

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

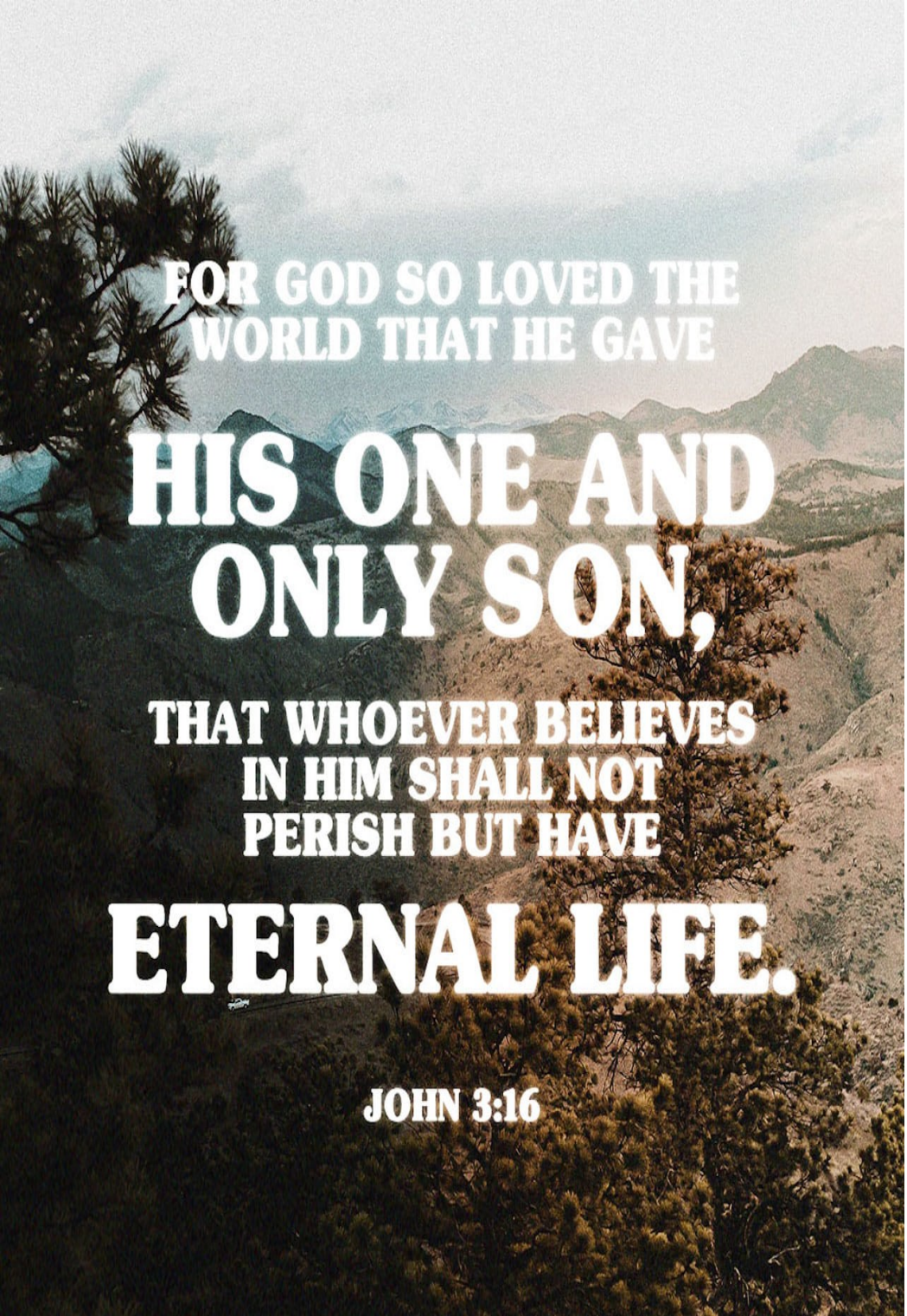
Mass Schedule

Sunday 8:00 am

Thursday 5:30 pm

Confession - Sunday 7:30am

September 14, 2025 24th Sunday Ordinary Time The Exaltation of the Holy Cross



FOR GOD SO LOVED THE
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**HIS ONE AND
ONLY SON,**
THAT WHOEVER BELIEVES
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JOHN 3:16

John 3: 13-17 No one has ever gone into heaven except the one who came from heaven—the Son of Man.. Just as Moses lifted up the snake in the wilderness, so the Son of Man must be lifted up, that everyone who believes may have eternal life in him.” For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him.

Pastor
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Pam Aubry
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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, Sept 15	(OLOL)	No Mass
Tuesday, Sept 16	(OLOL) 5:30 pm (STM)	No Mass Mass
WED Sept.17	8:00 am (OLOL) 8:30—9:30 am (OLOL)	Our Lady of Lourdes Parishioners Adoration
THURS Sept 18	5:30 pm (STJ)	Mass
FRI Sept. 19	8:00 am (STM)	Mass
SAT. Sept. 20	5:00 PM (OLOL)	+Sonny Meyer (by Jerry and Marj Brown)
SUNDAY Sept 21	8:00 am (STJ) 9:30 am (STM) 11:00 am (OLOL) (25th Sunday Ordinary Time)	Mass Mass +William Seymour (by Brad and Linda Long)

**THANK YOU FOR
YOUR GIFTS
OLOL**

Sept 6/7	\$1,805.00
Capital Imp. September (as of Sept.7)	\$ 402.00
CMAA 2025 (goal:\$13,000) (Pledged \$16,525.00) As of Sept.7	\$14,930.00 Bal. Due \$ 1,595.00
Food Pantry Sept. Total Yr to Date FP	\$ 56.00 \$56.00 \$2,881.00

Special Collections

Capital (see above)

*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 Sept. 20 5:00 pm		Fran Mardis	Fran Mardis	(September) Bob Bode	Deacon Paul Sarantakos
SUNDAY Sept. 21 11:00 AM (25th Sunday Ordinary Time)	(September) Beyers children	Jack Kollross	Lisa Heap	(September) 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 September 6 *Saturday* (58) *September 7 Sunday* (63) = *Total* 121
3rd Commandment: Remember to keep holy the Sabbath day.

Parish Calendar and MORE (Subject to change)

Every Wednesday (4 pm) Choir practice ... Sept.17th, 24th

Wednesday, Sept.17—Baby shower for Maggie Davis —see notice next page.
Saturday, Sept. 20—Set up for Picnic at 9:00 am—Volunteers needed !
Sunday, Sept 21—No RE classes due to picnic festivities
Sunday, September 21—Parish Picnic 12 noon to 2:00 pm.



'**Travelling Mary**' is a an event you should consider taking part in. It involves taking the 'Travelling Mary' Statue home for one week, place her in a place of honor, and pray together with your family at least once a day. Make her welcome in your home. Mary will stay in your home for 1 week.... (from Sunday to Saturday). She is to be returned to the church before Saturday evening Mass, so the next family can pick her up. The sign -up sheet is at the back of the church. So far everyone has been very excited over this endeavor. We would like to continue this at least thru this year, and perhaps beyond.

Sept. 14- 20—Maggie Davis

Sept. 21-27—Marj and Jerry Brown

Sept. 28- Oct..4—Jean Wilhelmi



BABY SHOWER — Wednesday, September 17th
When—6:30 to 8:00 PM Where- Parish Hall
Maggie and Craig Davis are expecting a BOY !
All parish ladies are invited to this joyous occasion !
Maggie is requesting any clothes you might be thinking about, she will need BOY clothes for larger than a newborn. Please RSVP to Marj Brown 217-377-3132



**2025 Homecoming Picnic- Sept 21 –
noon to 2 pm**

Set up for the Picnic will be Saturday,
Sept. 20 at 9 am in the parish yard.

Volunteers are needed !!!

Please contact Martha Heavilin
at 309-826-4532.

We need more people to help complete the organization of the Picnic ASAP, working with Martha who has the guide book and is making calls.

Needs include:

- 1.) Volunteers to set up and take down the picnic.
- 2.) Volunteers to help cook the hamburgers and hot dogs.

Please contact Martha at 309-826-4532 or Lori Gale at the rectory Mon and Thursday after 4 pm or send an email to the rectory to volunteer !!!

Remember, many hands make light work !
Thank you in advance.



It is very important these pledges be paid in order for us to reach our parish **goal of \$13,000.00** this year. Once we have reached our goal in paid pledges, 70% of the amount over our goal will be returned to our parish for our needs. Thank you in advance for your continued support !!!

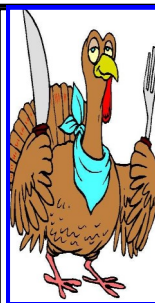
Dear Padre

September 14, 2025

A Protestant friend tells me that Jesus died to take the punishment for our sins. That doesn't seem accurate to me. What does the Church teach about the meaning of Jesus' death on the cross?

Jesus understood his mission to be sacrificing his own life "as a ransom for many" (Matthew 20:28). His fidelity to that mission was even at the cost of death. However, saying Jesus' death was payment for our sins doesn't mean that a vengeful God was appeased by the slaughter of his own innocent son. Rather, we are redeemed because of the mutual love between Father and Son, as well as the love Christ had for us all when he offered his life. "It is love 'to the end' (see John 13:1) that confers on Christ's sacrifice its value as redemption and reparation, as atonement and satisfaction" (Catechism of the Catholic Church, 616). It is in this sense that Jesus' death was a payment—not one to be exacted—but a unique sacrifice "that completes and surpasses all other sacrifices," when "the Father handed his Son over to sinners in order to reconcile us with himself," and the Son of God freely and lovingly offered his human life to his Father "in reparation for our disobedience" (CCC 614). Christ "bore our sins in his body upon the cross.... By his wounds you have been healed" (1 Peter 2:24). Viewed in light of the resurrection, Christ's death has meaning in eternal life's triumph over sin. ●

Fr. Byron Miller, CSsR / DearPadre.org



**Mark the date !!!
November 9, 2025
Our Lady of Lourdes
Annual Turkey Dinner**

Chairman Alyce Hafer is asking for volunteers to help with this year's dinner. She just wanted to give everyone a 'heads up' notice. Please call Alyce at 217 745-2411 to volunteer for one of the day's projects and /or to prep for the day. More information will be coming.

NOTE—Does anyone know where the advertising signs regarding the Turkey Dinner signs are ? If not, would someone be willing to volunteer to make a few new signs ??? Contact Lori or Alyce.



September 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.

NOTE ** Bulletin submissions should be received by WEDNESDAY at 5:00 pm.**
Email to office@ololgc.org. Or call and leave a 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.

September Altar Flowers provided by

Sept. 13/14—Stanley and Terri Davis
 Sept. 20/21—Margy Shambrook
 Sept. 27-28—Kevin and LeaAnn Seymour
The flowers are \$40.00 a bouquet.
You will be billed by Picket Fence

MONDAY

September 15
Our Lady of Sorrows
 1 Tm 2:1-8
 Jn 19:25-27 or
 Lk 2:33-35

TUESDAY

September 16
*Sts. Cornelius,
 Pope, and Cyprian,
 Bishop, Martyrs*
 1 Tm 3:1-13
 Lk 7:11-17

WEDNESDAY

September 17
Weekday
 1 Tm 3:14-16
 Lk 7:31-35

THURSDAY

September 18
Weekday
 1 Tm 4:12-16
 Lk 7:36-50

FRIDAY

September 19
Weekday
 1 Tm 6:2c-12
 Lk 8:1-3

SATURDAY

September 20
*Sts. Andrew Kim
 Tae-gŏn, Priest,
 and Paul Chŏng
 Ha-sang, and
 Companions,
 Martyrs*
 1 Tm 6:13-16
 Lk 8:4-15

SUNDAY

September 21
*Twenty-fifth Sunday
 in Ordinary Time*
 Am 8:4-7
 1 Tm 2:1-8
 Lk 16:1-13 or
 16:10-13

Pray for the Sick & Homebound

Brian Sullivan / Terry Hutchcraft

Joyce Pearson / Fran Mardis

Rosanne Miller / Ken Freehill

Pat Huth / Gary Gale / Paula Cyphert

Sarah Sarantakos / Jerry Lynch, Sr.

Roger Huppert / Lloyd Power

Donata Burnes

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@ololgc.org.

Our Lady of Lourdes Social Media Sites

Please check them out for an
 abundance of information.

Facebook:

www.facebook.com/ololgc.org

Website: www.ololgc.org

Office Email: office@ololgc.org

(Lori Gale & Carla Moxley)

Fr. Nestor Sanchez Email:

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Deacon Paul Sarantakos Email:

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PSarantakos@Parkland.edu

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).



Communion
 for the
 Homebound

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)

