

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, please contact our parish office or stop by any time.

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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May 24, 2015 Pentecost Sunday



What is Pentecost?

For Christians, Pentecost is a holiday on which we commemorate the coming of the Holy Spirit on the early followers of Jesus. Before the events of the first Pentecost, which came a few weeks after Jesus' death and resurrection, there were followers of Jesus, but no movement that could be meaningfully called "the church." Thus, from an historical point of view, Pentecost is the day on which the church was started. This is also true from a spiritual perspective, since the Spirit brings the church into existence and enlivens it. Thus Pentecost is the church's birthday.

What actually happened on that day of Pentecost?

This event is recorded in the New Testament book known as The Acts of the Apostles. Chapter 2 begins, "And when the day of Pentecost [*ten hemeran tes pentekostes*] had come, [the first followers of Jesus] were all together in one place" (2:1). All of a sudden, a sound came from heaven, like a strong wind, filling the house where the people had gathered. Something like tongues of fire rested on their heads. "And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages as the Spirit gave them the ability to speak" (2:4). (Notice the tongues of fire on the heads of the people in the painting by Restout.)

The languages spoken by the early Christians were intelligible (not other worldly) and were heard by thousands of Jewish pilgrims who had come to Jerusalem to celebrate *Shavuot*. The content of the miraculous messages had to do with God's mighty works (2:11). Many who heard these messages in their own languages were amazed, though others thought the Christians were just drunk (2:12).

At some point, Peter, one of the leading followers of Jesus, stood up and preached his first sermon. He interpreted the events of that morning in light of a prophecy of the Hebrew prophet Joel. In that text, God promised to pour out his Spirit on all flesh, empowering diverse people to exercise divine power. This would be a sign of the coming "day of the Lord" (Acts 2:16-21; Joel 2:28-32).

Peter went on to explain that Jesus had been raised and had poured out the Spirit in fulfillment of God's promise through Joel (2:32-33). When the crowd asked what they should do, Peter urged them to turn their lives around and be baptized in the name of Jesus. Then they would be forgiven and would receive the gift of the Holy Spirit (2:37-39). Acts reports that about 3,000 people were added to the church that day (2:41). Not a bad response to Peter's first sermon!

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Music Director

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Parish Council President

Eric Rosenbaum (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 May 25	8:00AM	Tredennick Family Ulrich Family
TUE May 26	8:00AM	Veneto Family Jeff Volker Family
WED May 27	8:00AM	Paul Volker Family Corey Volker Family
THU May 28	6:30PM	Marge Carlson
FRI May 29	8:00AM	Walter Family Charles Weber Family
SAT May 30	5:00PM	Vickie Stuckey
SUN May 31	7:00AM (OLOL) 8:30 AM (IC) 10:30 AM (OLOL)	Woolums Family Schall Family Susan Verdeyn

Thank You For Your Gifts OLOL

Envelopes \$2831.00
Loose \$378.00
Capital Imp. \$200.00
Food Pantry \$57.00

Imm. Conception

Total \$159.75

When we meet our CMAA Goals!
OLOL and IC will get back 65% of every dollar received above our goals. Reaching our goals is a great achievement, and continuing to give is even greater!

CMAA Goals
OLOL: \$8,482
Goal: (\$12,576)
IC: \$515
(Goal: \$1,224)

MINISTRY SCHEDULES

Date	Altar Servers	Lectors	Euch. Minister	Ushers	Homebound Ministry
Sat, May 30 5:00PM	Giles Volker Angelica Cullotta	Lisa Heap	Marj Brown	Paul Volker Stan Alt	Lisa Heap
Sun, May 31 7:00AM	Remi Astronomo	Michelle Rosenbaum			
Sun, May 31 10:30AM	Hannah Kollross Isabella Helmig	Sarah Sarantakos	Paul Sarantakos	Caine Jost Michael Smith	

Min- 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 .

Marriage

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

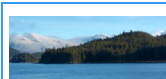


Judy Tjarks (5/25)
Mike Medernach (5/26)
Nicole Miller (5/27)
Hannah Kollross (5/28)
Owen Stroh (5/29)



Chris & Mary Giroux
(5/29)

A Note from Deacon Jeff



I have a unique opportunity



for a couple, or for 2-3 individuals to join us here in Alaska at the Shrine of St. Therese. We have a very limited amount of volunteer positions available for those looking for a wonderful way to spend their summer.

In exchange for assisting in the daily care of the Shrine and her visitors, we will provide room & board and a small stipend...oh, and the most breathtaking views anywhere, all at your front door!

Interested? Please contact me at deaconvolker@yahoo.com or 217-781-8238 and become part of a real ministry in motion at the Shrine!



SAINTS OF THE WEEK

Monday, May 25
St. Bede the Venerable
Tuesday, May 26
St. Philip Neri
Wednesday, May 27
St. Augustine of Canterbury
Thursday, May 28
Venerable Pierre Toussaint
Friday, May 29
St. Madeleine Sophie Barat
Saturday, May 30
St. Joan of Arc
Sunday, May 31
Visitation

Food Pantry

I want to thank the 30 plus different individuals from Our Lady of Lourdes that assisted with the set-up on Friday, May 15 and/or with the actual food distribution on Saturday, May 16. Approximately 110 appreciative families were served. It is always a rewarding experience to assist other people who are in need. If you would like to be added to the volunteer list for future food pantries sponsored by our Church, then please contact me at cpaubry@mchsi.com.

Chuck Aubry



PARISH EVENTS



Wed, May 27

- **Staff Mtg 6PM**
- **Parish Council Mtg 7PM**

Sat, May 30

- **CHWC Youth Group CAR WASH (weather permitting)**



From the RE Desk

REGISTRATION FORMS ON BULLETIN BOARD IN VESTIBULE

Register now for **Totus Tuus** summer Catechetical Program.
This years Theme: Virtues Mysteries: Sorrowful

TT TEAM Members WILL BE SPEAKING AT ALL MASSES SAT & SUN
June 13TH AND 14TH

*****DAILY MASS 11:15 FOR ALL PARISHIONERS MON-FRI OF TT WEEK*****
(PENDING PRIEST AVAILABILITY...PRAY FOR PRIESTS)

Grade 1-6 School Program 9a-2:30p: Starts Monday June 15th and ends Friday June 19th. A **COOKOUT** will be provided Friday from the K of C.

Please come 8:45am Monday if you still need to register. Invite your friends to share in TT!! Please pack a lunch daily for your child. Drinks will be provided. Please bring a package of cookies, crackers or bag of chips to share for snack breaks!! Children are invited to bring frisbees, jump ropes, balls, out-doors games for daily recess with the TT team.

WED EVENING JUNE 17TH A POTLUCK WILL BE HELD FROM 5PM-6:30PM FOR ALL OUR OF PARISHIONERS.

Grade 7-12 Jr HS & HS Program 7p-9p: Starts Sunday June 14th 7Pm and ends Thursday June 18th. Please come 6:45pm Sunday if you still need to register. Invite others to share in Totus Tuus!! Thursday night is Teen Social night

Check the bulletin for additional details **or** direct any questions to: *Bernie Campos 217 898-3448*



As the week of June 7-12 nears, the kids set to attend Catholic Heart Work Camp in Knoxville, TN continue to work on some final FUNDRAISERS to help offset the costs. You can look forward to the following activities!

May 30

- **CAR WASH** WEATHER PERMITTING AT CITY HALL

STAINED GLASS WINDOWS



We are searching for any historical information on Our Lady of Lourdes Church, specifically the stained glass

windows and the families that donated them. If you can help us out, please contact the office or Denis Fisher at (217)249-1989.

Pray for the Sick & Homebound

Tony Coons
Mary Cothorn
Jesse Cervelli
Dick Walter
Loretta Bode
Chuck Kemmer
Vivian Geurts
Mardella Duffy
Dennis Stack
Chuck Freehill
Paul Volker
Milt Seyller
Judy Schall

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.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS AT CATHEDRAL



The Diocese of Joliet will hold its Thirty-Seventh Annual Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, August 30, 2015 at 2:00PM at the Cathedral of St. Raymond in Joliet. If you are celebrating you 25th or 50th anniversary this

year, please contact the parish office at pastor@ololgc.org or (217)784-4671 so that we may submit your name to the Diocese for a formal invitation. Those celebrating over 50 year anniversaries do not receive a formal invitation, but will be able to register to attend at a later date.

dear Padre

May 24, 2015

What charities should we give to?

Must I give to every charity that asks? Monthly, I receive about fifty requests for money from religious organizations. Some even send free blessed gifts. I do not want to throw them away, but I cannot afford to give to all of these groups. What should I do?

Congratulations on your generosity in helping so many needy causes. The Lord loves a cheerful giver.

Unfortunately as Jesus said, we will always have the poor with us (Matthew 26:11). Private charity can alleviate some of the misery, but it cannot handle all of it. We need true social justice and a fairer distribution of God's gifts, as Pope Francis has repeatedly said so well.

What you can do is evaluate how much money you can budget for gifts.

Decide what your contribution to the parish will be each month. With the money left over, help a few of the groups asking for money. Try to choose the ones you feel are good causes and that may be less likely to receive donations.

As for the religious gifts they send, use what you can. Take whatever is left to your parish church and place it on a table offering free literature and pamphlets. Someone will benefit from your gift!

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Monday

May 25

St. Bede

*the Venerable,
Priest and Doctor
of the Church;*

St. Gregory VII, Pope;

*St. Mary Magdalene
de' Pazzi, Virgin*

Sir 17:20-24

Mk 10:17-27

Tuesday

May 26

Saint Philip Neri,

Priest

Sir 35:1-12

Mk 10:28-31

Wednesday

May 27

*Saint Augustine of
Canterbury, Bishop*

Sir 36:1, 4-5a, 10-17

Mk 10:32-45

Thursday

May 28

Weekday

Sir 42:15-25

Mk 10:46-52

Friday

May 29

Weekday

Sir 44:1, 9-13

Mk 11:11-26

Saturday

May 30

Weekday

Sir 51:12cd-20

Mk 11:27-33

Sunday

May 31

The Most Holy Trinity

Dt 4:32-34, 39-40

Rom 8:14-17

Mt 28:16-20

Good News!

MAY 24, 2015

PENTECOST (B)

Acts 2:1-11 / 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Gal 5:16-25 /
Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 15:26-27; 16:12-15

When our children were toddlers, we played a game called Typhoon. It wasn't much—we looked intently into their eyes and then blew into their faces and said, "typhoon." Whether it was the breath blowing past them or the word itself, I am not sure, but they always widened their eyes, looked startled for a minute, and then started laughing.

The memory of this game comes unbidden when I read that Jesus blew on the disciples and commanded them to receive the Holy Spirit. I can imagine that their eyes widened and they looked startled for a minute. Maybe one or two of them were tempted to laugh, but the enormity of what Jesus said next sobered them quickly. There was power in the Spirit Jesus breathed out: a power to forgive sins.

The Church uses this passage (among others) to support Christ's institution of the sacrament of reconciliation, and so it is. In our reflection, though, we should not forget that we all are called to forgiveness in our relationships with one another.

While our forgiveness is not sacramental, it is a measure of our life in the Spirit that is poured out on the world at Pentecost. One of our great temptations is not to forgive but hold others bound because of our anger, fear, or plain stubbornness.

Remember, though, that forgiving others frees us as much as it frees them. In forgiving, we are no longer bound by hate, resentment, or feelings of vengeance. Rather, we show ourselves transformed in Christ by this immense gift of love.

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