



MERCY ALIVE

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Photo by Marie Constantin

Altar server prays at Our Lady of Mercy Church

The “chief priests and elders,” by their own words, align themselves with the tenants in the parable - these Jewish leaders are unfaithful and ultimately they, too, kill the One God sends into the vineyard. Even more, they seal their own death when they answer Jesus that those violent tenants will be killed. The “death” of the “chief priests and elders” will be that “the kingdom of God,” the vine of Life, will be taken away from them. Those who are faithful and accept the Son receive the Life only God’s kingdom can bring. They receive the very Life of God.

- LIVING LITURGY™
XXVII SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

THIS WEEK

SATURDAY OCTOBER 4

- 7:30 am.....First Saturday devotion
- 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 OCTOBER 5

- 7:00 am.....Mass
- 9:00 am.....Mass
- 10:15-1:00 pm ...Confirmation Session- *Mary's Room*
- 10:30 am.....Mass
- 12:00 pm.....Mass
- 2:00pm ...Blessing of the Pets- *PAC field*
- 6:00 pm.....Mass
- 7:00-8:30 pm ...LifeTeen-*JP II House*

MONDAY OCTOBER 6

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

TUESDAY OCTOBER 7

- 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 8

- 6:00-7:30 am.....That Man Is You!-*Emmanuel Hall*
- 8:00 am.....Daily Mass
- 12:00 pm.....Daily Mass
- 4:00-5:00 pm ...RCIC-*Emmanuel Hall*
- 5:00-6:00 pm ...PSR
- 7:00-8:30 pm.....T2 Bible Study-*JP II House*

THURSDAY OCTOBER 9

- 8:00 am.....Daily Mass
- 9:30-12:00 pm.....Magnificat-*St. Vincent DePaul*
- 12:00 pm.....Daily Mass

FRIDAY OCTOBER 10

- 8:00 am.....Daily Mass
- 8:50 am.....School Mass
- 10:00-11:30 am...Moms & Tots
- 12:00 pm.....Daily Mass
- 6:30-8:00 pm ...Faith Formation Series-*St. Ann*

Blessing of the Pets

In observance of the Feast of St. Francis, we will host our 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! (In case of inclement weather, no make-up date will be scheduled.)

St. Sharbel Mass and Reception

Join the St. Sharbel Maronite Mission of Louisiana as they host a Mass and reception on Sunday, October 19th at Our Lady of Mercy Catholic Church. Mass starts at 3:00pm with Bishop Elias Zaidan as guest. A reception will immediately follow in the PAC and delicious Lebanese cuisine will be served.

March for Life

Take a stand and be a part of pro-life history! Open to kids in grades 10th-12th, this is a life changing educational experience that will take you from Baton Rouge to the White House. Attendees will leave January 18th and return January 23, 2015. The \$500 cost covers expenses for the trip. Visit www.youthmarchforlife.org for more information.

Second Collection

Parish Maintenance Fund

St. Matthew's Guild

Carmena Team

Prayer Line

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

Welcome to our
new Faithful Families!

Brent Balhoff

Jordan Kent



Photo by Shelley Vance

OLOM BOOK FAIR

The time for the annual Our Lady of Mercy Scholastic Book (October 12th-16th) Fair is upon us! This exciting week of events will start with Family Day on Sunday, October 12th from 10:00am - 2:00pm in the school library. Local author, Cornell Landry will be on hand to sell and sign copies of his books. Steeped in New Orleans, Cornell Landry and his work embody the city he has known and loved for more than 43 years. Cornell grew up in a family where he was surrounded by faith, tradition and delicious food daily. He was educated in the Catholic school system all the way through college. His first book, "Goodnight NOLA," was published in 2009, and now has over 50,000 copies in print. He went on to found his own press, Black Pot Publishing, and to release five other New Orleans-themed books.

The fun doesn't end with Family Day; join us for Family Night on Wednesday, October 15th from 5:00pm-8:00pm in the OLOM church parking lot for a food truck round-up! No need to worry about dinner on Family Night as several local food truck vendors will be parked on campus, selling their delicious delights during the fair. Another exciting feature for the night is the sale and signing of another local author's book, "Our Holy Father, The Pope" by Don R. Caffery. Caffery's book answers the questions, Who was the first pope? Who is the pope

today? What does he do? And why do we need one anyway? These questions and more are answered as children are brought back to the Biblical origins of the Papacy. The book includes a complete list of all the Popes through history, from St. Peter to Pope Francis.

The annual book fair proves to be a great time year after year. One last surprise for the event, Clifford will make appearances at Family Day and Family Night! Students in grades 7th and 8th can even take advantage of a special pre-sale starting on Friday, October 10th.

Parents are encouraged to view the teacher's wish list located in the library. Teachers in grades 2nd-8th complete a wish list of books to help fill their classroom libraries. In addition to the grand events, students will have the opportunity to purchase books throughout the week. All profits from the book fair will benefit the purchase of new books for the school library. We look forward to seeing you there!

For more information, contact:
Ms. Kirsten Steintrager
ksteintrager@olomschool.org
(225) 924-1054
olomlibrary.org/book-fair

PARISH LIFE

SVdP Charity Golf Tournament

Monday, November 3

10:00am - 5:00pm

The Bluffs Country Club, St. Francisville

Sponsor a hole, enter as a team or enter as an individual player for the annual St. Vincent dePaul Charity Gold Tournament. This tournament generates funding for St. Vincent dePaul's charitable efforts such as the Bishop Ott Shelter Program serving the homeless, the Dining Room, and the Community Pharmacy. Lunch will be served and the "Shotgun Start" begins at noon. The day will conclude with a barbecue dinner and presentation of awards.

**team cost is \$500, individual player cost is \$125*

For more information, contact:

Lisa Hubble

lhubble@svdp.com

(225) 383-7837 ext. 204

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

Mercy Marketplace

We have 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.

High School Open House

REDEMPTORIST

Open House will be on Thursday, October 9th from 4:00-7:00pm. Students and their parents are invited to join us for a tour and meet our faculty and students.

For more information, contact

(225) 357-0936

www.rhsbr.org

ST. MICHAEL HIGH SCHOOL

All parents of 6th-8th grade students are welcome to join us on Wednesday, October 22nd for our Open House. Tours of the campus will begin at 5:00pm with the last tour starting at 7:00pm.

For more information, contact

(225) 753-9782

www.smhsbr.org

CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

Young men in the 8th grade and their parents are invited to attend an Information Night on either October 5th or October 19th from 7:00-9:00pm.

Young men in grades 6th-8th and their parents are invited to our Open House on November 13th. Tours begin at 5:00pm.

For more information, contact

(225) 383-0397

www.catholichigh.org

Bishop's Respect Life Mass

Sunday, October 12, 2014

11:00am

Sacred Heart Church 2250 Main St.

Please join Bishop Robert W. Muench for the Bishop's Respect Life Mass. All those involved in Respect Life Ministries, promoting human dignity from conception to natural death, will be invited to receive a special blessing. All are invited to a reception after Mass in the parish hall.

PARISH LIFE

2014 Bishop's Annual Appeal: Centered on the Concerns of Others

To the many thousands of our neighbors who receive support, the Bishop's Annual Appeal is an essential source of service and assistance all across the Diocese of Baton Rouge. For twenty-nine years, caring parishioners have responded to an annual invitation: "Bear one another's burdens, and so you will fulfill the law of Christ." (Galatians 6:2)

Modeling the love of Jesus, 318 Catholic parishioners from Our Lady of Mercy Church Parish participated this past year, contributing a total of \$102,399. Please accept our thanks for your involvement. Bishop Robert W. Muench shepherds an ever-changing diocesan community, so needs are varied and ongoing. We invite you to take part once again.

This week, parishioners will receive a personal invitation from Bishop Muench, mailed to their home, inviting them to participate in the 2014-15 Appeal. Please think of those in need and pledge your prayerful and financial support of the Bishop's Annual Appeal. From the blessing God has granted you, give to support the needs of those around you. Consider the concerns of others, for God knows our needs.

For more information, contact:

Office of Stewardship
stewardship@diobr.org
(225) 336-8790
baabr.org

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.



IN REMEMBRANCE

OCTOBER 11, SATURDAY

8:00 am.....Grace & 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 / May & Kirby Guillot /

6:00 pm.....SPECIAL INTENTION - Charles & Nancy Valluzzo

OCTOBER 12, SUNDAY

7:00 am.....All People

9:00 am.....Robert & Philip Lanclos

10:30 am.....Ginny Gibson

12:00 pm.....Jane Crane Morgan

6:00 pm.....Darney & Mae Ducote / Bernice Giroir

OCTOBER 13, MONDAY

8:00 am.....SPECIAL INTENTION - Adrienne Gunther & Fmly

12:00 pm.....Seymour & Vita Maggio Fmly

OCTOBER 14, TUESDAY

12:00 pm.....SPECIAL INTENTION - M.N. Schneider

6:00 pm.....Margaret Dausat / Hotard & DeLoach

Fmlys / Dickens Wall / Elisa LeBlanc Comeaux / Rosa Holmes / William Spanakos / Al Ransome / Julia Batista / L.A. Roy / Chester Butcher / **SPECIAL INTENTION** - Florence & Pete Dalovisio / For the Poor Souls in Purgatory / In Thanksgiving to St. Jude

OCTOBER 15, WEDNESDAY

8:00 am.....Lily & Eddie Hebert

12:00 pm.....Phat Nguyen

OCTOBER 16, THURSDAY

8:00 am.....Brown, Clark, Eiswirth & Schmitt Fmlys

12:00 pm.....Delage, LeJeune, Palarmo & Comeaux Fmlys

OCTOBER 17, FRIDAY

8:00 am.....Gonzales & Roumain Fmlys

12:00 pm.....Josie & Dudley Thompson

Mercy Prays

Bill Elam

Reagan Angers

the men & women serving in our Armed Forces

Drew Moscona

IN REMEMBRANCE

Sanctuary Light Memorials

The sanctuary light in the church burns this week in loving memory of **Mr. & Mrs. D.H. Ducote and Bernice Girior**

The sanctuary light in the adoration chapel burns this week in loving memory of **Mr. & Mrs. Lucas Silvio**

In Sympathy to the Families of

- Marilyn Louise Baker
- Edwin James LeJeune, Sr.

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

Ms. Deanie Smith can discuss beautiful ways for you to remember a loved one who has passed this year, or on the anniversary of his or her death. Supporting our church or school through a memorial gift is a way to bring hope and salvation to the living faithful.

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

“Since happiness is nothing else but the enjoyment of the Supreme Good, and the Supreme Good is above us, no one can be happy who does not rise above himself.”

ST. BONAVENTURE (1221-1274)



Pope Francis' Prayer Intentions

October 2014

Universal: That the Lord may grant peace to those parts of the world most battered by war and violence.

Evangelization: That the World Mission Day may rekindle in every believer zeal for carrying the Gospel into all the world.

“No foul language should come out of your mouths, but only such as is good for needed edification, that it may impart grace to those who hear.”

- EPHESIANS 4:29

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

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.....2 am, 3 am, 4 am, 10 am, 11 am, noon, 7 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

Our Lady of the Rosary

FEAST DAY: October 7

St. Pius V established this feast in 1573. The purpose was to thank God for the victory of Christians over the Turks at Lepanto—a victory attributed to the praying of the rosary. Clement XI extended the feast to the universal Church in 1716.

The development of the rosary has a long history. First, a practice developed of praying 150 Our Fathers in imitation of the 150 Psalms. Then there was a parallel practice of praying 150 Hail Marys. Soon a mystery of Jesus' life was attached to each Hail Mary. Though Mary's giving the rosary to St. Dominic is recognized as a legend, the development of this prayer form owes much to the followers of St. Dominic. One of them, Alan de la Roche, was known as "the apostle of the rosary." He founded the first Confraternity of the Rosary in the 15th century. In the 16th century the rosary was developed to its present form—with the 15 mysteries (joyful, sorrowful and glorious). In 2002, Pope John Paul II added five Mysteries of Light to this devotion.

(source: 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

1380 AM - WPYR

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

SATURDAY OCTOBER 4		SUNDAY OCTOBER 5				
4:00 pm	6:00 pm	7:00 am	9:00 am	10:30 am	12:00 pm	6:00 pm
Fr. Milano	Fr. Eapen	Fr. Milano	Fr. Milano	Fr. Milano	Fr. Eapen	Fr. Eapen
Extraordinary Ministers		Extraordinary Ministers				
C Formeller	M Blouin	M Buzbee	J Lewis	D McCrary	L Plaisance	M Gillespie
R Prince	E Chenevert	S Roppolo	L Lewis	T Grant	C Graves	C Roberts
I DeNicola	P Shingleton	A Wilson	B Babin	R Werling	P Thomas	D Smith
R DeNicola	M Downing	E White	L Gemmill	D Deshotels	G Ruiz deChavez	L Deavers
W Keyser		C Abshire	Dcn Grant	B Gossard	C Hopkins	C Landry
		I Bourque	J Nola	Dcn Grant	S Harrington	C Peek
		M McKeough	F Heroman	C Gioe	C Heitman	S Say
		A St. Pierre	R Beyer	J Williams	R Guitreau	L Falcon
		A Haywood	G Gillis	M Pinell	E Holt	K Giglio
				J Pinell		
Lectors		Lectors				
K Steintrager	G Lalonde	L Guillot	Children's liturgy	B Fontenot	C Laird	C Melder
M Killeen	J Blouin	P McKeough		K Andre'	S Hopkins	L Deavers
		J Gardemal				
Altar Servers		Altar Servers				
C Fremaux	C Meche	M Mangaoil	A Martin	A Clark	C D'Angelo	E Landry
P Kelly	D Meche	N Mangaoil	R Martin	O Clark	S D'Angelo	H Say
J Dean	D Meche		C Werner	J Rousset	D DeLage	B Vance

*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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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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FINANCE & GIFTS.....Ms. Deanie Smith

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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.