



MERCY ALIVE

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*"The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs"
Our Lady of Mercy Catholic Church*

God in his holy place, God who unites those who dwell in his house; he himself gives might and strength to his people.

- ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

THIS WEEK

SATURDAY JULY 25

- 8:00 am.....Daily Mass
- 3:00-4:00 pmConfessions
- 4:00 pm.....Vigil Mass
- 5:15-6:00 pmConfessions
- 6:00 pm.....Vigil Mass

SUNDAY JULY 26

- 7:00 am.....Mass
- 9:00 am.....Mass (Nursery & Bible School)
- 10:30 am.....Mass (Nursery & Bible School)
- 12:00 pm.....Mass
- 6:00 pm.....Mass

MONDAY JULY 27

- 8:00 am.....Daily Mass
- 12:00 pmDaily Mass
- 6:00 pmKnights of Columbus Mtg.-*St. Joseph*
- 7:00 pmSt. Vincent de Paul Mtg.-*St. Jerome*

TUESDAY JULY 28

- 8:30 amRosary Makers-*Coffee Shop*
- 12:00 pm.....Daily Mass
- 6:00 pm.....Daily Mass & Novena
- 7:00 pmCharismatic Prayer-*St. Gabriel*

WEDNESDAY JULY 29

- 8:00 amDaily Mass
- 10:00 amChesterton.-*St. Jerome*
- 12:00 pmDaily Mass

THURSDAY JULY 30

- 8:00 amDaily Mass
- 12:00 pmDaily Mass
- 6:30 pmHigh School Bible Study-*JP II House*
- 7:00 pmAdult Bible Study-*St. Gabriel*

FRIDAY JULY 31

- 8:00 am.....Daily Mass
- 12:00 pmDaily Mass

Campus Safety

Summertime is a time of rest and relaxation. While you are enjoying our peaceful grounds, we ask that you are cognizant of your surroundings and always be alert as you enter and exit the buildings on our campus. As a precaution, please do not leave your purse or any valuables visible on the seats of your car, and do not leave your purse unattended in the pew. As a reminder, it is acceptable to bring your purse with you to holy Communion. Most importantly, if you are approached by a person in need, avoid giving cash and refer them to our St. Vincent de Paul Society for assistance (225) 928-7612.

Save the Date - New School Families

If your family is new to Our Lady of Mercy School for the 2015-2016 school year, we invite you to join us for a New Family Orientation on **SUNDAY, AUGUST 2 at 4pm in the ECC CAFETERIA**. Please mark your calendars to save the date! Check the school website for more information: www.olomschool.org

St. Matthew's GUILD

ANDERSON Team

Second COLLECTION

Mission Appeal - Missionary Fraternity of Mary

Fr. Silvio Velasquez, a missionary priest, will make this special appeal for the second collection. Donations to the mission serve the needs of their community in the following capacities: Educate youth in basic skills at both the Seminary and at parish schools; support medical clinics at mission parishes that provide services to parishioners at little or no cost; provide employment training at mission parishes; among a host of other opportunities.

Prayer LINE

For Prayer Line requests, contact Ms. Genie Ogden: (225) 293-2367



“TOGETHER WE CAN SET THE WORLD ON FIRE!”

Last weekend in Mass, many of you listened to a call for action from our faithful parishioner, Kathleen Peek, a full-time missionary with FOCUS (The Fellowship of Catholic University Students). She addressed our congregation on how God is working through FOCUS to build up our Catholic Church.

Here is Kathleen’s testimony on how she became involved in FOCUS and how you, our faithful parishioners, have the opportunity to invest in our youth:

“Growing up in this thriving parish and attending Our Lady of Mercy School and then St. Joseph’s gave me a solid foundation for my faith. However, after leaving this community and my family for college, my faith grew lukewarm. I went to Clemson University in South Carolina, but whether you’re 10 hours away like me or 10 minutes away from home like my co-worker, college is one of the most difficult times to maintain the faith.

During my junior year, I thankfully returned to the values and beliefs of my childhood. The witness of my younger sister Annie, who attended college on a FOCUS campus, impacted my faith tremendously. She encouraged me to dive deeper, to stop settling for only making it to Sunday Mass because I was told to all of my life.

I looked around me, and I saw so many of my friends and peers who were in the same situation as I was. Most of my generation doesn’t believe that the Catholic Church has anything to offer them. I wanted to reach out to them; to show them that there is a place for them in our beautiful Church. To see Jesus have the SAME IMPACT in their lives as He did in mine. God has given me so much Joy through both the foundation of my faith and the challenges faced on campus, and now He is calling all of us to share the abundant life that He has given us.

Fellowship of Catholic University Students seeks to do just that. FOCUS sends out recent graduates to campus to be the hands and feet of the Church, to meet students where they are and walk with them in their journey of faith. To help them understand and embrace the

Sacraments and our Church. Now it is the largest Catholic college outreach program in the U.S., with 490 missionaries reaching out to students on 113 college campuses.

The mission of FOCUS is to first know Christ Jesus and then fulfill his great commission (Matthew 28: 18-20). We do this by inviting college students into a growing relationship with Jesus Christ and His Church; inspiring and equipping them for a lifetime of Christ-centered evangelization, discipleship, and friendship in which they lead others to do the same.

We want to set the world on fire for Christ. By being relatable and completely available to college students we can lovingly show them that the happiness that they are seeking is found in Jesus Christ and his Church. St. Therese once said “Some give by going to the missions. Some go by giving to the missions. Without both, there is no mission.”

First and foremost we are here today to ask for your prayers. Without your prayers, this ministry would not be possible. Secondly, Missionaries are responsible for fundraising 100% of our mission budget with the help of individuals like you. Without your partnership, we cannot fulfill the work that God has planned for us. Please consider joining a MONTHLY support team with a financial donation and your prayers. By supporting us, you’re not just donating money and prayers, you are actively building up the body of Christ by joining us in the mission to build up leaders, change the world for Christ, and save souls.

On behalf of not only us and the students we serve but also your children, grandchildren, neighbors, nieces, and nephews, Thank you for investing in our generation. Together, we can set the world on fire!”

For more information, contact:

Ms. Kathleen Peek
kathleen.peek@focus.org
(225) 223-3574

PARISH LIFE

Confirmation Registration

Wednesday, August 5
6:30 pm
Church

Parents and teens are required to attend the Confirmation Registration and Parent Night on Wednesday, August 5 at 6:30 pm in the church. Teens interested in Confirmation must be a High School Junior and a member of Our Lady of Mercy Parish. Please bring a copy of your baptismal certificate to the meeting.

For more information, contact:

Mr. Jason Romero
jason.romero@olomchurch.com
(225) 926-1883

Magnificat Prayer Breakfast

Saturday, August 15
9:00 am -12:00 noon
Oak Lodge Reception Center

Join Magnificat, a Ministry to Catholic Women, for their upcoming Prayer Breakfast featuring guest speaker, Ms. Kathy MacInnis. Registration is open through August 10. No seats will be sold at the door.

**Cost is \$15.00.*



For more information, contact:

Ms. Gwen Gillis
john224@cox.net
(225) 505-7050

RCIA

Monday, September 14
6:30 pm
St. Gabriel Room - PAC

Are you interested in learning more about the Catholic faith? Join us for our first RCIA gathering on Monday, September 14 in the PAC.

For more information, contact:

Mr. Jason Romero
jason.romero@olomchurch.com
(225) 926-1883

Day of Renewal

Saturday, August 22
9:00 am - 3:00 pm
Our Lady of Mercy Parish Activity Center

The Catholic Charismatic Renewal in the Diocese of Baton Rouge (CCR-DBR) is a ministry of evangelization which promotes growth in faith by openness to the spiritual gifts mentioned by St. Paul in 1 Corinthians 12:1-11 and by the experience of prayer for Baptism in the Spirit.

The CCR-DBR invites you to attend a Day of Renewal with reflections and music set to the theme "Jesus Heals the Heart," by Ms. Cindy Scardina. The day will include Eucharistic Procession and Benediction.

**We ask that you bring writing materials for journaling. Lunch will be provided.*

For more information, contact:

Ms. Dotty Loar
(225) 636-2464

Counselor Opening

Woman's New Life Center

The Woman's New Life Center invites applications for a part-time and/or full-time professional counseling position in their Baton Rouge office. Applicants must demonstrate proficiency in providing assessment, counseling, and intervention services specific to women and couples with pregnancy-related concerns. Intervention and areas of focus include, but are not limited to, crisis counseling, grief/loss following an abortion, adoption, fertility concerns and other related behavioral and emotional issues.

For more information, contact:

Ms. Katie Zumo, Associate Director
kzumo@womansnewlife.com
(225) 663-6470

Mercy Marketplace

Custom gifts for you to wear, use and share with your friends and family during the summer. Our gifts include hats, chairs, journals, lapel pins and onesies for your baby. To view our entire collection of custom gift items, visit www.mercymarketplace.org.

PARISH LIFE

BLESSED IS SHE

Wednesdays
10:45 am - 12:00 noon
JP II House

Blessed is She is a high school girl's summertime small group that endeavors to build up in young women a vibrant faith and an authentic femininity that is grounded in the identity that comes from being a daughter of God the Father.

**Light refreshments will be provided*

For more information, contact:

Ms. Amelia Gallagher
amelia.gallagher@olomchurch.com
(225) 926-1883

OLOM School After Care Program

Monday - Fridays during the school year
2:45 pm - 5:30 pm
Our Lady of Mercy School

Our After School Program at Our Lady of Mercy School is currently looking for energetic, patient and flexible workers for the Fall and/or Spring semesters. A love for children is a must! Our hours are from 2:45pm-5:30 pm Monday-Friday. Days can be flexible. Please share if you know someone interested. Email resume to mercycday@gmail.com.

For more information, contact:

Ms. Tricia Cassano
mercycday@gmail.com
(225) 924-1054

HIGH SCHOOL BIBLE STUDY

Thursday Evenings
6:30 pm
JP II House

Calling especially all incoming 9th graders to join us for great fellowship as we dive into Sacred Scripture in our High School Bible Study group!

For more information, contact:

Ms. Amelia Gallagher
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(225) 926-1883

HEALING AND HOPE WITH IMMACULÉE ILIBAGIZA

Join us for a weekend of Healing and Hope with Immaculée Ilibagiza, survivor of the 1994 Rwandan genocide as she shares her universal message with our community.

Friday, November 13

4:00 - 5:00 pm Doors Open / Fellowship / Registration
5:00 - 6:30 pm Retreat Begins
6:30 - 7:30 pm Break
7:30 - 9:00 pm Session 2
9:00 pm Conclusion of Day 1

Saturday, November 14

8:30 - 9:00 am Gathering / Registration
9:00 - 10:30 am Session 3
10:30 - 11:00 am Break
11:00 - 12:30 pm Session 4
12:30 pm Conclusion of Retreat

For more information or to register, please visit: www.immaculee.com



IN REMEMBRANCE

AUGUST 1, SATURDAY

8:00 am.....Eola Nelson
4:00 pm.....John & Janice Bueche & Fly. / Minel
Gaudin, Mr. & Mrs. Ulice Gaudin, Charles
Hardison, Mr. & Mrs. Theo Hollingsworth
/ Bobbie Albares & The Albares Fmly /
Beard, Mariotti, Scanlan & Lanza Fmlys/
Mancuso & Sparacino Fmlys / Mrs.Lucy
M. Sparacino / Bridget Ross, Pat Ross,
Lynne Ross & Gloria Boelens / Robby
Cangelosi Jr./ John Milton Fruge / Mrs.
Antoinette Corona / Lorena Ledoux /
Darlene Kramer Howard
6:00 pm.....James Malvern Hill, Jr.

AUGUST 2, SUNDAY

7:00 am.....All People
9:00 am.....Thinh Hoang
10:30 am.....Chris Callegan
12:00 pmGeorge A. Kadair, Sr.
6:00 pm.....William Bradley Ruhlin

AUGUST 3, MONDAY

8:00 amJohn & Betty Stuart
12:00 pmJack Casey

AUGUST 4, TUESDAY

12:00 pm.....Eleanor Lefeaux
6:00 pm.....Robert Vicknair/ Frankie Joseph
LaPorte/ Lillie Gautreaux / Hettie Jean
Tuminello / Rita Primeaux / Robby
Cangelosi Jr./ Jill Barfield Hamilton /
Jane LeBlanc / Ashley Harper/ Debbie
Gwin / Darlene Kramer Howard

AUGUST 5, WEDNESDAY

8:00 am.....SPECIAL INTENTION: A.B. Schneider
12:00 pm.....Clifford & Elisa Comeaux & Stephen
Eckler

AUGUST 6, THURSDAY

8:00 am.....Dr. Larry Ferachi & Vincent A. Ferachi
12:00 pm.....Bruce Hilbrecht

AUGUST 7, FRIDAY

8:00 am.....Robby Cangelosi Jr.
12:00 pm.....Alma H. Bergeron

Mercy Prays

Reagan Angers
Audrey Blache
Betty Jane Blaha
Jeanne Burton
Randy Civello
John Corry
Marjorie Dempsey

Todd Fruge
Monroe Hill
Drew Moscona
Molly Perry
Jerri Trahan
The men & women serving in our
Armed Forces

IN REMEMBRANCE

Sanctuary Light Memorials

The sanctuary light in the church burns this week in loving memory of **Jimmy P. Hollis**

The sanctuary light in the Adoration Chapel burns this week in loving memory of **David R. Williams**

In Sympathy to the Families of

- Mary Martha Mayers Gillis
- Darlene Kramer Howard
- Catherine Heintze
- Katherine "Kat" Gravatt

Altar Flowers Memorial

Each week you may honor a loved one with a gift of \$150 to dedicate the floral arrangement that adorns our sanctuary. [Please call the Church Office to make your gift.](#)

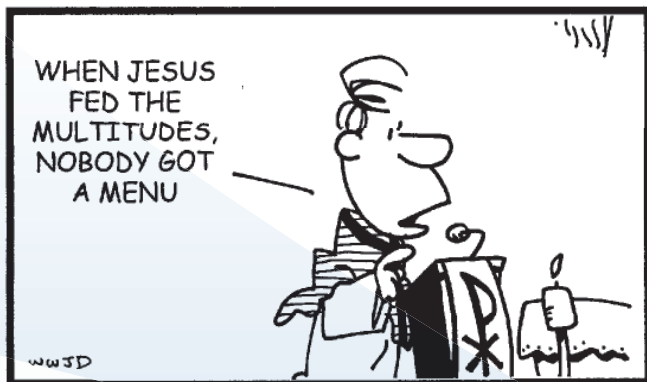
Memorial Gifts

At the death of a loved one, many choose in lieu of flowers to encourage friends and family to make a donation to a special charity or cause. Our Lady of Mercy has nourished the spiritual life of so many parishioners and those throughout the Diocese who come here. A Memorial Gift to our parish and school is a wonderful way to acknowledge the lives of our beloved dead with a gift of loving generosity to the church that has been such a spiritual home. Ms. Deanie Smith can discuss beautiful ways for you to remember your loved one.

"OLOM is a beautiful place - it starts with the eyes, passes to the heart, and settles in the soul"

FR. CLEO MILANO

17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



"If you love to listen you will gain knowledge."

- SIRACH 6:32

ADORATION CHAPEL

Commitments Needed for Our Adoration Chapel Ministry

Committed adoration is a beautiful way to express your faith and devotion. Our Adoration Chapel is open to you 24 hours a day. We invite you to come visit the Lord and seek His counsel. Although every hour of the day is opened for commitment, your devotion is especially needed during the following times:

SUNDAY.....12 am, 1 am, 2 am, 3 am, 4 am, 12 noon, 2 pm, 3 pm, 5 pm, 6 pm

MONDAY.....12 am, 2 am, 9 am

TUESDAY.....12 am, 1 am, 2 am, 3 am, 8 am, 12:00 noon, 2 pm, 3 pm

WEDNESDAY.....12 am, 1 am

THURSDAY.....1 am, 2 am, 6 am, 11 pm

FRIDAY.....1 am, 2 am, 9 am, 12 noon, 1 pm, 11 pm

SATURDAY.....1 am, 2 am, 3 am, 4 am, 12 noon, 1, pm 7 pm, 9 pm, 10 pm

We provide campus security personnel each evening.

If you are able to offer yourself in prayer to the Lord, please contact Ms. Martha Wells at (225) 928-5157.

SAINT OF THE WEEK

St. Martha

FEAST DAY: July 29

Martha, Mary and their brother Lazarus were evidently close friends of Jesus. He came to their home simply as a welcomed guest, rather than as one celebrating the conversion of a sinner like Zacchaeus or one unceremoniously received by a suspicious Pharisee. The sisters feel free to call on Jesus at their brother's death, even though a return to Judea at that time seems almost certain death.

No doubt Martha was an active sort of person. On one occasion (see Luke 10:38-42) she prepares the meal for Jesus and possibly his fellow guests and forthrightly states the obvious: All hands should pitch in to help with the dinner.

Yet, as biblical scholar Father John McKenzie points out, she need not be rated as an "unrecollected activist." The evangelist is emphasizing what our Lord said on several occasions about the primacy of the spiritual: "...[D]o not worry about your life, what you will eat [or drink], or about your body, what you will

wear.... But seek first the kingdom [of God] and his righteousness" (Matthew 6:25b, 33a); "One does not live by bread alone" (Luke 4:4b); "Blessed are they who hunger and thirst for righteousness..." (Matthew 5:6a).



Martha's great glory is her simple and strong statement of faith in Jesus after her brother's death. "Jesus told her, 'I am the resurrection and the life; whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?' She said to him, 'Yes, Lord. I have come to believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one who is coming into the world'" (John 11:25-27).

Source: www.americancatholic.org

MASS SCHEDULE & TIMES

WEEKDAYS

MASS TIMES:

M, W, Th, & F: 8:00 am & 12:00 pm

Tues: 12:00 pm & 6:00 pm

RECONCILIATION:

M - F: 25 minutes prior to Mass

SATURDAY

MASS TIME: 8:00 am

RECONCILIATION: 3:00 - 4:00 pm & 5:15 - 6:00 pm

VIGILS: 4:00 pm & 6:00 pm

SUNDAY

MASS TIMES: 7:00 am, 9:00 am, 10:30 am, 12:00 pm & 6:00 pm

NURSERY: 9:00 am & 10:30 am

PRE-SCHOOL

BIBLE CLASS: 9:00 am & 10:30 (in the PAC)

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY RADIO

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Listen daily at noon and 10:30 am on Sunday for Mercy's Mass live broadcast

SATURDAY AUGUST 1		SUNDAY AUGUST 2				
4:00 pm*	6:00 pm	7:00 am*	9:00 am	10:30 am	12:00 pm	6:00 pm
Fr. Minj	Fr. Milano	Fr. Milano	Fr. Milano	Fr. Milano	Fr. Minj	Fr. Minj
Extraordinary Ministers		Extraordinary Ministers				
C Abshire	A Meche	E White	L Gemmill	J Shelley	L Plaisance	R Covington
D Lockwood	M Blouin	L Guillot	P Prosser	C Benedetto	L Attuso	J Baudier
A Russo	P Shingleton	I Bourque	E Hurst	B Benedetto	R Guitreau	M Gillespie
J Stalls	D Reinschmidt	B Babin	K Giglio	M Pinell	G Ruiz deChavez	K Guidry
L D'Armond	J Jolissaint	A Haywood	Dcn Grant	J Williams	P Thomas	C Guidry
L Dawkins	E Chenevert	S Roppolo	F Heroman	Dcn Grant	K Darnall	E Holt
W Keyser	M Richard	A St. Pierre	L Deavers	B Purgerson	C Peak	H Coco
J Stalls	H Reinschmidt	A Wilson	C Price	J Purgerson	C Roberts	R Coco
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		P Alford				
Altar Servers		Altar Servers				
J Dean	D Meche	G Montagnino	M Acosta	C Werner	S D'Angelo	D Holliday
D Duncan	D Meche	J Wysocki	A Clark	S Johns	C D'Angelo	F Baudier
K Allen	C Meche		O Clark	H Blouin	G Jones	N Shipley

The complete Ministry Schedule is published on our website at www.olomchurch.com.

Called to serve? Contact Deacon Grant to volunteer for liturgical ministry.

**These liturgies are celebrated without incense.*

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PERMANENT DEACON..... Deacon Richard Grant
ADMINISTRATION..... Mr. Randy Arabie
SCHOOL PRINCIPAL..... Mr. Brian Moscona

OFFICE HOURS

MONDAY - FRIDAY..... 8:30 am - 4:30 pm

Priests gladly see people by appointment.

Parish Activity Center

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Our Lady of Mercy Catholic School

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Glorify the Lord by your life

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CONFIRMATION/RCIA..... Mr. Jason Romero
WEDDING..... Ms. Alison Nodier
FUNERAL..... Ms. Theresa Foster
FACILITIES..... Ms. Katie Thorne
FINANCE & GIFTS..... Ms. Deanie Smith

To view complete staff list, visit olomchurch.com.

*Our Lady of Mercy is a family of
faith united in prayer, love and
Catholic Tradition.*

We are dedicated to spreading the Good News of Jesus Christ through evangelization, education and Christian example. We strive to be as faithful as the Blessed Virgin Mary and live our faith by serving God, our fellow brothers and sisters and our community.

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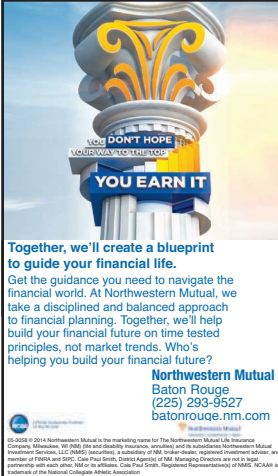
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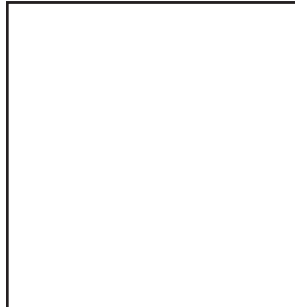
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