# OUR LADY OF LOURDES CATHOLIC CHURCH

534 N WOOD GIBSON CITY, IL





# Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church

## Immaculate Conception Catholic Mission

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Immaculate Conception 202 E. Green Street



## December 9th, 2012 2nd Sunday of Advent

#### **WELCOME**

We welcome all our visitors and friends to our Parish. We are glad that you are here with us today. If you would like to join our Faith Community, please call (217) 784-4671, or stop by at the Parish office at any time.

Rev. John Phan Pastor 217-784-4671 Mr. Jeff Volker Deacon 217-781-8238

Parish Secretary: Patti Meunier
Director of Rel. Education: Alyce Hafer
Director of Youth Ministry: Bruce Killian
Musicians: Michele Fackler
Corey Fields
Parish Council President: Matt Doran (O.L.L.)

For Confession: By appointment-any time

At Our Lady of Lourdes: Saturday - 4:30 p.m.

For Baptism: Call the Rectory at least four weeks before the

baptism. Baptismal instruction for the parents and the

god-parents is required.

For Marriage: Call the Rectory at least six months before. A six

month preparation time is required.

#### Mass Schedule

#### Our Lady of Lourdes:

Saturday - 5:00 p.m.; Sunday - 7:00am & 10:30 a.m.

Monday - 8:00 am; Tues 8:00 am Thursday 6:30 pm Friday - 8:00 a.m. Holy Days: 7:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.

Immaculate Conception:

Sunday- 8:30 a.m.

**Eucharistic Adoration** 8:30-9:30 am on Tuesdays

7-8pm on Thursdays

We Are Called To Share Our Time, Talent, & Treasure Looking for another way to share your treasure with Our Lady of Lourdes and Immaculate Conception? If you have stocks, bonds, or mutual funds that you would like to donate, please consider gifting to Our Lady of Lourdes and Immaculate Conception. Please also consider Our Lady of Lourdes and Immaculate Conception when you review your Estate Plan and/or Will. For more information or assistance, contact Father John at 217-784-4671 or pastor@ololgc.org

Mon—12/10/12	8:00 am	Lyla Hutchcraft
Tue—12/11/12	8:00 am	
Wed—12/12/12		
Thurs—12/13/12	6:30 pm	Lyla Hutchcraft
Fri—12/14/12	8:00 am	Ruby Kemmer
Sat—12/15/12	5:00 pm	
Sun—12/16/12	7:00 am 8:30 am 10:30 am	For the People (OLL) Genevieve Schwarz (Imm. Conception) For the People (OLL)



#### **Mass Intentions**

If you wish to have a mass intention for a loved one, anniversary or other occasion, please contact the parish office. Mass intentions are \$10.

Thank You For Your Gifts!					
	O.L.L.	I.C.			
Envelopes	\$2246.50	\$510 (total)			
Loose	\$420				
Special					
Other (Capital Improvements)	\$1330				

Even though we have reached our goal due to some generous donations and memorials, if you are still able, please don't forget to keep fulfilling your pledge.

Date	Altar Servers	Lectors	Euch. Minister	Ushers	Homebound Ministry
Saturday, Dec 15 5:00 pm	Tyler Killian Giles Volker	Mary Fairfield		Calling all men to join the Usher	Michelle Rosenbaum & family
Sunday, Dec 16 7:00 am	Ben Freehill	Jim Freehill		Team! See signup sheets in the	
Sunday, Dec 16 10:30 am	Andrew Laughery Hattie Parsons	Ray Hankes Sarah Sarantakos	Deacon Jeff	back of church.	+

Ministry Schedules can also be viewed on our website: http://ololgc.org/



# **Father John's Corner**

**COMMUNICATIONS** 

FROM THE BISHOP

## 2012 RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

In his Prayer for Generosity, St. Ignatius of Loyola asks for guidance in living selflessly. "Teach me to

serve you as you deserve; to give and not to count the cost . . . to labor and not to ask for reward, save that of knowing that I do your will."

This prayer comes to mind as I reflect on the faithful service of our nation's elder religious. These women and men—Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests—never stopped to count the cost as they educated the young, cared for the sick, and sustained the poor and the outcast. In so doing, they made an inestimable contribution to the Church in the United States, establishing Catholic schools, hospitals, and social-service agencies.

Today, many senior religious continue to manifest God's love and generosity by serving in a wide range of volunteer activities. Others, though sometimes frail and infirm, remain dedicated to a ministry of prayer. Nearly all are challenged by the rising cost of care. Most elder religious worked for years for small stipends, leaving a substantial gap in retirement savings. A majority of religious communities now struggle to provide necessary medications, nursing care, and basic services for their older members.

Soon our parishes will be conducting the annual collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious, an opportunity for each of us to emulate the generosity exemplified by our senior religious. I understand many of you have financial difficulties of your own; I ask simply that you give what you can. Please join me in supporting the Retirement Fund for Religious and in praying for God's continued blessing on our nation's elderly sisters, brothers, and religious order priests.

God bless you,

Most Reverend R. Daniel Conlon Bishop of Joliet

## Parish Events in December

Dec. 16: RE Reconciliation for grade 7-8 and Youth from 9:45am-

10:15am

Dec. 18: C.A.L.M. Meeting at 6:30 pm in the hall

Dec. 19: Parish Council at 7 pm

Dec. 20: Parish Reconciliation after 6:30pm mass

Dec. 23: Christmas Break—No RE Class or Youth Group

Dec. 30: Christmas Break—No RE Class or Youth Group

**Usher Ministry:** Calling all men in the parish to consider joining the Usher team. Signup sheets are on the bulletin board in the church narthex. You will find your name on the list. Old and new Ushers, please mark in the time slot where you are most likely attend mass. ? Contact **Jerry Lynch, Sr. at 784-8482**.



# Our Condolences to Paul Sarantakos and his family

For the loss of his mother,

Martha Sarantakos

# Reconciliation Schedule At OLOL

Saturday, Dec 15 and 22 from 4-4:45pm.
Dec 20 after 6:30pm mass

At IC

Dec 23 after 8:30am mass

### **Christmas Mass Schedule**

## **Christmas Eve Mass**

4:00pm Immaculate Conception-Roberts 6:00pm Our Lady of Lourdes 10:00pm Our Lady of Lourdes (9:30-caroling)

#### **Christmas Day Mass**

10:30am Our Lady of Lourdes

# Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

(New Year Eve) 5pm Immaculate Conception-Roberts

# Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

(New Year Day) 10:30am Our Lady of Lourdes

ACT Theater Company proudly presents...

Iwing Berlin's
WHITE CHRISTMAS
The Musical

7:00 pm

December 14th and 15th 1:00 Matinee added on Dec. 15th Father Kirk Hall - Gibson City

Tickets: \$ 10.00 per person





Seating is limited, so call soon!