

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

September 12, 2021—Year of Saint Joseph 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mc 8:34-35 He summoned the crowd with his disciples and said to them, "Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me. For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and that of the gospel will save it.



Always Remember 9-11 — Never Forget !



New Message from the Diocese of Joliet:

In accordance with CDC guidelines, masks are required regardless of vaccination status.

Pastor

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THIS WEEK'S INTENTIONS

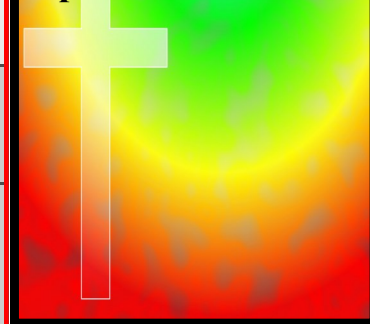
If you wish to have a Mass intention for a loved one, anniversary death, birthday or other occasion, please contact the parish office or Lori Gale at 309 475-9261.

MON September 13 (St John Chrysostom)		No Mass
TUE September 14 (Exaltation of the Holy Cross)	8:00 AM (OLOL) 5:30 PM (STJ)	Parishioners of OLOL 7:30 am— (Before Mass) Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet
WED September 15 (Feast of Our Lady of Sorrows)	8:00 AM (OLOL) 7:00 PM (STM)	+ Nicole Kleckner (by Marj and Jerry Brown) Divine Chaplet of Mercy during Adoration after Mass
THU September 16 (Sts. Cornelius and Cyprian)	5:30 PM (OLOL)	+Mary Wurmnest (by Wurmnest family)
Friday September 17 (St Robert Bellarmine)	5:30 PM (OLOL)	Parishioners of OLOL 5:00 pm Rosary and Divine Chaplet
SAT September 18 (St Joseph of Cupertino)	5:00 PM (OLOL)	+ Leo Chapman (by Audrey Chapman)
SUN September 19 (25th Sunday in Ordinary Time) (St. Januarius)	8:00 AM (STJ) 9:30 AM(STM) 11:00 AM (OLOL)	+Parishioners of OLOL

**THANK YOU FOR
 YOUR GIFTS
 OLOL**

September 4/5	\$3076.00
Capital Imp. (September)	\$255.00
CMAA 2021 (goal:\$11,300)	\$11,618.00
Food Pantry	\$97.00
Sept. Total	\$97.00
Yr to Date FP	\$3210.00

Special Collections



<u>Date</u>	<u>Altar Servers</u>	<u>Lectors</u>	<u>Euch. Minister</u> Contact Sarah (217) 781-0528	<u>Ushers</u> Contact Craig Davis (815)-848-5554	<u>Homebound Ministry Members</u>
SATURDAY September 18 5:00 PM	Contact Tannie (309) 893-0073	Patti Huppert	Tannie Smith	Robert Bode Frank Titus	Sarah Sarantakos Joyce Foster
SUNDAY September 19 11:00 AM 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Contact Tannie (309) 893-0073	Sarah Sarantakos	Deacon Paul Sarantakos	Craig Davis Craig Davis daughter	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 OUR LADY OF SORROWS
 (MATER DOLOROSA)**

The Church dedicates the month of September to Our Lady of Sorrows, also known as Mater Dolorosa (Mother of Sorrows). This devotion recalls the Blessed Virgin Mary's spiritual martyrdom in virtue of her perfect union with the Passion of Christ. This was her role in salvation history, and what merited her place as the spiritual Mother of all Christians. This is symbolized by a single sword, or seven swords, piercing Mary's suffering heart, as foretold in Simeon's prophecy. Traditionally the Church meditates on the "Seven Sorrows" of our Blessed Mother: the prophecy of Simeon; the Holy Family's flight into Egypt; the loss of the Child Jesus for three days; the meeting of Mary and Jesus as he carried his cross; Jesus' crucifixion and death; Jesus' sacred body taken down from the cross; and Jesus' burial. *The feast of Our Lady of Sorrows is September 15th.*

The **Parish Picnic** is still on for September 26th after Sunday 11:00 mass but we do need an **RSVP as soon as possible** on how many plan to come. Due to the Covid restrictions we are doing things a little different this year.

1. We are doing a potluck, however due to COVID we can only accept pre packaged foods.

2. There will be a bounce house for children, but we are limiting it to same family use only, with cleaning in-between.

3. Since this is outdoors, masks are not required, but can be used if it makes you feel comfortable.

The church will provide the **hamburgers and hots dogs along with the buns, ketchup and mustard. The church will also provide the usual paper plates and plastic silverware.**



"Dinner for One"

We are starting a new dinner group for anyone who is a Widow or Widower. This can be a difficult time for many to deal with at any stage of life. You will be able to talk to others who are going through the same things you feel. This group will have no agenda, just a chance to have a good meal with others in the same boat.

"Dinner for One" will meet twice a month for dinner at **"Pioletti's Spaghetti" located at 310 N Sangamon Ave. Gibson City.** The first "Dinner for One" will be held on **Thursday September 16th, 2021 from 4:30pm-6:30pm.** Social time from 4:30-5:00. Dinner at 5:00pm with salad and entree and desert all for only \$10.00. If you want to have a spirited beverage that's fine as it is a BYOB. Tea, Coffee, Lemonade and Water will be provided. Don't be afraid to come. Make your reservation today.

You must RSVP by September 13, 2021 so we know how many to cook for. Call, Text or Email Sarah Sarantakos: 217-784-0528 or email Sarah.Sarantakos1@gmail.com.



Parish Registration

We recommend that you register to update your information.

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.

September 26, 2021 Parish Picnic (after 11 am Mass) RSVP to the office



September

Altar Flowers are provided by :
September 4/5—Rob and Sandy Kollross
September 11/12—Lisa Heap
September 18/19— Pat Fields
September 25/26—Margy Shambrook

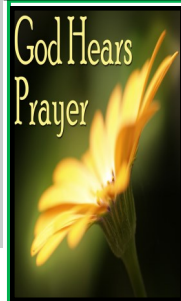
Altar Flowers are now being billed directly to the church at \$30.00 per week. Please mark your check memo line '*Altar Flowers*' for your donation when it is your turn.
Thank you.



Take Graces for Others

And I will tell you one more thing — take these graces not only for yourself, but also for others; that is, encourage the souls with whom you come in contact to trust in My infinite mercy. Oh, how I love those souls who have complete confidence in Me — I will do everything for them (Diary, 294).

Yes, Lord, I take Your graces not only for myself but for souls I meet that they may trust in you even more. May they grow to have complete confidence in You!
"Grace is favour, the free and undeserved. You don't ask for it but this Grace is freely given. It is a gift of love that invites us into a relationship with God.



Prayer and Pastries

When: **Sept 17, Oct 1**
9AM-noon

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



Kenneth H Slavicek
5/21/1945—
9/1/2021

Grant unto him Eternal rest and let the perpetual light shine upon him.
May he rest in peace.

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, **OLOLGC.org**.

Sunday, Sept 12—1st day of RE classes and register



Sunday, September 12-

All Churches Prayer Service -
North Park Pavilion—2:00 pm

September 14—Blood Drive noon to 5:30 pm (Make appointments by Wed Sept 8, 2021)

Friday, September 17—Prayers and Pastries

Sunday, September 19—RE teachers meeting after 11 am Mass

Sunday, September 19—Catechist meeting 12 noon –2:00 pm

September 22 to October 31—
40 Days for Life

Sunday, September 26— after 11:00 Mass
—Parish Picnic (see note to the left for details)

Please sign up for Meet and Greet at breakfast for our RE students.



Patricia Harper (9/12)
Keegan Kutemeier (9/12)
Jerry Stoltz (9/14)
Alex Rosenbaum (9/14)
Enrique Gonzalez, Fr. (9/14)
Laura Lynch (9/14)
Benjamin Roesch (9/14)
Marie Davis (9/17)
Patricia Huppert (9/18)
Jodi Beyers (9/18)
Frederick Sarantakos (9/18)
Georgia Lynch (9/19)
Emma Kurtenbach (9/20)

Happy Anniversary

Brian and Jody Goodin (9/13)
Roger and Edna Huppert (9/14)

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@ololg.org.

Good News!

September 12, 2021
Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)
Is 50:4c-9a; Jas 2:14-18; Mk 8:27-35

Faith or Works? Unfortunately, these two facets of our faith are often pitted against each other. In many of his letters, St. Paul insists on the superiority of faith, while today's reading from St. James underscores the importance of good works. It is understandable that one might get confused. Actually, both are vital. In fact, one without the other does not result in full Christian living. At issue is how they fit together.

Paul's insistence on faith was probably a corrective for the erroneous belief that we can earn eternal happiness by our good works. This was not simply a problem with the Jewish law and practices but with the religious law and practices of many societies. Even today we find people convinced that obeying religious laws assures salvation. To this, Paul insisted that it was faith in Jesus that saved, not conformity to law. Paul never said that believers should not obey the law. Rather, he would insist that such obedience should flow from faith, not vice versa.

It seems that the people to whom today's second reading was directed took the idea of "faith alone" to an extreme. They were not committed to good works. This letter corrected that error. It states that faith without works is dead. In fact, good works demonstrate the authenticity and depth of one's faith.

The message for today should be clear. Faith and works belong together. Genuine faith manifests itself in works of love and mercy, and the works of love and mercy that flow from faith are of God.

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

Our Lady of Sorrows Feast Day September 15th

The Mother of God revealed to St. Bridget "I look around upon all who are in the world, to see if there may be any who will pity me, and meditate upon my sorrows, and truly, I find very few. Therefore, my daughter, though I am forgotten by many, at least do not you forget me; behold my anguish, and imitate, as far as you can, my grief."

Let us not then, ever forget her sighs and groans - her bitter pains and sorrows. Let us fix them deeply in our mind that, day by day we may recall them, meditate on them, and in this manner, we will imitate her virtues, share in her merits, and obtain her special protection. Of this we can be certain, to the extent that we have compassion for Our Lady in her sufferings and meditate on her great sorrows, while thus our love for her grows daily "more and more," so also will our love for Jesus crucified still more continually increase.

"The grief of Mary was so great that, were it divided among all men, it would suffice to cause their immediate death." (St. Bernardine of Sienna)

Our Lord Jesus Christ, Himself, revealed to Blessed Veronica of Binasco "My daughter, tears shed for My Passion are dear to Me; but as I loved My Mother Mary with an immense love, the meditation on the torments which She endured at My death is even more pleasing to Me."

Mary will show us a grateful love, and, with her own most marvelous blessing, will bless those who, by compassion of her Sorrows, show themselves the most truly to be her children, and give the sweetest consolation to her afflicted heart.

- Monday**
SEPTEMBER 13
St. John Chrysostom, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
1 Tm 2:1-8
Lk 7:1-10
- Tuesday**
SEPTEMBER 14
The Exaltation of the Holy Cross
Nm 21:4b-9
Phil 2:6-11
Jn 3:13-17
- Wednesday**
SEPTEMBER 15
Our Lady of Sorrows
1 Tm 3:14-16
Jn 19:25-27 or
Lk 2:33-35
- Thursday**
SEPTEMBER 16
Sts. Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs
1 Tm 4:12-16
Lk 7:36-50
- Friday**
SEPTEMBER 17
Weekday
1 Tm 6:2c-12
Lk 8:1-3
- Saturday**
SEPTEMBER 18
Weekday
1 Tm 6:13-16
Lk 8:4-15
- Sunday**
SEPTEMBER 19
Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Wis 2:12, 17-20
Jas 3:16-4:3
Mk 9:30-37

Those who meditate on my Seven Sorrows will be protected by me at every instant of their life.

ThePowerofTheRosary.com Our Lady to St. Bridget

- 1) The Prophecy of Simeon - (Luke 2: 22-35)
- 2) The Flight Into Egypt - (Matthew 2:12-23)
- 3) The Loss of the Child Jesus in the Temple (Luke 2:41-52)
- 4) Mary Meets Jesus on the Way to Calvary (23:27) The meeting between Jesus and his mother on the way of the cross is

not recorded in any of the Gospels, but we know that there were women who followed him on the way and we know that Mary was at the foot of the cross with St John, so it isn't unreasonable that she and Jesus should have met as he was carrying the cross. It is also a strong tradition of the Church, commemorated both in the devotion of the Seven Sorrows of Mary and in the Stations of the Cross.

- 5) Jesus Dies on the Cross - John 19:25-37)
- 6) Mary Receives Jesus (Matthew 27:55-56) Only in the 13 station of the Cross do we hear specifically Of Jesus being placed in this Mothers arms.
- 7) Jesus is Placed in the Tomb (Luke 23:50-56)