

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 4:00 pm

Eucharistic Adoration

Every Wednesday

8:30 am – 4:00 pm

Confession

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

November 27, 2022 First Sunday of Advent



Mt 24:37-39 For as it was in the days of Noah, so it will be at the coming of the Son of Man. In (those) days before the flood, they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, up to the day that Noah entered the ark. They did not know until the flood came and carried them all away. So will it be (also) at the coming of the Son of Man.



Eucharistic Adoration—Every Wednesday

8:00am Mass

8:30 am to 4:00 pm Adoration

8:30 am –9:00 am Confession

3:00 pm Divine Mercy Chaplet Prayed

4:00 pm Benediction

If possible, please sign up when you can be at Adoration.

The sign-up sheet is on the podium at the entrance of church. If you cannot commit to a time, please come when you can. Jesus will be waiting for you !

There are books/pamphlets at the back of the church for you to read and ponder while you adore Jesus.

(Please return the reading materials when you are finished)

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| THIS WEEK'S INTENTIONS | | |
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| 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 November 28 <i>(St James of the Marche)</i> | | No Mass |
| TUE November 29 <i>(Saint Clement)</i> | 8:00 AM (OLOL) 5:30 PM (STJ) | +Marge Carlson (by Carla Moxley) |
| WED November 30 <i>(NOTE) Adoration 8:30 am to 4:00 pm (Saint Andrew, Apostle of Jesus)</i> | 8:00 AM (OLOL) | Our Lady of Lourdes Parishioners |
| THURS Dec. 1 <i>(Saint Charles de Foucauld, Priest)</i> | 4:00 PM (OLOL) | Benoit family |
| FRIDAY Dec. 2 <i>(Blessed Rafal Chylinski, Priest)</i> | 4:00 PM (OLOL) | Our Lady of Lourdes Parishioners |
| Saturday Dec. 3 <i>(Saint Francis Xavier, Priest)</i> | 5:00 PM (OLOL) | +Carol Obert (by Paul Obert family) |
| SUN December 4 <i>(2nd Sunday of Advent)</i> | 7:00 AM (OLOL) 8:00 AM (STJ) 9:30 AM (STM) 11:00 AM (OLOL) | Our Lady of Lourdes Parishioners (7 am) Walter Smith(Confirmation) (by Maggie Davis) 11 AM |

| THANK YOU FOR YOUR GIFTS OLOL | |
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| Nov. 19/20 | \$ 1,952.00 |
| Capital Imp. Nov. 2022 | \$459.00 |
| CMAA 2022 (thru Nov.20) (goal:\$ 11,700) | \$ 14,695.00 |
| Food Pantry Nov. Total Yr to Date FP | \$52.00 \$ 173.00 \$3,359.00 |
| Special Collections ***** ***** Nov. 19/20 Human Development \$459.00 +++++++ Dec. 3/4.—Capital | |

| Ministry Schedules | | | | | |
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| Date | Altar Servers | Lectors | Euch. Minister | Ushers | Homebound Ministry |
| | Contact Tannie Smith (309) 893-0073 | Contact Tannie Smith (309) 893-0073 | Contact Sarah (217) 781-0528 | Contact Craig Davis (815) 848-5554 | Deacon Paul (217) 781-1440 |
| SATURDAY 5:00 pm December 3, 2022 | Needed | Michelle Meyer | Frank Titus | Needed | Deacon Paul Sarantakos |
| SUNDAY Dec. 4, 2022 7:00 am 11:00 AM 2nd Sunday of Advent | 7:00 am Mass—Needed 11:00 am Beyers family | Needed 7:00 am 11:00 am Alyce Hafer | Deacon Paul Sarantakos | Needed Needed | |

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.

Parish Calendar

Every Wednesday—Adoration (see front page for details)
 Every Wednesday - Nov. 30, Dec. 7, Dec. 14, Dec. 21, Dec. 28
 Choir practice 4:00 pm-5:00 pm (All singers are welcome !)

Sunday, November 27—NO RE classes (Thanksgiving Break)
 Sunday, November 27—Mass 7:00 am and 11:00 am Our Lady of Lourdes
 Sunday, December 4—RE classes 9:30 am / Youth 9:30 am
 Sunday, December 4—Reconciliation Luncheon—after 11:00 am mass—Contact Tannie
 Sunday, December 4—'Celebrate the Season' program—Gibson Bible Church 3:00 pm

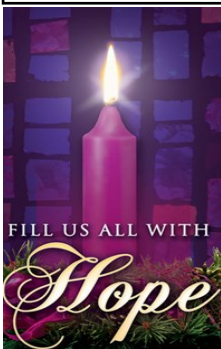
Prayer Chain


OUR LADY OF LOURDES PRAYER CHAIN
 This 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 Alyce Hafer at (217) 745-2411 or joenalyceh@cawi.org
 (Your specific prayer need does NOT need to be disclosed to activate the prayer chain).



On **Saturday November 26 and Sunday November 27**. Each family will receive an Advent packet with Children's Advent Calendars, Daily Advent Family Readings, and the 2023 church calendar. Please be sure to stop by the table at the back of church where a church member will assist you. Thank you !

December is dedicated to Advent and the coming of Christ. This refers to the preparation of the four weeks before Christmas. The celebration of remembering Christ's birthday over 2000 years ago, but also the time of prayerful, spiritual preparation for the second and final coming of the Lord Jesus Christ. The word advent comes from the Latin term *adventus* meaning "arrival" or "coming," particularly the coming of something having great importance. Advent season, then, is both a time of joy-filled, anticipatory celebration of the arrival of Jesus Christ and a preparatory period of repentance, meditation, and penance.



First Week of Advent: Light the First Purple Candle, Hope
The first candle lit on the first week of Advent is a purple candle, this candle represents Hope. In the first week of Advent, we recall the Prophet Isaiah, who anticipated the birth of Jesus. This first candle also represents the anticipation of the arrival of the Messiah.

During the advent season, it's customary in the Catholic Church to have an advent wreath present in our homes, and parishes. This Advent Wreath usually has 4 candles and have their own special significance and are gradually lit throughout the four weeks of advent. In order to prepare for this season, we want to discuss a few questions that people generally ask about the Advent wreath and specifically the advent candles.

Advent candles are the four candles that you see in the Advent wreath.

There are 3 purple candles and 1 pink candle on the wreath, and each candle has its own significance and meaning. The color purple has been significant in the Catholic Church for years, and it remains to be the color of the priest's vestments during the advent and lenten season. This color also symbolize the waiting and longing for the coming of Christ.



Food Pantry Volunteers

Friday Dec 9 at 6:15 pm
10 people needed to set up
Saturday Dec 10—8 am to noon20 people needed including 3 drivers as there will be homebound deliveries
Our Lady of Lourdes will be the only servers this weekend. Please consider volunteering. Contact Deacon Paul Sarantakos at (217) 781-1440

**Christmas Program—
Sunday, December 4**

Gibson Area Music Foundation will present to the public "Celebrate the Season" at 3 p.m. on Sunday, December 4 at the Gibson City Bible Church. The free program will contain Christmas carols, readings and Messiah selections to tell the story of Christ's birth. Our Lady of Lourdes has 5 members who are participating in this year's program.

NOTE from Lori Gale, secretary:

Effective **Monday, October 17th**, I will NOT be in the office at the usual times. If you need anything, please call the rectory and leave a message. I will answer your call later in the day. You can also send an email to the office, to which I will respond. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.



**December Rosary Schedule
(Dedicated to Advent and the coming of Christ)**

Tuesday 7:30 am before Mass
Wednesday 8:30 am
Thursday 3:30 pm before Mass
Friday 3:30 pm before Mass
Saturdays 4:15 pm before Mass
Sundays 10:30 am before Mass

(Please try to pray the rosary every day this month)
**Mary Queen of Peace,
Pray for us.**



(PS 17)
"Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord"

2022—2023 Parish Council

President-Marj Brown (217-377-3132)
Vice President—Alyce Hafer (217-745-2411)
Secretary-Jody Goodin (217-377-5208)
Fred Sarantakos (217-781-1813)
Dr. Dritan Dragu
Roy Acree (217-649-2263)

Please contact these dedicated people if you have any concerns or suggestions

Parish Office Hours

Located at the Rectory next to the church,
534 N Wood, Gibson City
Monday: afternoon TBA
Thursday: afternoon TBA
Lori Gale, Church Secretary
Phone: 217-784-4671
Note— the office will be closed on Federal Holidays

Altar Flowers provided by :

Rob and Linda Schmitt (Nov. 25/26)
Paul and Sarah Sarantakos (Dec.3/4)
Alyce Hafer (Dec. 10/11)
Lisa Heap (Dec. 17/18)
Dec. 24/25—2022 Christmas Sign Ups

The flowers are now \$35.00 a bouquet.
You will be billed by the florist Rural Rose of Fisher, not the church. Thank you !!!



Lane Beyers (11/27)
Joan Cole (11/30)
Teri Eichelberger (12/2)
Alayna Miller (12/2)
Braden Stroh (12/2)
Karla McKinney (12/4)

Happy Anniversary

Paul and Mary Geurts (12/13)

GOD Bless our families !

Pray for the Sick & Homebound

Brian Sullivan / Emma Davis
Terry Hutchcraft / Joyce Pearson
Fran Mardis / Rosanne Miller
Connie Cimino / Ken Freehill
Mae Gardner / Pat Huth
Linda Martin



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.

NOTE ** Bulletin submissions should be received by WEDNESDAY at 5:00 pm.
Call the parish at 217-784-4671 or email to office@ololg.org.**



**Month of the Immaculate Conception
Feast Day, Thursday, December 8, 2022**

The month of December is dedicated to the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary. This is St. Ann (Mary's Mother) conceiving Mary in her womb with out the stain of original sin. "From all eternity God chose with infinite wisdom the woman who would be the Mother of His divine Son. To prepare for the Word Incarnate a spotless and Holy Tabernacle, God created Mary in grace and endowed her from the moment of her conception with all the perfections suited to her exalted dignity. St. Thomas teaches that through her intimacy with Christ, the principle of grace, she possessed beyond all creatures a fullness of divine life."



Divine Mercy Daily
Daily Reflections from the
Diary of Saint Maria Faustina Kowalska

The Lord's Final Coming

When, on one occasion, instead of interior prayer, I (St. Faustina) took up a book of spiritual reading, I heard these words spoken distinctly and forcefully within my soul, (Jesus) You (St. Faustina) will prepare the world for My final coming. These words moved me deeply, and although I pretended not to hear them, I understood them very well and had no doubt about them. Once, being tired out from this battle of love with God, and making constant excuses on the grounds that I (St. Faustina) was unable to carry out this task, I wanted to leave the chapel, but some force held me back and I found myself powerless. Then I heard these words, (Jesus) You (St. Faustina) intend to leave the chapel, but you shall not get away from Me, for I (Jesus) am everywhere. You cannot do anything of yourself, but with Me you can do all things (Diary, 429).

(Prayer) Lord Jesus, without You, we can do nothing, but with You and Your gracious mercy, we can do all things (see Phil 4:13). Help us as apostles of Your Divine Mercy to prepare for and pray for Your final coming. May our celebration and offering of Holy Mass hasten the day of Your coming.

Please try to pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet every day at 3:00pm for this is when Our Lord Jesus Christ gave us his life for sins. If you cannot pray at that time, take at least a moment at 3:00pm to feel the inconceivable, abundant Mercy that falls from heaven every day at 3:00pm for the whole world. Jesus, I Trust In You!

Confession/Reconciliation

Fr. Dong will hear your confession **Every Wednesday at 8:30am after Mass, Every Saturday at 4:30pm before Mass, Second Saturday of every month 10:00-11:00am**

And By Appointment 630-456-5406

The Catechism of the Catholic Church says, (No.1457), that all Catholics should go to confession at least once a year. Don't miss out on this incredible grace that Our Lord wants to bestow upon you.



Homebound Ministry is always available for Catholics who cannot come to Mass because they are in the hospital, recovering at home, sick at home, have moved to a care facility. Please contact Sarah Sarantakos at 217-781-0528 to have a Eucharistic Minister bring Holy Communion to you.

Invitation : Dinner for One
When: Thursday Dec. 1/15
(RSVP by Nov.30 / Dec.14th)

Where: Country Kettle
810 S Sangamon Ave. Gibson City
Social time: 4:30pm-5:00pm
Dinner: 5:00pm (from the menu)
Cost: Depends on what you order from the menu
Alcohol : Available



Please Call or Text Sarah Sarantakos (Coordinator/Our Lady of Lourdes):
217-781-0528 or email Sarah.Sarantakos1@gmail.com

Monday
November 28
Advent Weekday
Is 4:2-6
Mt 8:5-11

Tuesday
November 29
Advent Weekday
Is 11:1-10
Lk 10:21-24

Wednesday
November 30
St. Andrew, Apostle
Rom 10:9-18
Mt 4:18-22

Thursday
December 1
Advent Weekday
Is 26:1-6
Mt 7:21, 24-27

Friday
December 2
Advent Weekday
Is 29:17-24
Mt 9:27-31

Saturday
December 3
St. Francis Xavier, Priest
Is 30:19-21, 23-26
Mt 9:35-10:1, 5a, 6-8

Sunday
December 4
Second Sunday of Advent
Is 11:1-10
Rom 15:4-9
Mt 3:1-12