

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
Monday and Thursday –
4:00 pm

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

Eucharistic Adoration

Every Wednesday
following Mass

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

Tuesday 5:30 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

Thursday 5:30 pm

Confession - Sunday 7:30am

April 28, 2024

5th Sunday of Easter



Jn 15:1-3

"I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine grower. He takes away every branch in me that does not bear fruit, and everyone that does he prunes so that it bears more fruit. You are already pruned because of the word that I spoke to you.

Every Wednesday

Mass 8:00 am

Eucharistic Adoration 8:30 am to 9:30 am

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.) If you have any questions, please call Fran Mardis at (217) 784-8515

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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 April 29	(OLOL)	No Mass
TUE April 30	(OLOL) 5:30 pm (STM)	NO Mass No Mass
WED May 1	8: 00am (OLOL) 8:30 –9:30 am	Our Lady of Lourdes Parishioners <i>Adoration</i>
Thursday, May 2	(OLOL)	No Mass
FRIDAY May 3	8:00 am (STM)	No Mass
Saturday May 4	5:00 PM (OLOL)	+Peg Bane (by family and friends)
SUNDAY May 5	8:00 am (STJ) (6th Sunday of Easter) 9:30 am (STM) 11:00 am (OLOL)	Mass Mass Our Lady of Lourdes Parishioners

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GIFTS OLOL	
April 20/21	\$ 1,976.00
Capital Imp. April 2024	\$ 1,088.00
CMAA 2024 (goal:\$14,000) (As of April 21)	\$10,420.00
Food Pantry April Total Yr to Date FP	\$ 60.00 \$ 285.00 \$1,528.22

Special Collections

 April 27/28
 Catholic Home Missions

Ministry Schedules

Date Ministry Volunteers Contact Patti Huppert (217-778-4574)	Altar Servers	Lector	Euch. Minister / Sacriston	Ushers/Greeters	Homebound Ministry Deacon Paul (217) 781-1440
SATURDAY May 4 5:00 pm		Patti Huppert	Fran Mardis	(May) Bob Bode Doug Parsons	Deacon Paul Sarantakos
SUNDAY May 5 11:00 AM (6th Sunday of Easter)	(May) Needed	Maggie Davis	Sarah Sarantakos	(May) Fred 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. Nestor at fr.nestor@stmarypaxton.org

Marriage/RCIA
 Call the Rectory at least six months before. A six month preparation time is required.

Mass Attendance April 20/21 Saturday (40) Sunday (61) = Total 101
 3rd Commandment: Remember to keep holy the Sabbath day.

Parish Calendar and MORE (Subject to change)

Every Wednesday (4 pm) Choir practice.....
 May 1st, May 8th, May 15th, May 22, May 29th

Sunday, April 28—Mass 11:00 am—First Communion OLOL
 May Crowning of the Blessed Virgin Mary
 by Michael Brown and Hannah Davis

Sunday, May 5—Confirmation—St. Mary, Paxton 2:00 pm—all students
 Wednesday, May 15—Staff meeting 6:15 pm

Further May dates to be announced



Food Pantry Volunteers
Friday May 24 at 6:15 pm
 10 people needed to set up
Saturday May 25 8 am to noon
 15 people needed to help with distribution
 Please consider volunteering.
 Contact Deacon Paul at (217) 781-1440



First Holy Communion
April 28, 2024 at 11:00 am Mass
Congratulations to
Michael Brown and
Hannah Davis
 Please keep Michael and Hannah and their families in your prayers as they celebrate this special Holy Sacrament.



Divine Mercy Daily
 Daily Reflections from the
Diary of Saint Maria Faustina Kowalska

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!**



Psalm 22 I will praise you, Lord, in the assembly of your people. ”

9 month Novena— March to December
 This special novena is being initiated by **Father Cardinal Burke** as a special prayer for the return of our country back to God and the end of war, etc. It seems that a person signs up and then they will say the daily novena. The Novena begins March 15th. Check out the website and learn more: <https://novena.cardinalburke.com/#watch-the-video>
 Thank you to Alyce Hafer for bringing this to our attention.

Good News!

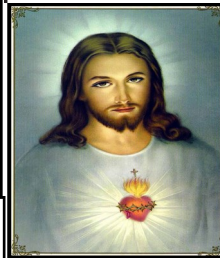
April 28, 2024
Fifth Sunday of Easter (B)
 Acts 9:26-31 / 1 John 3:18-24 / John 15:1-8

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

The common myth is that we receive a new body every seven years as cells die and are replaced. However, stomach cells are renewed every two days or so because of acids and enzymes. Skin cells are replaced every two to three weeks. Bone cells last about ten years, and our brain cells stay with us for our entire lives. In a sense, then, we might say that our bodies are pruned, part of us remaining long-term to nurture and sustain like the trunk of a tree, and part of us severed so that life may be renewed and continue on.

If so with our bodies, are not our spirits also pruned? There is a core part of who we are that wends its way throughout our lives. Yet that “who” has rough edges in need of being smoothed; barbs need to be dulled; and certain inclinations simply need to be severed. Spouses tend to prune one another, the grace of a loving marriage. Children sometimes keep parents honest. Life events may grind down our independence and self-sufficiency. Illnesses, aging, job loss, the death of loved ones—all forcing us to recognize that we are not in control of life. We are thus pruned, forced to surrender much of what we once thought we could control.

Where is God in all of this? If God is woven into the warp and woof of all life, then all the events and rhythms of life can draw us closer to God, pruning us into goodness and fruitfulness. ●



April / May
Rosary Schedule
 Wednesday 8:30 am (after Mass)
 Saturday 4:15pm
 Sunday 10:30am
 Please try to pray, the Rosary, every day with your family.

Mary Queen of Peace Pray for Us.

RE Director Needed
 Current RE Director Jean Wilhelmi will soon be stepping down from her position. We are in need to appoint a new director in the near future. Please contact Fr. Nestor or Lori if you are interested in taking this position for the remainder of the school year.

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

2023—2024 Parish Council
Marj Brown (217-377-3132)
Jody Goodin (217-377-5208)
Roy Acree (217-649-2263)
Fran Mardis (217-784-8515)
Jodi Beyers (815-848-3371)
Bernie Campos (217-898-3448)
Please contact these dedicated people if you have any concerns or suggestions about church related issues.

April/ May Altar Flowers provided by :
April 27/28— Chuck and Pam Aubry
May 4/5—Paul and Sarah Sarantakos
May 11/12—Paul Obert
The flowers are \$35.00 a bouquet.
*You will be billed by the florist
Rural Rose of Fisher (217-897-1604)*

MONDAY
April 29
St. Catherine of Siena, Virgin and Doctor of the Church
Acts 14:5-18
Jn 14:21-26

TUESDAY
April 30
Easter Weekday
Acts 14:19-28
Jn 14:27-31a

WeDNESDAY
May 1
Easter Weekday
Acts 15:1-6
Jn 15:1-8

THURSDAY
May 2
St. Athanasius, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
Acts 15:7-21
Jn 15:9-11


FRIDAY
May 3
Sts. Philip and James, Apostles
1 Cor 15:1-8
Jn 14:6-14

SATURDAY
May 4
Easter Weekday
Acts 16:1-10
Jn 15:18-21

SUNDAY
May 5
Sixth Sunday of Easter
Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48
1 Jn 4:7-10
Jn 15:9-17

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Sylvia Day (4/30)
Eric Rosenbaum (5/1)
Gina Medernach (5/2)
Amy Killian (5/2)
Beth Hornstein (5/5)



God Bless all of our Families !!

Pray for the Sick & Homebound

Brian Sullivan / Emma Davis
Terry Hutchcraft / Joyce Pearson
Fran Mardis / Rosanne Miller
Ken Freehill / Pat Huth / Gary Gale
Peter Hartford
Chuck Aubry / Sarah Sarantakos



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@ololg.org.

OUR LADY OF LOURDES PRAYER THREADS

This PRAYER THREAD is for those in need of prayer support. If you would like to be a 'Prayer Warrior' in the prayer threads 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 thread).


Our Lady of Lourdes Social Media Sites
Please check them out for an abundance of information.

Facebook:
www.facebook.com/ololg.org
Website: www.ololg.org

Office Email: office@ololg.org
(Lori Gale & Carla Moxley)
Fr. Nestor Sanchez Email:
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Deacon Paul Sarantakos Email:
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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 : **Deacon Paul Sarantakos (217-781-1440)** to have a Eucharistic Minister bring Holy Communion to you.



County Market Gift Cards

We have a few Gift Cards from County Market. If you or someone you know may need a little help with groceries, please leave a message for Lori at 217-784-4671