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Our Lady of Mercy Catholic Church

THE FIRST SON'S INITIAL ANSWER TO HIS FATHER WAS HONEST (HE NEVER INTENDED TO BE OBEIENT), BUT HE "CHANGED HIS MIND" AND DID WHAT HIS FATHER ASKED. BY CONTRAST, THE SECOND SON'S SEEMINGLY OBEIENT "YES, SIR" IN FACT WAS DISHONEST - HE "DID NOT GO." JESUS CONDEMNS THE CHIEF PRIESTS AND ELDERS' BEHAVIOR BECAUSE OF THEIR OWN UTTER DISHONESTY. THE SINFUL TAX COLLECTORS AND PROSTITUTES (LIKE THE FIRST SON) CHANGE THEIR BEHAVIOR. TRAPPED IN THEIR SELF-RIGHTEOUSNESS, THE CHIEF PRIESTS AND ELDERS (LIKE THE SECOND SON) REFUSE TO CHANGE. CHANGING - CHOOSING CONVERSION OF SELF - IS A MATTER OF UTTER HONESTY WITH SELF, GOD, AND OTHERS.

THIS WEEK

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 27

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

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 28

7:00 am.....Mass
9:00 am.....Mass
10:30 am.....Mass
12:00 pm.....Mass
6:00 pm.....Mass

MONDAY SEPTEMBER 29

8:00 am.....Daily Mass
12:00 pm.....Daily Mass
6:30-8:00 pm.....RCIA-*St. Gabriel*
7:00-8:00 pm.....SVdP Meeting-*St. Jerome*

TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 30

8:30 am.....Rosary Makers-*Coffee Shop*
9:00-11:30 am.....Called By Faith-*Emmanuel Hall*
12:00 pm.....Daily Mass
6:00 pm.....Mass & Novena
6:30-8:00 pm.....Youth Bible Study-*JP II House*
7:00-9:00 pm.....Charismatic Prayer-*St. Gabriel*

WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 1

6:00-7:30 am.....That Man Is You!-*Emmanuel Hall*
8:00 am.....Daily Mass
12:00 pm.....Daily Mass
5:00-6:00 pm.....PSR-*OLOM School*
7:00-8:30 pm.....T2 Bible Study-*JP II House*

THURSDAY OCTOBER 2

8:00 am.....Daily Mass
12:00 pm.....Daily Mass

FRIDAY OCTOBER 3

7:30 am.....First Friday Devotion
8:00 am.....Daily Mass
9:00 am.....Living Rosary
10:00-11:30 am.....Moms & Tots
12:00 pm.....Daily Mass

Knights of Columbus Boston Butt Sale

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 4th, LSU v. Auburn Game Day. Package (includes 8 lb. Boston Butt, one quart of baked beans and one quart of cole slaw). Advance orders only! \$35 per package. Call Ronnie Ruffino to order: (225) 819-6946. Orders can be picked up at the PAC from 10:30-12:30pm on Oct. 4th.

Blessing of the Pets

In observance of the Feast of St. Francis, Our Lady of Mercy will have its annual BLESSING OF THE PETS on Sunday, October 5th at 2:00pm in the open lot next to the PAC. All pets (they need not be Catholic) are invited to bring their owners for this wonderful blessing! Select 1st graders will sing a song and 3rd graders will perform a skit. In case of inclement weather, no make-up date will be scheduled.

Anointing of the Sick

Please note there will be NO ANNOINTING OF THE SICK on Tuesday, October 7th. The priests will be on retreat the first week of October.

Second Collection

Parish Youth Ministry

St. Matthew's Guild

Stalls Team

Prayer Line

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

Welcome to our new Faithful Families!

Chris & Dianna Patin

Judy McLeese

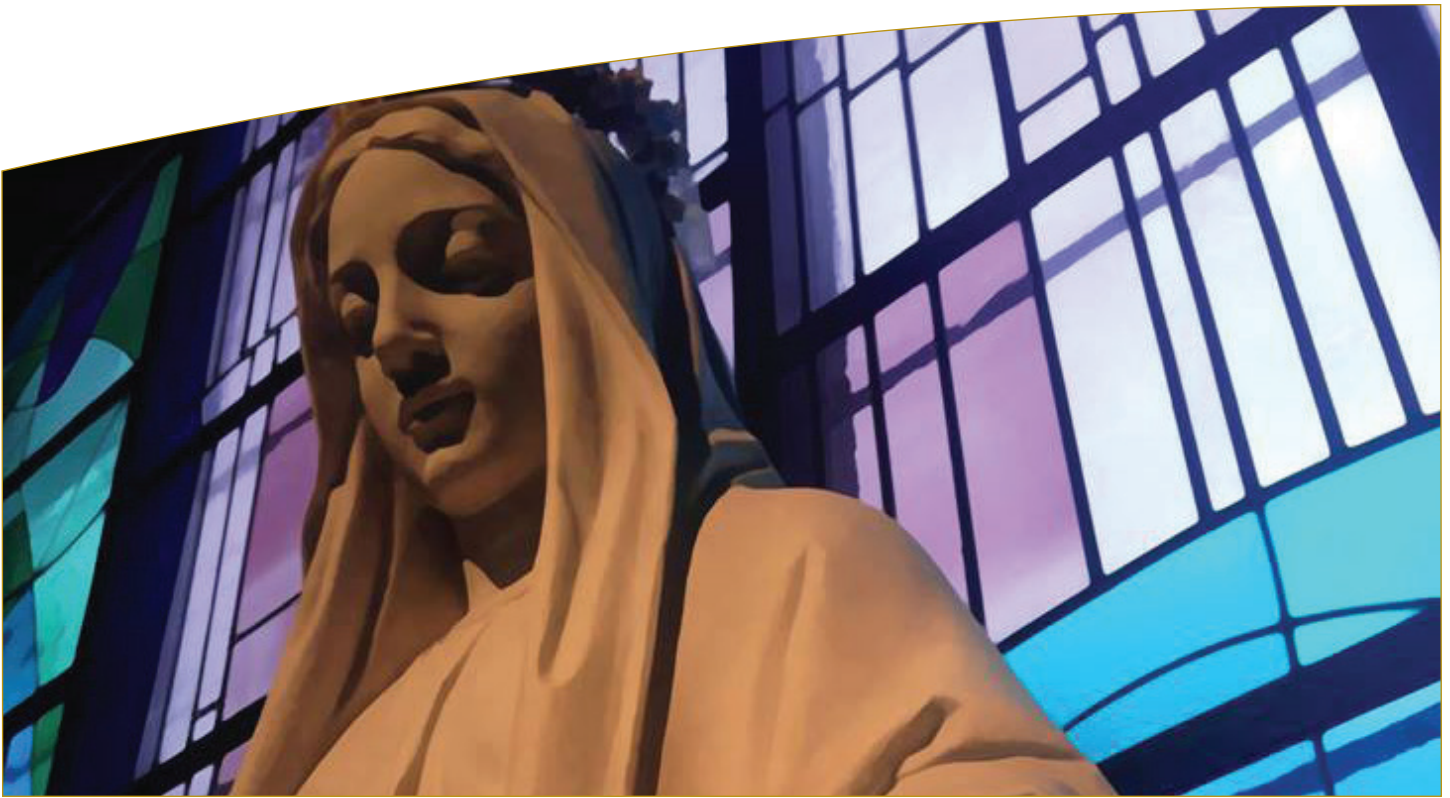
Clyde & Cherie Harvey

Monica McNemar

Dung Tran & Jenny
Nguyen

Jeff and Kelly Harrison

Tara Manzullo



MOM: MONTH OF MERCY

Prayer to Our Lady of Mercy

-St. Augustine of Hippo

Blessed Virgin Mary, who can worthily repay you with praise and thanks for having rescued a fallen world by your generous consent! Receive our gratitude, and by your prayers obtain the pardon of our sins. Take our prayers into the sanctuary of heaven and enable them to make our peace with God.

Holy Mary, help the miserable, strengthen the discouraged, comfort the sorrowful, pray for your people, plead for the clergy, intercede for all women consecrated to God. May all who venerate you feel now your help and protection. Be ready to help us when we pray, and bring back to us the answers to our prayers. Make it your continual concern to pray for the people of God, for you were blessed by God and were made worthy to bear the Redeemer of the world, who lives and reigns forever.

Amen.

Our Lady of Mercy, pray for us!

SPECIAL MERCY DAY OUTDOOR MASS

Sunday, September 28th
12:00pm Mass under the tent
OLOM School football field
lunch will be provided to all

SERVICE:

We've partnered with the WOMAN'S NEW LIFE CENTER for our service opportunity. Items such as: diapers, newborn clothing, bassinets, and playards are needed for families in crisis and can be donated in the vestibule during the month of September.

PARISH LIFE

MoM: Month of Mercy!

Sunday, September 28
12:00pm Mass on the lawn
OLOM School football field

MERCY DAY

SEPTEMBER will be celebrated as the "Month of Mercy" with lots of special events in honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary culminating with the celebration of Our Lady of Mercy's feast day celebration. **The 12:00 pm Mass under the tent will be followed by a casual family lunch on the lawn with jambalya, hot dogs and drinks provided for everyone.**

For more information, contact:

Deacon Matthew Graham
matthew.graham@olomchurch.com
(225) 928-6220

Thirty Niners

Thursday, October 2
9:00am - 4:30pm
Windsor Court & Shrine of Fr. Seelos

Join Fr. Cleo Milano for a day trip to New Orleans visiting LeSalon at the Windsor Court for traditional English tea followed by recitation of the rosary and guided tour of the Shrine of Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos, museum, and gift shop.

**Cost: \$85 per person*

For more information, contact:

Ms. Carolyn Guidry
carolyn.guidry@olomchurch.com
(225) 929-9353

Mercy Marketplace

We have new custom gifts for you to wear, use and share with your friends and family. Our gifts include hats, phone cases, journals, lapel pins and onesies for your baby.

To view our entire collection of custom gift items, visit mercymarketplace.org.

Woman's New Life Center

MONTH OF MERCY SERVICE PROJECT

We have adopted the Woman's New Life Center as our partner for the Month of Mercy. The center is in need of donations such as pack and plays, bassinets, diapers: sizes newborn, 3, 4, or 5, wipes, gender neutral receiving blankets and clothing, toy buckets, toys to entertain young children, small packets of crayons and coloring books, and white or brown grocery bags. Please place donated items in the playpens located in the back of church. You will have the opportunity to give through the entire month of September.

Mercy Fund

As Our Lady of Mercy School continues its rich tradition of academic excellence, we are beginning our third annual Mercy Fund campaign. The financial support of parents, grandparents and parishioners has allowed us to pursue our vision of cutting edge technology and a faculty trained in its applications as well as the latest teaching techniques and classroom strategies. Informational brochures will be mailed to your homes. Thank you for prayerfully considering a gift to the school through this year's Mercy Fund.

OLOM School Book Fair Family Day

Sunday, October 12
10:00am - 2:00pm
OLOM School Library

Join us for our Book Fair Family Day featuring an author visit by Cornell Landry (author of "Goodnight NOLA"), refreshments, books, and fellowship! And be sure to join us for the Food Truck Round-Up on Wednesday night, October 15th starting at 5:00pm.

For more information, contact:

Ms. Kirsten Steintrager
ksteintrager@olomschool.org
(225) 924-1054

PARISH LIFE

40 Days for Life

September 24-November 2
7:00am - 7:00pm
Delta Clinic 756 Colonial Dr.

Volunteers are needed to fill hours in prayer at the abortion clinic during the 40 Days for Life Campaign. Sign up will be available after Mass on September 28th or through the website: www.40daysforlifebr.com

For more information, contact:

Ms. Llsa Lewis
lisalewis1645@att.net
(225) 923-2233

Life Teen Bible Study

every Tuesday evening
6:30pm - 8:00pm
JP II House (Youth House)

High Schoolers, we want you to join us for weekly Bible Study!

**dinner will be provided*

For more information, contact:

Ms. Amelia Gallagher
amelia.gallagher@olomchurch.com
(225) 928-6322

SPECIAL GIFTS FOR THE LITURGY

One of the most beautiful expressions of Eucharistic faith is the reception of both the Precious Body in the Sacred Host and the Precious Blood from the Sacred Chalice at Holy Mass. Celebration of the Liturgy and the sharing in the sacred meal of bread and wine so commanded by Jesus at the Last Supper is the most important event that takes place at Our Lady of Mercy. Since the celebration of the Liturgy is so important and in particular the celebration of Liturgy at Mercy so beautiful – our parish is seeking new chalices for the distribution of the Precious Blood at Holy Mass.

These new precious chalices will be used at all Sunday Masses and will more beautifully reflect the sacred Precious Blood they contain. Anyone interested in donating a new chalice to Mercy will have their family name engraved on the bottom in grateful acknowledgement.

Our present chalices will be donated to our sister parish at St. Paul the Apostle to embellish their liturgical celebration at Holy Mass.

A grateful acknowledgment is made to all the faithful parishioners who have donated the beautiful new vestments and Altar Server Cassocks and Surplices.

God deserves our very best. Thank you for your overwhelming goodness and generosity.

Please contact Ms. Deanie Smith, (225) 928-6207 to participate.

Goodwood Yard Sale

Saturday, October 11
7:00am
Goodwood Neighborhood

Save the date for the 6th Annual Goodwood Progressive Yard Sale. Over 40 homes participated last year.

For more information, contact:

www.brgoodwood.com

Health Fair

Friday, October 17
9:00am - 12:00pm
Parish Activity Center

We will offer flu shots, cholesterol checks, blood sugar checks and more. Note- Glucose and cholesterol screenings require fasting. Also, the Kidney Foundation will be here to check body mass index, blood pressure, and kidney function.

For more information, contact:

Ms. Jackie Scardina
jackie.scardina@olomchurch.com
(225) 928-6215



IN REMEMBRANCE

OCTOBER 4, SATURDAY

8:00 am.....Roberta Nesbit McDonald
4:00 pm.....Sam & Angie D'Agostino / Leo Levy /
Claudia & Roland Ourso / Nicole Helms
/ Michael Bourgeois / Jill Hamilton /
Bessie Kershaw / Bobbie Albares & the
Albares Fmly / Dickens Wall / Harry &
Putt Schexnayder / Lucy Sparacino /
Elisa LeBlanc Comeaux / John & Janice
Bueche / Theo Richard Mier, Jr. / A.J.
Bologna, Mrs. J.B. Ragusa, Kay Ragusa,
& Jimmy Searing / James Malvern Hill,
Jr. / Katie Jackson / Jody Acosta / Reece
Lamar Jones, Jr. / Rita May Hoffmann /
D.J. Graphia, Graphia & Levatino Fmlys /
SPECIAL INTENTION - James Culpepper /
Kathryn Hessburg / Thomas N.O. / Brian
Hess (healing)
6:00 pm.....Joyce & John Jolissaint

OCTOBER 5, SUNDAY

7:00 am.....All People
9:00 am.....Billie Roberts
10:30 am.....**SPECIAL INTENTION** - A.S. Schneider
12:00 pm.....K.J. Thomas
6:00 pm.....E.A. Gene Rozas

OCTOBER 6, MONDAY

8:00 am.....Frey & Higgins Fmlys
12:00 pm.....**SPECIAL INTENTION** - K.L. Schneider

OCTOBER 7, TUESDAY

12:00 pm.....Robert Boagni

6:00 pm.....Tony Zito / **SPECIAL INTENTION** - Poor
Souls in Purgatory

OCTOBER 8, WEDNESDAY

8:00 am.....Marilyn Louise Baker
12:00 pm.....Lois & Don Zebert

OCTOBER 9, THURSDAY

8:00 am.....Susan Becnel
12:00 pm.....Bruce Hilbrecht

OCTOBER 10, FRIDAY

8:00 am.....Gary Rizer
12:00 pm.....Rodney & Tavie Ortego

OCTOBER 11, SATURDAY

8:00 amGrace & Vincent Drago / Vince Vicaro /
Joel Nasca / Lena Talbert
4:00 pm.....Guarino, Boudreaux & Lessing Fmlys /
Crawford & Elmyra Bishop / Wellman
& Louella Hebert / Jack Casey / Grace
& Vincent Drago / Vince Vicaro / Joel
Nasca / Philip Roumain /Lena Talbert /
Una Dugas / Floyd Joseph Roberts, Sr.
/ Toni Maggio/ Charles Robert Allen
/ Sidney Blanchard / Dickens Wall /
Edward Tujague, Ethel Tujague,
Mary Ross & William Ross / Lucy
Sparacino / Beatrice & Arnaud Mayeux
/ Vernon Mitchell & Nick Mayeux /
Joseph & Jane Mayeux / Eddie & Jay
Mayeux / May & Kirby Guillot/ ~ **SPECIAL
INTENTION** - Charles & Nancy Valluzzo

Armed Forces

On duty day and night, pray for all the men and women serving in our Armed Forces, and especially these faithful who are known to Mercy:

AA Kirk Coco, II
Christopher Cooley
PVT Daniel Day
ME3 Jay Doiron
SPC Larre' Donaldson
SPC Joshua Furr
SMSN Kiersten Hardison

SGT Derek Hebert
1st LT Wesley G. Jones
MTSA Jacob LaMotte
AMT3 David Luke
CPL John Mahoney
SPC Matthew Melancon
A1C Blake Middleton

AB Elliot Miller
SGT Justin Milner
S SGT Wayne Monget
Daniel Morgan
SGT Christopher Montagnino
SPC Gordon Newman
A02 Jonathan Pauler

SGT John Perricario
PVT Timothy Reech
S SGT Ryan W. Ruckel
AM3 Alexander Rubenstein
LN3 Adam Schulze
E5 Christopher Sellars
1st LT Andrew Tam

To revise this list of active service personnel, contact Ms. Carolyn Guidry at (225) 926-1883.

IN REMEMBRANCE

Sanctuary Light Memorials

The sanctuary light in the church burns this week in loving memory of **Lana Brouillett, Sr.**

The sanctuary light in the adoration chapel burns this week in loving memory of **Sanford Lemoine**

In Sympathy to the Families of

- Marilyn Louise Baker
- Edna Allen Simno Wyllie
- Sarah Watt Saizan

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.



The 7 Sorrows of Our Lady

- I. The prophecy of Simeon
- II. The Flight to Egypt
- III. Loss of Child Jesus for 3 days, later found in His Father's House
- IV. Witnessing Jesus carry his Cross
- V. The Crucifixion of Jesus
- VI. Taking Jesus Down from the Cross
- VII. The Burial of Jesus

Month of Mercy, Month of Service

Mark your calendar to be with us for our special OUTDOOR MASS on the football field, 12:00 noon, Sunday September 28th. Jambalya and hot dogs provided for everyone. Join us as our parish celebrates the Feast of Our Lady of Mercy. Be there or be square!!!

“Never be afraid of loving the Blessed Virgin too much. You can never love her more than Jesus did.”

- ST. MAXIMILIAN KOLBE

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, 6 am, 2 pm, 4 pm, 7pm

MONDAY.....2 am, 4 am, 3 pm, 4 pm, 8 pm

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

WEDNESDAY.....12 am, 1 am*, 2 am, 3 am, 1 pm, 9 pm, 11 pm

We have an urgent need for the 1 am hour

THURSDAY.....12 am, 1 am, 2 am

FRIDAY.....1 am, 2 am, 1 pm, 5 pm

SATURDAY.....1 am, 2 am, 3 am, 4 am, 11 am, noon, 7pm

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. Therese Lisieux

(1873-1897)

FEAST DAY: October 1

The Little Flower had sickness and death follow her through her whole short life. One of nine children, four died of illness as infants and children. Their mother succumbed to breast cancer when Thérèse was not quite five and Thérèse, herself, died of Tuberculosis when she was 24.

Therese was a realist who saw the sacred and divine in the small joys and happiness surrounding her. She eschewed miracles and great works, favoring the quiet grace and joy of the saints. "We should not say improbable things, or things we do not know. We must see their real, and not their imagined lives." She sought to do small acts of service, not grand gestures of piety in front of others. Her prayers were quiet and contemplative.

Her prose about her first communion as a postulate is transformative: "At last my desires were realized, and I cannot describe the deep sweet peace which filled my soul. This peace has remained with me during the eight and a

half years of my life here, and has never left me even amid the greatest trials."

A prolific writing, her "Story of a Soul" manuscript was published by her biological sisters as a donation to her Carmelite community of Lisieux, Normandy. Her sister Celine produced hundreds of paintings and photographs of her. Pope Pius X called her the "greatest saint of modern times" which is a direct contrast to her humility and desire to live a hidden life and "be unknown."

Her trust in the Lord despite her recognition that she was "small and insignificant" is glorified. On February 26, 1895, shortly before she died wrote from memory and without a rough draft her poetic masterpiece "To Live of Love" which she had composed during Eucharistic meditation.

To live of love, it is to know no fear;
No memory of past faults can I recall;
No imprint of my sins remaineth here;
The fire of Love divine effaces all.
O sacred flames! O furnace of delight!
I sing my safe sweet happiness to prove.
In these mild fires I dwell by day, by night.
I live of love!

Verse 6 of 15 - To Live of Love

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

1380 AM - WPYR

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

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 27		SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 28				
4:00 pm	6:00 pm	7:00 am	9:00 am	10:30 am	12:00 pm	6:00 pm
Fr. Eapen	Fr. Milano	Fr. Eapen	Fr. Milano	Fr. Milano	Fr. Milano	Fr. Eapen
Extraordinary Ministers		Extraordinary Ministers				
N Krystowczyk	M Bourgeois	J Frederick	Dcn Grant	E Bourgeois	K Darnall	B Verrett
C Kuttruff	P Bourgeois	J Frederick	L Deavers	L Bourgeois	D Loar	K Guidry
G Gillis	R Brian	J Brown	D Maggio	K Sweeney	G Anderson	P Bertrand
C Formeller	M Downing	B Babin	S Maggio	S Pocrelo	B Benedetto	L Falcon
K Kiesel		A St. Pierre	D Deshotels	A Pocrelo	N Kadair	H Coco
		E White	P Prosser	Dcn Grant	G Anderson	C Guidry
		A Wilson	J Nola	M Savoy	H DeLage	C Roberts
		S Roppolo	P Tullier	L Gemmill	C DiBenedetto	C Steele
		L Dawkins	R Beyer	J Hebert	C Benedetto	R Coco
				K Toups		
Lectors		Lectors				
M Carley	M Bourgeois	P Alford	Children's	H Landry	D Loar	R Coco
R Prince	P Bourgeois	J Gardemal	Liturgy	R Werling	E Hurst	K Giglio
		A Haywood				
Altar Servers		Altar Servers				
M Krzystowczyk	R Greer	N Mangaoil	M St. Amant	B Ardoin	T Kadair	A Landry
E Carley	J Greer	K Brown	K Vukovics	C Ardoin	T Kadair	E Landry
H Carley	M Howell		A Raemsch	A Baltas	S Kadair	M Hymel

*The complete Ministry Schedule is published on our website at www.olomchurch.com.
Called to serve? Contact Deacon Grant to volunteer for liturgical ministry.*

WE ARE HERE FOR YOU

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VICAR.....Father Philip Eapen
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ADMINISTRATION.....Mr. Randy Arabia
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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Glorify the Lord by your life

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WEDDING.....	Ms. Alison Nodier
FUNERAL.....	Ms. Theresa Foster
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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.