

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 office@ololgc.org or stop by any time after scheduled Masses.

Our Lady of Lourdes

Established - 1875

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Gibson City, IL 60936

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Website

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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 5, 2020 Palm Sunday



He took along Peter and the two sons of Zebedee, and began to feel sorrow and distress. Then he said to them, "My soul is sorrowful even to death. Remain here and keep watch with me." He advanced a little and fell prostrate in prayer, saying, "My Father, if it is possible, let this cup pass from me; yet, not as I will, but as you will."

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THIS WEEK'S INTENTIONS

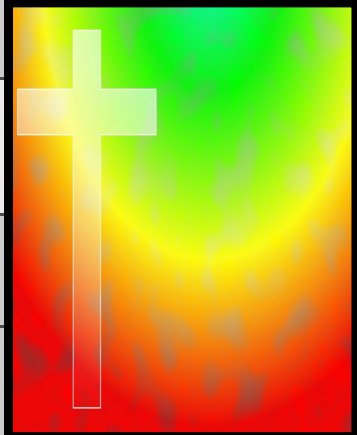
If you wish to have a Mass intention for a loved one, anniversary or other occasion, please contact the parish office.

Mass intentions are \$10.00

MON April 6		No Mass
TUE April 7		
WED April 8	Father Bui ONLY No attendance	* Lucy Shilts
THU April 9 Holy Thursday	5:30 PM (OLL) Live Stream on FB	For the Parishioners of OLL, St Mary and St. Joseph
Friday April 10 Good Friday	5:30 PM (OLL) Live Stream on FB	For the Parishioners of OLL, St Mary and St Joseph
SAT April 11 Holy Saturday	7:30 PM (OLL) Live Stream on FB	For the Parishioners of OLL, St Mary and St Joseph
SUN April 12 EASTER	9:30 AM (STM) Live Stream on FB	For the Parishioners of St Mary, OLL and St Joseph

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GIFTS

Saturday/ Sunday Total	\$0.00
Capital Imp.	\$0.00
CMAA 2020 (goal: \$11,900)	\$0.00
Food Pantry April Total	\$0.00
Yr to Date FP	\$551.10



MINISTRY SCHEDULE

<u>Date</u>	<u>Altar Servers</u>	<u>Lectors</u>	<u>Euch. Minister</u>	<u>Ushers</u>	<u>Homebound Ministry</u>
SAT April 11					
SUN April 12 Easter Sunday					

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.





**PRAYERFULLY CONSIDER
YOUR SUPPORT OF THE
2020 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES ANNUAL APPEAL**
Your gift to the CMAA makes a difference.

The opening report for the 2020 Catholic Ministries Appeal (CMAA) in today's bulletin illustrates how the 30 ministries supported through our annual appeal truly exemplify this year's theme, *Be Kind and Merciful*. These ministries allow the diocese to serve our most vulnerable brothers and sisters and assist parishes, including ours. Our parish goal for the 2020 CMAA is **\$11,900**, with 70 percent of any amount we raise over goal will be returned to us for our needs. Please prayerfully reflect on your gift to this year's CMAA and make a commitment next week during our CMAA Commitment/InPew Weekend. Thank you for considering the most generous pledge possible to this year's annual appeal.

Please read a special note from our Diocese and Father Dong;

We received word from the Diocese that as a precautionary measure fighting the transmission of Coronavirus, we have been advised to **receive ONLY the Body of Christ** at Communion and suspense with receiving the Blood of Christ, as well as **no physical contact when offering the 'Sign of Peace'**. This practice will continue until further notified. It has also been suggested that if you are feeling ill, you are excused from Mass.

Wishing you all God's Blessings and good health.

As of March 21st,

- 1.) All churches and adoration chapels must be closed until the order is lifted by the governor. Private prayer in any parish building must be discontinued until the order is lifted.
- 2.) There can be NO live Stations of the Cross or any other gatherings anywhere on parish property, nor can any parish personnel be involved in organizing them at any other site.
- 3.) Weddings and baptisms must be postponed and can re-scheduled only once the order is lifted. There are no exceptions to this, regardless of the size of the group. However, in case of an extreme emergency for baptism, please seek the permission of your bishop.
- 4.) Funerals and wakes must be postponed until the order is lifted.
- 5.) Parish offices must be closed until the governor's order is lifted.

Looking for another opportunity to bring Catholicism into your day.... tune your radio to Holy Family Radio, 95.7 FM, [EWTN](#) Catholic radio programs.

In your charity, please pray for
Caroline Thomas

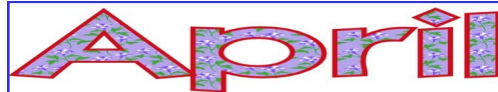
who was called to eternal rest.

Eternal rest grant unto her
O Lord, and let perpetual light
shine upon her
May she rest in peace.
May they and all the
souls of the faithful
departed rest In peace.
AMEN.



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.



PARISH CALENDAR

Also Check out our website (calendar) for important dates in February. [ololgc.org](#)

- All Masses, Stations of the Cross, Holy Week services, Easter services and any gathering of parishioners in the church is suspended in an effort to keep safe during the COVID-19 pandemic.
- **Holy Week services will be available via Live Stream on FB.**



- Theodore Smith (4/6)
- Mary Giroux (4/8)
- Jean Wilhelmi (4/9)
- Patricia Fields (4/10)
- John Cole (4/10)
- Joyce Foster (4/11)
- Susan Kollross (4/11)
- Todd Thomas (4/12)
- Erin McCall (4/12)



- Basilo and Bernadette Campos (4/8)
- Jim and Jennifer Freehill (4/9)

Pray for the Sick & Homebound

- Linda Ellington
- Greg Delost
- Dale Enghausen
- Brian Sullivan
- Emma Davis
- Terry Hutchcraft
- Leo Chapman
- Adam Reed
- Fran Mardis
- Joyce Pearson
- Caine Jost
- Rosanne Miller



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

Dear Padre,

How can I use Jesus' entry into Jerusalem to find spiritual meaning for myself during Holy Week?

The Gospel tells us that Jesus goes to Jerusalem knowing he will suffer and die there. Jerusalem is the place where prophets have been killed in the past (Matthew 23:37). Jesus predicts his passion in the Gospel of Matthew three times (Matthew 16:21, 17:22, and 20:17). Jesus, the one sent by God, will meet the same fate as the prophets who had been sent by God to call Jerusalem to conversion. He goes to Jerusalem as a prophet, to preach God's saving word to the very people who will turn on the messenger.

Jesus isn't fooled by the enthusiastic crowd of people who throw him a welcome party and refer to him as the prophet coming in God's name. He tells them that he comes in humility, as the prophet foretold: "Your king comes to you, meek and riding on an ass" (Matthew 21:5).

He challenges their expectations by referencing the prophet Zechariah's humble

king. In the second reading we hear a hymn to Jesus' humility, which praises his willingness to give of himself, even unto death.

Jesus' hopes aren't based on the crowd's emotions. He has chosen to obey his Father's will, and if that obedience leads him to the place where prophets have gone before him, so be it. He is ready to suffer and die. We need Jesus' example and grace to remain faithful in the face of flattery, scorn, and threat. Live this week seeking to have the mind of Christ, to live his humility.

—Fr. Timothy McCanna
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A WORD FROM Pope Francis

Jesus enters Jerusalem. The liturgy...somehow expresses the contradictory feelings that we too, the men and women of today, experience: the capacity for great love, but also for great hatred; the capacity for courageous self-sacrifice, but also the ability to "wash our hands" at the right moment.

—PALM SUNDAY HOMILY, MARCH 25, 2018



Calendar

Monday

APRIL 6

Monday of Holy Week

Is 42:1-7

Jn 12:1-11

Tuesday

APRIL 7

Tuesday of Holy Week

Is 49:1-6

Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

Wednesday

APRIL 8

Wednesday of Holy Week

Is 50:4-9a

Mt 26:14-25

Thursday

APRIL 9

Holy Thursday

Ex 12:1-8, 11-14

1 Cor 11:23-26

Jn 13:1-15

Friday

APRIL 10

Good Friday

Is 52:13-53:12

Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9

Jn 18:1-19:42

Saturday

APRIL 11

Holy Saturday

Gn 1:1-2:2 or 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

Mt 28:1-10

Sunday

APRIL 12

Easter

Acts 10:34a, 37-43

Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8

Jn 20:1-9 or Mt 28:1-10

Good News!

April 5, 2020

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord (A)

Mt 21:1-11; Is 50:4-7 / Phil 2:6-11

Mt 26:14-27:66 or 27:11-54

He is a convicted criminal. He is a threat to the sovereignty of Rome, because he might be a rival king; a challenge to Jewish religious tradition, for he interprets the law by his own authority. Still, he is just a common carpenter; a sometimes preacher and healer like many others; a man whose friends and followers have deserted him and are in hiding. At least this is how some might describe Jesus. But we know better.

He fits well the Isaian image—a man with “a well-trained tongue” who knows “how to answer the weary” (Isaiah 50:4). He also resembles the Psalm 22 sketch of one to scoff at and mock, one whose hands and feet are pierced, an image also found in the Gospel account of his suffering and death. This is a man rejected, beaten, and nailed to wood like a piece of flimsy material. Who is this man and why was he so hated?

The hymn in Philippians 2 probably offers the best likeness of him. He was in the form of God, but out of love for others he took on the form of a slave so that he might serve them. What about this was so objectionable? Does he represent an idea of God that is too different from the one with which we have grown comfortable? As a man for others, does he put our own selfishness to shame? Does his desire to serve challenge our propensity to control? Is this why he has been rejected?

—Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA