

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

March 16, 2025 Second Sunday of Lent



Lc 9:28-31

About eight days after he said this, he took Peter, John, and James and went up the mountain to pray. While he was praying his face changed in appearance and his clothing became dazzling white. And behold, two men were conversing with him, Moses and Elijah, who appeared in glory and spoke of his exodus that he was going to accomplish in Jerusalem.

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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.		
Monday, March 17	(OLOL)	No Mass
Tuesday, March 18	(OLOL) (STM)	No Mass Mass
WED March 19	8:00 am (OLOL) 8:30 am	Our Lady of Lourdes Parishioners Adoration
THURS March 20	5:30 pm (STJ)	Mass
FRI March 21	8:00 am (STM)	Mass
SAT. March 22	5:00 PM (OLOL)	+Steve Heavilin (by Martha Heavilin)
SUNDAY March 23	8:00 am (STJ) 9:30 am (STM) 11:00 am (OLOL) <i>(3rd Sunday of Lent)</i>	Mass Mass +Emma Davis (by Mary Ann Davis Manning)

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GIFTS OLOL	
March 8/9	\$ 2,855.00
Capital Imp. March 2025	\$ 745.00
CMAA 2025 (goal:\$13,000)	\$ _____
Food Pantry March Total	\$ 57.00
Yr to Date FP	\$ 109.00
	\$ 893.00

Special Collections

 Ash Wednesday
 March 5
 \$447.00

Ministry Schedules

Date	Ministry Volunteers Contact	Altar Servers	Lector	Euch. Minister / Sacriston	Ushers/Greeters	Homebound Ministry
	Patti Huppert (217-778-4574)					Deacon Paul (217) 781-1440
SATURDAY March 22 5:00 pm			Michele Meyer	Carla Moxley	(March) Bob Bode	Deacon Paul Sarantakos
SUNDAY March 23 11:00 AM <i>(3rd Sunday of Lent)</i>		(March) _____	Alyce Hafer	Rob Kollross	(March) Fred Sarantakos	

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 **March 8 Saturday (61) March 9 Sunday (66) = Total 127**
 3rd Commandment: Remember to keep holy the Sabbath day.

Parish Calendar and MORE (Subject to change)

Every Wednesday (4 pm) Choir practice ... March 19th, 26th

Sun., March 23—NO RE classes—Spring Break
 Friday March 21—Stations of the Cross— 6:00 pm
Sat./ Sunday, Wednesday—March 22/23/26—Parish Mission 2025
 Sat , March 22—Mass 5:00 pm— Fr. Mike McMahon
 Sunday, March 23 —Mass 11:00 am—Fr. Mike McMahon
 Wed., March 26— Parish Mission 2025—Fr. Mike McMahon 5:00 pm

Friday March 28—Stations of the Cross—6:00 pm



Stations of the Cross
Friday, March 21st, 28th 6:00 pm
 Please make this a 'thing to do'
 during this Lenten Season

*Raise your voices to God.....
 Sing your praises !
 Our choir is in need of additional voices to help
 complete our choir. Don't be shy.
 Practice is every Wednesday at 4:00 pm*



Highlights of Lenton / Easter Season
Stations of the Cross—6:00 pm Friday - March 21st, 28th

Saturday, April 12—Vigil Palm Sunday—Mass 5:00 pm
Sunday, April 13—Palm Sunday—Mass 11:00 am

NOTE CHANGE !!! Father John Horan will celebrate

Thurs., April 17—Holy Thursday service - 7:00 pm
Adoration—until to 10:00 pm

Good Friday, April 18– Service 3:00 pm

Holy Saturday, April 19— Easter Vigil Service—8:00 pm

Easter Sunday, April 20—Mass 11:00 am

Stretch Class being offered
 Mon., Wed., and Fri. 9 am to 10 am At Father Kirk Hall
 Anyone is welcome !! *Start your day with a good stretch !!!*



Attention: Please bring your old **palms** to church and place them in the basket at the back of the church. You will get new palms on Palm Sunday weekend (April 12/13) Thank you.



Pledge your gift to the CMAA !!
 If you have already pledged your support to the Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal (CMAA), we sincerely thank you! Let's join together to meet our parish's goal of \$13,000.00. Each and every gift, regardless of size, truly makes a difference. If you still plan on making your gift, please prayerfully reflect on how best you can *Open your heart to God's goodness* in support of those in need throughout our diocese. Pledge envelopes are still available in the church, or you can use the envelope you received in the mail from the diocese. We also welcome online gifts at jolietdioceseappeal.org Remember, if we raise more than our goal, the diocese will return 70% of the amount over our goal to us to reinvest in our own parish. This is an incredible opportunity and blessing!



March 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.

Dear Padre

March 16, 2025

Does the Church teach how we should dress to go to Mass? Maybe I'm just old-fashioned, but the way some people dress seems very disrespectful.

Church teaching, dogmas, doctrines, and creedal formulations are not the specific resources to consult in order to answer this question. It is properly a matter of discipline and practice, although the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* does direct that "bodily demeanor (gestures, clothing) ought to convey respect" (1387). There are many commentaries on what exactly "respect" might mean.

It would be very difficult to establish a universal dress code. The many different cultures, climates, and particular circumstances of a specific Catholic community make a dress code unmanageable. It seems that you judge the local practice not up to your standards. Your judgment may be correct, or you may have unreasonable expectations. There was a time when "Sunday best" was the established norm. In other communities, the expectation would be "business casual" as a bare minimum. Now, it seems standards and practices are very fluid and flexible. All of this being said, it is ultimately a pastoral concern, not doctrinal or dogmatic. Try not to allow how other people dress distract you from your purpose at Mass. While they may not look like you imagine they should, their prayer might be genuine and heartfelt. ●

Fr. Thomas M. Santa, CSsR / DearPadre.org

In your charity, please pray for
Peter 'Pete' Hartford
 who was called to eternal rest
 on March 12, 2025.
 Grant unto him Eternal rest, and let
 perpetual light shine upon him.
 May he rest in peace.
 May he and all the
 souls of the faithful
 departed rest in peace.
AMEN.



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)
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Please contact these dedicated people if you have any concerns or suggestions about church related issues.



MONDAY
March 17
Lenten Weekday
Dn 9:4b-10
Lk 6:36-38

TUESDAY
March 18
Lenten Weekday
Is 1:10, 16-20
Mt 23:1-12

WEDNESDAY
March 19
St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary
2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16
Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22
Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a
or Lk 2:41-51a

THURSDAY
March 20
Lenten Weekday
Jer 17:5-10
Lk 16:19-31

FRIDAY
March 21
Lenten Weekday
Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a
Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

SATURDAY
March 22
Lenten Weekday
Mi 7:14-15, 18-20
Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

SUNDAY
March 23
Third Sunday of Lent
Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15
1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12
Lk 13:1-9

Pray for the Sick & Homebound



Brian Sullivan / Terry Hutchcraft
Joyce Pearson / Fran Mardis
Rosanne Miller / Ken Freehill
Pat Huth / Gary Gale
Sarah Sarantakos / Jerry Lynch, Sr.
Roger and Edna Huppert
Robert (Sonny) Meyer / Lloyd Power
Martha Benefiel Heavilin

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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Josie Kleist (3/16)
Brian Helmig (3/17)
Willard Pearson (3/17)
Aiden Killian (3/18)
Gary Wilhelmi (3/19)
Lily Giroux (3/19)
Bernadette Campos (3/20)
Liam Killian (3/21)
Gary Gale (3/21)

Happy Anniversary

Rich and Beth Baillie (3/15)
Roger and Kathleen Reum (3/16)
Mark and Jill Andreae (3/18)



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)

