

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

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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. Palls 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

Sunday 7:30am

JANUARY 20, 2019

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Jesus told them, "Fill the jars with water." So they filled them to the brim. Then he told them, "Draw some out now and take it to the headwaiter." So they took it. And when the headwaiter tasted the water that had become wine, without knowing where it came from (although the servers who had drawn the water knew), the headwaiter called the bridegroom.

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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 January 21 St. Agnes		NO MASS
TUE January 22	8:00AM (OLL) 5:30PM (STJ)	Parish Family
WED January 23 St. Vincent	8:00AM (OLL) 7:00PM (STM)	+Bob Shambrook
THU January 24 St. Francis de Sales	5:30PM (OLL)	Parish Family
FRI January 25 The Conversion of St. Paul	8:00AM (STM) 5:30PM (OLL)	Parish Family
SAT January 26 Third Sunday in Ordinary Time	5:00PM (OLL)	+Anita Meyer
SUN January 27 Third Sunday in Ordinary Time	8:00AM (STJ) 9:30AM (STM) 11:30AM (OLL)	+Bob Shambrook

**THANK YOU FOR
 YOUR GIFTS**

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Sunday Total	\$1520.16
Capital Imp.	\$0
CMAA (goal: \$12,200)	\$14,306
Food Pantry January Total	\$17.00
Yr to Date FP	\$153.00



<u>Date</u>	<u>Altar Servers</u>	<u>Lectors</u>	<u>Euch. Minister</u>	<u>Ushers</u>	<u>Homebound Ministry</u>
SAT January 26 5:00PM	Walter Smith	Fran Mardis	Frank Titus Carla Moxley Rob Kollross	Chuck Aubry Jerry Brown	Jean Wilhelmi
SUN January 27 11:30AM	Cecilia Goodin Brooke Beyers	Sarah Sarantakos		Keegan Kutemeier Dan Day	

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

Emergency (630)456-5406

Marriage/RCIA

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

**PRAYERFULLY CONSIDER YOUR SUPPORT OF THE
 2019 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES ANNUAL APPEAL**



The Diocese of Joliet is mailing information about the 2019 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal (CMAA) to all registered parishioners this month. As you know, the CMAA supports 30 ministries that benefit every parish in the diocese, including ours, and are **Signs of Hope** (also this year's theme) to our brothers and sisters most in need.

Our parish goal for the 2019 CMAA is \$12,300. Please remember that 70 percent of any amount we raise over goal will be returned to us for our use. This is a great opportunity for our parish! Please review the material you receive and prayerfully reflect on your gift to this year's annual appeal.

If you do not receive a mailing from the diocese about the CMAA, please contact the parish office.

Saint Sebastian's Story (January 20)

Almost nothing is historically certain about Sebastian except that he was a Roman martyr, was venerated in Milan even in the time of Saint Ambrose and was buried on the Appian Way, probably near the present Basilica of St. Sebastian. Devotion to him spread rapidly, and he is mentioned in several martyrologies as early as 350. The legend of Saint Sebastian is important in art, and there is a vast iconography. Scholars now agree that a pious fable has Sebastian entering the Roman army because only there could he assist the martyrs without arousing suspicion. Finally he was found out, brought before Emperor Diocletian and delivered to Mauritanian archers to be shot to death. His body was pierced with arrows, and he was left for dead. But he was found still alive by those who came to bury him. He recovered, but refused to flee. One day he took up a position near where the emperor was to pass. He accosted the emperor, denouncing him for his cruelty to Christians. This time the sentence of death was carried out. Sebastian was beaten to death with clubs. He was buried on the Appian Way, close to the catacombs that bear his name.

Saint Sebastian is the Patron Saint of:
Athletes

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).

Food Pantry Volunteers

Saturday, February 9 will be an OLL Food Pantry Weekend
THIS WILL BE A DELIVERY WEEKEND

6-8 Volunteers are needed for set up on Friday, February 8 at 6:00PM. Please park on the East side of the parking lot. This is a delivery weekend so we will need some extra help and drivers on Saturday morning. Please arrive by no later than 8:30AM Saturday, February 9 and park at County Market. Parking is very limited at the Pantry. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated. If you are available to help or have any questions, please contact Paul Sarantakos at 217-781-1440 or by email at psarantakos@parkland.edu.

FEBRUARY UPCOMING EVENTS

WEEKEND FEBRUARY 2/3

St. Blaise Blessing of the Throats after all OLL Masses.

WEEKEND FEBRUARY 9/10

Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes.

Join us for cake and ice cream at Fr. Kirk Hall following all OLL Masses this weekend to celebrate.

PARISH CALENDAR



SATURDAY, JAN 26

- Food Pantry 8AM-12Noon

SUNDAY, JAN 27

- RE Teachers Meeting



Paula Cyphert (1/22)
Mae Gardner (1/22)
Michele Fackler (1/22)
Giles Volker (1/25)
Carter Eichelberger (1/26)
Annabelle Goodin (1/26)



Joe & Alyce Hafer (1/21)
John & Wanda Swearingen (1/22)
Brian & Stacey Helmig (1/27)

Pray for the Sick & Homebound

Linda Ellington
Greg Delost
Dale Enghausen
Brian Sullivan
Emma Davis
Terry Hutchcraft
Norma Thompson
Leo Chapman
Adam Reed
Sharon Cottington
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

JANUARY 21
St. Agnes,
Virgin and Martyr
Heb 5:1-10
Mk 2:18-22

Tuesday

JANUARY 22
Day of Prayer
for the Legal Protection
of Unborn Children
Heb 6:10-20
Mk 2:23-28

Wednesday

JANUARY 23
Weekday
Heb 7:1-3, 15-17
Mk 3:1-6

Thursday

JANUARY 24
St. Francis de Sales,
Bishop and Doctor
of the Church
Heb 7:25-8:6
Mk 3:7-12

Friday

JANUARY 25
Conversion of St. Paul,
Apostle
Acts 22:3-16
or Acts 9:1-22
Mk 16:15-18

Saturday

JANUARY 26
Sts. Timothy and Titus,
Bishops
2 Tm 1:1-8
or Ti 1:1-5
Mk 3:20-21

Sunday

JANUARY 27
Third Sunday
in Ordinary Time
Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10
1 Cor 12:12-30 or
1 Cor 12:12-14, 27
Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

Dear Padre,

When I was young, I had an abortion and left the Church. I came back five years ago. Then, on the thirtieth anniversary of my abortion, my father died suddenly. Now everyone who loved my dad is being punished for my sin. Why wasn't my confession enough?

Sin is an unfortunate reality in our human lives. However, God's infinite mercy and love are also a reality. When we seek God's forgiveness, we are truly forgiven for and absolved of our sins. God neither holds our past transgressions against us nor seeks ways to punish us, and your father's death on the anniversary of your abortion truly was a coincidence. Please believe me when I tell you that your confession was more than enough.

Remember, though, our work does not end there. Once God forgives us, we must trust in his mercy and then begin the sometimes more difficult task of forgiving ourselves. Project Rachel—an excellent ministry that provides pastoral care, reconciliation, and counseling to women and men who have experienced the pain and trauma of abortion—can help you on your healing journey. To contact Project Rachel, call 888-456-4673 or visit HopeAfterAbortion.com.

Life is God's gift to us, and this **Tuesday, January 22, is the Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children.** Let's all make a point of praying for the unborn children in our world.



—Fr. Scott Katzenberger, CSsR
Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org



A Word From Pope Francis

The common home of all men and women must continue to rise on the foundations of a right understanding of universal fraternity and respect for the sacredness of every human life, of every man and every woman, the poor, the elderly, children, the infirm, the unborn, the unemployed, the abandoned....

Good News!

January 20, 2019

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)
Is 62:1-5; 1 Cor 12:4-11; Jn 2:1-11

The weaver works from the back side of a tapestry while looking into a mirror in front to see the reflection of his work. Next to the mirror sits a painting of what he is weaving. The back of the tapestry is full of knots and dull colors. In front it is beautiful and ornate. The way a tapestry is made is a great allegory for marriage. Spouses look at the ideal they are trying to reproduce: God's love for humanity, Jesus' love for his Church. It is a sacrificial, lay-down-your-life kind of love. While viewing the ideal, the spouses have their hands on the threads, weaving the right color at the right time to reproduce that ideal.

Those strings can represent the different virtues or acts of love required by the specific situation of the relationship. Sometimes a spouse has to stop, tie off a string, pull it out, and start over. From the back, it can look chaotic, but slowly the ideal takes shape and the beauty of the tapestry of marriage comes into view.

God will marry us, says the prophet. He will take us as his own, giving us the gifts of his Spirit to enrich us. Together, we will bear fruit of new life in ourselves and others. Trying to weave that loving union with God and others may be chaotic and knotty; thus, the need to repent and try again. But with his grace, the final product, which comes into full view only at the end, will be unique and beautiful.

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC