# Welcome

Welcome to Our Lady of Lourdes and Immaculate Conception! We are glad you are here with us today. If you would like to join our Faith Community,

# **Our Lady of Lourdes**

Established - 1875 534 N. Wood Street Gibson City, IL 60936

# Mass Schedule

Saturday 5 pm
Sunday 7 am & 10:30 am
Monday 8 am
Tuesday 8 am
Thursday 6:30 pm
Friday 8 am
Holy Days: 7 am & 7 pm

# Eucharistic Adoration

Tuesday 8:30-9:30 am Thursday 7-8 pm

# Confession

Saturday 4:30 pm (OLOL) Any time by Appointment



# **Immaculate Conception**

202 E. Green Street Roberts, IL 60962

Mass Schedule Sunday 8:30 am Confession Sunday 8:15AM (IC)



# **Parish Office**

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(217) 784-4671
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# March 16, 2014 Second Sunday of Lent



Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church



Immaculate Conception
Catholic Mission

#### **Pastor**

Rev. Thomas Theneth, CMI

### Deacon

Jeff Volker

# **Parish Secretary**

Patti Meunier

# **Religious Education**

Alyce Hafer

# **Youth Ministry**

Bruce Killian

### Musicians

Michele Fackler Corey Fields

# Parish Council President

Matt Doran (OLOL)

#### THIS WEEK'S 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.

MON March 1	7 8:00AM	
TUE March 18	8:00AM	
<b>WED</b> March 19		NO MASS
THU March 20	6:30PM	
FRI March 21	8:00AM	
SAT March 22	5:00PM	
SUN March 23	7:00AM(OLOL)	For Parishioners
	8:30 AM (IC)	For Parishioners
	10:30 AM (OLOL)	Eleanor Kerber

# Thank You For Your Gifts

### **OLOL**

Envelopes \$ **3042.00** 

Loose **\$564.00** 

Capital Imp. \$396.00

# **Imm. Conception**

Total **\$710.00** 

There will be a second collection March 22 & 23 for the Knights of Columbus Food for Families Drive.

See details on p. 3

MINISTRY SCHEDULES								
	<u>Date</u>	Altar Servers	<u>Lectors</u>	Euch. Minister	<u>Ushers</u>	Homebound Ministry		
-	Sat, March 22 5:00PM	Andrew Laughery Braden Roesch	Patti Huppert Marj Brown		Leo Chapman Stan Alt	Mary Wurmnest		
	Sun, Feb March 23 7:00AM	Remi Astronomo	Becky Doran			2014 CMAA ANNUAL APPEAL GOALS OLL \$11,786 IC \$1,149		
	Sun, March 23 10:30AM	Hannah & Haven Hathaway	Ray Hankes Marron Parsonss	Deacon Jeff	Brett Beyers Paul Volker			
	Volunteers are always needed for our parish ministries. For more information on how to join, contact the parish office.							

# **Baptism**

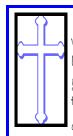
Call the Rectory at least four weeks before the baptism. Baptismal instruction for the parents and God-parents is required.

#### 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. Thomas at (630) 639-0502 or Deacon Jeff at (217) 781-8238.

# Marriage

Call the Rectory at least six months before. A six month preparation time is required.



Paul and Sarah Sarantakos invite you to write any need you have in the Prayer Book located at the back of the church. You and your needs will be kept in their prayers as they travel to and from Joliet for Paul's diaconate classes.



Check out our new and improved website at www.dioceseofjoliet.org

# During the Lenten season, we will offer

Stations of the Cross

on Friday
evenings at
7PM at Our Lady of
Lourdes Church.

# Pray for the Sick & Homebound

Tony Coons
Mary Cothern
Jesse Cervelli
Vicky Stuckey
Dick Walter
Doris Benter
Penny Campbell
Loretta Bode
Rita Benefiel
Chuck Kemmer

If you wish to add the name of a loved one who is sick, please contact the parish office at 217-784-4671 or pastor@ololgc.org.

# **Father Thomas' Corner**



### The 40 Days of the Lenten Fast

The Catechism of the Catholic Church (para. 540) states:

By the solemn forty days of *Lent* the Church unites herself each year to the mystery of Jesus in the desert.

The 40 days mentioned here are not figurative or approximate; they are not a metaphor; they are literal. They are tied, as the 40 days of Lent have always been for Christians, to the 40 days that Christ spent in fasting in the desert after His baptism by John the Baptist. Paragraphs 538-540 of the Catechism of the Catholic Church speak of the "salvific meaning of this mysterious event," in which Jesus is revealed as "the new Adam who remained faithful just where the first Adam had given in to temptation."

By uniting "herself each year to the mystery of Jesus in the desert," the Church participates directly in this salvific act. It's no wonder, then, that from a very early period in the Church's history, a literal 40 days of fasting has been seen as necessary by Christians.

Church unites means each member of the Church unites with Jesus. So it is our duty as Christians, as members of Catholic Church, to unit ourselves with Jesus Christ these forty days of Lent in order to well equip ourselves to fight against the evil tendencies within us that make us inactive Christians in our spiritual life.

# From the RE Desk



PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR CONFIRMATION STUDENTS WHO WILL ATTEND A RETREAT MARCH 22ND IN PAXTON. WE HAVE 19 POTENTIAL CANIDATES BEING PRESENTED TO THE BISHOP FOR CONFIRMATION THIS YEAR. ASK THE HOLY SPIRIT TO POUR OUT HIS SPECIAL GRACES UPON THEM AND DEACON JEFF AS WELL AS THE OTHER CANIDATES FROM OUR SISTER PARISH IN PAXTON WHO ARE PREPARING FOR THIS NEXT STEP IN THEIR FAITH. CONFIRMATION IS SAT MAY 17TH AT THE 5PM MASS.

FIRST COMMUNION RETREAT SUNDAY MARCH 30TH 11:30-2:45 AT FR KIRK HALL. LETTERS WENT OUT TO PARENTS THIS WEEK. PLESE CALL ALYCE IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS. PARISHIONERS PLEASE CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR OUR LITTLE ONES WHO WILL RECIEVE THEIR FIRST COMMINON ON SUNDAY APRIL 6TH @ THE 10:30 MASS.



QUESTIONS CALL ALYCE @ 217 745-2411 OR JOENALYCEH@CAWI.ORG

#### Women's Cursillo Weekend

The Catholic church has something very special to help us know Christ and ourselves in a new way. It is called Cursillo. It is three days away from the world with other Christians and our Lord Jesus Christ. We know people are busy and your plate is so full and three days seems like a long time to sacrifice...but isn't your faith worth it? Are you going to tell Jesus that you don't have three days for Him? Didn't He spend three days in the grave for you!

On March 27-30, 2014, there will be a Women's Cursillo at Our Lady of the Lake Church in Mahomet. Sign up now while there is still room and give your three days to Jesus.

To sign up, contact one of the following: Lisa Volker, Andi Killian, Lisa Heap, Marj

#### **PARISH EVENTS**

# Wed. March 19

• Finance Council Meeting 7PM

#### Sat. March 22

Confirmation Retreat
 @ Paxton 10AM-3PM

#### Wed. March 26

- Staff Meeting 6PM
- Parish Council Meeting 7PM

#### Fri. March 28

K of C Fish Fry

#### Sun. March 30

• First Communion Retreat 11:30-2:45

### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FOOD FOR FAMILIES DRIVE

Reminder about the 2nd collection March 22 & 23 for the Knights of Columbus Food for Families Drive. 100% of all donations will be given to the Gibson Area Food Pantry. Anyone wishing to contribute to the extra collections can write checks out to the Knights of Columbus, 7372.

Thank you.



# Mark your calendars!

Our Lady of Lourdes' K of C will host Lenten Fish Fries 3/14 & 3/28 4/11 & 4/25

from 5:00 to 6:30 pm.

Dinners are \$8.00, children under 12 free.

Any questions can be directed to chairpersons Matt or Mark Doran

We would be grateful if anyone bringing a dessert or salad would use a disposable container., unless you plan to take your dish home that evening, and many thanks in advance for your culinary donation!!