

December 8, 2024 Second Sunday of Advent

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 5:00 pm

Sunday 11:00 am

Wednesday 8:00 am

Eucharistic Adoration

Every Wednesday
(Following 8:00 am Mass)

Confession

Wednesday—8:30 am-9:30 am
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

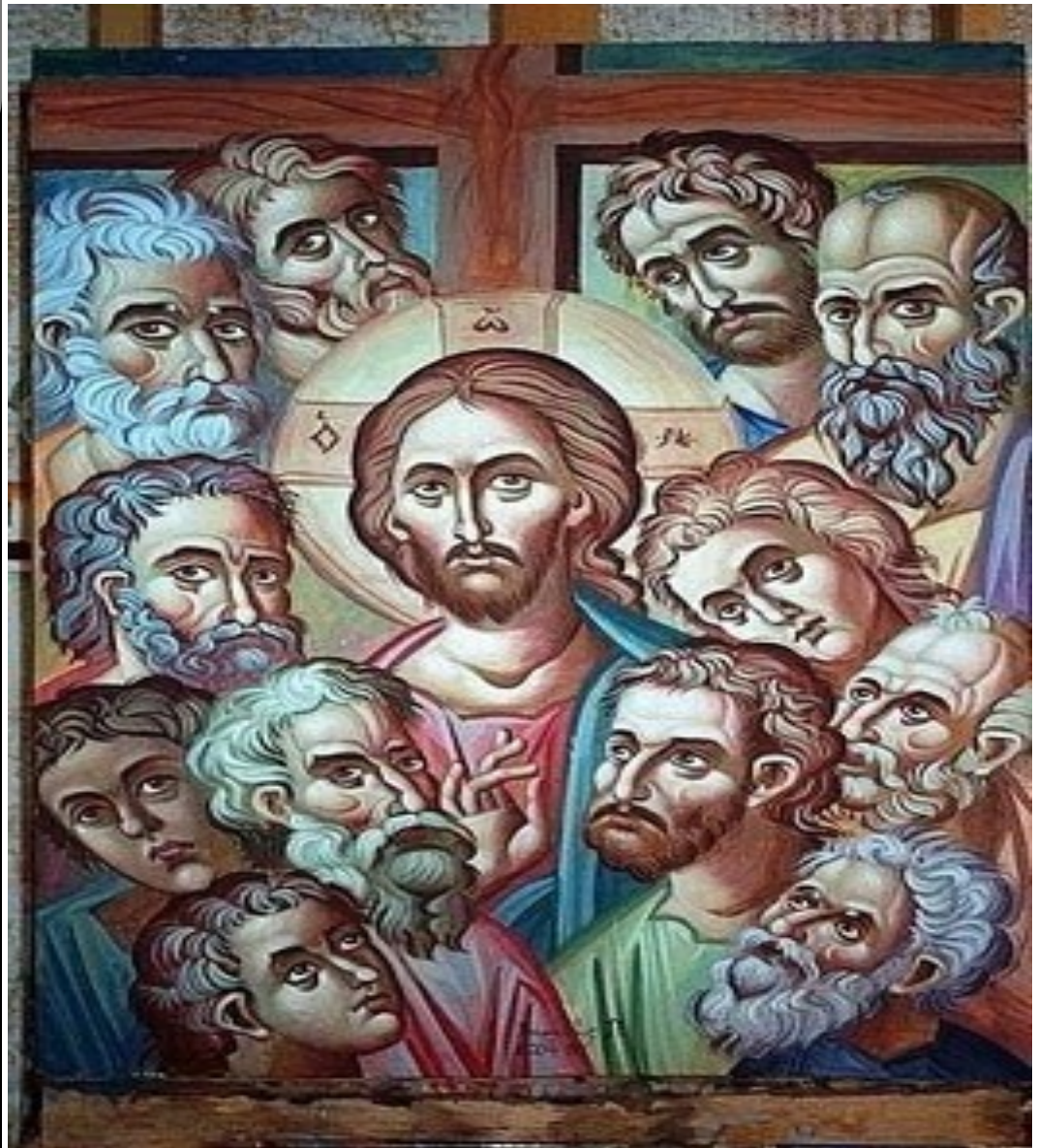
312 N. Hickory Street
Loda, IL 60948

Mass Schedule

Sunday 8:00 am

Thursday 5:30 pm

Confession - Sunday 7:30am



Mt 10:1-4 And gave them authority over unclean spirits to drive them out and to cure every disease and every illness. The names of the twelve apostles are these: first, Simon called Peter, and his brother Andrew; James, the son of Zebedee, and his brother John; Philip and Bartholomew, Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James, the son of Alphaeus, and Thaddeus; Simon the Cananean, and Judas Iscariot who betrayed him.



Every Wednesday Mass 8:00 am
Eucharistic Adoration 8:30 am to 9:30 am
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 December 9	4:00 pm (OLOL) Immaculate Conception of Blessed Virgin Mary	Our Lady of Lourdes Parishioners (Bishop Spies to celebrate)
TUE December 10	(OLOL) 5:30 pm (STM)	NO Mass Mass
WED December 11	8:00am(OLOL) 8:30 am—9:30 am	No Mass No Adoration
THURSDAY	December 12 5:30pm(STJ)	Mass
FRI December 13	8:00 am (STM)	Mass
Saturday Dec. 14	5:00 PM (OLOL)	+Loretta Bode By Jerry and Marj Brown
SUNDAY Dec. 15	8:00 am (STJ) 9:30 am (STM) 11:00 am (OLOL) (3rs Sunday of Advent)	Mass Mass Our Lady of Lourdes Parishioners

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GIFTS OLOL	
Nov.30/Dec 1	\$1,921.00
Capital Imp. Nov. 2024	\$ 1,298.10
CMAA 2024 (goal:\$14,000) (thru Nov. 17)	\$16,625.00
Food Pantry Dec Total	\$ 60.00
Yr to Date FP	\$4,086.22

Special Collections

 Dec 7/8
 Capital

 Immaculate Conception
 Dec. 9

Ministry Schedules

Date	Altar Servers	Lector	Euch. Minister / Sacriston	Ushers/Greeters	Homebound Ministry
Ministry Volunteers Contact Patti Huppert (217-778-4574)					Deacon Paul (217) 781-1440
SATURDAY December 14 5:00 pm		Fran Mardis	Carla Moxley	(December) Bob Bode	Deacon Paul Sarantakos
SUNDAY December 15 11:00 AM (3rd Sunday of Advent)	(December) Colleen Davis Victoria Davis	Maggie Davis	Sarah Sarantakos	(December) Jerry Brown, Fred Sarantakos	

Mass Attendance Nov. 30/Dec 1 Saturday (41) Sunday (47) = Total 88
 3rd Commandment: Remember to keep holy the Sabbath day.

Parish Calendar and MORE (Subject to change)

Every Wednesday (4 pm) Choir practice...December 11th, 18th, 20th

Monday, Dec 9 to 13th— Father Nestor will be gone.
 Monday, December 9—Celebration of the Immaculate Conception - of the Blessed Virgin Mary—Mass 4:00 pm (not a Holy Day this year)
Bishop Denis Spies will be celebrating this Mass
 Sunday, December 15— RE program Noon –2:00 pm with a Potluck to celebrate Jesus. All are welcome !!!!
 Sunday, December 15—Gibson Area Music Foundation presents “Celebrate the Season” 3:00 pm at the Gibson Bible Church

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.



Youth Group offers Gift Wrapping
Saturday, December 14th
4 pm to 6 pm

The Youth Group will be wrapping Christmas gifts in the church hall, and will stay until all gifts are wrapped. This is a great way for you to take a break from wrapping.



Food Pantry Volunteers
Friday December 13 at 6:30 pm
6 to 8 people are needed to set up
Saturday December 14
7:45 am to noon

10 to 15 people needed to help with packing and distribution. This is a distribution weekend, so we plan on being very busy, needing a few drivers for deliveries. **Please consider volunteering.**

Contact Deacon Paul at
(217) 781-1440

RIP Susan Spies Lawrence

Please offer prayers to Kevin Lawrence and their family, mother Rose Mary Spies, Bishop Denis Spies and sisters on the loss of Susan on November 23, 2024. May she rest in the peace and love of our Lord.



Good News!

December 8, 2024

Second Sunday of Advent (C)

Baruch 5:1-9 / Philippians 1:4-6, 8-11 / Luke 3:1-6

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

Coming home can take place in many varied ways. Sometimes it's at the end of a long day when we come home to where we can be ourselves without any pretensions. Sometimes it's going back to the neighborhood we grew up in, to the old haunts that remind us of the dreams we had and how they now seem tucked in every niche. Sometimes coming home is what happens after many wanderings, after we've sown our oats and harvested little and now have nowhere else to go. That too is a coming home, back to where it all began, back to where we dare to hope that life might begin again.

All of this is how the Hebrew people found themselves coming home to Jerusalem after eighty years of exile, coming back to start anew with the hope that their God would once again be proud of them, back to where they could be as God intended them to be. All of that is what we do when we decide we will try to be the sort of person we'd always hoped to become. It's when we attempt a second effort at making a marriage work, or a job productive, or maybe simply putting the pieces of our lives back in some sort of order. It's all about coming back home to God's dream for us, a kind of second Advent, when God comes into our lives and is born once again. ●

Gibson Area Music Foundation sets date to 'Celebrate the Season'.

The Gibson Area Music Foundation is inviting all area singers to participate in its annual Christmas concert "**Celebrate the Season**". It will be a combination of selections from "Messiah" along with carols and readings about Christ's birth. The program will be at **3:00 PM on Sunday, December 15**, at the Gibson City Bible Church, and in addition to the choir will feature soloists and a string ensemble. **Rehearsals will be every Monday evening beginning November 11 continuing through December 9 from 7:00-8:30 at the Gibson City First Presbyterian Church.** Please join us for this beautiful musical tradition!



December 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.



Confession/Reconciliation

Fr. Nestor will hear your confession
Every Wednesday at 8:30am
Every Saturday at 4:30pm
By Appointment 217-784-4671 (Leave a Message) 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.



Note from Fr. Nestor :

I will be in the rectory (office hours) on Wednesday's 10:00 am to 5:00 pm and on Thursday's by appointment. You can reach me to tend to answer any of your questions or help you in any way I can. God bless you.

NOTE ** Bulletin submissions should be received by WEDNESDAY at 5:00 pm.
Email to office@ololg.org. Or call and leave message at the parish office (217) 784-4671**

2024-2025 Parish Council

Pam Aubry (President)
(217-781-1237)
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Jodi Beyers (815-848-3371)
Bernie Campos (217-898-3448)
Beth Baillie (217-954-8003)
Please contact these dedicated people if you have any concerns or suggestions about church related issues.

Nov./Dec. Altar Flowers provided by :
Dec. 7/8—Alyce Hafer
Dec. 14/15—Gene and Lisa Heap
Dec. 21/22—Parishioners on sign up list

**The flowers are \$35.00 a bouquet.
You will be billed by the florist
Rural Rose of Fisher (217-897-1604)**

MONDAY
December 9
Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Gn 3:9-15, 20
Eph 1:3-6, 11-12
Lk 1:26-38

TUESDAY
December 10
Advent Weekday
Is 40:1-11
Mt 18:12-14

WEDNESDAY
December 11
Advent Weekday
Is 40:25-31
Mt 11:28-30

THURSDAY
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

FRIDAY
December 13
St. Lucy, Virgin and Martyr
Is 48:17-19
Mt 11:16-19

SATURDAY
December 14
St. John of the Cross, Priest and Doctor of the Church
Sir 48:1-4, 9-11
Mt 17:9a, 10-13

SUNDAY
December 15
Third Sunday of Advent
Zep 3:14-18a
Phil 4:4-7
Lk 3:10-18

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 / Sarah Sarantakos
Jerry Lynch, Sr. / Roger and Edna Huppert
Robert (Sonny) Meyer / Lloyd Power

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 Social Media Sites

Please check them out for an abundance of information.

Facebook:

www.facebook.com/ololg.org

Website: www.ololg.org

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(Lori Gale & Carla Moxley)

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Catherine Cimino (12/7)
Sheri Bane (12/9)
Anthony Gonzalez (12/9)
Jody Goodin (12/11)
Ian Miller (12/12)
John Martin (12/13)
Mary Farifield (12/15)
Chuck Aubry (12/15)

Happy Anniversary

Paul and Mary Geurts (12/13)
God Bless our families !



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).



Homebound Ministry

is always available for Catholics who cannot come to Mass because they are in the hospital, recovering at home, sick at home, or have moved to a care facility.

To have a Eucharistic Minister bring Holy Communion to you, Please contact :

Deacon Paul Sarantakos (217-781-1440)

I Am Here.



Come Visit Me.



Adoration

I bow before the Father who made me.
I bow before the Son, who saved me.
I bow before the Spirit who guides me.
In love and adoration, I give my lips,
I give my heart, I give my mind,
I give my strength.
I bow and adore thee,
Sacred Three, the Ever One,
The Trinity.