

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

Monday and Thursday –
4:00 pm

Phone & Fax (217) 784-4671

General Information

office@ololgc.org

Website www.ololgc.org

Mass Schedule

Saturday 5 pm

Sunday 11:00 am

Thursday 8:00 am

Eucharistic Adoration

Every Wednesday

9:00 am – noon

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

December 24, 2023 Fourth Sunday of Advent



Lc 1:31-33

Behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall name him Jesus. He will be great and will be called Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give him the throne of David his father, and he will rule over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end."



Eucharistic Adoration

Every Wednesday 9 am to noon

Benediction at noon

Beginning January 3, 2024 Mass—8:00 am

Followed by Adoration

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)

If you would to volunteer, please call Sarah at 217-781-0528.

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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 December 25	8:00 am (OLOL) <i>(Nativity of our Lord)</i>	Lady of Lourdes Parishioners
TUE December 26	(OLOL) <i>(St. Stephen)</i> 5:30 PM (STJ)	NO Mass Mass
WED December 27	(OLOL) <i>(St. John, Apostle)</i> 7:00 pm (STM)	Adoration 9:00 am to noon Mass
THURS Dec.28	8:00 AM (OLOL) <i>(The Holy Innocents, Martyrs)</i>	+Mae Gardner (by family)
FRIDAY Dec. 29	8:00 am (STM) <i>(St. Thomas Becket)</i> (OLOL)	Mass No Mass
Saturday Dec. 30	5:00 PM (OLOL) <i>(6th day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord)</i>	+Carolyn Kollross (by Smith family)
SUNDAY Dec. 31	9:30 am (STM) 11:00 am (OLOL) <i>(Holy Family, Jesus, Mary, Joseph)</i>	Mass Our Lady of Lourdes Parishioners

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GIFTS OLOL	
Dec. 16/17	\$981.00
Capital Imp. Dec. 2023	\$ 1147.00
CMAA 2023 As of Dec.17 (goal:\$12,900)	\$15,625.00
Food Pantry Dec Total Yr to Date FP	\$ 42.00 \$ 204.00 \$3,095.22

Special Collections

 Dec, 25
 Christmas Day

Ministry Schedules

Date Ministry Volunteers Contact Patti Huppert (217-778-4574)	Altar Servers	Lector	Euch. Minister / Sacriston	Ushers/Greeters	Homebound Ministry Deacon Paul (217) 781-1440
SATURDAY December 30, 2023 5:00 pm		Jack Kollross	Jean Wilhelmi	Bob Bode	Deacon Paul Sarantakos
SUNDAY December 31 11:00 am The Holy Family Jesus, Mary, Joseph	Davis family	Maggie Davis	Jerry Brown	Craig Davis	

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. Nestor at fr.nestor@stmarypaxton.org

Marriage/RCIA
 Call the Rectory at least six months before. A six month preparation time is required.

Mass Attendance Dec. 16/17 Saturday 5pm (34) Sunday 11 am (65) Total 99
 3rd Commandment: Remember to keep holy the Sabbath day.

Parish Calendar and MORE (Subject to change)

Every Wednesday (4 pm) Choir practice... Dec. 27th, Jan. 3rd, 10th, 17, 24th, 31st

Christmas and New Years Mass Schedule

Sunday, December 24— Regular Weekend Mass—OLOL at 11:00 am
 Christmas Eve Vigil Mass OLOL 4:00 pm
 Monday, December 25—Christmas Day Mass OLOL 8:00 am
 Sunday, December 31—Holy Family— Mass at OLOL 11:00 am
 Monday, January 1—(New Years) Holy Family—Mass at OLOL 8:00 am

The Fourth Sunday of Advent—December 24, 2023

What do each of the candles on the advent wreath mean?

The *first purple candle* is called the Prophecy Candle or Candle of Hope.



The *second purple candle* is the Bethlehem Candle or the Candle of Preparation.

The *third (pink) candle* is the Shepherd Candle or Candle of Joy.

The *fourth candle, a purple one*, is called the Angel Candle or the Candle of Love.

And the last (*white*) candle is the Christ Candle.

Prayers - *Give me peace today, O Lord. Help me to live this day in eternal hope knowing Jesus will come again. *Heavenly Father, give me the strength to have the same trust in You that Mary had, as she awaited the birth of Jesus. *I pray for humility today, Father. Our Savior entered this world in a manger with animals. When I feel too proud, let me remember the Holy Family and Jesus's humble birth.



Men's Cursillo Weekend scheduled

Dates—January 26-28, 2024

Where—St Patrick's Catholic Church, Urbana, IL

This will be a great way to start the new year by joining other men and strengthen your faith in Christ and His Church. For more information, contact Bruce Killian at 309-261-0168 or Jerry Brown at 217-377-5277

December is Devoted to The Immaculate Conception (Rosary Schedule)

Wednesday 9:00am

Thursday-7:30am

Saturday 4:15pm

Sunday 10:30am

Please try to pray, the Rosary,
every day with your family.

Mary Queen of Peace Pray for Us.



2024 Altar Flowers Sign-Up

The clipboard is on the wall inside the back of the church. Please take a minute to look at the dates that are available for donating flowers to keep our altar looking beautiful all year.

If you wish to be on the permanent list for particular weekend (s), please designate by putting a star (*) next to your name.

You will be billed by the florist for \$35.00

The church doesn't bill any more.

Thank you in advance for helping to beautify our church.



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

County Market Gift Cards

We have a few Gift Cards from County Market. If you or someone you know may need a little help with groceries, please leave a message for Lori at 217-784-4671

December Altar Flowers

provided by :
Dec. 23/24—Christmas Sign up Sheet

The flowers are \$35.00 a bouquet.
You will be billed by the florist
Rural Rose of Fisher (217-897-1604)
Thank you !!!

Monday
December 25
Nativity of the Lord
Is 52:7-10
Heb 1:1-6
Jn 1:1-18 or
1:1-5, 9-14

Tuesday
December 26
*St. Stephen,
the First Martyr*
Acts 6:8-10;
7:54-59
Mt 10:17-22

Wednesday
December 27
*St. John,
Apostle and
Evangelist*
1 Jn 1:1-4
Jn 20:1a, 2-8

Thursday
December 28
*Holy Innocents,
Martyrs*
1 Jn 1:5-2:2
Mt 2:13-18

Friday
December 29
*Christmas
Weekday*
1 Jn 2:3-11
Lk 2:22-35

Saturday
December 30
*Christmas
Weekday*
1 Jn 2:12-17
Lk 2:36-40

Sunday
December 31
*Holy Family
of Jesus, Mary,
and Joseph*
Sir 3:2-6, 12-14
Col 3:12-21 or
3:12-17
Lk 2:22-40 or
2:22, 39-40

Pray for the Sick & Homebound

Brian Sullivan / Emma Davis
Terry Hutchcraft / Joyce Pearson
Fran Mardis / Rosanne Miller
Ken Freehill / Pat Huth / Gary Gale
Peter Hartford / Helen Haynes
Chuck Aubry / Vivian Geurts
Sarah Sarantakos

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.

Our Lady of Lourdes Social Media Sites

Please check them out for an abundance of information.

Facebook:

www.facebook.com/ololgc.org

Website: www.ololgc.org

Office Email: office@ololgc.org
(Lori Gale & Carla Moxley)

Fr. Nestor Sanchez Email:
fr.nestor@stmarypaxton.org

Deacon Paul Sarantakos Email:
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HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Birth of Jesus Christ (12/25)

Tom McCall (12/25)
Joyce Hutchcraft (12/26)
Braden Roesch (12/26)
Alania Maloney (12/28)
Marron Parsons (12/29)
Andrew Killian (12/29)
Charley Ulrich (12/30)

Happy Anniversary

God Bless all of our Families !!



OUR LADY OF LOURDES PRAYER THREADS

This PRAYER THREAD is for those in need of prayer support.

If you would like to be a 'Prayer Warrior' in the prayer threads 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 thread).



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 **Deacon Paul Sarantakos (217-781-1440)** to have a Eucharistic Minister bring Holy Communion to you.

