

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

December 15, 2024 Third Sunday of Advent



Lc 3:15-17 Now the people were filled with expectation, and all were asking in their hearts whether John might be the Messiah. John answered them all, saying, "I am baptizing you with water, but one mightier than I is coming. I am not worthy to loosen the thongs of his sandals. He will baptize you with the holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fan is in his hand to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his barn, but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."



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 16	(OLOL)	No Mass
TUE December 17	(OLOL) 5:30 pm (STM)	NO Mass Mass
WED December 18	8: 00am(OLOL) 8:30 am—9:30 am	Our Lady of Lourdes Parishioners Adoration
THURSDAY	December 19 5:30pm(STJ)	Mass
FRI December 20	8:00 am (STM)	Mass
Saturday Dec. 21	5:00 PM (OLOL)	+Kevin Obert (by Paul Obert)
SUNDAY Dec. 22	8:00 am (STJ) 9:30 am (STM) 11:00 am (OLOL) (4th Sunday of Advent)	Mass Mass Our Lady of Lourdes Parishioners

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GIFTS OLOL	
Dec 7/8	\$3,615.00
Capital Imp. Dec 2024	\$ 1,500.00
CMAA 2024 (goal:\$ 14,000) (thru Dec 8)	\$16,680.00
Food Pantry Dec Total	\$ 37.00 \$ 97.00
Yr to Date FP	\$4,123.22

Special Collections

 Retirement Fund for the
 Religious
 Dec. 7/8

 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 21 5:00 pm		Patti Huppert	Jean Wilhelmi	(December) Bob Bode	Deacon Paul Sarantakos
SUNDAY December 22 11:00 AM (4th Sunday of Advent)	(December) Colleen Davis Victoria Davis	Jack Kollross	Lisa Heap	(December) Jerry Brown, Fred Sarantakos	

Mass Attendance Dec 7 / Dec 8 Saturday (45) Sunday (61) = Total 106
 3rd Commandment: Remember to keep holy the Sabbath day.

Parish Calendar and MORE (Subject to change)

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

 Christmas Mass and New Year's Mass Schedule—see next page

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.



Bishop Denis Spies— celebrated Mass on Monday, Dec. 9th (Immaculate Conception of Mary, Mother of God) with 42 parishioners in attendance. We were truly blessed and honored to have Bishop Spies and Michael visit our parish that day. God Bless you, Bishop Spies !



What do Advent-wreath candles signify?

Most Advent wreaths have three purple candles and one rose candle to echo the liturgical colors of the Church's Advent celebrations.

Whether the wreath is being used at home or in a church, the lighting of the candles should follow the liturgical colors of the Sundays of Advent. The vestments at Mass are purple during the first two weeks of Advent, so we light a purple candle on the first and second Sundays of Advent.

On the third Sunday, the Church celebrates *Gaudete* Sunday or Rejoice

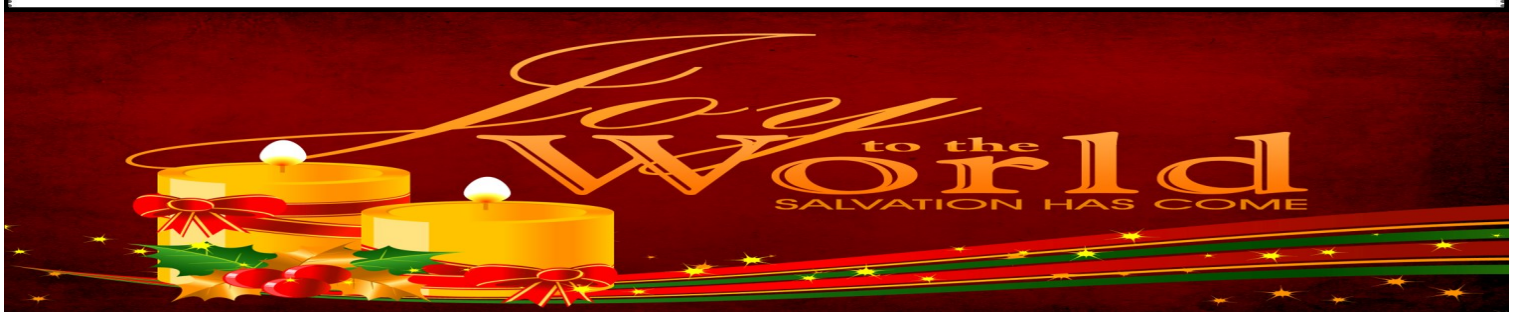
Sunday, named after the first word of the day's traditional entrance verse (Philippians 4:4-5). The priest wears rose vestments at Mass as a sign of our brightening hope and joy, and on the Advent wreath we light the rose candle to reflect the theme of the liturgy. The fourth Sunday of Advent sees the lighting of the last purple candle.

Some churches and families add a fifth candle to their Advent practices by placing a white candle in the center of the wreath. They light this at Christmas, again echoing the Church's liturgical color for the season and rejoicing in Christ our



Lord, whose birth brings light and life to our world.

Fr. Matthew Allman, CSsR / Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org



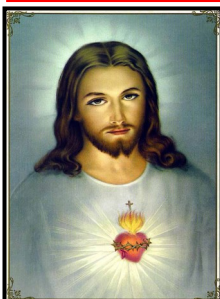
[Christmas Eve Vigil Mass \(12/24/24\)](#) 4:00 PM [Our Lady of Lourdes](#)

[Christmas Day Mass \(12/25/24\)](#) 9:00 AM [Our Lady of Lourdes](#)

[Holy Family Sunday \(12/29/24\)](#) 5:00 pm [Saturday](#) 11:00 am [Sunday](#)

[New Years Eve Mass \(12/31/24\)](#)—[Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God \(Holy Day of Obligation\)](#)
4:00 pm [Our Lady of Lourdes](#)

[New Years Day Mass \(Jan 1, 2025\)](#) [Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God \(Holy Day of Obligation\)](#)
8:00 am [Our Lady of Lourdes](#)



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 ** 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)
Roy Acree (217-649-2263)
Fran Mardis (217-784-8515)
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. 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 16
Advent Weekday
Nm 24:2-7,
15-17a
Mt 21:23-27

TUESDAY
December 17
Advent Weekday
Gn 49:2, 8-10
Mt 1:1-17

WEDNESDAY
December 18
Advent Weekday
Jer 23:5-8
Mt 1:18-25

THURSDAY
December 19
Advent Weekday
Jgs 13:2-7,
24-25a
Lk 1:5-25

FRIDAY
December 20
Advent Weekday
Is 7:10-14
Lk 1:26-38

SATURDAY
December 21
Advent Weekday
Sg 2:8-14 or Zep
3:14-18a
Lk 1:39-45

SUNDAY
December 22
Fourth Sunday of Advent
Mi 5:1-4a
Heb 10:5-10
Lk 1:39-45

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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Mary Fairfield (12/15)
Chuck Aubry (12/15)
Maggie Davis (12/17)
Rucker Parsons (12/21)
Terese Davis (12/22)
Jane Lange (12/22)

Happy Anniversary

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.