

Welcome

Welcome to Our Lady of Lourdes and Immaculate Conception! We are glad you are here with us today. If you would like to join our Faith Community, please contact our parish office or stop by any time.

Our Lady of Lourdes

Established - 1875

534 N. Wood Street
Gibson City, IL 60936

Mass Schedule

Saturday 5 pm
Sunday 7 am & 10:30 am
Monday 8 am
Tuesday 8 am
Thursday 6:30 pm
Friday 8 am
Holy Days: 7 am & 7 pm

Eucharistic Adoration

Tuesday 8:30-9:30 am
Thursday 7-8 pm

Confession

Saturday 4:30 pm (OLOL)
Any time by Appointment



Immaculate Conception

202 E. Green Street
Roberts, IL 60962

Mass Schedule

Sunday 8:30 am

Confession

Sunday 8:15AM (IC)



Parish Office

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November 22, 2015

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe



HOLY YEAR OF MERCY

December 8, 2015-November 20, 2016

All the faithful are invited to attend the 5PM Mass on Saturday, December 12 at the Cathedral of St. Raymond Nonnatus in Joliet. This liturgy will be our diocesan initiation of the Holy Year of Mercy. Prior to the beginning of Mass Bishop Conlon will open the Cathedral's Holy door, our local way of joining with Pope Francis as he opens the Holy Doors in Rome. Let us enter into this Holy Year in joyful celebration of God's extravagant love and mercy. May our own carrying out of the Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy make present God's tender mercy.

THIS IS A HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

MASS AT OLL FOR THIS HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION WILL BE AT 7AM & 7PM.

SALVATION ARMY KETTLE COLLECTIONS

Please help "PREPARE HIM ROOM" by serving together to provide for those in need in our community.



The bells will be ringing again in Gibson City this holiday season as the Salvation Army kettle collections are back. Here are the details:

- The bell ringing will take place over 2 weekends, Dec 4 & 5, 10AM-6PM at three venues, ACE Hardware, Big R and County Market.
- There will also be bell ringing outside ACE Hardware for the **Lighted Parade, Saturday, November 21, from 4-8PM**. Besides collecting donations, ***the main goal for this bell ringing will be to draw people's attention to the sign-up sheets to be a bell ringer for the days in December.*** There will be more information regarding on line sign-up next week.
- 100% of funds raised here will stay here to provide help for folks with emergency needs throughout the year.
- Police Chief Steve Cushman has graciously agreed to oversee these funds, meeting with those requesting help, and providing financial assistance as he sees fit.

With the ADVENT season quickly approaching, we would like to make you aware of some upcoming events.

- **NOVEMBER 28**, blessing of your advent wreathes at the Masses.
- **DECEMBER 13**, blessing of the bambinos. Bring you're your baby Jesus from your nativity set to weekend Masses.



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Michele Fackler

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President**
Eric Rosenbaum (OLOL)

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. Mass intentions are \$10.

MON November 23	8:00AM	Martin Family McCall Family
Blessed Miguel Agustin Pro		
TUE November 24	7:00PM	MASS FOR ALL DECEASED KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
St. Andrew dung-Lac and Comp.		
WED November 25	8:00AM	Priest Intentions
St. Catherine of Alexandria		
THU November 26	8:00AM	THANKSGIVING MASS
St. Columbian		
FRI November 27	8:00AM	NO MASS
St. Francesco Antonio Fasani		
SAT November 28	5:00PM	Durlene Lawless
St. James of the Marche		
SUN November 29	7:00AM (OLOL)	Todd Faker
	8:30 AM (IC)	Parish Family
	10:30 AM (OLOL)	Marge Carlson

**Thank You
For Your Gifts
OLOL**

Envelopes \$2500.00
Loose \$230.00
Capital Imp. \$0.00
Food Pantry \$84.08

Imm. Conception

Total \$127.00

Thank you to all that have fulfilled their Annual Appeal commitment and I encourage those outstanding to complete their commitment in the coming months. OLL received a check for \$712.00 for meeting our goal to date.

CMAA Goals
OLOL: \$14,395
Goal: (\$12,675)
IC: \$1,315
(Goal: \$1,224)

MINISTRY SCHEDULES

Date	Altar Servers	Lectors	Euch. Minister	Ushers	Homebound Ministry
Sat, November 28 5:00PM	Joe Baillie Alex Killian	Jim Meyers	Frank Titus	Steve Heavilin Jerry Brown	Janet Townsend
Sun, November 29 7:00AM	Liam Killian	Kathleen Reum			
Sun, November 29 10:30AM	Halle Groover Hannah Hathaway	Jack Kollross	Janet Townsend	Sam Baillie Tim Fackler	

CONGRATULATIONS,
both OLL and IC have exceeded their CMAA goal!

Volunteers are always needed for our parish ministries. For more information on how to join, contact the parish office.

Baptism

Call the Rectory at least four weeks before the baptism. Baptismal 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. Thomas at (630) 639-0502 .

Marriage

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



Diocese of Joliet

**CAMPAIGN FOR
HUMAN DEVELOPMENT**

The collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) provides funding for groups that make lasting change and uplift the poor in the United States. CCHD's grants improve education, support economic development, and create affordable housing in low-income neighborhoods. Help us continue to defend human dignity and build communities of solidarity. Please give to the CHD Collection.

FAMILY INFORMATION UPDATE

If each family could PLEASE fill out the form found in each pew and drop it in the collection basket. It is the most basic information needing to be updated in the office. Thank You



Please pray for the
Robert Boyce Family
Robert entered eternal life on
November 18, 2015



THANK YOU

We would like to thank the family of Marge Carlson for the beautiful Chalice & Paten that has been donated by them in her memory. Also the Ciborium that has been donated in her memory as well as Fr. Dennis Kollross. These items will be blessed at the Thanksgiving mass at 8AM, Thursday, November 26. Marge lived 101 wonderful years and the family hoped to mark the Centennial of the Church with this gift. It has been engraved on the base with this information. And in the words of Marge herself...KEEP SMILIN



Just a friendly reminder to try to complete any Annual Appeal pledges before Christmas. Your support and generosity of the Annual Appeal s greatly appreciated !!



2016 PARISH CALENDARS

Our Parish Calendars are available for 2016. Thank you Day Drainage for providing them for our Parishes. Feel free to pick some up after Masses over the next few weekends. It is hard to believe 2016 is 6 short weeks away.



Congratulations

Corey & Elizabeth Volker
On the baptism of

Kaitlynn Rose

WELCOME
to our
Our Lady of Lourdes
Parish Family

AMERICAN LUTHERAN CHURCH



will hold their Annual Cookie Walk on Saturday, December 5, from 8AM-12Noon in the Parish Hall. The Church is located at 905 E. First Street in Gibson City.

Decorated cookies will be \$6.00 per dozen and undecorated cookies will be \$5.00 per dozen.



FOOD PANTRY/BISHOP CONLON

Saturday, January 9, 2016 (second Saturday in January) from 8:30AM until noon will be our third scheduled opportunity to supply the labor for the local food pantry. Bishop Conlon will be visiting our parish and the food pantry during this weekend. As in the past, at least 25 workers will be needed to work on that Saturday.

If you have not signed up previously, please email me at caubry55@gmail.com. Include your name, phone number, and email address. The only age qualification is to be in at least 6th grade.

There may also be a need for a few workers for set-up on the evening of Friday, January 8, 2016.

Thank you,
Chuck Aubry



Please pray for the
Charles Freehill Family
Chuck entered eternal life on
November 15, 2015

PARISH EVENTS



Sunday, November 22

- YOUTH MASS

Thursday, November 26

- HAPPY THANKSGIVING



Tammy Parson (11/23)
Jude Killian (11/24)
Lane Beyers (11/27)
Sandy Freehill (11/28)



Mel & Marilyn Fischer (11/24)
Jeff & Lisa Volker (11/24)
Bruce & Amy Killian (11/24)



Pray for the Sick & Homebound

Tony Coons
Mary Cothorn
Jesse Cervelli
Dick Walter
Loretta Bode
Mardella Duffy
Milt Seyller

If you wish to add the name of a loved one who is sick, please contact the parish office at 217-784-4671 or pastor@lolgc.org.

Good News!

November 22, 2015
**OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST,
KING OF THE UNIVERSE (B)**

Dn 7:13-14 / Rv 1:5-8 / Jn 18:33b-37

Like many people, when I hear the words “king” and “queen,” I have an image formed by fairy tales and historical novels. The rulers of countries live in castles. They wear crowns and long capes and sit on thrones while their loyal subjects pay them homage. While I am aware that modern kings and queens wear “regular” clothes unless tradition dictates otherwise and that castles have become more contemporary, I still watch royal weddings for a glimpse of the pageantry that fed my childhood fantasies.

Pilate had an idea of what kings were like, too. In the first century, kings made laws and led people into battle. They had great armies and were a danger to another country’s way of life. The Jews kept talking about a Messiah who would become king and destroy Israel’s enemies. Pilate wasn’t taking any chances. For Rome’s sake, he would get rid of anyone who seemed a threat.

What Pilate failed to realize was that Israel’s king had a very specific function, and it was not to make laws or lead armies. Instead, the king was to study and obey the Law of God and become himself the example of obedience (see Dt 17:18-20). When Pilate called Jesus “the King of the Jews,” his words were truer than he knew, for Jesus was obedient to his Father, even unto accepting death for our sake. But Pilate had no idea why he was right because he was thinking in human terms.

Today we honor Christ, the king of the Jews, of all of us, and of the whole universe. Let us see him as he is and do as he does.

Mary Katharine Deeley
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Monday
NOVEMBER 23
Weekday

Dn 1:1-6, 8-20
Lk 21:1-4

Tuesday
NOVEMBER 24

*St. Andrew Dung-Lac,
Priest, and
Companions, Martyrs*
Dn 2:31-45
Lk 21:5-11

Wednesday
NOVEMBER 25
Weekday

Dn 5:1-6, 13-14,
16-17, 23-28
Lk 21:12-19

Thursday
NOVEMBER 26
Weekday

Dn 6:12-28
Lk 21:20-28

Friday
NOVEMBER 27
Weekday

Dn 7:2-14
Lk 21:29-33

Saturday
NOVEMBER 28
Weekday

Dn 7:15-27
Lk 21:34-36

Sunday
NOVEMBER 29

First Sunday of Advent
Jer 33:14-16
1 Thes 3:12-4:2
Lk 21:25-28, 34-36

dear Padre

November 22, 2015

Does Jesus transcend the limits of time, space?

Revelation says God is “the one who is and who was and who is to come” (1:8). Does this apply to Jesus as well? The Creed says he was “born of the Father before all ages.”?

John 1:1-3 says, “In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came to be through him, and without him nothing came to be.” Similarly, the author of Wisdom refers to the Word and Spirit of God this way: “Now with you is Wisdom, who knows your works and was present when you made the world” (9:9).

Origen, one of the early Church fathers, pointed out, “whatever is said of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, is to be understood as transcending all time, all ages, and all eternity” (*The Fundamental Doctrines*, 4:4:1). This means that even though Jesus was physically born into the world as we were, we cannot equate Jesus’ birth with our birth. Jesus transcends the limits of time and space. This is a mystery involving his dual natures—of his being fully human and fully divine.

The Word of God is eternal; it has always existed, and it always will. In this context, it is not simply a published text or historical figure. Jesus is the Incarnation of the Word. Therefore, his presence and redemptive grace span history and geography.

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