

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
Wednesday 8 am
Thursday 5:30 pm
Friday 8 am
Holy Days: 7 am & 7 pm

Eucharistic Adoration

Tuesday 8:30-9:30 am
Thursday 6-7 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

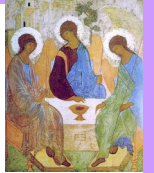
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May 22, 2016 THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

WELCOME FATHER JOHN ECK!
WE ARE EXCITED TO HOST YOU THIS WEEKEND!

NEXT WEEKEND WE WILL WELCOME FATHER THOMAS HOME.

Trinity Sunday



The dogma of faith which forms the object of the feast is this: There is one God and in this one God there are three Divine Persons; the Father is God, the Son is God, the Holy Spirit is God. Yet there are not three Gods, but one, eternal, incomprehensible God! The Father is not more God than the Son, neither is the Son more God than the Holy Spirit. The Father is the first Divine Person; the Son is the second Divine Person, begotten from the nature of the Father from eternity; the Holy Spirit is the third Divine Person, proceeding from the Father and the Son. No mortal can fully fathom this sublime truth. But I submit humbly and say: *Lord, I believe, help my weak faith.*

Why is this feast celebrated at this particular time? It may be interpreted as a finale to all the preceding feasts. All three Persons contributed to and shared in the work of redemption. The Father sent His Son to earth, for "God so loved the world as to give His only-begotten Son." The Father called us to the faith. The Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, became man and died for us. He redeemed us and made us children of God. He ever remains the liturgist *par excellence* to whom we are united in all sacred functions. After Christ's ascension the Holy Spirit, however, became our Teacher, our Leader, our Guide, our Consoler. On solemn occasions a thanksgiving *Te Deum* rises spontaneously from Christian hearts

The feast of the Most Holy Trinity may well be regarded as the Church's *Te Deum* of gratitude over all the blessings of the Christmas and Easter seasons; for this mystery is a synthesis of Christmas, Epiphany, Easter, Ascension and Pentecost. This feast, which falls on the first Sunday after Pentecost, should make us mindful that actually every Sunday is devoted to the honor of the Most Holy Trinity, that every Sunday is sanctified and consecrated to the triune God. Sunday after Sunday we should recall in a spirit of gratitude the gifts which the Blessed Trinity is bestowing upon us. The Father created and predestined us; on the first day of the week He began the work of creation. The Son redeemed us; Sunday is the "Day of the Lord," the day of His resurrection. The Holy Spirit sanctified us, made us His temple; on Sunday the Holy Spirit descended upon the infant Church. Sunday, therefore, is *the* day of the Most Holy Trinity.

PRAYER TO THE HOLY TRINITY

God our Father, who by sending into the world the Word of truth and the Spirit of sanctification made known to the human race your wondrous mystery, grant us, we pray, that in profession the true faith, we may acknowledge the Trinity of eternal glory and adore your Unity, powerful in majesty. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. AMEN.

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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 23 St. Gregory VII	8:00AM	NO MASS
TUE May 24 St. Mary Magdalene de'Pazzi	8:00AM	NO MASS
WED May 25 St. Bede the Venerable	8:00AM	Priest Intentions NO MASS
THU May 26 St. Philip Neri	5:30PM	NO MASS
FRI May 27 St. Augustine of Canterbury	8:00AM	NO MASS
SAT May 28 Venerable Pierre Toussaint	5:00PM	+Chuck Kemmer
SUN May 29 St. Madeleine Sophie Barat	7:00AM (OLOL) 8:30 AM (IC) 10:30 AM (OLOL)	Parish Family Brennan Family +John O'Rourke

**Thank You
For Your Gifts
OLOL**

Sunday Env.	\$1878.50
Loose	\$319.00
Capital Imp.	\$100.00
Food Pantry	\$66.00
May Total	\$235.00
Yr to Date FP	\$1576.00

Sunday Env.	\$105.00
Capital Imp.	\$0

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!

2016 CMAA Goals
OLOL: \$9475
Goal: (\$12,712)
IC: \$1220
(Goal: \$905)

MINISTRY SCHEDULES

<u>Date</u>	<u>Altar Servers</u>	<u>Lectors</u>	<u>Euch. Minister</u>	<u>Ushers</u>	<u>Homebound Ministry</u>
Sat, May 28 5:00PM	Alex Killian Caine Jost	Marj Brown	Stan Alt	Bob Mardis Frank Titus	Marj Brown
Sun, May 29 7:00AM	Jessica Freehill	Andrew Killian			
Sun, May 29 10:30AM	Halle Groover Hannah Hathaway	Jack Kollross	Rob Kollross	Dtan Kleist Paul Obert	

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. 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.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Confirmation Alter Servers</u>	<u>Confirmation Lectors</u>	<u>Confirmation Ushers</u>
Sat, May 28 10:30AM Confirmation Mass	Nathan Garard, Aidan Laughery Andrew Laughery Sophia Helmig	Marj Brown	Greg Laughery Jerry Brown

We are looking for summer volunteers to help water flowers around the Our Lady of Lourdes



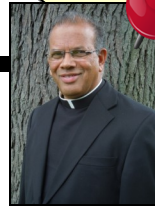
campus. Please email pastor@ololgc.org if you would be available. This would be a great job for kids looking for ways to provide service to the parish! It would only require about 20 minutes to water everything!

Pray for the Sick & Homebound

Tony Coons	Loretta Bode
Mary Cothorn	Mardella Duffy
Jesse Cervelli	Donovan Gaines
Dick Walter	Mary Masco

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.

The Word From Father Thomas



WHY SHOULD I CONFESS THE SAME SINS OVER AND OVER AGAIN?

Sin bores us to death if we think that we are also boring God and so succumb to the lie that confession of habitual sins is an exercise in futility.

The Risen Jesus pulls Peter aside to pose the question three times: "Do you love me?" (Jn 21:15-19). Jesus is not rubbing Peter's face in his infidelity. His mercy repeatedly frees Peter to profess his love. Peter must radically depend on God if his words are to mean anything.

Every confession revives our capacity to love. We imitate Peter in a dynamic that correlates with three essential parts of the sacrament: contrition (love stirs remorse for sin); confession (actual naming and numbering of sins peels away my denial and lays bare my love); and penance (I remedy and restore love where it was forsaken).

The more we approach Jesus in the sacrament of confession, the more we share in the recreative power of the cross. As both penitent and confessor, I know very well how regular confession helps instill hope that God's grace, dripping like raindrops on a sometimes stony heart, softens habits of inertia so that, instead of a weary recitation of sins, we wonderfully recognize how this time, in this particular area of life, habit has been overcome, and—thanks be to God—we have truly heeded the call to "go and sin no more."

~Father William M. Joensen

PARISH EVENTS



Saturday, May 28

- Food Pantry 9AM-12Noon
- **CONFIRMATION 10:30AM**

Tuesday, May 31

- CALM between 6:30PM-7PM



Sunderland Scholarship

The Sunderland Scholarship is awarded each year to a graduating senior from Our Lady of Lourdes.

To make a donation toward this year's scholarship award, please use the red offertory envelope marked for this purpose and drop it in the collection basket. Your generosity toward helping our parish youth is greatly appreciated.

REMINDER...Confirmation will be next Saturday morning (May 28) at 10:30 AM at Our Lady of Lourdes Church. Please keep these children in your prayers this week as they make their final preparations for the sacrament of the Holy Spirit.



Food Pantry Volunteers

Here are some details for our next OLL Food Pantry opportunity

1. **Date:** Saturday, June 11, 2016
2. **Arrival Time:** Volunteers report at 8:30 a.m
3. **Ending Time:** Noon
4. The Food Pantry location is across the street from the GAH in the metal storage facility located on the west side of Melvin Street. The volunteers will enter the storage facility through the alley on the west side of the storage building. Even though there is parking on the south side of the building, we ask our volunteers to park on the south side of the hospital at the corner of Melvin and Hagar Drive. This allows the parking lot next to the food distribution facility to be used by the individuals that are picking up supply and food items.
5. Our Lady of Lourdes is providing the volunteers for this date.
6. There will be a need for additional help to set up Friday night. Usually 6-12 people is ample.
7. Please email caubry55@gmail.com so that I will be able to verify that OLL will have enough volunteers. I will send out another email during the first week of June.
8. Even though the majority of our volunteers will be working in the building, there will be a need for some volunteers to escort people to their vehicles. This is a great job for the youth of our parish. As in the past, thank you for stepping forward as a volunteer to eradicate hunger in our community! I look forward to working side by side with you on Saturday, June 11.

Chuck Aubry (217-249-8304)



Food Pantry SIGNUP

Saturday, June 11, 2016 (second Saturday in June) from 8:30 A.M. until noon will be our forth scheduled opportunity to supply the labor for the local food pantry. As in the past, at least 25 workers will be needed to work on that Saturday.

If you have not signed up previously, please email me at caubry55@gmail.com. Include your name, phone number, and email address. The only age qualification is to be in at least 6th grade.

There may also be a need for a few workers for set-up on the evening of Friday, June 10, 2016.

From the RE Desk

TOTUS TUUS ~June 25-July 1~ Mark your calendar and watch the bulletin for more details. We will firm up details with Fr. Thomas when he returns from India. Contact Bernie 217-898-3558 or Alyce 217-745-2511.



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



Tom & Jill Rock (5/29)
Chris & Mary Giroux (5/29)

dear Padre

May 22, 2016

Why an annulment is needed

I'm not Catholic and already divorced. Why do I need an annulment to remarry?

You need an annulment because the Church presumes that your marriage is valid. If two baptized Methodists marry before a Methodist minister, the Church presumes that the marriage is valid and sacramental. The Catholic Church recognizes Protestant baptisms in the same way. For this reason we do not rebaptize Protestant converts or remarry a couple when one or both enter the Catholic Church. The annulment process is not a "Catholic divorce"; it is an investigation of a relationship to see if at the point of the wedding, a true (valid) marriage was effected. If a marriage is valid according to Christ, it cannot be annulled. If, however, something was lacking from the very beginning, the marriage was not valid and can be annulled, freeing the parties to remarry.

For a marriage to be valid, the spouses must:

1. be free to marry and freely exchange their consent;
2. in consenting to marry, intend to be together for life, to be faithful to each other, and to be open to children;
3. intend the good of each other; and give their consent in the presence of two witnesses and before a properly authorized minister.

Through the annulment process the Church tribunal determines whether a marriage was valid. This is the same for all marriages, whether between Catholics, Christians, or nonbaptized adults.

FR. PATRICK KEYES, CSSR
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Monday
MAY 23
Weekday
1 Pt 1:3–9
Mk 10:17–27

Tuesday
MAY 24
Weekday
1 Pt 1:10–16
Mk 10:28–31

Wednesday
MAY 25
Weekday
1 Pt 1:18–25
Mk 10:32–45

Thursday
MAY 26
*St. Philip Neri,
Priest*
1 Pt 2:2–5, 9–12
Mk 10:46–52

Friday
MAY 27
Weekday
1 Pt 4:7–13
Mk 11:11–26

Saturday
MAY 28
Weekday
Jude 17, 20b–25
Mk 11:27–33

Sunday
MAY 29
*Most Holy
Body and Blood
of Christ*
Gn 14:18–20
1 Cor 11:23–26
Lk 9:11b–17

Good News!

May 22, 2016
TRINITY SUNDAY (C)

Prv 8:22–31 / Rom 5:1–5 / Jn 16:12–15

There was a period in my life when I thought I knew everything and that my way was the only way to go. The opinions of my parents and friends were politely (and sometimes not so politely) set aside. I blithely followed my own advice and did my own thing until time, maturity, and a few uncomfortable situations helped me to acquire a little humility. Even now, to be completely honest, I must admit to suffering a relapse from time to time. Is there anyone who hasn't occasionally thought, "Be reasonable: do it my way?"

We tend to think we know what's best for us and for others. We rely on our experience and intelligence. Sometimes we're right; often we are wrong. When our self-confidence and power become more important than the truth and common good, we easily verge into arrogance and stubbornness. Jesus reminds us that the Holy Spirit, whom he calls the Spirit of Truth, is the ultimate guide. In choosing to follow the Spirit and accepting Christ's authority, we admit that we do not know it all and that we are not the greatest.

Our Creed is built on this acceptance. From our first profession of faith, we stand in humble awareness that God alone knows it all and desires what is best for us and the whole world. This "best" includes a God who is an everlasting relationship-in-being: Three Persons who were at the beginning, are now, and ever shall be. Our celebration of the Trinity should include a giving thanks for the wisdom that comes from union with God and his Church.

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