

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

Phone & Fax:

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General Information

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Website

www.ololgc.org

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

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St. Joseph

312 N. Hickory Street

Loda, IL 60948

Mass Schedule

Sunday 8:00 am

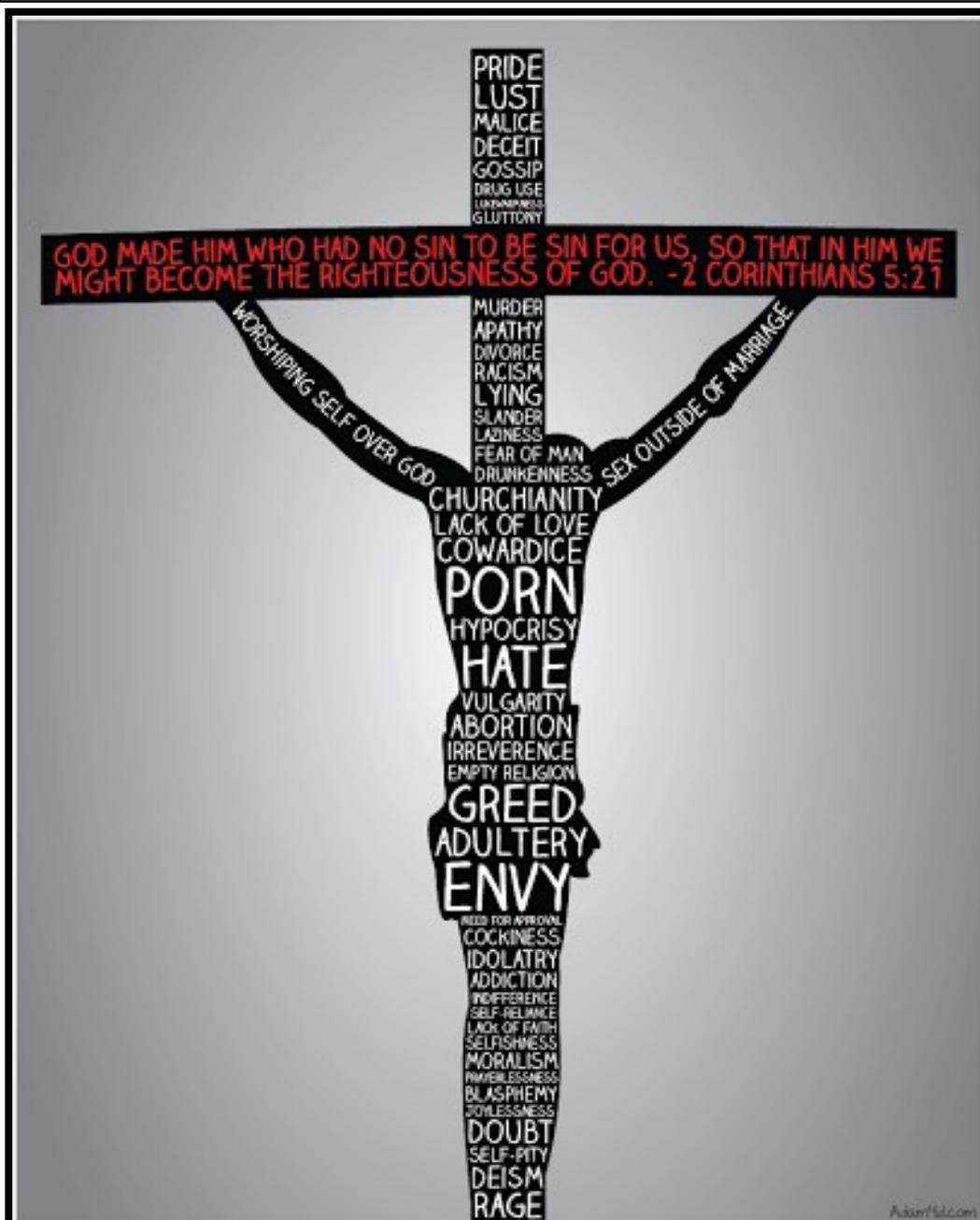
Tuesday 5:30 pm

Confession

Sunday 7:30am

March 31, 2019

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT



For our sake he made him to be sin who did not know sin, so that we might become the righteousness of God in him.

CHRISM MASS

Monday, April 15 at 7PM

St. Raymond Cathedral, Joliet, IL

Anyone interested in attending the Chrism Mass can contact the office at pastor@ololgc.org for free tickets. This beautiful Mass includes parishioners, priests and deacons from around the Diocese. Bishop R. Daniel Conlon will bless the oil of catechumens, the oil of the sick, and the oil of chrism. The Mass also acknowledges the ministry of priests, and they will renew their commitment of service and receive prayers and support from those at the Mass.

Pastor

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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 April 1		NO MASS
TUE April 2	8:00AM (OLL)	Parish Family
St. Francis of Paola		
WED April 3	8:00 AM (OLL)	Cimino Family
	7:00PM (STM)	Cole Family
THU April 4	5:30PM (OLL)	Cullotta Family
St. Isidore		Cyphert Family
FRI April 5	8:00AM (STM)	Parish Family
	LENT ONLY 6:00PM (OLL)	
	Followed by Stations 6:30PM (OLL)	
SAT April 6	5:00PM (OLL)	+Anita Meyer
SUN April 7	8:00AM (STJ)	+Roman Falter
FIFTH SUNDAY OF	9:30AM (STM)	
LENT	11:30AM (OLL)	

**THANK YOU FOR
 YOUR GIFTS
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Sunday Total	\$2724.00
Capital Imp.	\$10.00
CMAA 2019 (goal: \$12,300)	\$12,300
Food Pantry March Total	\$36.00
Yr to Date FP	\$199.00
	\$711.00



<u>Date</u>	<u>Altar Servers</u>	<u>Lectors</u>	<u>Euch. Minister</u>	<u>Ushers</u>	<u>Homebound Ministry</u>
SAT April 6 5:00PM	Walter Smith	Marj Brown	Fran Mardis Marj Brown Jerry Brown	Chuck Aubry Jerry Brown	Rosanne Miller
SUN April 7 11:30AM	Cecilia Goodin Brooke Beyers	Jodi Beyers		YOUTH MASS	

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

Baptism

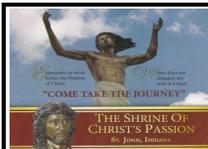
Call the Rectory at least four weeks before the baptism. Instruction for the parents and God-parents is required.

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.



THE SHRINE OF CHRIST'S PASSION TRIP
 Saturday, April 13, leaving Our Lady of Lourdes at 9AM



THE DAY'S AGENDA:

- 9-11AM Leave from OLL to drive to the Shrine
- Lunch before the shrine tour. (PLEASE PACK A SACK LUNCH)
- 11:45AM Start shrine tour
- 2PM Enjoy the shrine gift shop
- 2:30PM Drive home
- 4:30PM Arrive home

Please sign up on the sheet at the back of church or email to pastor@ololgc.org .

The Shrine of Christ's Passion is an interactive half-mile winding pathway that begins with the Last Supper and Garden of Gethsemane. When you step onto the Prayer Trail at The Shrine of Christ's Passion it is as though you have been transported back 2000 years. Enjoy the 40 life size bronze figures that are artfully placed in dramatically landscaped gardens that look and feel like the Holy Land.



LENTEN MISSION SPEAKER ...FR. PHAM
WHAT & HOW: THE CATHOLIC CHURCH'S DILEMMAS
April 4 and 5 following 5:30PM Mass at Our Lady of Lourdes Church

Fr. Pham was born in the city of Da-Nang, Vietnam. When the whole country of Vietnam fell under Communism, Fr. Pham escaped by boat to Hong Kong and migrated from there to Port Arthur, TX as a political refugee. At age 16 he left the hot climate of the South and entered the St. Joseph High School Seminary of the Diocese of Grand Rapids, MI and was ordained a priest in 1991. Spurred by a

profound desire to serve the poor and in particular those of his native land, Fr. Pham was later incardinated to the Diocese of Thanh-Hoa.

Fr. Pham now resides in Lakeview, a little town of Michigan and serves as the Episcopal Vicar of the Diocese of Thanh-Hoa and General Coordinator of the people of Thanh-Hoa living in North America.

In 2006 Cross Catholic Outreach welcomed Fr. Pham to carry on his passionate commitment to God and to the poor which is exhibited most clearly in his simple life and, in particular, his preaching.

Day 1: Contemporary Issues Facing Our Church

Day 2: What Can We Do?

ABORTION LEGISLATION ACTION ALERT

Abortion Legislation has entered the Illinois Legislature. Four dangerous bills were filed on February 13th. Contact Ms. Kerry Cassidy (217)782-8088, the woman responsible for the bill drafting and share your feelings on this legislation.

House Bill 2467 & Senate Bill 1594:

Repeals Illinois Parental Notification of Abortion Act.

This current law requires a parent or legal guardian be notified when a minor seeks an abortion. It includes a waiver for children who have been physically or sexually abused. The law was passed in 1995 but not implemented until 2013, when the Illinois Supreme Court issued a unanimous ruling in favor of it.

House Bill 2495 & Senate Bill 1942:

- **Repeals** the current state ban on partial-birth abortions.
- **Defines** abortion as a fundamental right.
- **Removes** abortion clinics from regulations for serious medical procedures.
- **Removes** the requirement that only doctors can perform abortions.
- *We are studying the bill for further impact.*

Contact your state House and Senate lawmakers and urge them to vote "no" on HB 2467, SB 1594, HB 2495 & SB 1942. Tom Bennett (217)558-103 or (815)844-9179 and Jason Barickman (217)872-6597 or (309)661-2788



During the Lenten season we will offer

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

on Friday evenings at 6:30PM following 6:00PM Mass

NOTE A CHANGE IN TIME

HOLY THURSDAY ADORATION SIGN UPS
STILL NEEDED

We will be having Holy Thursday Adoration again this year from

6:15pm-11pm

We will need **AT LEAST** one person per half hour shift to remain with the exposed sacrament. The sign up sheet is on the table at the back of the church.



- Amy Veneto (4/2)
- Linda Martin (4/2)
- Doris Fleming (4/3)
- Greg Laughery (4/4)
- Sandy Kollross (4/5)
- Theodore Smith (4/6)



- Carl & Beth Hornstein 4/3
- Paul & Sarah Sarantakos(4/5)

PARISH CALENDAR



Thursday April 4

- Lenten Mission following 5:30PM Mass

Friday, April 5

- Lenten Mission Day 2 following 5:30PM Mass including Easter Penance Service opportunity.

Wednesday, April 10

- K of C Meeting 7PM

Thursday, April 11

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

Saturday, April 13

- Shrine of Christ Passion Trip (see p. 2)
- Food Pantry 8AM-12Noon

Thursday, April 18

- Holy Thursday Mass 5:30PM followed by Adoration until 11PM

Friday, April 19

- Stations of the Cross 3PM
- Good Friday Passion Service 7PM

Saturday, April 20

- Easter Vigil Mass 7:30PM

Sunday, April 21

- Mass 9AM

Saturday, April 27

- Food Pantry 8AM-12Noon



Pray for the Sick & Homebound

- Linda Ellington
- Greg Delost
- Dale Enghausen
- Brian Sullivan
- Emma Davis
- Terry Hutchcraft
- Norma Thompson
- Leo Chapman
- Adam Reed
- Joyce Pearson

Designed by C...

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@lolqc.org.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FISH FRY
APRIL 12

Dinner will be served from 4:30PM-6:30PM. The cost will be \$8 with children under 12 free. Carryout's are available.



Calendar

Monday

APRIL 1

Lenten Weekday

Is 65:17-21

Jn 4:43-54

Tuesday

APRIL 2

Lenten Weekday

Ez 47:1-9, 12

Jn 5:1-16

Wednesday

APRIL 3

Lenten Weekday

Is 49:8-15

Jn 5:17-30

Thursday

APRIL 4

Lenten Weekday

Ex 32:7-14

Jn 5:31-47

Friday

APRIL 5

Lenten Weekday

Wis 2:1a, 12-22

Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

Saturday

APRIL 6

Lenten Weekday

Jer 11:18-20

Jn 7:40-53

Sunday

APRIL 7

Fifth Sunday of Lent

Is 43:16-21

Phil 3:8-14

Jn 8:1-11

Dear Padre,

**Going to confession has lost its meaning for me.
I wish I could get more out of this sacrament.**

The Catholic Church has always treasured the sacrament of reconciliation. But as adults we need to center on the spiritual depth of this sacrament and gain a new appreciation of it.

Reconciliation is a healing sacrament, meant to mend the rift created between ourselves and God and ourselves and others by our sins. God does the healing; we seek to open ourselves to God's power by asking forgiveness from God and from others. It can be a powerful experience to receive the words of forgiveness, spoken by the priest, as the very words of Jesus healing us and sending us forth to live a more loving life.

This sacrament helps us confront weakness and malice in our life. We all do some shameful things. Sometimes we think, "If others only knew what I think or what I have done, they would not accept me!" When we come to confession with sorrow for our sins and a desire to amend our lives, we are assured of God's complete pardon and acceptance no matter what the sin. If God accepts and loves us, surely we can accept and love ourselves.

Reconciliation also is a beacon to help keep our life on a straight course. We all have faults centering on gossip, selfishness, impatience, and anger. At penance time we take stock of our direction in life and, with God's help, recommit to a more loving path. I hope you can fully unite yourself with the forgiving Jesus and the forgiving Church and receive the grace of the sacrament this Lent.



Fr. Paul J. Coury, CSsR
Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org

Good News!

March 31, 2019

Fourth Sunday of Lent (C)

Jos 5:9a, 10-12; 2 Cor 5:17-21; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

It is good that we are here—joined in community for Sunday worship, here, in this moment of prayer.

Our lives are so hectic and fast-paced that it's often hard to enjoy just being in the present moment with God. It's not just the pressure of work, but the added responsibilities of home. You know the routine...getting the kids to school; getting to work on time; leaving from work; running a few errands; preparing dinner; going back out to pick up the kids from practice; then back home for dinner, dishes, laundry, homework; and then finally to bed on time so you can get up early and start again.

But just stop! Take the time to enjoy the grace of the Eucharist, to rejoice in one another and savor Christ who reveals his love to you. Give yourself this gift. Each moment has power, poetry, and grace. Each instant is a gift from God, and each moment is an opportunity to encounter Jesus Christ. It's an occasion to return within ourselves and turn back to our Father who is eagerly waiting for us.

It's good to be here—not somewhere else, not in another time when we were happier, healthier, or life was easier and simpler. Right here, right now, right where God has you is where he is revealing his love. It may not be easy, but this is where God is, and it's good to reflect on the graces each moment presents.

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC