

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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May 3, 2015 Fifth Sunday of Easter



Join us at the
Parish Picnic

after 10:30 am Mass this
Sunday.

Bring a dish or dessert to
share, and join in the fun!

ANY EMERGENCIES THESE NEXT FEW WEEKS CAN BE DIRECTED TO FATHER KARL AT (815)945-2561. Please state that you are calling from Our Lady of Lourdes as a reference!

May 1

St. Joseph the Worker

Apparently in response to the "May Day" celebrations for workers sponsored by Communists, Pius XII instituted the feast of St. Joseph the Worker in 1955. But the relationship between Joseph and the cause of workers has a much longer history.

In a constantly necessary effort to keep Jesus from being removed from ordinary human life, the Church has from the beginning proudly emphasized that Jesus was a carpenter, obviously trained by Joseph in both the satisfactions and the drudgery of that vocation. Humanity is like God not only in thinking and loving, but also in creating. Whether we make a table or a cathedral, we are called to bear fruit with our hands and mind, ultimately for the building up of the Body of Christ.



"The Lord God then took the man and settled him in the garden of Eden, to cultivate and care for it" (Genesis 2:15). The Father created all and asked humanity to continue the work of creation. We find our dignity in our work, in raising a family, in participating in the life of the Father's creation. Joseph the Worker was able to help participate in the deepest mystery of creation. Pius XII emphasized this when he said, "The spirit flows to you and to all men from the heart of the God-man, Savior of the world, but certainly, no worker was ever more completely and profoundly penetrated by it than the foster father of Jesus, who lived with Him in closest intimacy and community of family life and work. Thus, if you wish to be close to Christ, we again today repeat, 'Go to Joseph'" (see Genesis 41:44).

Quote:

In *Brothers of Men*, René Voillaume of the Little Brothers of Jesus speaks about ordinary work and holiness: "Now this holiness (of Jesus) became a reality in the most ordinary circumstances of life, those of work, of the family and the social life of a village, and this is an emphatic affirmation of the fact that the most obscure and humdrum human activities are entirely compatible with the perfection of the Son of God...this mystery involves the conviction that the evangelical holiness proper to a child of God is possible in the ordinary circumstances of someone who is poor and obliged to work for his living."

Pastor

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Music Director

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Parish Council 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 May 4	8:00AM	NO MASS
TUE May 5	8:00AM	NO MASS
WED May 6	8:00AM	NO MASS
THU May 7	6:30PM	NO MASS
FRI May 8	8:00AM	NO MASS
SAT May 9	5:00PM	Marge Carlson
SUN May 10	7:00AM (OLOL) 8:30 AM (IC) 10:30 AM (OLOL)	Mary O'Brien Family Margie Rock Family Gerry Gravlin

Thank You For Your Gifts OLOL

Envelopes \$2878.000
Loose \$565.50
Capital Imp. \$0
Food Pantry \$43.00

Imm. Conception

Total \$225.77

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: \$8,132
Goal: (\$12,576)
IC: \$515
(Goal: \$1,224)

MINISTRY SCHEDULES

Date	Altar Servers	Lectors	Euch. Minister	Ushers	Homebound Ministry
Sat, May 9 5:00PM	Giles Volker Angelica Cullotta	Jim Meyer	Marj Brown	Paul Volker Stan Alt	Jean Wilhelmi
Sun, May 10 7:00AM	Nate Giroux Liam Killian	Erin Nuss			
Sun, May 10 10:30AM	Hannah Kollross Isabella Helmig	Ray Hanks	Paul Sarantakos	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.



Nathan Garard (5/5)
Beth Hornstein (5/5)
Katrina Medernach (5/8)
Brett Beyers (5/9)



Steve & Martha Heavilin (5/5)



A Note from Deacon Jeff

I have a unique opportunity for a couple, or for 2-3 individuals to join us here in Alaska at the Shrine of St. Therese. We have a very limited amount of volunteer positions available for those looking for a wonderful way to spend their summer.

In exchange for assisting in the daily care of the Shrine and her visitors, we will provide room & board and a small stipend...oh, and the most breathtaking views anywhere, all at your front door!

Interested? Please contact me at deaconvolker@yahoo.com or 217-781-8238 and become part of a real ministry in motion at the Shrine! (and the view to left)



SAINTS OF THE WEEK

Monday, May 4

Blessed Michael Giedroyc

Tuesday, May 5

St. Hilary of Aries

Wednesday, May 6

Blessed Garard of Lunel

Thursday, May 7

St. Rose Venerini

Friday, May 8

St. Peter of Tarentaise

Saturday, May 9

St. Catharine of Bologna

Sunday, May 10

St. John of Avila

PLEASE WELCOME FATHER ROY THIS WEEKEND AS HE CELEBRATES THE MASS WITH US WHILE FATHER THOMAS IS WITH HIS FATHER IN INDIA. PLEASE KEEP FATHER THOMAS AND HIS FAMILY IN YOUR PRAYERS.

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



From the RE Desk



We would like to thank the following parishioners for making the First Communion retreat and First Communion special for the children this year: Thank you to Sandy Kollross and our teachers for serving the First Communion retreat. Sarah Sarantakos (altar décor), choir members Paul & Sarah Sarantakos, Jack Kollross, Corey Fields and Sophie Hafer for bringing our Liturgy alive through music, our Ushers, Chuck Aubry and Greg Laughery, altar servers Andrew and Aidan Laughery who stepped up this year "great job" guys!! Michael Benway, photography and of course the Knights of Columbus for their awesome presence. As always, thanks so much to the First Communion teachers Maggie Davis, Bernie Campos and Ericka Foltz for teaching our children the importance of this Most Blessed Sacrament.

Pictures of the First Communion should be ready in approximately 2 weeks at which time they will be posted on our OLOL website. Parents will receive picture discs in the mail.



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.

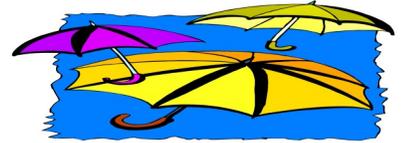
One of the items being auctioned is THEIR TIME for things such as light cleaning, yard work, babysitting and holiday decorating help.

- **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.

PARISH EVENTS



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**



*Our Condolences to
 the Kasi Schwarz
 Family
 upon the death of
 her mother*

PENNY CAMPBELL

Our prayers are with you at
 this difficult time.

Pray for the Sick & Homebound

Tony Coons
 Mary Cothorn
 Jesse Cervelli
 Dick Walter
 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.

dear Padre

May 3, 2015

Is it a sin to be mad at God?

My husband and I are divorcing. We have four children. Yesterday my eight-year-old said she's "mad at God for letting this happen." I told her it's a sin to be mad at God, but she says she doesn't care. What should I do?

First of all, your eight-year-old's world is being shaken to its core by your divorce. She's frightened, confused, and worried about what will happen. She's expressing her feelings and frustrations.

Don't tell her it's a sin to have angry thoughts and feelings about God. We're emotional human beings with strong passions and moods, and the Lord understands when we're distressed and troubled. Even Jesus had moments of anger—for example, when he drove the moneychangers out of the temple (Matthew 21:12).

Tell her God loves us and gives us freedom to choose. God isn't responsible for your divorce. Reassure your daughter that you love her no matter what, even when she's mad at God. Life after the divorce will be different, but not necessarily unhappy.

This is also an opportunity for her to learn that life isn't always the way we wish it would be.

God doesn't make bad things happen. Human beings aren't perfect, and God helps us survive and grow through difficult moments.

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Monday

May 4
Easter Weekday
Acts 14:5-18
Jn 14:21-26

Tuesday

May 5
Easter Weekday
Acts 14:19-28
Jn 14:27-31a

Wednesday

May 6
Easter Weekday
Acts 15:1-6
Jn 15:1-8

Thursday

May 7
Easter Weekday
Acts 15:7-21
Jn 15:9-11

Friday

May 8
Easter Weekday
Acts 15:22-31
Jn 15:12-17

Saturday

May 9
Easter Weekday
Acts 16:1-10
Jn 15:18-21

Sunday

May 10
Sixth Sunday
of Easter
Acts 10:25-26,
34-35, 44-48
1 Jn 4:7-10
Jn 15:9-17

Good News!

May 3, 2015

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (B)

Acts 9:26-31 / 1 Jn 3:18-24 / Jn 15:1-8

Many enduring images of Church come to us from the New Testament. One is Paul's image: "The Body of Christ." Another comes from our gospel today: "The Vine and the Branches."

Both are metaphors of living organisms. For both, Christ is the most important element. Christ is the head of the Body and the symbol of authority and purpose. Christ is the vine that brings life and nutrients to the branches that produce fruit. Anyone who has visited a winery knows the significance of the vine. If it's cut, the branches wither and the crop fails.

Why is it important to have both images?

John's image reminds us that the Church can't survive if it's separated from Christ. We can live only if we remain in Christ so that the power of grace can continue to infuse us with everything we need to bear the fruit of love, compassion, and mercy.

Paul's metaphor keeps us humble. Regardless of how this Body is structured, Christ is the true head; we are to submit ourselves to obedience to him regardless of how important we are in this world. We also know we belong as a community to Christ and in communion with one another.

There are many parts to the Body and many clusters of fruit on the vine. To leave either is to separate ourselves from Christ.

That's why praying together each week is so important. It reminds us who we are and whom we belong to.

Let us offer praise for this vine and for this Body into which our baptism has called us.

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