

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

534 N. Wood Street
Gibson City, IL 60936

Parish Office Secretary
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General Information
office@ololgc.org

Website www.ololgc.org

Mass Schedule
(effective June 21/2020)

Saturday 5 pm

Sunday 11:00 am

Wednesday 8:00 am

Thursday 5:30 pm

Eucharistic Adoration

Wednesday following Mass

Confession

During Wednesday Adoration
4:30 pm before Saturday Mass
Any time by Appointment

❖ FOR YOUR INFORMATION ❖

St. Mary

407 W. Pells Street
Paxton, IL 60957

Phone—217-379-4033

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

August 16, 2020 20th Sunday Ordinary Time



mt 15:25-28 But the woman came and did him homage, saying, "Lord, help me." He said in reply, "It is not right to take the food of the children and throw it to the dogs." She said, "Please, Lord, for even the dogs eat the scraps that fall from the table of their masters." Then Jesus said to her in reply, "O woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And her daughter was healed from that hour.

Prayers of the Faithful during Coronavirus and Flu Season

- * For those who are suffering in the current outbreak of sickness that they might be healed, and for the happy repose of all who have died from this sickness in recent weeks; *Let us pray to the Lord.*
- For scientists, health professionals, public officials, and all who are serving the common good in this difficult and uncertain time, that they will be filled with wisdom and understanding; *Let us pray to the Lord.*
- * That in times of illness our merciful and loving Father will strengthen our faith and trust in his goodness and divine providence; *Let us pray to the Lord.*
- * That our compassionate Father would touch all affected by the current outbreak with healing and peace; *let us pray to the Lord.*

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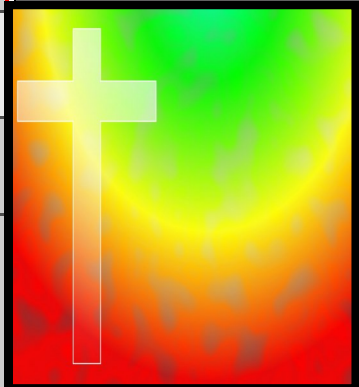
THIS WEEK'S INTENTIONS

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

MON August 17		No Mass
TUE August 18	8:00 AM (OLOL) 5:30 PM (STJ)	Parish family
WED August 19	8:00 AM (OLOL) 7:00 PM (STM)	+Josephine Chase (by Eric / Michelle Rosenbaum)
THU August 20	5:30 PM (OLOL)	+Michael Freehill (by Knights of Columbus)
Friday August 21	8:00 AM (STM) 5:30 PM (OLOL)	Parish Family
SAT August 22	5:00 PM (OLOL)	+Cletus Geurts (by family)
SUN August 23	8:00 AM (STJ) 21st Sunday Of Ordinary Time 9:30 AM (STM) 11:00 AM (OLOL)	Parishioners of OLOL

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GIFTS

August 2/3	\$1652.00
Capital Imp.	\$50.00
CMAA 2020 (goal:\$11,900)	\$9,577.00
Food Pantry August Total Yr to Date FP	\$45.00 \$45.00 \$1197.20

**MINISTRY SCHEDULES**

Date	Altar Servers	Lectors	Euch. Minister	Ushers	Homebound Ministry
SATURDAY August 22	None	James Meyer	None	Volunteers Needed (Contact Craig Davis)	None
SUNDAY August 23 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time	None	Alyce Hafer	None	Volunteers Needed (Contact Craig Davis)	None

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

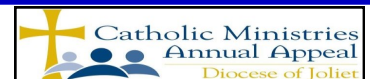
Call the Rectory at least six months

Announcements for this week: (summarized by the OLOL Re-opening Committee)

- 1.) Masks are to be worn at all times you are inside the church.
- 2.) Please use the hand sanitizer at the back of the church when entering.
- 3.) No singing.
- 4.) Use hand sanitizer prior to receiving communion. (Provided at each pew)
- 5.) The first pews on both sides of the aisle will be given communion in their pews.
- 6.) To receive communion, leave mask on....Father will place the host in your hand....step to the side...remove your mask and consume.....return to your seat.

Thank you ALL for your cooperation as we re-open our Church !!!

**PRAYERFULLY CONSIDER
 YOUR SUPPORT OF THE
 2020 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES ANNUAL APPEAL**



Please be Kind and Merciful to those in need.

Please prayerfully consider supporting the CMAA, if your means allow. The CMAA helps our parish and the Diocese of Joliet to provide vital ministries, programs and services to support our friends and neighbors in need, especially during these unprecedented times.

Our parish goal is \$11,900.00 and as of August 10 we have received \$9,577.00.

Thank you for your support !

Message from GAH Incident Command:
Drive-Thru Covid-19 Testing extended to AUGUST

The drive-thru Covid-19 testing site will now be held EVERY Monday and Wednesday during the month of AUGUST from 10 am –6 pm.

There is NO charge for the test !

This is FREE to the community and you are welcome and encouraged to get tested if you feel that you may have been exposed.

Please don't hesitate to take the opportunity to use the drive-thru site.

Tests will be administered in our drive-thru location in the alley-way between Melvin Street and Lott Blvd, next to the big red building.

Patients should remain in their vehicles and provide a valid DL or photo ID for identification verification purposes.

Notification of positive test results will be provided by your Primary Care Provider. No appointment or referral is needed.

Please follow the signs and enter the South end of the alley and proceed North to the testing tents.

PARISH COUNCIL/FINANCE COUNCIL MEMBERS NEEDED

We are looking for anyone that feels called to serve on the Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Council (meets monthly-2nd Thursday) or the Finance Council (meets quarterly). If you are interested or would like more information, contact the office at pastor@ololgc.org. We have several positions opening this spring that need to be filled.

We ask for your prayerful consideration.

Congratulations to the following students who received 1st Communion on August 16, 2020

Natalie Davis Jack Eichelberger Evangeline Helmig Erin Lynch
Benjamin Roesch Pearl Smith Theodore Smith

A Special Thank you to Fr Dong and all the RE teachers for their guidance.

A SPECIAL Thank you to Marg Brown for her efforts in making masks for OLOL, the 1st Communion Students and all of the RE classes.

Marg is a gift to our parish with her sewing skills, as well as the many other things she does for OLOL.

Thank You

OUR LADY OF LOURDES
PRAYER CHAIN

We have organized a PRAYER CHAIN for those in need of prayer support. If you would like to be a 'prayer warrior' in the prayer chain OR if you have a need for prayers, contact Janet Townsend at (217)621-4812 or tomandjanettownsend@yahoo.com (your specific prayer need does NOT need to be disclosed to activate the prayer chain).

Date Change for WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

Due to COVID-19, social distancing and everyone's safety, we are requesting to view the celebration on-line. The 42nd Annual Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass will be LIVE-STREAMED from the Cathedral of St. Raymond. Bishop Richard E. Pates will celebrate the Wedding Anniversary Mass on **Sunday, August 23rd at 2 PM.** Couples celebrating anniversaries of 25 years, 50 years, and more than 50 years, are invited to view the Live-Streamed celebration and will need to register to receive an anniversary certificate in the mail. Contact the office for the necessary forms or leave your request in the collection basket and we will send the necessary form to you.



AUGUST PARISH CALENDAR

Check out our website (calendar) for important dates in August, and our weekly bulletin. ololgc.org There are a limited copies of the Bulletin at the back of the Church.

- August 16—1st Communion 11:00 am (also live-stream to the Hall)
- August 23—Anniversary Mass Live-stream—Joliet

****A message from Sarah Sarantakos. Many of you may still not feel safe coming to Mass. If you would like to receive Holy Communion, please call me at 217-781-0528.**

We can set a time when I can bring Holy Communion to you.



- Rich Baillie (8/17)
- Jane Skinner (8/18)
- Craig Davis (8/18)
- Jill Andreae (8/19)
- Bruce Killian (8/21)
- Paul Obert (8/21)
- Mary Wurmnest (8/22)- 94th Birthday
- Patricia Huth (8/23)



God's Blessings to all our couples

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
- Rosanne Miller
- Mary Wurmnest



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.



Good News!

August 16, 2020

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

Is 56:1, 6-7; Rom 11:13-15, 29-32; Mt 15:21-28

Our need to belong often creates community. As nurturing and supportive as communities can be, they can also be exclusive, concerned only with the insiders and marginalizing the outsiders. Today's readings depict something remarkable. We read that foreigners, or outsiders, enjoy hospitality and privilege that one would expect insiders to receive.

The prophet Isaiah states that even foreigners will worship in the temple. This is not a story after conversion to the religion of Israel, but of Israel taking a step toward universality: "My house shall be called / a house of prayer for all peoples" (Isaiah 56:7).

The Gospel story recounts a discussion between Jesus and a Canaanite woman. She was doubly marginalized—as an inferior woman and as a despised Canaanite. Yet, her love for her daughter compelled her to approach Jesus, pleading for help—something a "proper" Jewish woman would never do to a man, nor a Canaanite to a Jew. Many in Israel certainly had a sense of exclusivity, and a disdain for the Canaanites. Those may be evident in Jesus' reply, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel" (Matthew 15:24). But we can be sure that Jesus—God's love in the flesh—didn't share his countrymen's disdain for anyone. The woman, having heard that Jesus was a healer, remains undaunted. She crosses restrictive gender and ethnic lines in her search for help. Jesus finally praises her, not for her love, but for the faith that her love engendered. And she was a Canaanite!

—Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

Dear Padre,

Is it wrong to hope for a miracle? My son has been diagnosed with cancer, and I am praying for one!

When my mother was a teenage girl, she suffered from internal problems. Her mother took her across Detroit to a famous healer, Fr. Solanus Casey. He talked to her, prayed over her, and sent her back home. After that visit, my mother's internal problems disappeared!

As Christians, we believe in miracles. It is the legacy handed to us by the Lord Jesus. Remember that once Jesus had trained his disciples, he sent them out in pairs to cure the sick and drive out demons (Luke 9:1-6). They, like the Lord, became miracle workers. Jesus worked his miracles out of compassion (Luke 7:13). He wanted to show us that our God was a personal God, genuinely kind and loving.



The first step to asking for a miracle is to believe deeply in the power of Jesus. Jesus always demanded that an initial faith be present before he performed a miracle (Matthew 21:22). The miracle would then deepen, strengthen, and stabilize this faith. The second step is to be tireless in your asking. Saint Luke's section on prayer (Luke 11:1-13) promises success for those who keep knocking on God's door. The final step is to accept whatever the Lord gives. Perhaps the Lord has greater plans for your son than you might know or fathom.

The Lord's greatest miracle for us is the Eucharist. Here would be the proper place to lay your request before the Lord!

—Fr. Paul J. Coury, CSSR
Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org



A WORD FROM *Pope Francis*

Jesus shows a particular predilection for those who are wounded in body and in spirit: the poor, the sinners, the possessed, the sick, the marginalized. Thus, he reveals himself as a doctor both of souls and of bodies, the good Samaritan of man. He is the true Savior: Jesus saves, Jesus cures, Jesus heals.

—ANGELUS, FEBRUARY 8, 2015

Calendar

Monday
AUGUST 17
Weekday
Ez 24:15-24
Mt 19:16-22

Tuesday
AUGUST 18
Weekday
Ez 28:1-10
Mt 19:23-30

Wednesday
AUGUST 19
Weekday
Ez 34:1-11
Mt 20:1-16

Thursday
AUGUST 20
St. Bernard,
Abbot and Doctor
of the Church
Ez 36:23-28
Mt 22:1-14

Friday
AUGUST 21
St. Pius X,
Pope
Ez 37:1-14
Mt 22:34-40

Saturday
AUGUST 22
*The Queenship of the
Blessed Virgin Mary*
Ez 43:1-7ab
Mt 23:1-12

Sunday
AUGUST 23
*Twenty-first Sunday
in Ordinary Time*
Is 22:19-23
Rom 11:33-36
Mt 16:13-20