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Our Lady of Mercy Catholic Church

Every servant in this gospel parable is given riches by the master with the expectation that each servant will increase what has been given. Even one talent was a significant amount of riches. To bury it was to waste its potential. The wealth each of us has been given by our Master is a share in his very Life. Even a small amount is an incalculable richness. We will be judged by how we have chosen to allow this life to increase, to grow within us. To choose otherwise is to bury our very selves.

- LIVING LITURGY™
XXXIII SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

THIS WEEK

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 15

- 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 NOVEMBER 16

- 7:00 am.....Mass
- 9:00 am.....Mass
- 10:15 am ... Confirmation Session- *Mary's Hall*
- 10:30 am.....Mass
- 12:00 pm.....Mass
- 1:00 pm.....Baptisms
- 6:00 pm.....Mass
- 7:00 pm ... *Life Teen-JP II House*

MONDAY NOVEMBER 17

- 8:00 am.....Daily Mass
- 12:00 pm.....Daily Mass
- 6:00-7:00 pm ... *Christ In the City-Church*
- 6:30-8:30 pm ... *KC Meeting-St. Joseph*
- 7:00-8:00 pm ... *St. Vincent de Paul-St. Jerome*

TUESDAY NOVEMBER 18

- 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.....Life Teen Bible Study-*JP II House*
- 7:00-9:00 pm.....Charismatic Prayer-*St. Gabriel*

WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 19

- 6:00-7:30 am.....That Man Is You!-*Emmanuel Hall*
- 8:00 am.....Daily Mass
- 10:30 am ... *39ers Lunch & Learn-St. Joseph*
- 12:00 pm.....Daily Mass
- 4:00-5:00 pm ... *RCIC-Emmanuel Hall*
- 5:00-6:00 pm ... *PSR*
- 6:30-8:0 pm ... *Faith Formation Series-St. Gabriel*
- 7:00-8:30 pm.....*T2 Bible Study-JP II House*

THURSDAY NOVEMBER 20

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

FRIDAY NOVEMBER 21

- 8:00 am.....Daily Mass
- 10:00am.....Moms & Tots
- 12:00 pm.....Daily Mass



Congratulations

Congratulations to Mr. Roland Sanchez on his retirement! Mr. Sanchez served as Director of Maintenance for Our Lady of Mercy Church for 8 years. He will be missed by all!

Thanksgiving Masses

Please join us as we celebrate our National Thanksgiving Holiday. Masses will be celebrated:
Wednesday, Nov. 26 - 8:00am, 12:00pm & 6:00pm Vigil
Thursday, Nov. 27 - 8:00am
Friday, Nov. - 8:00am & 12:00pm

Food for the Holidays

During the month of November, Fr. Cleo is personally encouraging each of us to be Jesus, the Bread of Life, for the hungry in our community. Empty baskets are arranged around the Tabernacle in the sanctuary. Please bring non perishable food items to be given to the needy. "For I was hungry and you gave me to eat." Matthew 25:35

St. Matthew's Guild

Anderson Team

Prayer Line

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



THE CANONIZATION OF ST. CHAVARA

FOUNDER OF THE CARMELITES OF MARY
CANONIZATION - NOVEMBER 4TH
FEAST DAY - JANUARY 3RD

Father Philip Eapen, CMI will soon embark on a journey to the Vatican to witness the canonization of the founder of his order. Blessed Kuriakose Elias Chavara, the founder of the first Indian religious Order for men, the Carmelites of Mary Immaculate (CMI), will be canonized in Rome on November 23, 2014.

St. Chavara was born in 1805 in the Indian state of Kerala. He joined the seminary at an early age and was ordained a priest in 1829 at the age of 24. During his priesthood, St. Chavara had three great devotions. The first was his devotion to the Holy Eucharist, which was the source of his spirituality. He spent many hours before the Blessed Sacrament in Adoration. The second was his devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary, which he had inherited from his parents. His dedication to the Blessed Mother was instrumental in the spread of Marian devotions including the rosary and the scapular throughout his State. Third was his devotion to the Holy Family, which was a motivating force in his spiritual life.

The need for spiritual renewal inspired St. Chavara to establish two religious orders, one for men and the other for women. The Carmelites of Mary Immaculate (CMI), the religious order for men, was established in 1831 and remains the largest religious order to originate in India. In 1866, he founded an order for women known as the Congregation of the Mother of Carmel (CMC), which now has over 7,000 nuns serving throughout the world.

St. Chavara was a reputed scholar, versatile literary genius and a charming speaker. He took pioneering steps in 1864 to establish schools as an integral part of every parish church paving the way for widespread literacy in Kerala. He also started a printing press, making available religious and devotional books to the people of his State and founded a charitable institute for the care of the sick and destitute.

St. Kuriakose Elias Chavara inspires us to be genuine disciples of the Lord, to be a people nurtured by the Lord in the Eucharist, and to have a childlike devotion to Mother Mary. He was a man of God who led a simple life and had a great vision beyond his time.

We wish Fr. Philip a wonderful, fruitful and prayerful pilgrimage to Rome on such a beautiful occasion.

St. Chavara - pray for us!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY FR. PHILIP! - NOV. 10TH

PARISH LIFE

Thirty Niners Christmas on the River

Sunday, January 4, 2015

11:45am-7:00pm

Nottoway Plantation/St. John the Evangelist Church

Join us for brunch in the White Ballroom at Nottoway Plantation and a Christmas Concert at St. John the Evangelist Church featuring Fr. Greg Daigle. Please register by December 19th.

**cost- \$95 per person*

For more information, contact:

Ms. Carolyn Guidry

carolyn.guidry@olomchurch.com

(225) 929-9353

Cards for Prisoners

Our Lady of Mercy is collecting new, unsigned Religious Christmas cards to distribute to prisoners at Angola and Hunt Correctional. These cards will be given to prisoners to allow them to write to their families during the holidays. Cards may be dropped off at the church office.

Santa's Angels

Deadline to sign up - Tuesday, November 18th

Our Lady of Mercy Church

Spread holiday cheer to needy boys and girls from Catholic Charities. Email Deacon Grant if you are interested in sponsoring a child. You are asked to bring two wrapped gifts for each child. Please place your gifts in the bins at the main entrance of church on the weekend of December 5th-7th. You may also deliver gifts through the school carpool on December 5th.

For more information, contact:

Deacon Richard Grant

richard.grant@olomchurch.com

(225) 928-6325

Little Blue Books

Little Blue Books, used for Advent Reflection, are now available in the church office for \$1 each.

Knights of Columbus Turkeys

Wednesday, November 25

pick up from 10:00am-12:00pm

Parish Activity Center

The KC's are offering a limited number of smoked turkeys for Thanksgiving. Order your turkey today!

**cost- \$35 per turkey*

For more information, contact:

Ms. Theresa Foster

(225) 928-1883

theresa.foster@olomchurch.com

Adult Faith Formation

Wednesday, November 19

6:30pm-8:00pm

St. Gabriel Room (PAC)

Come join us as we continue our great lecture series. Series 2, Sacrifice and Law will focus on:

- The Law (Exodus 18-40, Lev, Num, Deut)

** This series will be accepted as certification hours by the Diocese*

For more information, contact:

Mr. Jason Romero

jason.romero@olomchurch.com

(225) 928-6209

SVDP Christmas Baskets

Tuesday, December 16 - Assembly

Wednesday, December 17 - Delivery

8:30am

Parish Activity Center

The St. Vincent de Paul Society needs your help. Each year the group delivers 100 Christmas food baskets to the needy in our community.

For more information, contact:

Mr. Ken Eiswirth

(225) 383-5092

Mercy Marketplace

mercymarketplace.org

PARISH LIFE

Merry Mercy Volunteers

Saturday, November 20
3:00pm-8:00pm
Our Lady of Mercy

Come Share our Light, Come Celebrate our Light, Come Support our Light as a volunteer for Merry Mercy. Visit merrymercy.com for more details.

For more information, contact:

Ms. Becky Bourg
rmbourg@gmail.com

OLOM School Open House

Wednesday, January 28, 2015
8:00am - 1:00pm
Our Lady of Mercy School Gym

At Our Lady of Mercy, we believe in educating the whole person, giving your child the foundation for a balanced and purposeful life. Your child will benefit from a comprehensive and Catholic education, one that brings children closer to God, develops their minds, and builds character. Join us for our upcoming Open House.

For more information, contact:

Ms. Mari Buzbee
mbuzbee@olomschool.org
(225) 927-2341

Life Teen

Sunday, November 16
after 6:00pm Mass
Pope St. John Paul II House

Teens- we want you to join us for our next Life Night! We will gather for food and games, then discuss the catechesis for the night, break open what was proclaimed, and learn how to apply the faith to our lives.

For more information, contact:

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

T2 Bible Study

Wednesdays
7:00pm-8:30pm
Pope St. John Paul II House

Bible Study is open to all young adults in their 20s and 30s. Join us for fellowship and food as we journey through the Bible.

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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 acknowledgment.

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

NOVEMBER 22, SATURDAY

8:00 am.....Nicole Helms
4:00 pm.....Lena & Malvin Chauvin / Curtis & Charlotte Chauvin / Lynn Roberts / Toups & Levert Fmlys / Percy, Ann & Paul Moise / Grace & Vincent Drago / Vince Vicaro / Joel Nasca / Lena Talbert / Virgil & Eunice D'Armond / Herbert & Cookie Kane / John Thibodeaux / Dickens Wall / Mancuso & Sparacino Fmlys / Mrs. Lucy M. Sparacino / Al Ransome / Gardy Brandl / Jane LeBlanc / Rita Primeaux / **SPECIAL INTENTION** - Charles & Nancy Valluzzo / Brian Hess (healing)
6:00 pm.....Floyd Joseph Roberts, Sr.

NOVEMBER 23, SUNDAY

7:00 am..... All People
9:00 am.....John Robert Corbett
10:30 am.....John & Madge Cardone
12:00 pm.....George A. Kadair, Sr.
6:00 pm.....Only & Ida Ardoin

NOVEMBER 24, MONDAY

8:00 am.....Jeff Nola
12:00 pm.....Toni Maggio

NOVEMBER 25, TUESDAY

12:00 pm.....Bruce Hilbrecht
6:00 pm.....M/M Emanuel Chatelain / Hotard & Thirud Fmlys / Dickens Wall /

James Malvern Hill, Jr. / L. A. Roy / Joseph "Joey" Pizzolato Jr. / Agnes Gagliano/ Jane LeBlanc / Enos & Amanda Chauvin / Cecil Ethridge /Joseph Zur Schmeide / Rita Primeaux / Mareetta Guedry / Genevieve Miceli Nealy / **SPECIAL INTENTION** - Deacon Richard Grant and Family / For the Poor Souls in Purgatory

NOVEMBER 26, WEDNESDAY

8:00 am.....Raymond U. Prince
12:00 pm.....Minel Gaudin, M/M Ulice Gaudin, Charles Hardison & M/M Theo Hollingsworth

NOVEMBER 27, THURSDAY

8:00 am.....Manuel Gan Sr.
12:00 pm.....NO MASS

NOVEMBER 28, FRIDAY

8:00 am.....Robert Lewis
12:00 pm.....Clifford & Elisa Comeaux

Mercy Prays

Reagan Angers

Drew Moscona

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 **Lynn Roberts**

The sanctuary light in the Adoration Chapel burns this week in loving memory of **Andrew "Andy" Gasperez**

In Sympathy to the Families of

- Kevin Rozas

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

November 2014

Universal: That all who suffer loneliness may experience the closeness of God and the support of others.

Evangelization: That young seminarians and religious may have wise and well-formed mentors.

“You are called to stand up for life! To respect and defend the mystery of life always and everywhere, including the lives of unborn babies, giving real help and encouragement to mothers in difficult situations.”

- POPE ST. JOHN PAUL II

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, 2 am, 3 am, 4 am, 6 am, 2 pm, 4 pm, 7pm

MONDAY.....2 am, 4 am*, 11 am, 3 pm, 4 pm, 9 pm
We have an urgent need for the 4 am hour

TUESDAY.....12 am, 1 am, 2 am, 3 am, 11 am, 11 pm

WEDNESDAY.....12 am, 1 am, 2 am*, 3 am*, 9 pm, 11 pm
We have an urgent need for the 2 am and 3 am hour

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

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

SATURDAY.....3 am, 4 am, 10 am, 11 am, noon, 6 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

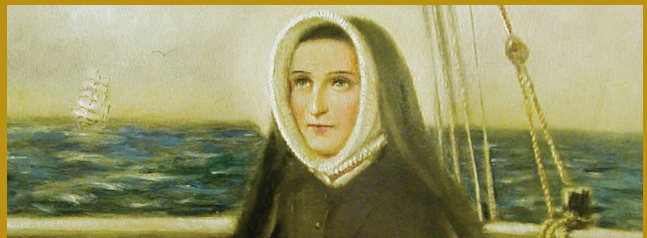
St. Rose Philippine Duchesne (1769-1852)

FEAST DAY: November 18

Born in Grenoble, France in 1769, St. Rose Philippine Duchesne became a prominent early member of the Religious Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and an educator.

Madeleine-Sophie Barat, foundress of the Religious Sisters of the Sacred Heart, was encouraged to meet Duchesne, who at the time was a member of the Visitation of Holy Mary religious order. Barat traveled to Grenoble to discuss merging the two orders. Together, the two women established a Convent of the Sacred Heart in Paris in 1815.

Duchesne had a desire to serve the Native Americans of Louisiana after hearing stories from missionary priests about the colony of New France. With Barat's blessing, Duchesne headed to the United States with four other Sisters of the Society. Upon arriving in New



Orleans, the nuns learned that the bishop had made no provisions for their housing and traveled up the Mississippi River finally settling in St. Charles, Missouri where they established the first free school west of the Mississippi.

The Sisters were eventually asked by the Jesuits to join them in a new mission with the Potawatomi tribe in eastern Kansas. Unable to master the language of the tribe, Duchesne spent long periods in prayer for the children of the tribe. The children named her Quahkahanumad, which translates to "Woman Who Prays Always." Duchesne's health could not sustain the regime of village life so she returned to St. Charles where she eventually died at the age of 83. St. Rose Philippine Duchesne proved to be courageous in the harsh frontier conditions and because of her resilience we look to her for perseverance amidst adversity.

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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noon and 10:30 am
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SATURDAY NOVEMBER 15		SUNDAY NOVEMBER 16				
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. Russo	Fr. Milano	Fr. Milano	Fr. Milano	Fr. Charbel
Extraordinary Ministers		Extraordinary Ministers				
J Stalls	P Poe	S Montagnino	C Guidry	T Grant	K Darnell	P Bertrand
N Krzystowczyk	R Poe	L Guillot	J Nola	B Gossard	R Guitreau	C Steele
L D'Armond	M Blouin	E White	G Gillis	G RuizdeChavez	C Heitman	C Peak
C Kuttruff	J Stewart	A St. Pierre	F Heroman	K Sweeney	C Hopkins	E Holt
M Cullen		M Buzbee	Dcn Grant	R Beyer	A Russo	M Gillespie
		A Haywood	G Tibbetts	Dcn Grant	P Thomas	B Verrett
		I Bourque	K Guidry	M Pinell	C Graves	L Deavers
		C Abshire	D Deshotels	J Pinell	L Plaisance	C Roberts
		S Roppolo	P Prosser	P Shingleton	L Attuso	L Falcon
				G Burton		
Lectors		Lectors				
J Stalls	J Pastorek	J Gardemal	Children's	B Fontenot	S Hopkins	G Bertrand
M Killeen	J Blouin	P McKeough	Liturgy	C Paine	C Laird	S Hingle
		M McKeough				
Altar Servers		Altar Servers				
C Fremaux	M Dietrich	G Montagnino	O Clark	J Theriot	K Vukovics	K Hingle
J Dean	R Greer	K Allen	A Clark	R Peek	Z Vicari	C Cothern
M Krzystowczk	J Greer		E Shore	B Vance	E Anderson	B Robert

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

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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.

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Glorify the Lord by your life

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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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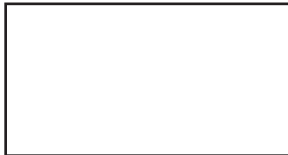
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