



MERCY ALIVE

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Cry out with joy to God, all the earth;
O sing to the glory of his name.
O render him glorious praise, alleluia.

- ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

THIS WEEK

SATURDAY APRIL 22

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

SUNDAY APRIL 23

7:00 am.....Mass
9:00 amMass
10:30 am.....Mass
12:00 pm.....Mass
2:00 pmFirst Holy Communion
6:00 pm.....Mass
7:00 pmHigh School Youth Group

MONDAY APRIL 24

8:00 amDaily Mass
12:00 pmDaily Mass
6:00 pmKC Business Mtg -*St. Joseph*
7:00 pmSVDP Meeting-*St. Jerome*

TUESDAY APRIL 25

8:30 am.....Rosary Makers-*Coffee Shop*
12:00 pmDaily Mass
3:00 pmMiddle School Bible Study
6:00 pmDaily Mass & Novena
7:00 pmCharismatic Prayer

WEDNESDAY APRIL 26


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

THURSDAY APRIL 27

8:00 amDaily Mass
9:00 amMoms & Tots-*Guardian Angels Nursery*
12:00 pmDaily Mass

FRIDAY APRIL 28

8:00 amDaily Mass
9:00 amSchool Liturgy
12:00 pm.....Daily Mass



9am Mass
CHILDREN'S LITURGY

We are in need of students to serve as lectors, gift bearers, and banner carriers at our 9am Children's Liturgy on Sundays! Please complete the google form linked on our Parish website or the pdf and return to Tori LaBelle: tori.labelle@olomchurch.com. Sign up today!

On the Cover

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Prayer LINE

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



JOURNEY OF FAITH

PERMANENT
DEACON CANDIDATE

MARK CLOUTIER

Mark Cloutier is in his fourth year of a five year program training for the permanent diaconate at Franciscan University. He credits his strong faith to his paternal grandmother, his “Grandmama”, who was French Canadian and raised her family in Maine. She had a strong Catholic faith which she often shared with him. Mark discerned his calling for several years. In recent years becoming a deacon was strongly on his mind after making an ACTS retreat and serving on a couple of ACTS retreat teams. The nudge he needed was Father Cleo asking him if he had every thought of becoming a deacon. With that affirmation, Mark applied for and was accepted into the diaconate program.

Mark was born in Illinois, but lived in many places growing up. His father worked for Allied Chemical in the chemical industry, and he and his family also lived in Omaha, Nebraska, Houston, Texas, Baton Rouge (three different times) and Iran for five years while Mark was growing up. Mark attended Kansas State University, where he graduated with a BS in mechanical engineering.

Mark met his wife Lisa here in Baton Rouge through a mutual friend and they just celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary. They have two daughters, Mary, and Megan. Mark and Lisa lived in Baton Rouge for the first seven years of their marriage before moving to Macon, Georgia for thirteen years. They returned to Baton Rouge six years ago and joined Our Lady of Mercy Parish. Upon returning, Megan attended Mercy for eighth grade and then attended St. Joseph’s Academy. Mary graduated from St. Joseph’s Academy and is currently enrolled in the veterinary medicine school at LSU. She married her high school sweetheart, Steven last summer. Megan is currently a freshman at Ole Miss, majoring in business.

Mark works for 1,4 Group in Geismar, on a team that is building a plant from the ground up. In his spare time, he attends two religious studies classes a week, for the deacon program, and keeps up with his reading and paper writing. Writing papers has been the most difficult part of the diaconate program for Mark, since as an engineer he is more proficient with numbers than writing. He is very thankful to be in the diaconate program and has learned a great deal about our Catholic faith. When asked where he would like to end up within the Diocese of Baton Rouge after becoming a permanent deacon, Mark says “wherever Bishop Duca and the Holy Spirit discern a need for my service.”

MERCY FAIR

FAIR ARMBANDS

WEEKEND ARMBANDS

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VOLUNTEER SIGN UP

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\$1,000 RAFFLE

Each household in the parish and school has been provided with a book of 10 tickets for this raffle. To assign parishioner ticket sales to a particular student at the school for their incentives, simply put the student's name at the bottom of each ticket and return to the school. Tickets are \$1 each.



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 & Games)
- 11:00 am Food and Beverage Opens
- 12:00 pm Bingo (old Gym)
- 2:00 pm Voodoo Chilli (Main Stage)
- 6:30 pm Molly Ringwalds (Main Stage)
- 8:00 pm Costume Contest
- 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
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PARISH LIFE



ST. JOSEPH ALTAR

IN LOVING MEMORY OF PAUL CATALANATTO

The return of Mercy's St. Joseph Altar in honor of the Feast of St. Joseph was a smashing success. This long-standing Italian Tradition returned to Mercy after many years with the help of dedicated parishioners.

Our parish extends special appreciation to the St. Joseph Altar Committee Chair, **Brandi Clay** and Co-Chair, **Emily Kline**; and a team of dedicated volunteers who helped bring back this beautiful tradition to our parish. We are thankful for these faith-filled volunteers: **Jacqueline Bello, Teal Gray, Lisa Catalanatto, Caryn Vincent, Greg & Michelle Trahan, Kate Washauer, Tina LaHaye, Christy Haldane, Sara Brignac, Lisa Cloutier, Yolanda Rabalais, Rocco Moreau, Chad Cedotal, and Marco Saia.**

Special thanks to our sponsors: **Drusilla Seafood, Capital City Produce, Sysco, Rocco's, Ascension Paper Products, Anthony's Italian Deli** and all who baked cookies, casseroles, and other dishes.

Grazie! St. Joseph - Pray for us!

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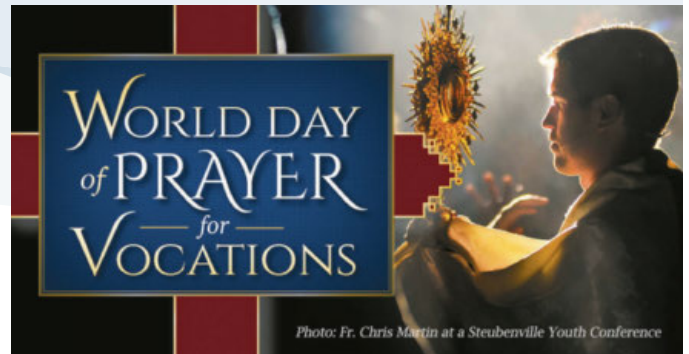
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PARISH LIFE

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

World Day of Prayer will be observed on Sunday, April 30, 2023 also known as "Good Shepherd Sunday." The purpose of this day is to publicly fulfill the Lord's instruction to, "Pray the Lord of the harvest to send laborers into his harvest" (Mt 9:38; Lk 10:2). Please pray that young men and women hear and respond generously to the Lord's call to the priesthood, diaconate, religious life, societies of apostolic life or secular institutes.



*Mary Most Holy, as a young woman living in
obscurity you nurtured with loving care the
Word of God made flesh.*

*Please protect and accompany all young men and
women, especially from our parish, who are called
to a vocation to the priesthood or religious life.*

Amen

**Vocations are
EVERYBODY'S Business!**

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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| Julie Hannie | Karen & Wayne Watson |
| Joseph Landry | Diane Whaley |
| Sid Lawton | Myishia Whitfield |
| Jason Martin | |

IN REMEMBRANCE

Mass Intentions

APRIL 29, SATURDAY

8:00 am Bennie Buzbee
4:00 pm Gary and Kevin Keyser / Ellie Sances / Aimee Planchard / Clyde and Violet David / Francis Xavier Le / Elam, Mason, Meisner, Flaspoller, and Chauvet Families / Bill Auten / Nancy Valluzzo / Robert E. Wiemer, Sr. / For the Poor Souls in Purgatory / Frank P. Stabler, Jr. / Jose Matarrita / Olivia Frank Lamonica / Peggy Werner / Pat Kneipp / Tim Lamonica / Dr. Vic Gastinel / Casey Mott / Karl Kroussel /
SPECIAL INTENTION: Charlie Valluzzo / Brian Hess / The McCormick Family

APRIL 30, SUNDAY

7:00 am..... Kyle Cassano
9:00 am..... Carolyn Reeves / Colleen Prater
10:30 am... Brenda Fremin / Aubrey Young / Vito Impastato / Jill Barfield Hamilton, Tommy Barfield and Family / **SPECIAL INTENTION:** Joann Impastato
12:00 pm... Manuel Estalote Knight, Sr., RitaMae Knight, RitaAnne Babin, Madelynne, Joseph Kevin Babin, Babin Babies
6:00 pm Edwin Graves / Yola Huckaby /
SPECIAL INTENTIONS: Lemann Family

MAY 1, MONDAY

8:00 am Shirley and Joseph Zito / Paul Catalanatto
12:00 pm... J. Roland Ourso / Louis W. McHardy

MAY 2, TUESDAY

12:00 pm... L.J. Chauvin, Jr. / Barbay & Lato Families
6:00 pm George Mervin Simon, Rosa Simon and Danny Simon, Selden and Grace Tibbetts / Francis Xavier Le / Debbie Gwin / Lou Glenn, Tommy Barfield & Fr. Dan Barfield, S.J. / Robin "Renee" Roberts / Colleen Prater / Casey Mott / Karl Kroussel / George Balhoff / Judy McGuire / Juanita Metz / Paul Burton / John H. Bauman / Cornelia Barry Jarreau / George Woody, Jr. /
SPECIAL INTENTIONS: John Hannie, Jr. / Helena Young / The McCormick and McClellan Families / Carmen Rodriguez / Matthew Credeur / Don Massad

MAY 3, WEDNESDAY

8:00 am Michael McDonald / Forest Joseph LeCoq
12:00 pm... Shirley and Joseph Zito / Comeaux, Eckler, DeLage, Mineo and Day Families

MAY 4, THURSDAY

8:00 am William John Bull / Joseph Landry
12:00 pm... Adam Bertrand / Christine Timpa

MAY 5, FRIDAY

8:00 am Calvin, Georginia & Curren Oubre, Wynonna & Joe Lindsly, Hiram & Ellen May
12:00 pm... Mollie Poirson / Jo Roland Ourso / Shirley and Joseph Zito / Anthony J. Zito / Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bologna and Family & Tullio Saffiotti / D. A. Thibodeaux Family / J. Louis and Virginia Tonore, Sr. / Bert and Marie Carbo, Sr. / Francis Xavier Le / Vito Impastato / Brenda Fremin / Flip and Bill Owens / Richard Ashby and Joseph Guitreau / Leroy Barrios / Willie and Mae Young / Politz and Bourgeois Families / Agnes Hoang, Ann Hoang & Therese Marie Hoang / John William Nipper, Sr. / Carl Dalbor, Jr. / Dr. Bill Wall / Elaine Coyle / Paul Burton / Jason Ward / **SPECIAL INTENTION:** Lewis and Coyle Families / Joann Impastato / The McCormick and McClellan Families / Don Massad

Sanctuary Light Memorials

The sanctuary light in the church
burns this week in loving memory of
Josie & Robert Ruffino

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

Neil J. Daigle

In Sympathy to the Families of:

- **Dwight Ransonet**
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- **René Greer**

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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: 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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Weekend of April 29th & 30th

| 4:00 pm* | 7:00 am* | 9:00 am | 10:30 am | 12:00 pm | 6:00 pm |
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| Fr. Charbel | Fr. Charbel | Fr. Milano | Fr. Milano | Fr. Milano | Fr. Charbel |
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| K Steintrager G Lalonde | E White J Pastorek B Babin | Children's Liturgy | T Grant T Heitman | A Bargas B Bargas | C Schutte S Cunningham |
| Altar Servers | | | | | |
| M Arias (C) M Bowlin H Monsour | G Samrow (C) | L Carter (C) A Haldane C Haldane | S Carville (C) P Clark A Polito | M Kimble (C) B Bargas M Collier | G Bertrand (C) M Billeaud S Rebaldo |

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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To view complete staff list, visit olomchurch.com.

The Envelope Please...

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