



MERCY ALIVE

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DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY
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Receive the joy of your glory;
giving thanks to God,
who has called you into the heavenly kingdom,
alleluia.

- ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

THIS WEEK

SATURDAY APRIL 15

8:00 am.....Daily Mass
4:00 pmVigil Mass

SUNDAY APRIL 16

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

MONDAY APRIL 17

8:00 amDaily Mass
12:00 pmDaily Mass
7:00 pmSVDP Meeting-*St. Jerome*

TUESDAY APRIL 18

8:30 am.....Rosary Makers-*Coffee Shop*
9:00 amCalled By Faith
12:00 pmDaily Mass
6:00 pmDaily Mass & Novena
7:00 pmCharismatic Prayer

WEDNESDAY APRIL 19

8:00 amDaily Mass
11:30 amCourageous Women-*St. Jerome*
12:00 pmDaily Mass
7:00 pmChoir Practice-*Choir Room*

THURSDAY APRIL 20

6:00 amTMIY-*Mary & St. Joseph Rms*
8:00 amDaily Mass
9:00 amMoms & Tots-*Guardian Angels Nursery*
12:00 pmDaily Mass

FRIDAY APRIL 21

8:00 amDaily Mass
9:00 amSchool Liturgy
9:00 amOWLS Talk with Fr. Charbel-PAC
12:00 pm.....Daily Mass

Welcome to Our New Faithful Families!

Taylor & Kimberly
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Spencer Marks

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Madeline Nassif

Hai & Victoria
Nguyen

Jacob & Kristina Petit

Robert Ragland

Gene & Amy Stevens

Chad & Erin Woody

On the Cover

*For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy
on us and on the whole world.*

Prayer LINE

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

WHAT IS DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY?

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The world was in the midst of the Great Depression in 1931 and the memories of World War I were still very much alive in the minds of Europeans when in Poland a sister of the Congregation of Sisters of Our Lady of Mercy, Faustina Kowalska (1905-1938), is said to have been personally visited by Jesus.

According to her diary, which was listed on the Index of Forbidden Books for more than 20 years, an image was revealed to her of the risen Lord, from whose heart shone two rays, one red (representing blood) and the other “pale” (symbolizing water), with the words “Jesus, I trust in you” at the bottom. Faustina wrote in her diary that Jesus told her, “I promise that the soul that will venerate this image will not perish.”

When she was canonized in 2000 under the direction of fellow countryman Pope John Paul II, he proclaimed that the Second Sunday of Easter would henceforth be known as Divine Mercy Sunday, thereby widely promoting the devotional practices associated with Faustina’s visions, already popular in many communities.

St. Faustina, a poorly educated daughter of a humble Polish family, kept a 600-page diary of the apparitions she claimed continued for years. Her entries focus on God’s mercy, the call to accept God’s mercy and to be merciful, the need for conversion, and the call to trust in Jesus. It had been Jesus’ own wish, she wrote, to establish a feast day: “I [Jesus]

desire that the Feast of Mercy be a refuge and shelter for all souls. . . . I am giving them the last hope of salvation; that is, the Feast of My Mercy.”

Among the practices associated with the devotion are its novena, the Chaplet of the Divine Mercy (a series of prayers organized similarly to a rosary), the Hour of Great Mercy (a time of prayer traditionally celebrated at 3 p.m.), and the plenary indulgence granted to those who receive the Eucharist and celebrate reconciliation on Divine Mercy Sunday.

The message is nothing new for Catholics, but is a reminder of what the Church has always taught through Scripture and Tradition: that God is merciful and forgiving and that we too must show mercy and forgiveness. In the Divine Mercy devotion, the message takes on a powerful new focus, calling people to a deeper understanding that God’s love is unlimited and available to everyone - especially the greatest of sinners.

The message of Divine Mercy is that God loves us - all of us - no matter how great our sins. He wants us to recognize that His mercy is greater than our sins, so that we will call upon Him with trust, receive His mercy, and let it flow through us to others, sharing His joy. The devotional practices revealed through St. Faustina were given to us as “vessels of mercy” through which God’s love can be poured out upon the whole world.



OUR LADY of MERCY

PARISH EGG HUNT

**Family fun with face painting, prizes, and a
picture with the Easter Bunny!**

When: Saturday, April 15th 10-11 am

Who: Toddlers - 3rd Grade

Where: Mercy Football Field

*rain option Mercy Arts Center



MERCY FAIR

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WEEKEND ARMBANDS

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

FRIDAY, APRIL 28TH

- 5:00 pm Opening Ceremony
- 5:30 pm Fair Opens (Rides, Games, Food)
- 7:00 pm Chee Weez (Main Stage)
- 9:30 pm Games Close
- 10:00 pm Food/Bar Last Call
- 10:30 pm Fair Closes

SATURDAY, APRIL 29TH

- 10:00 am Fair Opens (Rides)
- 11:00 am Games, Food and Beverage Open
- 12:00 pm Bingo (old Gym)
- 2:00 pm Voodoo Chilli (Main Stage)
- 6:30 pm Molly Ringwalds (Main Stage)
- 9:30 pm Games Close
- 10:00 pm Food/Bar Last Call
- 10:30 pm Fair Closes

SUNDAY, APRIL 30TH

- 11:30 am Fair Opens (Rides, Games, Food)
- 12:00 pm Bingo
- 12:30 pm Talent Show
- 3:00 pm Raffle Drawing
- 3:30 pm Crawfish Boil
- 5:00 pm Fair Closes

Visit the Fair website for more information
olomchurch.com

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PARISH LIFE



Title: **Director of Advancement Our Lady of Mercy Catholic Church & School**

Job Definition: The Director of Advancement under the general supervision of the Parish Director of Administration (Administrator) assumes responsibility for planning, organizing, leading and managing all fundraising activities of the church and school.

Reports to: Administrator

Location: Our Lady of Mercy Parish Office Building,
445 Marquette Avenue, Baton Rouge, LA 70806

Job Responsibilities:

- Responsible for leading the church and school's (parish's) advancement program.
- Oversees all fund-raising activities including major gifts, annual giving, capital campaigns, special projects, endowment and other parish-related solicitation.
- Supervises donor cultivation.
- Manages all aspects of the Advancement Office.
- Responsible for donor recognition.
- Coordinates development research activities.
- Maintains contact with and develops proposals for foundations and corporations.
- Research and identify new markets and prospects to improve advancement efforts.
- Attends appropriate Board committee meetings.
- Works with Alumni Relations, Special Events, Communications and Admissions.
- Ensure that the integrity of the Our Lady of Mercy Parish branding is maintained.

Interested applicants should email a resumé and cover letter to
Mr. Frank Ardoin, MPA, Director of Administration
at frank.ardoin@olomchurch.com.

In your cover letter please respond to the following questions: 1. What is your passion level for Catholic Primary Education? 2. In previous positions, how much money did you raise and how did you do it? 3. What is the most unique gift you've ever brought in? 4. What are 2-3 relationships you have developed that led to gifts for your previous institution? 5. Please provide expected salary range.

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Resurrection of the Body



HE IS RISEN



Join Fr. Charbel as he discusses the Resurrection of the Body in light of St. Paul's letters and Catholic tradition.

Friday, April 21
9:00 Coffee & Snacks
9:30-10:30 Presentation
Parish Activity Center

This event is free to attend but registration is required!
Register on www.olomchurch.com

Questions? Contact Michelle Schroeder at 926-1883



PARISH LIFE

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, 10 am, 11 am, 1 pm, 2 pm, 6 pm

MONDAY.....12 am, 1 am, 2 am, 4 am, 11 pm

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

WEDNESDAY.....1 am, 3 am

THURSDAY.....12 am, 9 am

FRIDAY.....12 am, 1 am, 2 am, 7 am, 4 pm

SATURDAY.....1 am, 3 am, 6 am, 7 am, 11 am, 4 pm, 5 pm, 7 pm, 8 pm, 9 pm, 11 pm



If you are able to offer yourself in prayer to the Lord, please contact Ms. Michelle Schroeder at 225.926.1883

Exciting News! You can now commit to a weekly hour of Adoration from your phone, tablet or computer. Simply go to www.adorationpro.org/olomchurch and click on Weekly Commitment to see what times are open and sign up. You can set weekly reminders to be sent to you by text or email.

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Ann Thibodeaux
Jim Thompson
Bart Tullier
Dana Vidrine
Karen & Wayne Watson
Diane Whaley
Myishia Whitfield

IN REMEMBRANCE

Mass Intentions

APRIL 22, SATURDAY

8:00 am George Patrick Balhoff
4:00 pm Martin S. Rinaudo, Jr. / Ellie Sances / Francis Xavier Le / Brenda Fremin / Bill Auten / Nancy Valluzzo / Robert E. Wiemer, Sr. / Jill Barfield / For the Poor Souls in Purgatory / Kenny Buzbee / Peggy Werner / Pat Kneipp / Logan Stelly / **SPECIAL INTENTION:** Charlie Valluzzo / The McCormick Family

APRIL 23, SUNDAY

7:00 am..... Francis Xavier Le / Kyle Cassano / The Patriarco Family / Nicole Helms /
SPECIAL INTENTIONS: The Patriarco Family
9:00 am..... Colleen Cauble / Yola Huckaby / Kenny Buzbee
10:30 am... Howard & Leslie Edwards / Willie Yelverton / Lucy Sparacino / Donald Dawson / Charles Bourgeois
12:00 pm... K.J. Thomas / Jack and Sue Brooks / Colleen Prater
6:00 pm Carolyn Atkinson / Juantia and Edward Metz

APRIL 24, MONDAY

8:00 am Michael McDonald
12:00 pm... Marvin Landry

APRIL 25, TUESDAY

12:00 pm... Manuel F. Gan
6:00 pm George Mervin Simon, Rosa Simon and Danny Simon, Selden and Grace Tibbetts / Geraldine Lanier / Mary Rose Planchard / Aimee Planchard / Peggy Rylee / Francis Xavier Le / Roy and Ruby Seneca / Maurice O'Rourke / Matthew Scott Littlefield / Gregory Kadair / Lauren Griffith / Casey Mott / Karl Kroussel / **SPECIAL INTENTIONS:** Maury O'Rourke / Barbara O'Rourke / The McCormick Family

APRIL 26, WEDNESDAY

8:00 am Sheila Murphy / Neil J. Daigle
12:00 pm... Bruce and Eva Soileau / McKeough, Gilbert, Carleton & Chauvin Families

APRIL 27, THURSDAY

8:00 am Colleen Cauble
12:00 pm... Vito Impastato / **SPECIAL INTENTION:** Joann Impastato

APRIL 28, FRIDAY

8:00 am Bruce Hilbrecht
12:00 pm... George A. Kadair, Sr./ Gregory L. Kadair, Sr. / Dorothy A. Harding / Caren Kavanaugh / Francis Xavier Le / Carl Dalbor, Jr. / Angelo Martin Montagnino / Jensen Holliday / Carmen Posada-Pepper / Matthew Louis Pepper / Agnes Hoang, Ann Hoang & Therese Marie Hoang / Kathryn Jeffus / Ray Jarreau, Jr. / **SPECIAL INTENTIONS:** Ashley Rice and Copeland Munnerlyn / Jeremy Munnerlyn / The McCormick Family

Sanctuary Light Memorials

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

Aimee Planchard

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

Jim Stalls

In Sympathy to the Families of:

- **Tanner Berlin**
- **John Bauman**
- **Erma Roussel**
- **Marilyn Eckert**
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As you plan for your family's future needs, consider the option of cremation and burial at the Garden of Peace Memorial Columbarium. The Mercy Columbarium Garden of Peace is open to all parishioners and non-parishioners, Catholic and non-Catholic.

Columbarium niches are available in two sizes - each cremain niche holds a space for two persons. They are \$5800 for a small niche and \$8500 for larger niches.

There is no greater gift one can give to family than planning final arrangements that fulfill one's specific wishes and take the burden off of others. We would love to discuss the Columbarium with you on the phone or in person. Schedule your appointment today!

Call the Church Office to make your appointment: (225) 926-1883



Called to Worship

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: 45 minutes prior to Mass

SATURDAY

MASS TIME: 8:00 am

RECONCILIATION: 3:00 - 3:45 pm

VIGIL: 4:00 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 (PAC)

PRE-SCHOOL

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

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4:00 pm*	7:00 am*	9:00 am	10:30 am	12:00 pm	6:00 pm
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Extraordinary Ministers					
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N Krzystowczyk A August	S Darensbourg B Babin J Pastorek	Children's Liturgy	B Billeaudeau C Billeaudeau	E Joffrion S Love	C Schutte S Cunningham
Altar Servers					
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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.

The Sunday 10:30 am Holy Mass can be found on WBRZ+, olomchurch.com; and youtube.com/olombr.

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PERMANENT DEACON.....Deacon Richard Grant
ADMINISTRATION.....Mr. Frank Ardoin
PRINCIPAL.....Ms. Allyson LaBorde

OFFICE HOURS

MONDAY – FRIDAY.....8:30 am – 4:30 pm

Priests gladly see people by appointment.

Parish Activity Center

444 Marquette Avenue
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Our Lady of Mercy Catholic School

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Glorify the Lord by your life

MEMBERSHIP.....Ms. Lori Mouton
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CONFIRMATION.....Ms. Michaelyn McGinnis
WEDDING.....Ms. Alison Nodier
FUNERAL.....Ms. Michelle Schroeder
FACILITIES.....Ms. Michelle Schroeder
FINANCE & GIFTS.....Ms. Lauren Ritchey

To view complete staff list, visit olomchurch.com.

The Envelope Please...

Just a small reminder that if you are watching Holy Mass online or WBRZ+ your Church family still very much needs your support envelope. Please check out our online giving on the church website: olomchurch.com or call the Church Office.

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