# 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 office@ololgc.org or stop by any time after scheduled Masses.

# **Our Lady of Lourdes**

Established –1875 534 N. Wood Street Gibson City, IL 60936 Parish Office Secretary Monday and Thursday –

4:00 pm Phone & Fax (217) 784-4671

General Information office@ololgc.org

Website www.ololgc.org

Mass Schedule

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

# **Eucharistic Adoration**

Every Wednesday (Following 8:00 am Mass) Confession

Wednesday—8:30 am-9:30 am 4:30 pm before Saturday Mass Any time by Appointment

FOR YOUR INFORMATION �

# St. Mary

407 W. Pells Street Paxton, IL 60957

Phone-217-379-4033

Mass Schedule Sunday 9:30 am Tuesday 5:30 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
Thursday 5:30 pm

Confession - Sunday 7:30am

# April 6, 2025 Fifth Sunday of Lent



Jn 8:7-11 But when they continued asking him, he straightened up and said to them, "Let the one among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her." Again he bent down and wrote on the ground. And in response, they went away one by one, beginning with the elders. So he was left alone with the woman before him. Then Jesus straightened up and said to her, "Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?" She replied, "No one, sir." Then Jesus said, "Neither do I condemn you. Go, (and) from now on do not sin any more.".

Eucharistic Adoration .... Every Wednesday Mass—8:00 am Followed by the Rosary, Confession, Adoration 8:30 to 9:30 am

If you cannot commit to a time, please come when you can. Jesus will be waiting for you! There are books/pamphlets at the back of the church for you to read and ponder while you adore Jesus. (Please return the reading materials when you are finished) If you have any questions, please call Fran Mardis at (217) 784-8515

#### **Pastor**

Rev. Nestor Sanchez 217-784-4671 (OLOL) 217-379-4033 (STM) Fr,Nestor@stmarypaxton.org

#### Deacon

Paul Sarantakos 217-781-1440 psarantakos@parkland.edu

## Parish Secretary/ Hall Rent

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#### **Bulletin Editor**

Carla Moxley 217-552-9013 office@ololgc..org

# **Religious Education**

Marj Brown—217-377-3132

# **Youth Ministry**

Maggie Davis 217-848-8985

#### **Music Director**

Margy Shambrook 217-781-0089

## **Parish Council President**

Pam Aubry 217-781-1237

# THIS WEEK'S INTENTIONS

If you wish to have a Mass intention for a loved one, anniversary death, birthday or other occasion, please contact the parish office or Lori Gale at 309 475-9261.

Monday, April 7	(OLOL)	No Mass
Tuesday, April 8	(OLOL) (STM)	No Mass Mass
WED April 9	8:00 am (OLOL)	Our Lady of Lourdes

8:30—9:30 am (OLOL) Parishioners Adoration

THURS April 10 5:30 pm (STJ) Mass

FRI April 11 8:00 am (STM)
6:00 pm (OLOL)

Mass
Stations of the Cross
(Mary's Way)

SAT. April 12 5:00 PM (OLOL) +Pete Hartford (by Jerry and Marj Brown

SUNDAY April 13 8:00 am (STJ) (Palm Sunday) 9:30 am (STM)

9:30 am (STM) Mass 11:00 am (OLOL) +Emma Davis (by Stanley and Teri Davis

Mass
Mass
+Emma Davis

# THANK YOU FOR YOUR GIFTS OLOL

\$ 3,386.00

March 29/30

Capital Imp. March 2025	\$ 805.00
CMAA 2025 (goal:\$13,000)	\$ TBA
Food Pantry March Total Yr to Date FP	\$78.00 \$331.00 \$1,115.00

# Special Collections \*\*\*\* March 29/30 Catholic Relief \$ 509.00 \*\*\*\*\*\* April 5/6 Capital

# Ministry Schedules

<u>Date</u> Ministry Volunteers Contact Patti Huppert (217-778-4574)	Altar Servers	Lector	Euch. Minister / Sacriston	<u>Ushers/Greeters</u>	Homebound Ministry Deacon Paul (217) 781-1440
SATURDAY April 12 5:00 pm		Lisa Heap Marj Brown	Carla Moxley	(April) Needed	Deacon Paul Sarantakos
SUNDAY April 13 11:00 AM (Palm Sunday)	(April) 2 Needed	Marj Brown Sarah Sarantakos	Jerry Brown	(April ) Needed	

# 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. Nestor at fr.nestor@stmarypaxton.org

# Marriage/RCIA

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

Mass Attendance March 29 Saturday (??) March 30 Sunday (74) = Total \_ 3rd Commandment: Remember to keep holy the Sabbath day.

# Parish Calendar and MORE (Subject to change)

Friday, April 11-6:00 pm Our choir presents their Annual version of the Lenten Stations (Mary's Way) which tells the story of Mary's trials of the time.

Please plan to attend this very emotional event.

Saturday, April 12— Palm Sunday Vigil—Mass 5:00 pm Sunday, April 13—Palm Sunday—11:00 am

Please sign up for flowers on the clipboard at the back of the church. There are several weekends open, from May to the end of the year. Thank you in advance!!!

# **Highlights of Lenton / Easter Season**

Saturday, April 12—Vigil Palm Sunday—Mass 5:00 pm

Lectors Patti Huppert and Lisa Heap Eucharistic Minister Carla Moxley

Sunday, April 13—Palm Sunday—Mass 11:00 am

(Lectors) Marj Brown, Sarah Sarantakos (Eucharistic Minister) Jerry Brown

Father John Horan will celebrate Holy Week with us. Thurs., April 17—Holy Thursday service - 7:00 pm

(Lector) Michele Meyer (Euch.Minister) Fran Mardis 2-3 servers are needed during this service

Adoration—until to 10:00 pm

Good Friday, April 18 - Service 3:00 pm

(Lector) Patti Huppert (Euch. Minister) Fran Mardis

Holy Saturday, April 19— Easter Vigil Service—8:00 pm
(Lector) Fran Mardis (Euch. Minister) Carla Moxley

Easter Sunday, April 20—Mass 11:00 am

(Lector) Marj Brown (Euch. Minister) Lisa Heap

Raise your voices to God.....Sing your praises!
Our choir is in need of additional voices to help complete our choir. Don't be shy. We need you!
Practice is every Wednesday at 4:00 pm



Attention: Please bring your old palms to church and place them in the basket at the back of the church.

You will get new palms
on Palm Sunday weekend (April 12/13)

Thank you.



Monthly pledge payments for CMAA gifts should be made in the next few days. It is very important these pledges be paid in order for us to reach our parish *goal of \$13,000.00* this year. Once we have reached out goal in paid pledges, 70% of the amount over our goal will be returned to our parish for our needs. Thank you in advance for your continued support!!!



April Rosary Schedule
Wednesday 8:30 am (after Mass)
Saturday 4:15pm
Sunday 10:30am
Please try to pray the Rosary
every day with your family.
Mary Queen of Peace, Pray for Us.

Stations of the Cross (Mary's Way) Friday, April 11, 2025 6:00 pm

Our choir will present their version of the Lenten Stations (Mary's Way), which tells the story of Mary's trials of the time.

Please plan to attend this very emotional event.

# Good News!

April 6, 2025

Fifth Sunday of Lent (C)
Isaiah 43:16-21 / Philippians 3:8-14 / John 8:1-11

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

Sometimes human beings seem to be evolving into more than what we have been. Gradually, we become capable of experiencing more than what we pick up through our five senses. We listen to our intuition; we pay attention to our sixth sense; we discover a spiritual side to our personalities. More and more, we notice people in need. We find ourselves becoming better listeners as people unburden themselves to us. We may be more aware of some stirring deep within ourselves. All such moments may be seen by people of faith as God bringing us to a new place in life.

Just as Isaiah speaks of God doing something new among the Israelites in distant exile, God continues to guide us to becoming more completely human. By his life, passion, and death, Jesus shows us most clearly what sort of person our God is drawing us to be: compassionate and just, generous and merciful, loving in a wasteland of indifference. So, when we hear the story of Jesus not condemning the woman caught in adultery, we may find ourselves becoming conscious of our own need to stop judging, stop condemning. Most of us have not yet evolved to the point of doing what Jesus would do. Instead, we condemn others while overlooking our own culpability. We are still in the process of learning to follow Jesus, to act as he would act, to love as he would love. It is God at work in us.

#### **Stretch Class being offered**

Mon., Wed., and Fri. 9 am to 10 am at Father Kirk Hall
Anyone is welcome!!

Start your day with a good stretch!!!

# 2024-2025 Parish Council

Pam Aubry (President) (217-781-1237) Roy Acree (217-649-2263)

Fran Mardis (217-649-2263) Fran Mardis (217-784-8515) Jodi Beyers (815-848-3371) Bernie Campos (217-898-3448)

Beth Baillie (217-954-8003)

Please contact these dedicated people if you have any concerns or suggestions about church related issues.



Mary Giroux (4/8) Jean Wilhelmi (4/9) John Cole (4/10) Susan Kollross (4/11) Joyce Foster (4/11) Todd Thomas (4/12) Erin McCall (4/12)

# Happy Anniversary

Paul and Sarah Sarantakos (4/5) Basilio and Bernadette Campos (4/8) Jim and Jennifer Freehill (4/9) Eric and Michelle Rosenbaum (4/9)

God Bless our Parish Family!



# OUR LADY OF LOURDES PRAYER THREADS

This PRAYER THREAD is for those in need of prayer support.

If you would like to be a 'Prayer Warrior' in the prayer threads OR if

you have a need for prayers, contact Alyce Hafer at (217) 745-2411 or <u>joenalyceh@cawi.org</u>

(Your specific prayer need does NOT need to be disclosed to activate the prayer thread).



## Pray for the Sick & Homebound



Brian Sullivan / Terry Hutchcraft Joyce Pearson / Fran Mardis Rosanne Miller / Ken Freehill Pat Huth / Gary Gale

Sarah Sarantakos / Jerry Lynch, Sr.
Roger and Edna Huppert
Robert (Sonny) Meyer / Lloyd Power
Martha Benefiel Heavilin

If you wish to add the name of a loved one who is sick, please contact the parish office at 217-784-4671 or **office@ololgc.org**.



# Our Lady of Lourdes Social Media Sites

Please check them out for an abundance of information.

#### **Facebook:**

www.facebook.com/ololgc.org
Website: www.ololgc.org

Office Email: office@ololgc.org
(Lori Gale & Carla Moxley)
Fr. Nestor Sanchez Email:
fr.nestor@stmarypaxton.org

Deacon Paul Sarantakos Email: <u>p.sarantakos@hotmail.com</u> PSarantakos@Parkland.edu



#### **MONDAY**

April 7 Lenten Weekday Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62 Jn 8:12-20

#### **TUESDAY**

April 8 Lenten Weekday Nm 21:4–9 Jn 8:21–30

#### **WEDNESDAY**

April 9
Lenten Weekday
Dn 3:14-20,
91-92, 95
Jn 8:31-42

#### **THURSDAY**

April 10 Lenten Weekday Gn 17:3–9 Jn 8:51–59

# **FRIDAY**

April 11 Lenten Weekday Jer 20:10–13 Jn 10:31–42

#### **SATURDAY**

April 12 Lenten Weekday Ez 37:21–28 Jn 11:45–56

#### **SUNDAY**

April 13

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord
Lk 19:28–40
Is 50:4–7
Phil 2:6–11
Lk 22:14–23:56
or 23:1–49

# **Homebound Ministry**

is always available for Catholics who cannot come to Mass because they are in the hospital, recovering at home, sick at home, or have moved to a care facility.

To have a Eucharistic Minister bring Holy Communion to you,

Please contact:

Deacon Paul Sarantakos (217-781-1440)