#### 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 pastor@ololgc.org or stop by any time on Monday or after Masses.

#### **Our Lady of Lourdes**

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

#### **Parish Office**

Phone & Fax: (217) 784-4671 General Information pastor@ololgc.org

#### Website

www.ololgc.org

#### Mass Schedule

Saturday 5 pm Sunday 11:30 am Wednesday 8:00 am Thursday 5:30 pm

#### Eucharistic Adoration

Wednesday following Mass

### Confession

Saturday 4:30 pm Wednesday during Adoration Any time by Appointment

### FOR YOUR INFORMATION �

### St. Mary

407 W. Pells Street Paxton, IL 60957

#### Mass Schedule

Sunday 9:30 am Wednesday 7:00 pm Friday 8:00 am

#### Eucharistic Adoration

Friday following 8AM Mass Confession

Friday following 8AM Mass



#### St. Joseph

312 N. Hickory Street Loda, IL 60948 Mass Schedule Sunday 8:00 am Tuesday 5:30 pm Confession

Sunday 7:30am

## April 14, 2019 PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD





Jesus cried out in a loud voice, "Father, into your hands I commend my spirit"; and when he had said this he breathed his last.

#### **Pastor**

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## Parish Secretary Bulletin Editor

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Tannie Smith CO-DRE Alyce Hafer CO-DRE

## Youth Ministry Michael Smith

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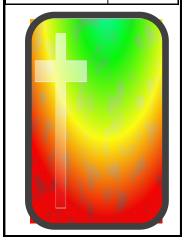
If interested contact pastor@ololgc.org

## Parish Council President

Michael Smith (309)530-1803

THIS WEEK'S INTENTIONS					
MON April 15		NO MASS			
TUE April 16	8:00AM (OLL) 5:30PM (STJ)	Parish Family			
WED April 17	8:00 AM (OLL)	Veneto Family Hansen Familly			
THU April 18 HOLY THURSDAY 6:3	7:30PM (STM) 5:30PM (OLL) L5PM-11PM (OLL)	Mass & Adoration till 10PM Mass Adoration at Fr. Kirk Hall +Bob Mardis			
FRI April 19	12:00PM (STM) 3:00PM (STJ) 7:00PM (STM) 3:00PM (OLL) 7:00PM (OLL)	Stations of the Cross Passion Service Passion Service Stations of the Cross Passion Service Parish Family			
SAT April 20 Holy Saturday Vigil	7:30PM (OLL) 8:00PM (STM)	+Steve Heavilin			
SUN April 21 EASTER SUNDAY	8:00AM (STJ) 9:30AM (STM) 9:00AM (OLL)	+Donald, Ruby & Marvin			

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GIFTS OLOL				
Sunday Total	\$2350.50			
Capital Imp.	\$155.00			
CMAA 2019 (goal: \$12,300)	\$12,300			
Food Pantry March Total Yr to Date FP	\$45.00 \$306.00 \$818.00			



<u>Date</u>	Altar Servers	<u>Lectors</u>	Euch. Minister	<u>Ushers</u>	<u>Homebound</u> <u>Ministry</u>
HOLY SATURDAY SAT April 20 7:30PM	Walter Smith NEEDED	Marj Brown Fran Mardis	Fran Mardis Marj Brown Carla Moxley	Frank Titus Jerry Brown	Paul & Sarah Sarantakos
EASTER SUNDAY SUN April 21 9:00AM	NEEDED NEEDED	NEEDED		Dan Kleist Spencer Kleist	

#### **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. Dong at (217)784-4671 Emergency (630)456-5406

#### Marriage/RCIA

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

<u>Date</u>	Altar Servers	<u>Lectors</u>	Euch. Minister	<u>Ushers</u>
April 18 5:30PM FOLLOWED BY ADORATION 6:15PM- 11PM At the hall	Walter Smith NEEDED	Jim Meyer		Dan Kleist Spencer Kleist
GOOD FRIDAY April 19 7:00PM	Walter Smith NEEDED	Fran Mardis Marj Brown		NEEDED NEEDED
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#### WHAT DOES FOLLOWING THE WAY OF THE CROSS MEAN?

- Following the Way of the Cross means yielding to any and all discomfort, rejection, and suffering we may encounter as we carry out the mission of Christ. Christ has shared the prophetic mission of proclaiming the gospel, while denouncing and resisting evil.
- Following the Way of the Cross means accepting the mission of serving the people especially "the least of these" — emulated in actions that propel and support justice and
- Following the Way of the Cross means that as we struggle against evil, we follow the path of peace and nonviolence.
- Following the Way of the Cross means that, like Jesus, we offer our life—our body and blood—for the transformation of society. This is the cost of discipleship.

Remember, the Way of the Cross doesn't end on Calvary. Good Friday isn't the end of the story—there will always be an Easter rising. The Way of the Cross is the way of love, the way to victory. The cross is the weapon of those who overcame the reign of emperors, kings, and dictators.

The Way of the Cross is why Christianity and the Catholic Church will always be relevant, never

#### **DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET/DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY**

**Divine Mercy Chaplet said twice daily beginning** Good Friday 8am & before 5:30pm Mass; Sat 8am & before 5pm Mass; Sun before 11:30am Mass & 5:30pm: M -8am & 5:30pm; Tu/W before 8am Mass & 5:30pm; Th/F 8AM & before 5:30pm Mass; Sat 8am & before 5pm Mass;

STM Paxton Divine Mercy schedule posted on bulletin board in OLL vestibule. Divine Mercy Sunday will be celebrated together at April 28 at St. Mary Paxton 1pm-2:45pm Adoration & Confession 2:50-3:00pm Divine Mercy Chaplet

3pm-3:10pm Procession of St. Faustina First Class Relic & Veneration of **Divine Mercy Image** 

#### **CHRISM MASS**

THIS Monday, April 15 at 7PM St. Raymond Cathedral, Joliet, IL

Anyone interested in attending the Chrism Mass can contact the office at pastor@ololgc.org for free tickets.

This beautiful Mass includes parishioners, priests and deacons from around the Diocese. Bishop R. Daniel Conlon will bless the oil of catechumens, the oil of the sick, and the oil of chrism. The Mass also acknowledges the ministry of priests, and they will renew their commitment of service and receive prayers and support from those at the Mass.

Congratulations On the baptism of Drake Alan Aubry



Matthew & Ashley Aubry WELCOME to Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Family

### FINAL KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FISH FRY

**APRIL 12** 

Dinner will be served from 4:30PM-6:30PM. The cost will be \$8 with children under 12 free. Carryout's are available.



#### **PARISH CALENDAR**



#### Thursday, April 18

Holy Thursday Mass 5:30PM followed by Adoration until 11PM

#### Friday, April 19

- Stations of the Cross 3PM
- Good Friday Passion Service 7PM

#### Saturday, April 20

Easter Vigil Mass 7:30PM

#### Sunday, April 21

Mass 9AM

#### Saturday, April 27

Food Pantry 8AM-12Noon



Jack Kollross (4/17) Evan Killian (4/17) Chris Giroux (4/18) Tim Bane (4/19) Terry Fields (4/20)



Leo & Audrey Chapman (4/21)



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Good Friday 3PM

#### Pray for the Sick & **Homebound**

**Linda Ellington Greg Delost** Dale Enghausen **Brian Sullivan Emma Davis Terry Hutchcraft** Norma Thompson Leo Chapman **Adam Reed Joyce Pearson** 

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.



#### Calendar

#### Monday

APRIL 15 Holy Weekday Is 42:1-7 In 12:1-11

#### Tuesday

APRIL 16 Holy Weekday Is 49:1-6 In 13:21-33, 36-38

#### Wednesday

APRIL 17 Holy Weekday Is 50:4-9a Mt 26:14-25

#### Thursday

APRIL 18 Holy Thursday Ex 12:1-8, 11-14 1 Cor 11:23-26 Jn 13:1-15

#### Friday

APRIL 19 Good Friday Is 52:13-53:12 Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9 Jn 18:1-19:42

#### Saturday

APRIL 20 Holy Saturday Gn 1:1-2:2 or Gn 1:1, 26-31a Gn 22:1-18 or Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18 Ex 14:15-15:1 Is 54:5-14 Is 55:1-11 Bar 3:9-15, 32-4:4 Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28 Rom 6:3-11 Lk 24:1-12

#### Sunday

APRIL 21 Easter Acts 10:34a, 37-43 Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8 In 20:1-9

# Dear Padre,

I was recently diagnosed with cancer. When I think about death now, I get scared. The crucifixion and death of Jesus, surrounded by dark skies, earthquakes, and opening tombs, adds to my fright. Any words of encouragement?

ransitions in life are always a bit frightening, and the transition of our  $lack \bot$  dying and rising can be the scariest of them all. When we were tiny infants in our mother's womb, we transitioned into life. We were not conscious of what we were doing, and so we were not scared. We were in God's hands. And God, who creates all life, brought us to be born and live.

The same challenge faces you now as when you were in the womb. Even though you are conscious of your sickness and your possible death, you are still asked to leave it all in the hands of God. God, who brought you to life, will travel with you through your dying and into the kingdom. Jesus certainly showed us how to do this with his prayer during his crucifixion: "Father, into

your hands I commend my spirit" (Luke 23:46).

People who have had near-death experiences do not talk about how scary and frightening it was. In fact, they speak about how peaceful and full of light the journey was for them. Most hated the idea of "returning" to their sick bodies. This same journey of peace and light, and the sense of God's close presence to you, can be yours in your last moments here.

Trust in God. Commend your spirit to God's care. God loves you! God will keep you safe and lead you home!

> Fr. Paul J. Coury, CSsR Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org

# A Word from Pope Francis

Let us ask for the grace to follow Jesus faithfully, not in words but in deeds. Let us also ask for the patience to carry our own cross, not to refuse it or set it aside, but rather, in looking to him, to take it up and to carry it daily.

—Palm Sunday, April 9, 2017

## Good News!

April 14, 2019 Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion (C) Lk 19:28-40; Is 50:4-7, Phil 2:6-11 Lk 22:14-23:56 or Lk 23:1-49

We come to the holiest week of the year. This week. Christians around the world dedicate their minds and hearts to meditate on the great gift of the redemption won for them by Christ. It is a cosmic event that happened 2,000 years ago but it bears fruit today in the heart of every Christian in every continent, country, city, and home.

Max Ernst's 1914 painting, Crucifixion, shows this event in cosmic, timeless dimension by placing the crucified Christ in a dark, tumultuous, and formless setting. The sinister colors of blue, brown, yellow, and black seem to hide a face or perhaps a masked and darkened eye on the right that peers through the evil canvas.

As chaotic and nonsensical as evil appears in our world, it also seems to have a commonality that betrays a will or an intelligence hidden beneath the surface. The suffering and destruction of so many people from senseless violence, famine, and hatred seems at once both spontaneous, vet strangely orchestrated by some force.

The same was true for Christ's crucifixion. On the surface it appears the result of a feverish crowd, a confused politician, a jealous and blinded religious leadership, and an overwhelmed group of cowardly followers. Yet we perceive the return of the tempter, Lucifer, the author of the non serviam.

The power of evil that struck the head continues to strike the body. Be aware of the call for all followers of Jesus to be ready to face the same struggle against evil that he did, and with the same measure of love. -Fr. Mark Haydu, LC