

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

Wednesday 8:30 am

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 suspended until notice

Friday until notice

Eucharistic Adoration

Friday suspended until notice

Confession

Friday suspended until notice



St. Joseph

312 N. Hickory Street

Loda, IL 60948

Mass Schedule

Sunday 8:00 am

Thursday suspended until notice

Confession - Sunday 7:30am

February 1, 2026 4th Sunday Ordinary time



Mt 5:3-9 For theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are they who mourn, for they will be comforted. Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the land. Blessed are they who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be satisfied. Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy. Blessed are the clean of heart, for they will see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

I Am Here.



Come Visit Me.



Eucharistic Adoration

Every Wednesday Mass—8:00 am

Followed by the Rosary, Confession, Adoration
8:30 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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Pam Aubry
217-781-1237

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, Feb 2		
Tuesday, Feb 3	5:30 pm (STM)	Mass
WED Feb 4	8:00 am (OLOL) 8:30 am (OLOL)	+Doreen Grote (by Ted and Peggy Grote) Adoration
THURS Feb 5	5:30 pm (STJ)	Mass
FRI Feb 6	8:00 am (STM)	Mass
SAT. Feb 7	5:00 pm (OLOL)	+Roger Huppert (by Margie Shambrook)
SUNDAY Feb 8	8:00 am (STJ) 9:30 am (STM) 11:00 am (OLOL) (5th Sunday Ordinary Time)	Mass Mass +Pete Hartford (by Carla Moxley)

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GIFTS OLOL	
Jan. 24/25	\$1,660.00
Capital (as of Jan.25)	\$808.00
CMAA 2026 (goal:\$15,700)	\$ 0.00
2025 CMAA Outstanding pledge	\$17,365.00 (due \$120.00)
Food Pantry Jan. Total	\$ 100.00
Yr to Date FP	\$ 310.00

Special Collections

Jan. 24/25
Church in Latin America
\$292.00

Feb 1
Capital

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 Feb.7 5:00 pm			Marj Brown	_____	(February) needed	Deacon Paul Sarantakos
SUNDAY Feb.8 11:00 AM (5th Sunday Ordinary Time)		(February) needed	Lisa Heap	_____	(February) 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 Jan.24 Saturday (40) Jan.25 Sunday (25) = Total 65
3rd Commandment: Remember to keep holy the Sabbath day.

Parish Calendar and MORE (Subject to change)

Every Thursday (3 pm) Choir practice ...February 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th

Sunday, Feb 1—RE Class
Wednesday, February 4—Knights of Columbus meeting 7 pm - Paxton
Thursday, Feb. 5—Dinner for One —reservations by Feb 4
Sunday, Feb. 11—RE Class
February 15—NO RE class
Wednesday, Feb 18th—Ash Wednesday Mass— Our Lady of Lourdes 8:00 am
Ash Wednesday Service—United Methodist Church 5:30pm
Thursday Feb 19—Dinner for One—reservations by Feb 18

What to Give Up...

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| Give up complaining ... | focus on Gratitude |
| Give up pessimism ... | become an Optimist |
| Give up worry ... | trust Divine Providence |
| Give up bitterness ... | turn to Forgiveness |
| Give up hatred ... | return Good for evil |
| Give up negativism ... | be Positive |
| Give up anger ... | be More Patient |
| Give up pettiness ... | become Mature |
| Give up gloom ... | enjoy the Beauty all around you |
| Give up jealousy ... | pray for Trust |
| Give up gossiping ... | control your Tongue |
| Give up sin ... | turn to Virtue |
| Give up giving up ... | Hang in there! |



The 2026 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal has begun !!!

This year's theme is :

Beyond All Expectations: Faith that Elevates!

Through the CMAA, we ensure Christ's mission and ministries reach every-one. We provide shelter for the homeless, feed the hungry, support vocations, and educate the next generation of Catholics. Our parish cannot accomplish this alone. As a diocese, we can so much more. Our parish goal is \$ 15,700.00. We receive 70% of any amount raised over goal to use within our parish. Please review your mailing from the Diocese of Joliet and prayerfully reflect on your gift to this year's appeal. If you do not receive a CMAA mailing, please contact the parish office. Thank you !



'**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.

Feb 1—7 —Pat Harper
Feb. 2- 14—Fran Mardis



Dinner for One Invitation

Please, come and join our Dinner for One group. This group is for anyone who is a Widow or Widower. These events are a chance to talk and meet other people and have some laughs and a delicious meal.

When: Thursday, February 5 and February 19,

2026

Where: Country Kettle 810 S Sangamon Ave. Gibson City

Time: 4:30pm-6:30pm Dinner: 5:00pm

Cost: Order from menu (Alcohol Available)

RSVP: by the 4th and 18th (for making reservations)

(Please Call, Text, or Email Sarah Sarantakos Coordinator/Our Lady of Lourdes) 217-781-0528 or email Sarah.Sarantakos1@gmail.com



Knights of Columbus, Paxton

1. The St. Mary's / St. Joseph's Knights of Columbus, Fr. Paul Benson Council #8229 will be hosting their annual Free Throw Contest on Sunday, February 1st at Paxton Buckley Loda High

School in Paxton, Illinois. The doors open at 12:00 p.m. for registration and warm ups, with the competition beginning at 12:30 p.m.

***Following the Council #8229 contest, winners will stay and participate in the District 35 Contest at approximately 2:15 p.m. ***

All boys and girls ages 9 to 14 (as of January 1, 2026) are invited to participate and will compete in their respective age divisions, with winners progressing through local, district, and state competitions.

For information or questions, please contact Trent Eshleman by e-mail at coachesh11@gmail.com or by voice or text at 217-841-5621.

2. Knights of Columbus 3rd Degree Council will be holding their monthly meeting on Wednesday evening, February 4th at 7 pm. All men from our parish are invited to come and see who the Knights are and what we do.

Brad Pickens phone (217) 417-0017

Note from Lori -

It has been recently reported by Pumpkin (cleaning lady) that various cleaning supplies are missing from the church and hall, mostly toilet paper and garbage bags. Specifically a whole roll of garbage bags was in the church last week and was missing this week.

If you use any cleaning supplies, please put them back where you got them. If you use the last one of anything, please let Lori know.

Attention :

Our Lady of Lourdes needs **1 council member** immediately and **2 more in July**. Also in need of a **new Religious Education Director** after this school year. Please contact the Parish Council for more information.

Volunteers NEEDED >>>>>>Choir members, Ushers, Altar servers, Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers are needed as we start 2026. Please send an email to the rectory or leave a message if you are available to serve our parish in any of these capacities. Your choice of dates !! **God Bless you !!**

From the Parish office —Please note

Flowers for 2026—There are still a few weeks available for signing up for flowers. The list is on the clipboard at the back of the church. Please review and pick what weekend you would like to honor a loved one or special occasion.



PS 146:6-7

**Blessed are the poor in spirit;
the kingdom of heaven is theirs !**



February Rosary Schedule

Wednesday—8:30 am

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**

2025-2026 Parish Council

Pam Aubry (President)
(217-781-1237)
Fran Mardis (217-784-8515)
Jodi Beyers (815-848-3371)
Bernie Campos (217-898-3448)
Beth Baillie (217-954-8003)
Teresa Smith (208-243-2475)
Please contact these dedicated people if you have any concerns or suggestions about church related issues.

February Altar Flowers provided by
Jan. 31/Feb.1—Carla Moxley
Feb. 7/8-Gene and Lisa Heap
Feb. 14/15—Jack and Susan Kollross
Feb 18 to April 2—No flowers for LENT

**The flowers are \$40.00 a bouquet.
You will be billed by Picket Fence**

MONDAY
February 2
The Presentation of the Lord
Mal 3:1-4
Heb 2:14-18
Lk 2:22-40
or 2:22-32

TUESDAY

February 3
Weekday
2 Sm 18:9-10,
14b, 24-25a,
30-19:3
Mk 5:21-43

WEDNESDAY

February 4
Weekday
2 Sm 24:2, 9-17
Mk 6:1-6

THURSDAY

February 5
St. Agatha, Virgin and Martyr
1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12
Mk 6:7-13

FRIDAY

February 6
St. Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs
Sir 47:2-11
Mk 6:14-29

SATURDAY

February 7
Weekday
1 Kgs 3:4-13
Mk 6:30-34

SUNDAY

February 8
Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Is 58:7-10, 1 Cor 2:1-5. Mt 5:13-16

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.
Lloyd Power / Donata Burnes/ Peter Erdman
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

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Lori Gale –secretary
Carla Moxley-bulletin editor

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Mark Skinner (2/2)
Spencer Kleist (2/2)
Jim Ruddy (2/7)

Happy Anniversary

God Bless our Parish Family !



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)

A note concerning Hall Rental—

Although we do require a cleaning deposit when a party rental fee is reserved please be aware that you are responsible to clean the Hall and kitchen following your event. If that is done, your cleaning deposit will be returned. Refer any questions to Lori at the office.