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O sing a new song to the Lord; sing to the Lord, all the earth. In his presence are majesty and splendor, strength and honor in his holy place.

- ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

THIS WEEK

SATURDAY JANUARY 21

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

SUNDAY JANUARY 22

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 JANUARY 23

8:00 am.....Daily Mass 12:00 pmDaily Mass 6:00 pmKnights of Columbus Mtg-St. Joseph

TUESDAY JANUARY 24

8:30 amRosary Makers-Coffee Shop
9:00 amCalled By Faith-Emmanuel Hall
12:00 pm.....Daily Mass
6:00 pm....Daily Mass & Novena
6:30 pmHigh School Bible Study-JPII House
7:00 pmCharismatic Prayer-St. Gabriel

WEDNESDAY JANUARY 25

8:00 amDaily Mass 12:00 pmDaily Mass

THURSDAY JANUARY 26

8:00 amDaily Mass 12:00 pmDaily Mass

FRIDAY JANUARY 27

8:00 amDaily Mass 8:50 amSchool Liturgy 12:00 pmDaily Mass

Mercy Fair - "Wild Wild West"

Do you or someone you know have a business or restaurant that would make a great addition to this year's Fair? If the answer is YES we want to hear from YOU! The Fair Committee is looking for Parish Businesses to be involved in one of our biggest fundraisers of the year, no business is too big or too small. Please contact 2017 Fair Co-Chair Ms. Mary Coghlan at <u>mary.coghlan@keanmiller.com</u> for information on how to join the fun at this year's Fair!

Mercy March 5k

This bird is WANTED by school officials. Do you have what it takes to help us find him? Requirements - you must have fun and be willing to run/ walk 3.1 miles through the "Wild Wild West" of Old Goodwood. Are you up for the challenge?



Save the date for this year's March on SATURDAY, APRIL 29 (Fair Saturday). Mercy March registration is now open: www.olomchurch.com

St. Matthew's GUILD

STALLS Team

Prayer LINE

For Prayer Line requests, contact: Ms. Genie Ogden: (225) 293-2367 or Ms. Carroll Benedetto at <u>wlb14@aol.com</u>



MARCH FOR LIFE

The National March for Life, founded by Nellie Gray (an American pro-life activist) in 1974, was established following the Supreme Court ruling Roe v. Wade, which decriminalized abortion the previous year. The annual rally is held each year in Washington, D.C. on or around the anniversary of the Supreme Court's decision. Organized by the March for Life Education and Defense Fund, the goal of the March is to overturn the Roe v. Wade decision. In general, the March has drawn nearly 250,000 participants with attendance increasing over the past few years.

The Our Lady of Mercy Christian Formation Team is excited to offer participation in this amazing event to teens in our parish year after year. This life-changing educational experience will take the team from Baton Rouge to the White House, and from the Holocaust Museum to the steps of the Supreme Court, where they will join hundreds of thousands from across America who have come to take a stand for life. The pilgrimage is open to all teens in 10th-12th grade. These young participants will become leaders in the effort to transform our culture into a civilization of love and build a culture of life.

The itinerary for the trip provides cultural and spiritual experiences alike. Leaving from Baton Rouge on Monday, January 23, the group will arrive in D.C. by early Tuesday morning. The itinerary for the week will keep the teens busy with tours of the Shrine of the National Basilica; Holocaust Museum; Rosary walk from the White House to Planned Parenthood; and tours of Arlington Cemetery, monuments, the John Paul II Museum, the Smithsonian Museums, and more.

Louisiana Day kicks off on Thursday with the Louisiana Geaux Forth Rally and will end with a Concert and Adoration Vigil at George Mason University. Hold on to your white hats for Friday's activities because it's March for Life Day! Later that evening, the team will depart for Louisiana and finally arriving in Baton Rouge on Saturday evening.

Mercy's March for Life team includes 28 individuals, 21 of which are teens. Here's a fun fact about last year's trip - then teen and now seminarian, Tres Turner, received his calling while on the trip last year. This trip is truly a life changing experience! Our team and the teens of our Diocese are in need of your prayers for safe travels as they participate in this pilgrimage.

Our Lady of Mercy, pray for us!

Called to Prayer

IN REMEMBRANCE

Mass Intentions

JANUARY 28, SATURDAY

8:00 am Jennie Brister 4:00 pm Shirley K. Gaudin / Karen Weilbacher / Joe B. & Josie Ragusa, A.J. Bologna, Kay Frances Ragusa & Jimmy Swearingen / Tullio Saffiotti / Francesca Bellard / Ann Bergeron / Marguerite Miller / Ellie Sances / Pat Hannie / **SPECIAL INTENTION**: Rebecca Williams & Paula Rose Roblin / Shannon Cormier / Martha Bourg / Angelle Damare / Jim Hebert 6:00 pm Marie & RossDenicola, Sr.

JANUARY 29, SUNDAY

7:00 am..... ALL PEOPLE 9:00 am..... Mr. & Mrs. Robert Talbot 10:30 am... Otis S. James, Jr. 12:00 pm... Sal Cashio 6:00 pm..... Lee Rizer

JANUARY 30, MONDAY

8:00 am Thelma Plauche' 12:00 pm... Charles Hardison

JANUARY 31, TUESDAY

12:00 pm... Jacqueline Hargroder
6:00 pm Margaret Mitchell & Jeff / Dr. Michael Fakouri / Dorothy Devillier / Mary Lou Saia / Robert & Josie
LeJeune / Paula Mansur Roblin / Lannie Bonnette, Jr.

FEBRUARY 1, WEDNESDAY

8:00 am Pat Hannie & Erin Hannie James 12:00 pm... Sue Learn

FEBRUARY 2, THURSDAY

8:00 am Ralph Brewer 12:00 pm... Beard, Scanlan, Mariotti, Lanza Fmlys

FEBRUARY 3, FRIDAY

8:00 am Jeff Nola 12:00 pm... V. J. Caruso / Frank P. Mineo / Bergob-Rozas Families / K. J. Thomas / Joe & Maude Amorello / Shirley Shingleton / Lydia Julier

Sanctuary Light Memorials

The sanctuary light in the church burns this week in loving memory of

Harold Beard

The sanctuary light in the Adoration Chapel burns this week in loving memory of **Tullio Saffiotti**

In Sympathy to the Families of:

- Harold Beard
- Lannie Bonnette, Jr.
- Russell Crapanzano
- Katie Keogh
- Noelie Barnett

Jack Gray

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.

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 Traditions for Tomorrow Capital Campaign 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.

Consider adding a planned gift in your last will and testament to remember Our Lady of Mercy.

Mercy Prays

Mary Bourgeois Pat Bourgeois Valerie Carter Todd Fruge Marley Harris Virginia Haskins Cristal Hebert Jim Hebert Deacon Fallon Lorenz Tracy Louis

The men & women serving in our Armed Forces

Called to Prayer

PARISH LIFE





The Choice Wine

February 9th - April 5th 6:30 - 8:15 pm Parish Activity Center

The Choice Wine: 7 Steps to a Superabundant Marriage is a program that gives married couples the opportunity to re-focus and re-commit to their marriages, to each other...and to God. Integrating the latest findings from modern science withe the timeless teaching of the faith and the wisdom of the saints, this program places authentic marital happiness within every couple's reach. Join us each Wednesday evening (except for the first session which is on Thursday) beginning at 6:30 in the PAC. Register online at: www.olomchurch.com

*Cost is \$55 per couple

For more information, contact: Mr. Mark Hermann mark hermann1@hotmail.com (225) 236-2446

Make your marriage **SUPERabundant!**



Supper and Substance=Date Night!

Saturday, February 11 6:30 pm Parish Activity Center

Join us for a special evening designed for married couples to be enriched and strengthened in their vocation of marriage. This is a wonderful opportunity for spouses to meet with other couples in our parish, enjoy delicious dinner, and listen to an inspiring presentation by Mark and Katie Hartfiel. Register online at: www.olomchurch.com

*Cost is \$45 per couple

For more information, contact:

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

Called to Action

PARISH LIFE

Courageous Women

Tuesday, January 31 11:30 am Parish Activity Center - St. Jerome

Are you a working mom (outside or inside the home) struggling to find the balance between family, faith, and career? Join us as we explore solutions to these daily challenges. We'll engage in discussions of book studies, listen to guest speakers, and more. Bring a brown bag lunch and join us on Tuesdays starting January 31.

During this session of Courageous Women we will read "Resisting Happiness" by Matthew Kelly. This book is a true story about why we sabotage ourselves, feel overwhelmed, set aside our dreams, and lack the courage to simply be ourselves...and how to start choosing happiness again!

For more information, contact:

Ms. Christy Haldane <u>christy.haldane@olomchurch.com</u> (225) 926-1883

Wedding Anniversary Celebration

Sunday, February 12, 2017 3:00 pm Our Lady of Mercy Catholic Church

Bishop Robert Muench will celebrate a Mass honoring couples celebrating their 25th, 50th, 65th, or greater wedding anniversary. Anniversary Mass registration forms are available in the church office or online at www.mfldiobr.org.

For more information, contact: Marriage & Family Life Office <u>mgernon@diobr.org</u> (225) 242-0323

Men's Conference - "A Call to Battle"

Saturday, February 11 7:30 pm - 4:00 pm Sacred Heart Church Baton Rouge

Join the Men of the Immaculata for a Men's Conference coming this February to Sacred Heart of Baton Rouge. "A Call to Battle" challenges every man to fight for holiness. Guest speakers for this year's conference include, Dr. Brant Pitre; Fr. Michael Champagne; Sr. John Thomas Armour, O.P.; and Mr. Mark Hartfiel. Learn more about the conference at: www.menoftheimmaculata.com

*Cost is \$50 for adults / students \$25

For more information, contact:

Mr. Mark Hermann <u>mark hermann1@hotmail.com</u> (225) 236-2446

Bus Trip National Catholic Bible Conference

May 4th - 6th Houston, Texas

Sacred Scripture reminds us to, "be doers of the word, and not hearers only" (James 1:22). In other words: we are called to take the Word of God to heart and live it out in our own lives; we are called to be disciples. At the 2017 National Catholic Bible Conference you will discover what it means to be a faithful disciple. You will learn how to follow Christ in your everyday life. And you will experience the blessings that God has in store for those who love him. Information about the Conference can be found at: www.catholicbibleconference.com

Interested persons should contact OLOM Formation Director, Mr. Jason Romero by FEBRUARY 19 to register.

*Cost is \$500/person which includes bus, hotel, and some meals

For more information, contact:

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

Called to Action

PARISH LIFE

LIGHT UP THE LIBRARY: A Night of Bids and Blues Save the Date!

Saturday, March 11 Main Library - Goodwood Blvd.

Mark your calendars for an evening you won't want to miss - the Annual Mercy Auction! Tickets and sponsorship opportunities are now available. Visit the church website for more details: www.olomchurch.com.

For more information, contact: Ms. Megan Boucvalt megan.boucvalt@olomchurch.com (225) 926-1883





POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTIONS

January 2017

Christian Unity:

That all Christians may be faithful to the Lord's teaching by striving with prayer and fraternal charity to restore ecclesial communion and by collaborating to meet the challenges facing humanity.

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..... 1 am, 2 am, 3 am, 5 am, 12 noon, 2 pm, 3 pm*, 4 pm, 8 pm
MONDAY..... 12 am, 1 am, 2 am, 3 am, 7 am, 8 am, 12 noon, 6 pm, 11 pm
TUESDAY..... 12 am, 1 am, 2 am, 3 am, 9 am
WEDNESDAY..... 12 am, 1 am, 2 am*, 4 am, 8 pm
THURSDAY..... 12 am, 1 am, 2 am*, 12 noon, 10 pm
FRIDAY..... 1 am, 2 am*, 3 am, 8 am, 10 pm
SATURDAY..... 1 am, 2 am, 3 am, 4 am, 7 am, 11 am, 12 noon, 4 pm*, 9 pm, 10 pm



*Urgent Needs - Sunday 3 pm; Wednesday 2 am; Friday 2 am; Saturday 4 pm

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



Get involved in the Campaign for Our Lady's Church, The Pearl of Mid City



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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 am (PAC)

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY RADIO

1380 AM - WPYR

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

SATURDAY JANUARY 28		SUNDAY JANUARY 29				
4:00 pm*	6:00 pm	7:00 am*	9:00 am	10:30 am	12:00 pm	6:00 pm
Fr. Milano	Fr. Minj	Fr. Milano	Fr. Milano	Fr. Milano	Fr. Minj	Fr. Minj
Extraordinary Ministers		Extraordinary Ministers				
M Porter D Lockwood R Prince L D'Armond G Albares C Abshire K Kiesel I DeNicola D Whaley M Cullen	P Shingleton M Richard S Jones G Lalonde M Blouin E Chenevert M Downing R Brian J Jolissaint	P Samrow C Ransome P McKeough I Bourque A Haywood S Roppolo B Babin M McKeough E White	K Giglio R Beyer S Harrington S Maggio J Frederick Dcn Grant L Deavers J Frederick D Maggio J Nola	M Pinell K Sweeney C Benedetto B Benedetto B Gossard Dcn Grant M Taylor J Pinell E Bourgeois L Bourgeois	L Attuso G Anderson C DiBenedetto A August G Anderson C Steele P Thomas R Clement K Darnall	S Say G Tibbetts K Reaux C Formeller C Peak S Armand H Coco L Falcon C Roberts
Lectors		Lectors				
M Hagan J Pastorek	J Blouin F Gwin	A Wilson J Shiloh G Samrow	Children's Liturgy	H Landry M Hermann	E Joffrion S Hopkins	B Avery B Avery
Altar Servers				Altar Servers		
J Dean G Warrington J Fruge'	H Smith J Nodier G Jones	P Kelly L Kelly	A Clark O Clark A Raemsch	C Taylor M St. Amant E Coghlan	M Joffrion E Shore M Billeaud	M Avery M Graves E Floyd
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.						

WE ARE HERE FOR YOU

Our Lady of Mercy Catholic Church

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PERMANENT DEACON	Deacon Richard Grant
	Mr. Randy Arabie
INTERIM PRINCIPAL	Mr. Chris Porche

OFFICE HOURS

Priests gladly see people by appointment.

Parish Activity Center

444 Marquette Avenue Baton Rouge, LA 70806 (225) 928-6216

Our Lady of Mercy Catholic School

400 Marquette Avenue Baton Rouge, LA 70806 Phone: (225) 924-1054 Fax: (225) 923-2201 olomschool.org

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Dearest Parishioners,

I want to express gratitude on behalf of our entire parish to Ms. Martha Wells who is the coordinator for our Perpetual Adoration Chapel. Ms. Wells has worked tirelessly for years coordinating Committed Adorers to fill hours at the Chapel, especially making sure that hours with no Committed Adorers are covered. She has expressed to me that it is becoming more and more difficult to fill early morning hours from 12:00 midnight to 6:00 am.

It is becoming so difficult that we may soon have to close the Chapel from 12:00 midnight to 6:00 am. This would be a terrible adjustment for our Chapel which has been open perpetually for over 35 years.

What is needed are Adorers most willing to take those early morning hours. These are the most difficult but also bring the most grace since they require the most sacrifice.

You are reminded that there is a security guard on duty for safety. While it is understandable that many women do not feel comfortable coming alone to the Chapel at those hours, men are most especially needed.

If you are retired or looking for something that will benefit your personal prayer life; deepen your relationship with Jesus; and do important work for our parish, then YOU ARE NEEDED! The Chapel cannot operate 24-7 without Committed Adorers.

It would be a shame to reduce the Chapel hours since many people including college students often drop in all during the night, but without Committed Adorers the Monstrance cannot be left unattended.

Please consider making Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration your ministry. A full list of the hours needed to be filled can be found on page 8 of Mercy Alive.

You may contact Ms. Martha Wells at (225) 928-5157 to commit to your hour.

"Could you not watch one hour with me?"

Matthew 26:40



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