Retirement Luncheon at Father Kirk Hall in his honor on

Sunday, June 4, following the 11 am Mass.

We need a head count by May 19th for the food preparation. Please **RSVP** to the office email <u>office@ololgc.org</u> by **May 19th**. Any monetary donations would be greatly appreciated. You may send donations for the dinner to the secured mail box at the rectory or put in the collection basket in a separate envelope marked 'Dinner'. Thank you.

Adoration of Our Lord : He is very near and waits patiently for us. Come adore the Real Presence of Jesus Christ, "The Lord is Near. Have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, make your requests known to God." (Ph 4:5b)



Eucharistic Adoration—Every Wednesday 8:00 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 com-

mit 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)



Congratulations to Michael & Hunter Brown who were Baptized last Sunday. Michael and Hunter are the grandchildren of Jerry and Marj Brown

The **April 23rd RE Potluck** was a great success, with delicious food, great company, and lots of fun visiting. Father Dong started the dinner by leading us all in a prayer and joined us for the afternoon. Thanks to everyone who joined us.

## PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

Now accepting Nominations to the Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Council. Would YOU or someone you know like to be a member of our Parish Council ? Please fill out a nomination form located in the pews and put it in the collection basket by May 7th.

Contact any member of the Council listed to the right of this page or the parish office if you have any questions.

Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Homecoming Picnic Sunday September 24, 2023 After the 11:00am Mass More information to follow. Contact Sarah at 217-781-0528 sarah.sarantakos1@gmail.com



Ps 33 "Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you !"



May Rosary Schedule (Devoted to the Blessed Virgin Mary) Wednesday 8:00 am Thursday 7:30 am Before Mass Saturdays 4:15 pm Before Mass Sundays 10:30 am Before Mass (Please try to pray the rosary every day this month) Mary, Queen of Peace, 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

April/May Altar Flowers provided by :

May 6/7—Paul and Sarah Sarantakos May 13/14—Paul Obert May 20/21—Michael and Tannie Smith May 27/28—Denis and Cherry Fisher

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



Brett Beyers (5/9) Aidan Helmig (5/11) Joe Baillie (5/13) Ava McGuire (5/14)

Happy Anniversary

Daniel and Jane Lange (5/13) Jerry and Amy Stoltz (5/15) Stanley and Suzanne Vetter (5/19) Dan and Sylvia Day (5/19)

#### 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 Gary Gale

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

# Divine Mercy Daily

#### **Claiming Your Promise**

. During one of the adorations, Jesus promised me that: With souls that have recourse to My mercy and with those that glorify and proclaim My great mercy to others, I will deal according to My infinite mercy at the hour of their death (Diary, 379). (**Prayer**) Jesus, You promised to deal according to Your mercy with all who have recourse to Your mercy — those who glorify it and those who proclaim Your mercy to others. I claim Your promise for all those who are devoted to Your Divine 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!

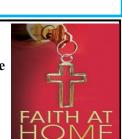


#### OUR LADY OF LOURDES PRAYER THREADS

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).

## Learning your Catholic Faith at Home !

There will be a new podcast every week. For the next several weeks we will have podcast on the **Blessed Virgin Mary**. I do this because the month of May is the Month of Mary. I pray you will enjoy the podcasts.



Youth Director Needed .

Youth Director Michael Smith has

announced that he will step down

at the end of the current RE year.

We thank him for all he has done

We are in need of selecting a new

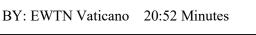
Youth Director for the fall season.

Please contact Michael or Tannie

if you are available and interested.

with our youth over the years.

**"The True Face of the Virgin Mary"** https://youtu.be/MbajDAHyhAk BY: EWT





## **Confession/Reconciliation**

Fr. Dong will hear your confession Every Wednesday at 8:30 am, Every Saturday at 4:30pm, the 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, recov-

ering 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 We normally meet the 1st & 3rd Thursday's at The Country Kettle (4:30 pm to 6:30 pm). The next Dinner is Thursday, May 18 Please RSVP by May 17th Sarah Sarantakos Coordinator/Our Lady of Lourdes) Text 217-781-0528 or email Sarah.Sarantakos1@gmail.com Monday

May 8 Easter Weekday Acts 14:5-18 Jn 14:21-26

**Tuesday** May 9 *Easter Weekday* Acts 14:19–28 Jn 14:27–31a

## Wednesday

May 10 *Easter Weekday* Acts 15:1-6 Jn 15:1-8

Thursday

May 11 Easter Weekday Acts 15:17–21 Jn 15:9–11

Friday

May 12 *Easter Weekday* Acts 15:22-31 Jn 15:12-17

## Saturday

May 13 *Weekday* Acts 16:1–10 Jn 15:18–21

Sunday

May 14 Sixth Sunday of Easter Acts 8:5-8, 14-17 1 Pt 3:15-18 Jn 14:15-21