

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 pastor@ololgc.org or stop by any time on Monday or after Masses.

Our Lady of Lourdes

Established - 1875

534 N. Wood Street
Gibson City, IL 60936

Parish Office

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General Information
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Website

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Mass Schedule

Saturday 5 pm
Sunday 11:30 am
Wednesday 8:00 am
Thursday 5:30 pm

Eucharistic Adoration

Wednesday following Mass

Confession

Saturday 4:30 pm
Wednesday during Adoration
Any time by Appointment

❖ FOR YOUR INFORMATION ❖

St. Mary

407 W. Pells Street
Paxton, IL 60957

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

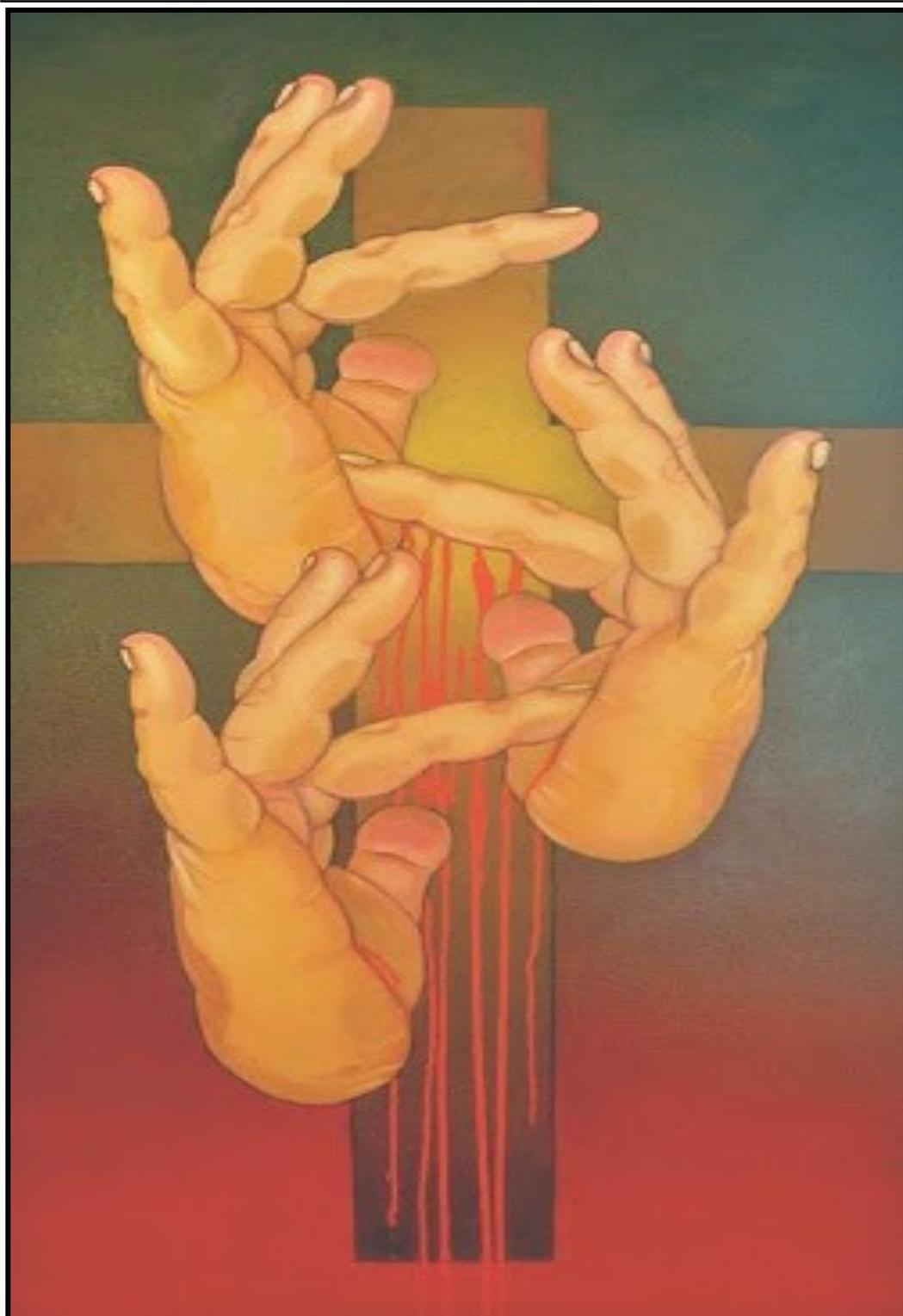
Sunday 8:00 am
Tuesday 5:30 pm

Confession

7:30am

SEPTEMBER 9, 2018

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



And people brought to him a deaf man who had a speech impediment and begged him to lay his hand on him. He took him off by himself away from the crowd. He put his finger into the man's ears and, spitting, touched his tongue; then he looked up to heaven and groaned, and said to him, "Ephphatha!" (that is, "Be opened!") And (immediately) the man's ears were opened, his speech impediment was removed, and he spoke plainly.

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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 September 10		NO MASS
TUE September 11	5:30PM (STJ)	
WED September 12	8:00AM (OLL)	+Bob Shambrook
The Most Holy Name of Mary		
THU September 13	5:30PM (OLL)	+Mardelle Duffy
St. John Chrysostom		
FRI September 14	8:00AM (STM)	
The Exaltation of the Holy Cross		
Sat September 15	5:00PM (OLL)	+Bob Mardis
Our Lady of Sorrows		
SUN September 16	8:00AM (STJ)	
Twenty-Fourthunday	9:30AM (STM)	
in Ordinary Time	11:30AM (OLL)	+Mardelle Duffy

**THANK YOU FOR
YOUR GIFTS****OLOL**

Sunday Total	\$2545.63
Capital Imp.	\$105.00
CMAA (goal: \$12,200)	\$12,006
Food Pantry September Total	\$57.82
Yr to Date FP	\$1963.78

FREEZER PREP MEAL EVENT

Join us for fellowship and food prep! **September 9 at 2PM at Father Kirk Hall.** The cost is \$95/family and yield is approximately 50 adult servings. Those wanting to register or seeking more information or menu items, please contact Nikki Miller at (217)841-0791. Registration cutoff is Tuesday, September 4th.

MINISTRY SCHEDULES

<u>Date</u>	<u>Altar Servers</u>	<u>Lectors</u>	<u>Euch. Minister</u>	<u>Ushers</u>	<u>Homebound Ministry</u>
Sat, September 15 5:00PM	Walter Smith	Jack Kollross	Denis Fisher Tannie Smith	Frank Titus Robert Bode	Marj Brown
Sun, September 16 11:30AM	Hannah & Haven Hathaway	Maggie Davis		Nathan Garard Ethan Garard	

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. 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.

Marriage/RCIA

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

**SAVE THE DATE FOR DINNER AND A MOVIE AFTER MASS**

October 14th at 12:30 at Father Kirk Memorial Hall

BUILDING OUR PARISH COMMUNITY THROUGH FELLOWSHIP

Go to the Our Lady of Lourdes Facebook page to vote on the movie!!
 (Spaghetti & Salad provided)

PRE-K TEACHER AND ASSISTANT NEEDED

Would you like to grow your own faith life while helping to bring little ones closer to Christ? As of right now we do not have a teacher OR Assistant for the Preschool children! Please pray on this and if you are willing to help fill one of these positions please call Tannie Smith at (309) 893-0073.

OUR LADY OF LOURDES PRAYER CHAIN

We are organizing a PRAYER CHAIN for those in need of prayer support. If you would like to be a "prayer" in the prayer chain OR if you have a need for prayers, contact Janet Townsend at (217)621-4812 or tomandjanettownsend@yahoo.com. (your specific prayer need does NOT need to be disclosed to activate the prayer chain).

ST. JUDE PATRON SAINT OF HOPLESSNESS AND LOST CAUSES

Saint Jude was one of Jesus' twelve original apostles, so we can conclude that he was also at the Last Supper. Saint Jude is also known by the name Thaddeus, which means sweetness and gentleness of character. He is not the traitor Judas Iscariot.



Saint Jude, rather, followed Jesus faithfully until His crucifixion, and then later worked on evangelization. Very little is known about his life, but we do know that he died as a martyr — some say around 65AD, giving his life to Jesus Christ.

He is now one of the most invoked saints for intercession in desperate situations because his New Testament letter stressed the importance of a faithful person persevering in the environment of harsh circumstances. Saint Jude is the patron of Hopeless Causes and Desperate Situations.

Pray this novena prayer to Saint Jude with confidence. Catholics have relied on his intercession in times of extreme need for centuries.. We ask St. Jude to intercede to God the Father, His Son Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit on our behalf. This novena has never been known to fail.

NOVENA TO ST. JUDE

(pray daily for 9 consecutive days and publication must be promised)

O Holy St. Jude, Apostle and Martyr, great in virtue and rich in miracle, near kinsman of Jesus Christ, Faithful intercessor of all who invoke your special patronage in time of need. To you I have recourse from the depth of my heart, and humbly beg to whom God has given such great power to come to my assistance. Help me in my present and urgent petition (insert petition here). In return, I promise to make your name known and cause you to be invoked. (Say three Our Father's, three Hail Mary's and three Glory Be's). St. Jude pray for us all who invoke your aid.

Amen.



**GOLDEN TRIANGLE WITH GOA AND SOUTH INDIA PILGRIMAGE
JANUARY 12-JANUARY 25, 2019.**

Please join Fr. Thomas Theneth for a pilgrimage to India to visit the place of the patron Saint of our diocese, St. Francis Xavier, whose body is still intact after 400 years. We will also visit the place where St. Thomas the Apostle landed in AD 52, and the places of two other Indian saints. The Taj Mahal in Agra, and many other exotic places in North and South India are also on the itinerary. Please pick up a flyer at the back of the church if you are interested in more information or contact Fr. Thomas at ttheneth@sspeterandpaul.net or theneth52@gmail.com. We would love to organize a group from Our Lady of Lourdes!

ARE YOU REGISTERED ?

All Catholics who worship at our parish or who are a part of our parish services are requested to register. In registering, you are becoming an active member of Our Lady of Lourdes Parish.

If you have not registered, please complete the following and drop it in the collection basket and a registration form will be mailed or emailed to you. If you have not received email reminders or calls regarding parish events, you probably are not registered!

Name: _____
Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____
Phone: _____
Email Address: _____

PARISH CALENDAR



Sunday, September 9

- RE CLASSES BEGIN
10AM-11:10am

Wednesday, September 12

- K of C Meeting 7PM

Thursday, September 13

- Staff Meeting 6:15PM
- Parish Council Meeting 7:15PM

Sunday, September 16

- RE Teacher Meeting

Saturday, September 22

- Food Pantry 8AM-12Noon

Future Food Pantry

- Saturday, November 24
OLL and GCMS Interact
Club (no delivery weekend)



- Carol Obert (9/10)
- Natalie Davis (9/10)
- Stacey Helmig (9/11)
- Pat Harper (9/12)
- Ben Roesch (9/14)
- Jerry Stoltz (9/14)
- Enrique Gonzalez, Jr. (9/14)
- Laura Lynch (9/14)
- Nick Meunier (9/16)



- Brian & Jody Goodin (9/13)
- Riger & Edna Huppert (9/14)

Pray for the Sick & Homebound

- Linda Ellington
- Greg Delost
- Dale Enghausen
- Brian Sullivan
- Emma Davis
- Terry Hutchcraft
- Norma Thompson
- Leo Chapman
- Adam Reed
- Anita Meyer
- Rich Meunier



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.

Calendar

Monday

September 10

Weekday

1 Cor 5:1-8

Lk 6:6-11

Tuesday

September 11

Weekday

1 Cor 6:1-11

Lk 6:12-19

Wednesday

September 12

Weekday

1 Cor 7:25-31

Lk 6:20-26

Thursday

September 13

St. John Chrysostom,
Bishop and Doctor
of the Church

1 Cor 8:1b-7, 11-13

Lk 6:27-38

Friday

September 14

Exaltation of the
Holy Cross

Nm 21:4b-9

Phil 2:6-11

Jn 3:13-17

Saturday

September 15

Our Lady of Sorrows

1 Cor 10:14-22

Jn 19:25-27

or Lk 2:33-35

Sunday

September 16

Twenty-fourth Sunday
in Ordinary Time

Is 50:5-9a

Jas 2:14-18

Mk 8:27-35

Dear Padre,

No one talks about mortal and venial sin any more. What is the difference?

A mortal sin, as its name suggests, is a serious or “deadly sin.” Venial sins are less serious. We can judge the seriousness of a sin in two ways. The first is based on the matter of the sin, or what I actually did. For example, it is obviously more serious to assault a spouse than it is to lie about how fast I was going when I got stopped for speeding. Some things by their nature are objectively worse than others.



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A second way to assess sin is subjectively so that the intent is more important than the act itself. Even if an act is relatively minor, it can be a mortal sin depending on why I do it. For instance, I might fail to lock the front door of a friend’s house, which is not

a serious sin in itself. It becomes serious if my intention in failing to lock the door is to leave the home open to burglary by an accomplice.

On the other hand, I might do something objectively serious (like betray an important confidence); but if I do it under coercion or without full understanding, my own moral culpability might be quite limited. The matter is mortal, but my own sin or moral responsibility is venial. Confessors often sort out the matter from the intent. It is not just what I do, but my freedom, understanding, and purpose in doing it.

Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org

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A Word From Pope Francis

The proclamation of the Gospel is destined for the poor first of all, for all those who all too often lack what they need in order to live a dignified life. To them first are proclaimed the glad tidings that God loves them with a preferential love...Go to the poor first of all.

—Diocese of Rome ecclesial convention, June 17, 2013

Good News!

September 9, 2018

Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 35:4-7a; Jas 2:1-5; Mk 7:31-37

The book of James is one of the hardest hitting in the New Testament. He is a tell-it-like-it-is apostle, warning the early Church not to show partiality to the rich and powerful. This is always a danger, especially in a Church that relies on donations. While gratitude to donors is understandable and proper, it’s easy for gratitude to become preference, partiality, and a different moral standard. James warns the Church against this.

Jesus warns us, too. He talks about inviting the poor to a party rather than those who can repay us. He tells us that when we give, that the left hand not know what the right is doing. He warns the rich that the path to heaven is narrow.

Jesus’ call to salvation was for all, but his pastoral focus was certainly with the poor. So he dedicated much of his time reaching out to those who could give nothing in return: the blind, deaf, lame, and lepers. And his attention didn’t stop at the materially poor but extended to sinners and those thought to be impure.

This love for the weak was a sign of the Messiah as proclaimed by many prophets, including Isaiah. The Anointed of God would come to vindicate the poor, orphaned, widowed, sick, and oppressed.

Jesus did exactly that, and it was this solicitude and miraculous power that began convincing Galileans, and eventually those in Jerusalem, that he was the long-awaited One. Pope Francis said he longed for a Church of the poor, for the poor. It seems Jesus did, too.