

## 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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# April 26, 2015 Fourth Sunday of Easter



## BLESSED IMELDA LAMBERTINI

Feast Day-May 12

Patron saint of First Holy Communion

Blessed Imelda offers a charming study in child sanctity. It was on the occasion of her fifth birthday that Imelda asked her pious parents if she also could receive communion. She already possessed a love of Christ, but she was far too

young. With an understanding of what communion really means, she wondered aloud:

"Tell me, can anyone receive Jesus into his heart and not die?"

At the early age of nine she entered the Dominican convent near Bologna. The one great desire of her life in those days was to receive within her breast her sacramental God. Custom had established the age of twelve as the proper time for little ones to receive First Holy Communion, and the convent chaplain would not listen to a suggested deviation from this rule. Frequently did the child beseech her confessor for permission to approach the divine banquet table, only to be repulsed.

On May the 12th, 1333, the vigil of the Ascension, the community partook of the Eucharist in a body, leaving Imelda alone in her choir stall. Her frail body shook with emotion, tears flowed her babe-like face, and with a voice that trembled with grief she asked to be fed upon the Body of her Lord. No attention was paid to her. The Mass came to a close. The religious left the choir. But Imelda remained behind uncomforted.

Suddenly a sweet fragrance, as of roses, filled the air and was seemingly wafted throughout the monastery. The nuns, tracing its source, returned to the chapel, and there, to their astonishment, beheld a Sacred Host suspended in the air above the head of the weeping maiden. The priest who had just celebrated Mass came, paten in hand, and, with holy impatience, awaited developments. The Host slowly descended, rested on the paten, and from the hands of the chaplain Imelda received her Eucharistic God.

The transport of love which took possession of her little heart at this longed-for moment was too great for a finite being.

Imelda died in the state of ecstasy in sheer joy and made her thanksgiving for First Holy Communion among the angels in Heaven.

The cultus of this young Blessed has grown so popular that the confraternity for First Communicants has been established in her honor, and the last Eucharistic Congress held in Bergamo passed a resolution petitioning for her solemn canonization. Her incorrupt body can be seen in the Church of San Sigismondo in Bologna.

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Alyce Hafer

**Youth Ministry**

Bruce Killian

**Music Director**

Michele Fackler

**Parish Council  
President**

Matt Doran (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.

<b>MON</b> April 27	8:00AM	Darrell Volker
<b>TUE</b> April 28	8:00AM	Spellmeyer Family Stoltz Family
<b>WED</b> April 29	8:00AM	Swearingen Famiy Todd Thomas Family
<b>THU</b> April 30	6:30PM	Susan Verdeyn
<b>FRI</b> May 1	8:00AM	Caroline Thomas Family Titus Family
<b>SAT</b> May 2	5:00PM	Brooke Martin
<b>SUN</b> May 3	7:00AM (OLOL) 8:30 AM (IC) 10:30 AM (OLOL)	Marge Carlson Richardson Family Vickie Stuckey

**Thank You  
For Your Gifts  
OLOL**

Envelopes \$2833.000  
Loose \$481.00  
Capital Imp. \$630.00  
Food Pantry \$117.94

**Imm. Conception**

Total \$157.00

When we meet our CMAA Goals!  
OLOL and IC will get back 65% of every dollar received above our goals. Reaching our goals is a great achievement, and continuing to give is even greater!

**CMAA Goals**  
OLOL: \$7592  
Goal: (\$12,576)  
IC: \$515  
(Goal: \$1,224)

**MINISTRY SCHEDULES**

<u>Date</u>	<u>Altar Servers</u>	<u>Lectors</u>	<u>Euch. Minister</u>	<u>Ushers</u>	<u>Homebound Ministry</u>
Sat, May 2 5:00PM	Giles Volker Angelica Cullota	Marj Brown	Marj Brown	Paul Volker Stan Alt	Janet Townsend
Sun, May 3 7:00AM	Ben Freehill Nate Giroux	Andrew Killian			
Sun, May 3 10:30AM	Hannah Kollross Isabella Helmig	Jack Kollross		Caine Jost Michael Smith	

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.



Sylvia Day (4/30)  
Julia McGuire (5/1)  
John Chaddock (5/1)  
Eric Rosenbaum (5/1)  
Gina Medernach (5/2)  
Amy Killian (5/2)



Jerry & Marj Brown (4/28)  
Tom & Sarah McCall (4/28)



We are searching for any historical information on Our Lady of Lourdes Church, specifically the stained glass windows and the families that donated them. If you can help us out, please contact the office or Denis Fisher at (217)249-1989.

**SAINTS OF THE WEEK**

- Monday, April 27**  
St. Louis Mary Grignon de Montfort
- Tuesday, April 28**  
St. Peter Chanel
- Wednesday, April 29**  
St. Catherine of Siena
- Thursday, April 30**  
St. Pius V
- Friday, May 1**  
St. Joseph the Worker
- Saturday, May 2**  
St. Athanasius
- Sunday, May 3**  
Sts. Philip and James

# PARISH PICNIC

Our Annual Parish Picnic is  
Sunday, MAY 3, 2015  
After 10:30AM Mass until 3:30PM

Come enjoy the **BOUNCE HOUSE, GAMES**, and **FELLOWSHIP** for the day!! We are asking parishioners to bring **DESSERTS** (meat and drink provided) and any **YARD GAMES** they might want to share....Pray for good weather!

If you have not already purchased raffle tickets from our youth for the Catholic Heart Work Camp trip in June, the picnic is the last opportunity to do so! We will be drawing the lucky winner following lunch!

## TOTUS TUUS

Mark your calendars for Totus Tuus  
JUNE 14-19  
REGISTRATION WILL BE AVAILABLE  
AT THE PARISH PICNIC!

CHWC silent auction fundraiser will also be taking place during the picnic. We are in need of donations which can be brought to Alyce or dropped into the empty classroom marked downstairs at the hall.



## From the RE Desk

CONGRATULATIONS to our children who received the Sacrament of First Communion. May God continue to bless them throughout their lives as they receive him in the Eucharist!

Amanda Freehill  
Gaines Parsons  
Victoria Cullotta  
Matthew Allen  
Sophia Ray  
Carter Eichelberger



Aidan Helmig  
Paul Baillie  
William Baillie  
Spencer Kleist  
Elizabeth Giroux  
Charley Ulrich



As the week of June 7-12 nears, the kids set to attend Catholic Heart Work Camp in Knoxville, TN continue to work on some final FUNDRAISERS to help offset the costs. You can look forward to the following activities!

### MAY 3— PARISH PICNIC

- **SILENT AUCTION** taking place at the parish picnic.

One of the items being auctioned is THEIR TIME for things such as light cleaning, yard work, babysitting and holiday decorating help.

- **RAFFLE TICKETS** will be available before the drawing at the picnic. Tickets are \$10 for one/\$20 for three, for a chance to win \$100 a month for a year!

### MAY 9/10

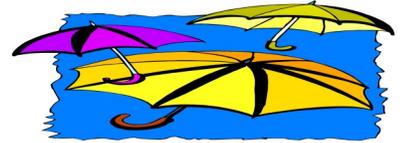
- **BAKE SALE** AFTER ALL THREE MASSES.

## PROJECT READ

**VOLUNTEER TUTORS ARE NEEDED** throughout Parkland College District 505. Individuals receive Project READ training certification after completing our 15 hour online and in classroom training program. This training will prepare you to help adult learners improve their skills in reading, basic mathematics, or English as a Second Language. Training is offered several times during the year. Tutors and students work together at community-based sites including public libraries, local churches, coffee shops, etc. and in Adult Basic Education or ESL classrooms. All learning materials are provided free of charge. Please contact our office to get started! Call (217)351-2361 or email [nknittel@parkland.edu](mailto:nknittel@parkland.edu).



## PARISH EVENTS



Wed, April 29

- Staff Mtg 6PM
- Parish Council Mtg 7PM

Sat, May 2

- Food Pantry 9AM-12PM

Tues, May 5

- CALM  
between 6:30-7PM

Wed, May 13

- K of C Mtg 7PM

Sat, May 16

- Food Pantry 9AM-12PM  
**OUR PARISH WEEKEND**

Tues, May 19

- CALM  
Between 6:30-7PM

Wed, May 27

- Staff Mtg 6PM
- Parish Council Mtg 7PM

## Pray for the Sick & Homebound

Tony Coons  
Mary Cothorn  
Jesse Cervelli  
Dick Walter  
Penny Campbell  
Loretta Bode  
Chuck Kemmer  
Vivian Geurts  
Mardella Duffy  
Dennis Stack  
Chuck Freehill  
Paul Volker  
Milt Seyller  
Judy Schall

Joseph Theneth

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@ololg.org](mailto:pastor@ololg.org).

# dear Padre

April 26, 2015

## Is it OK to sit in the presence of the Eucharist?

I was taught that we should never sit when the consecrated host is present, so I kneel until I go to Communion. But other people sit until it's time to get up. What's the rule?

At this point in the Mass, according to the *General Instruction of the Roman Missal (GIRM)*, paragraph 43, the congregation should be kneeling. The faithful should kneel after the *Agnus Dei* unless the diocesan bishop has determined otherwise. During the period of sacred silence after Communion, the congregation may sit or kneel.

Someone might sit because she can't kneel or stand. To allow for this possibility is an act of charity.

Uniformity in gestures and postures express and foster the proper intention and spiritual attitude of the congregation. However, exceptions do exist. Reasonable causes for not kneeling include ill health, lack of space, and a large number of people present.

But, outside of the reasonable exceptions, it's important that everyone use the same gestures and postures during Mass. Ask your pastor to clarify the instructions for the parish so you and your fellow parishioners can maintain uniformity in accordance with *GIRM* guidelines.

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### Monday

April 27  
Easter Weekday  
Acts 11:1-18  
Jn 10:1-10

### Tuesday

April 28  
Easter Weekday  
Acts 11:19-26  
Jn 10:22-30

### Wednesday

April 29  
St. Catherine of  
Siena, Virgin  
and Doctor  
of the Church  
Acts 12:24-13:5a  
Jn 12:44-50

### Thursday

April 30  
Easter Weekday  
Acts 13:13-25  
Jn 13:16-20

### Friday

May 1  
Easter Weekday  
Acts 13:26-33  
Jn 14:1-6

### Saturday

May 2  
St. Athanasius,  
Bishop and  
Doctor  
of the Church  
Acts 13:44-52  
Jn 14:7-14

### Sunday

May 3  
Fifth Sunday  
of Easter  
Acts 9:26-31  
1 Jn 3:18-24  
Jn 15:1-8

# Good News!

April 26, 2015

## FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (B)

Acts 4:8-12 / 1 Jn 3:1-2 / Jn 10:11-18

My mother lived for a time on a ranch in Texas. The ranch had cattle and sheep. My mother told me that sheep are pretty dumb and need a lot of care. She had great respect for the ranch hands who patiently got them out to pasture and then rounded them up when it was time to come in. Left to their own devices, she said, sheep would be easy prey for coyotes, foxes, and bobcats that roam the hill country.

Sheep were important for many families living in first-century Palestine as well. They provided food, clothing, milk, and a source of income.

A good shepherd was worth his weight in gold, because he spent his days with the sheep, leading them to pasture, protecting them from harm, and finding them when they got lost.

Shepherds may not have had a high social status, but it would have been hard to live without them.

Jesus, the Good Shepherd, does all these things for his flock, and then goes even further: "I came so that they might have life and have it more abundantly. I am the good shepherd. A good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep."

The ranch hands my mother talked about would have grieved over a dead sheep but wouldn't have died trying to save it. They made sure the sheep were watered and fed, but they didn't make the sheep's lives more abundant.

But we have abundant life because Jesus laid down his life for us. He is our Good Shepherd.

Can we ask anything more?

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