

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
Phone & Fax (217) 784-4671

General Information
office@ololgc.org

Website www.ololgc.org

Mass Schedule

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

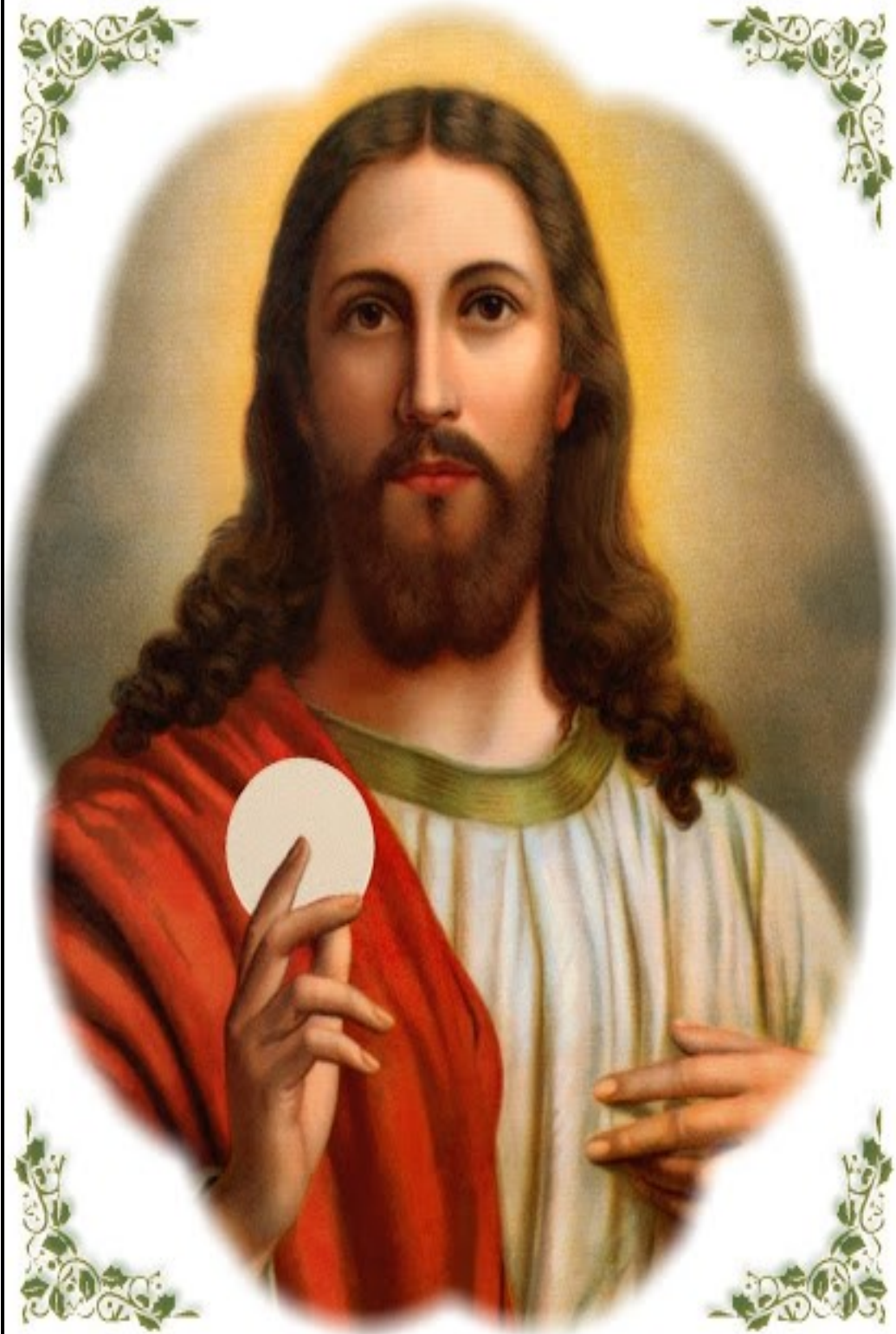
Mass Schedule

Sunday 8:00 am
Tuesday 5:30 pm

Confession

Sunday 7:30am

August 8, 2021—Year of Saint Joseph 19th Sunday of Ordinary Time



Jn 6:48-51 I am the bread of life. Your ancestors ate the manna in the desert, but they died; this is the bread that comes down from heaven so that one may eat it and not die. I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world."

Pastor

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THIS WEEK'S INTENTIONS

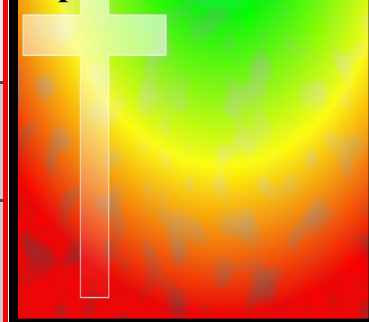
If you wish to have a Mass intention for a loved one, anniversary death, birthday or other occasion, please contact the parish office or Lori Gale at 309 475-9261.

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| MON August 9 <i>(St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross)</i> | | No Mass |
| TUE August 10 <i>(St. Lawrence)</i> | 8:00 AM (OLOL) 5:30 PM (STJ) | + Francis Kollross (by Michael Smith family) 7:30 am — (Before Mass) <i>Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet</i> |
| WED August 11 <i>(St. Clare)</i> | 8:00 AM (OLOL) 7:00 PM (STM) | + Marcelle Duffy (by Tom Duffy) <i>Divine Chaplet of Mercy and Adoration after Mass</i> |
| THU August 12 <i>(St Jane Frances de Chantal)</i> | 5:30 PM (OLOL) | Parishioners of OLOL 5:00 pm <i>Rosary and Divine Chaplet</i> |
| Friday August 13 <i>(Sts Pontian and Hippolytus)</i> | 5:30 PM (OLOL) | + Thomas Duffy (by Tom Duffy) 5:00 pm <i>Rosary and Divine Chaplet</i> |
| SAT August 14 <i>(St Maximilian Kolbe)</i> | 5:00 PM (OLOL) | + Patrick Lynch (by Dave and Linda Celeschi) 4:30 pm — <i>Rosary and Divine Chaplet</i> |
| SUN August 15 <i>(Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary)</i> | 8:00 AM (STJ) 9:30 AM(STM) 11:00 AM (OLOL) | Parishioners of OLOL |

**THANK YOU FOR
 YOUR GIFTS
 OLOL**

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| July 31/ August 1 | \$2913.86 |
| Capital Imp. | \$247.00 |
| CMAA 2021 (goal:\$11,300) | \$11,326.00 |
| Food Pantry August Total Yr to Date FP | \$104.00 \$104.00 \$2875.00 |

Special Collections



MINISTRY SCHEDULES

| <u>Date</u> | <u>Altar Servers</u> | <u>Lectors</u> | <u>Euch. Minister</u> | <u>Ushers</u> | <u>Homebound Ministry Members</u> |
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| SATURDAY August 14 5:00 PM | Contact Tannie (309) 893-0073 | Michael Smith | Fran Mardis | <i>Robert Bode Jerry Brown</i> (Contact Craig Davis 815-848-5554) | Sarah Sarantakos Joyce Foster |
| SUNDAY August 15 11:00 AM Assumption of Blessed Virgin Mary | Contact Tannie (309) 893-0073 | Jack Kollross | Deacon Paul Sarantakos | <i>Fred Sarantakos Dan Kliest</i> (Contact Craig Davis 815-848-5554) | Jerry/Marg Brown Jean Wilhelmi |

Baptism

Call the Rectory at least four weeks before the baptism. Instruction for the parents and God-parents is required.

Confession

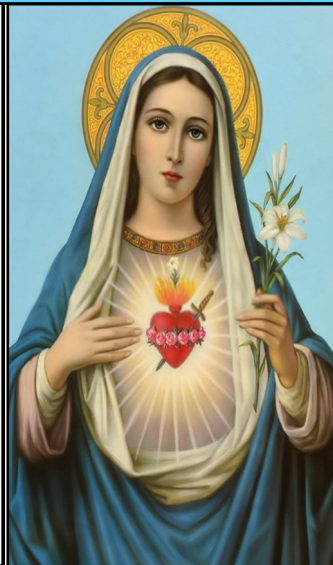
Contact Fr. Dong at 217-784-4671

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.



Month of the Immaculate Heart

The month of August is dedicated to the Immaculate Heart. Since the 16th century Catholic piety has assigned entire months to special devotions. The month of August is traditionally dedicated to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. The physical heart of Mary is venerated (and not adored as the Sacred Heart of Jesus is) because it is united to her person and is the seat of her love (especially for her divine Son), virtue, and inner life. Such devotion is an incentive to a similar love and virtue. On October 31, 1942, Pope Pius XII made a solemn Act of Consecration of the Church and the whole world to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Let us remember this devotion year-round, but particularly through the month of August.

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). This 'Prayer Chain' has been very successful in offering up our prayers to those in need.



Sunday September 26

(after 11 am Mass)

PARISH PICNIC

Father Bui announces that 'Finally, our churches are fully open to Everyone ! It has been over a year since we have 100 percent open to our congregation. We give thanks to our Lord for God's loving Care ! We no longer need reservations to attend Mass, and those who are fully vaccinated no longer need to wear masks. Also the 6 ft social distancing requirement has been lifted, although we still have a designated area for those of you who may feel uncomfortable or unsafe.' To celebrate we plan to have a Parish Picnic ! More details will be announced soon. ALL ARE WELCOME !



Parish Registration

If you are not registered at Our Lady of Lourdes parish and would like to become a member our parish family

would be delighted.

In addition if your address, email address, phone number or any other contact information has changed please let us know. Starting at the Saturday night Mass on July 31, 2021 through September 30, 2021 we will have members of the Parish Council outside of Church to assist you in the registration processes.

August Altar Flowers are provided by :

Lisa Heap and family
Chuck and Pam Aubry
Mark and Becky Doran
Stanley and Terri Davis



Altar Flowers are now being billed directly to the church at \$30.00 per week. Please mark your check memo line 'Altar Flowers' for your donation when it is your turn. Thank you.



Divine Mercy Daily

Daily Reflections from the
Diary of Saint Maria Faustina Kowalska

Divine Mercy—The Light of Holiness

Chosen souls are, in My hand, lights which I cast into the darkness of the world and with which I illumine it. As stars illumine the night, so chosen souls illumine the earth. And the more perfect a soul is, the stronger and the more far-reaching is the light shed by it. It can be hidden and unknown, even to those closest to it, and yet its holiness is reflected in souls even to the most distant extremities of the world (Diary, 1601) Lord Jesus, You told us through St. John: "I am the light of the world. No follower of Mine shall ever walk in darkness; no, he shall possess the light of life" (Jn 8:12). And so You also taught us: "You are the light of the world" (Mt 5:14). Thank You for teaching us through St. Faustina that the greater the sanctity of souls, the more the light of holiness is reflected around the world.



Prayer and Pastries

When: August 20
9AM-noon

Where : Home of
Sarah Sarantakos
120 West 11th Street,
Gibson City
Limited to 10.
RSVP 217-781-0528

2021—2022 Parish Council

President-Fred Sarantakos (217-781-1813)
Vice President -Marj Brown (217-377-3132)
Secretary-Alyce Hafer (217-745-2411)
Craig Davis (815-848-5554)
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Please contact these dedicated people if you have any concerns or suggestions about church related issues.

PARISH CALENDAR

For more information, check out our website, and our weekly bulletin, **LOLGC.org**.

- **Monday, August 9—Office 8-noon**
- **Thursday, Aug. 12—Office 8-noon**
- **Monday, August 16—Office 8-noon**
- **Thursday, Aug. 19—Office 8-noon**
Parish Council 7:25 pm
- **Friday, August 20—Prayer & Pastries**
- **Monday, August 23—Office 8-noon**
- **Thursday, Aug. 26—Office 8-noon**
- **Friday, Aug 27—Food Pantry OLL help 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm**
- **Saturday, Aug 28—Food Pantry help 8-noon**
- **Monday, August 30— Office 8-noon**
- **Thursday, Sept. 2 —Office 8-noon**
- **Friday, Sept. 3— Prayer /Pastries**
- **Monday, Sept. 6—Office closed**
- **Thursday, Sept. 9—Office 8-noon**
- **Sunday, Sept 12—1st day of RE classes and register**
- **Sunday, September 12—**
All Churches Prayer Service -
North Park Pavilion—2:00 pm
- **Sunday, September 26—** after 11:00
Mass —Parish Picnic (details to follow)



Tate Jeckel (8/8)
John Swearingen(8/13)
Melvin Fischer (8/13)
Edna Huppert (8/15)
Austin Eichelberger (8/15)

Happy Anniversary

Andrew and Heather Killian(8/7)
Enrique and Carolina Gonzalez (8/7)
Robert and Sandy Kollross (8/8)
Corey and Erin Nuss (8/10)
John and Linda Martin (8/14)
Jason and Amy Eberle (8/14)
Gene and Lisa Heap (8/15)

Pray for the Sick & Homebound

Brian Sullivan
Emma Davis
Terry Hutchcraft
Joyce Pearson
Fran Mardis
Rosanne Miller
Connie Cimino
Ken Freehill

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@lolgc.org.

Good News!

August 8, 2021

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)

1 Kgs 19:4-8; Eph 4:30-5:2; Jn 6:41-51

Live in Love. Now that's an exhortation that should be easy to follow, because everyone wants to love and to be loved. However, it's not as easy as it appears. Today's second reading contains a list of offenses against love: "bitterness, fury, anger, shouting, and reviling" (Ephesians 4:31). Even those we should love the most can so annoy us that we lose control and might respond with bitterness or shouting. Furthermore, this exhortation is difficult because we are told to refrain from such anger toward people we don't even know or those we don't like.

We are to show kindness toward everyone. How can we ever do this? We might not have the courage or the desire. We are, after all, just weak human beings. True, but we have been "sealed for the day of redemption" with the "holy Spirit of God" (Ephesians 4:30). For the Jewish people, the Spirit of God referred to the dynamic power of God at work in the world. This means that the dynamic power of God is with us to transform us from bitter, angry people to be "imitators of God, as beloved children" (Ephesians 5:1).

Because this *is* the case, because this transforming power *is* available to us, why don't we allow it to transform us and, in so doing, transform our world? Why is the world in such disarray? Why is there so much violence, oppression, and despair? Why are the most vulnerable among us often preyed upon? If we so desperately want to give and receive love, then why don't we?

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

Dear Padre,

When I hear "Oh my God," should I tell the person he or she is breaking a commandment? When I see people at Mass in revealing or disrespectful clothing, should I say something?

When I was young, I went to a baseball game with my parents. While we were in line, a man cursed using Jesus' name. My mother said, "Oh, I don't think Jesus is playing today." She made her point, but I doubt she changed his future behavior.



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I don't think we're obliged to evangelize by calling out someone who is using God's name in vain. I hear someone cursing many times in public. Depending on the situation, I might say something simple like, "You know, there are children here." Sometimes people apologize and stop; other times they tell me to mind my own business, using even more choice words, at which point I walk away. But we're under no obligation to do this, and always be very careful about confronting strangers about anything.

As for appropriate dress for Mass, this is a problem in many parishes. I wouldn't say anything to the person wearing the disrespectful or revealing clothing.

Instead, ask your pastor whether your parish or diocese has a dress code. If they do, ask him why it's not being enforced. If there is no dress code, ask him if you can form a committee to establish one.

Fr. Patrick Keyes, CSsR | Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org

Do you have a question for the Padre?

Go to DearPadre.org to send your question and to learn more about *Dear Padre*.



A WORD FROM Pope Francis

[Christ] took our names upon himself, to the very end, including the evil that is within us....Anyone, in whatever situation..., can invoke the holy name of the Lord, who is faithful and merciful Love. God will never say no to a heart that invokes him sincerely.

GENERAL AUDIENCE, AUGUST 22, 2018

Calendar

Monday

AUGUST 9

Weekday

Dt 10:12-22

Mt 17:22-27

Tuesday

AUGUST 10

St. Lawrence,

Deacon and Martyr

2 Cor 9:6-10

Jn 12:24-26

Wednesday

AUGUST 11

St. Clare, Virgin

Dt 34:1-12

Mt 18:15-20

Thursday

AUGUST 12

Weekday

Jos 3:7-10a,

11, 13-17

Mt 18:21-19:1

Friday

AUGUST 13

Weekday

Jos 24:1-13

Mt 19:3-12

Saturday

AUGUST 14

St. Maximilian Kolbe,

Priest and Martyr

Jos 24:14-29

Mt 19:13-15

Sunday

AUGUST 15

The Assumption

of the

Blessed Virgin Mary

Rv 11:19a;

12:1-6a, 10ab

1 Cor 15:20-27

Lk 1:39-56

Plenary Indulgences Available for the Year of Saint Joseph

Special opportunities to receive a plenary indulgence were also included, subject to the usual conditions: sacramental confession, reception of Holy Communion, prayers for the intentions of the Pope, and total detachment to all sin, including venial sin.

The following prayers and activities have been enriched with a plenary indulgence.

- 1.) Meditate for at least 30 minutes on the Lord's Prayer ('Our Father') or participate in a spiritual retreat of at least one day that includes meditation on Saint Joseph.
- 2.) Perform a corporal or spiritual work of mercy, inspired by the life and example of Saint Joseph.
- 3.) Pray the Rosary together as a family or a couple, modeling the virtues of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph.
- 4.) Dedicate with confidence their daily work to the protection of Saint Joseph the Worker, including the efforts of those who are unemployed, underemployed, or seeking more dignified work.
- 5.) Devoutly recite the Litany of Saint Joseph (available at USCCP.org/prayer-and-worship/prayers-and-devotions/litanies/litany-of-saint-joseph)
- 6.) Devoutly recite another approved prayer to Saint Joseph, for example 'To you, O blessed Joseph' (available at USCCB.org/prayer-and-worship/prayers-and-devotions/prayers/prayer-to-st-joseph-after-rosary), especially on various feasts of Saint Joseph that will be posted in this bulletin. A copy of this prayer is available at the back of the church.