



# MERCY ALIVE

OCTOBER 20, 2024  
XXIX SUNDAY IN  
ORDINARY TIME  
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To you I call; for you will surely heed me, O God;  
turn your ear to me; hear my words.  
Guard me as the apple of your eye;  
in the shadow of your wings protect me.

- ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

## THIS WEEK

### SATURDAY OCTOBER 19

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

### SUNDAY OCTOBER 20

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

### MONDAY OCTOBER 21

8:00 am ....Daily Mass  
12:00 pm ....Daily Mass  
12:00 pm.....Catholic in Recovery  
6:30 pm ....OCIA- *St. Ann*  
7:00 pm ....SVDP Meeting- *St. Jerome*

### TUESDAY OCTOBER 22

8:30 am ....Rosary Makers-*Coffee Shop*  
9:00 am ....Called By Faith  
12:00 pm ....Daily Mass  
3:00 pm ....Middle School Bible Study- *JPII House*  
6:00 pm.....Daily Mass & Novena  
7:00 pm ....Charismatic Prayer-*St. Gabriel*

### WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 23

8:00 am ....Daily Mass  
10:00 am ....Parish Blood Drive- *St. Anne*  
11:00 am ....Courageous Women- *St. Jerome*  
12:00 pm ....Daily Mass

### THURSDAY OCTOBER 24

6:00 am ....TMIY  
8:00 am ....Daily Mass  
9:30 am ....Mom and Tots  
12:00 pm ....Daily Mass  
6:30 pm ....High School Bible Study- *JPII House*

### FRIDAY OCTOBER 25

8:00 am ....Daily Mass  
9:00 am ....School Adoration  
12:00 pm ....Daily Mass

## On the Cover

Thirty plus faithful 7th - 12th graders from Our Lady of Mercy attended the NOLA Youth Conference. During the conference they listened to some amazing talks, prayed together, and celebrated the sacraments.

## Hurricane Relief

In response to the devastating and long-lasting damage to the people of Florida, Georgia, the Carolinas, and Tennessee the Diocese of Baton Rouge will join with other dioceses throughout the nation to offer assistance in this time of need and to repay the generosity so frequently shown to us by our brothers and sisters now affected by these storms. Every parish of the diocese is holding a special second collection for Hurricane Disaster Relief. Funds will be sent directly to the Dioceses of Pensacola-Tallahassee, Charlotte, and others as needed to provide direct relief to the victims of the hurricanes and to sustain the charitable and spiritual works of the Church in these areas.

## Second COLLECTION

Propagation of the Faith

## Prayer LINE

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



## TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

# DAILY PRAYER THIS WEEK

As Jesus continues to head toward Jerusalem in this week's readings, it can be easy to pray if we can focus. For simple thoughts and feelings to make their way into the background of our reflections this week we have to make a conscious choice to do it. Once we choose to let ourselves be reflective in this way, we can let this week's readings into our consciousness.

It becomes real when I realize that I am on the road with Jesus to Jerusalem in my life. I can sense the resistance in me to face all that it means. I resist the call to greatness that Jesus offers - to be a servant for others. Greed can take a serious role in my life - unconscious, of course, but once I experience how many things I "want," I'll sense the role of greed within me.

I see the potential for fruitfully connecting with my Lord throughout this busy week when I hear the call to be "vigilant" and to be aware of the "signs" of times today. Some days we can begin our days like getting on a treadmill and going all day. If I'm only attentive to what is immediately in front of me, I start to lose perspective. With reflection, I can see the "big picture" again and why I'm here and for whom I am responsible. Sometimes I'll have the courage not to be a "peace at all costs" person, but will actually take steps, say things, come together with others to "set the earth on fire."

Finally, perhaps this week I can simply get back in touch with being "called" and respond in a dozen simple ways, to thank the Lord for calling me and asking for the grace to be faithful.

We can prepare for Sunday later this week by begging our Lord to heal our blindness - our blindness to who we are and who we are called to be - and to follow him on the road to Jerusalem.

Dear Lord, sometimes I can be so dense. Thanks so much for getting through to me now and again. When I "get it," it seems that I want to be your disciple with every ounce of being within me. I really get the "fire" image you use. At other times, all I see is my needs and the ways I seem to be unfulfilled or falling short in some way. Release me from myself, that I might be free to give myself to my brothers and sisters who need my love and care. Then, I'll follow you into the toughest of situations with courage and hope.

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Taken from the "Weekly Guide for Daily Prayer" on the Creighton University's Online Ministries website: <http://www.creighton.edu/CollaborativeMinistry/online.html> Used with permission.

# BLOOD DRIVE



## Our Lady of Mercy Church

Wednesday, October 23

10:30 AM – 2:00 PM

On the Bloodmobile

445 Marquette Ave

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2. Hover over QR Code to the right.
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## PARISH LIFE

### AMERICAN HERITAGE GIRLS CHRISTMAS WREATH SALE

Saturday, October 26th following 4:00 pm Mass  
Sunday, October 27th following 7:00 am, 9:00 am and 10:30 am Masses  
in front of the Parish Activity Center

American Heritage Girls will be pre-selling live evergreen Christmas wreaths and 10' Western Cedar Garland the weekend of October 26th and 27th. The 22" wreath sells for \$30 and the garland is \$35. The sale of these wreaths benefits our parish's American Heritage Girls troop. Wreaths will be distributed at the OLOM Lower School. You may also order your Christmas greenery online to be delivered directly to any home or business address at no additional cost via <https://sherwoodfundraiser.com/ahgLA1943> or the QR code above. All online orders must be submitted by Friday, November 8th.

For more information, contact:

Ms. Annie Broussard  
[olomAHG@gmail.com](mailto:olomAHG@gmail.com)



American Heritage Girls LA1943  
[sherwoodfundraiser.com](http://sherwoodfundraiser.com)

## MERCY MEN'S ACTS RETREAT

An ACTS Retreat is a parish-based event which offers parishioners an opportunity to experience the love of Jesus Christ through a retreat experience that begins on a Thursday evening and ends with Sunday Mass in the parish. The ACTS Retreat meets people where they are in their spiritual journey and invites them to experience God in a manner that is both personal and communal.

This experience is an opportunity for spiritual renewal and the making of many friends. Fr. Cleo invites you to prayerfully consider joining a group of men from our parish to make this spiritual retreat at The Solomon Retreat Center in Loranger, LA.

**Men's Retreat** - departs Mercy on Thursday, November 14th and returns for noon Mass at Mercy on Sunday, November 17th.

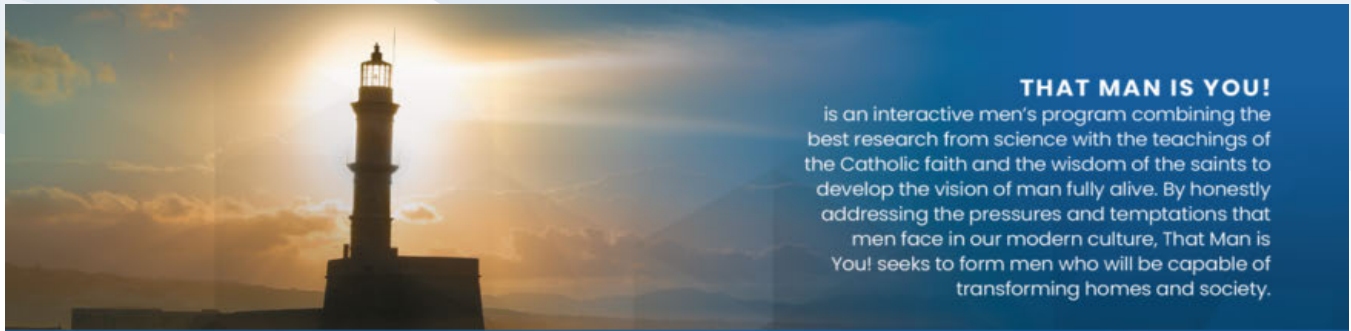
**Registration for this retreat is NOW OPEN - [olomchurch.com](http://olomchurch.com)**

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# PARISH LIFE



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### PROGRAM INFORMATION

Thursday Mornings  
Our Lady of Mercy  
Parish Acitivity Center  
Starts September 12th

### SCHEDULE

6:00 AM Breakfast in PAC/Rosary  
in Prayer Garden  
6:30 AM Presentation Begins  
7:00 AM Small Group  
7:30 AM Dismissal

### REGISTRATION

For more information, please  
contact Tim Schroeder at (225)  
229-4590 or  
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## PARISH LIFE

### BORN TO RUN - WOMAN'S NEW LIFE CLINIC



Help moms in need! Register for the Born to Run 5K or ½ mile Fun Run and join the Our Lady of Mercy team in supporting Woman's New Life Clinic. Races are open to all ages and skill levels. After the race join us for the post-race "Birth" Day Party for free food, drink, music, and fun for the whole family!

Born to Run will be held at 8:30 am November 16, 2024 at the downtown North Boulevard Town Square.

To register go to: [www.womansnewlife.com/borntorun](http://www.womansnewlife.com/borntorun) or scan the QR code.



Be sure to join team name "Our Lady of Mercy" and complete the full, two-step registration.

If you cannot participate in Born to Run, please consider donating to help us reach our goal in supporting Woman's New Life Clinic. Now, more than ever, women need love and support!

## Adoration Chapel

Can you spend an hour with Jesus?

Urgent Need:

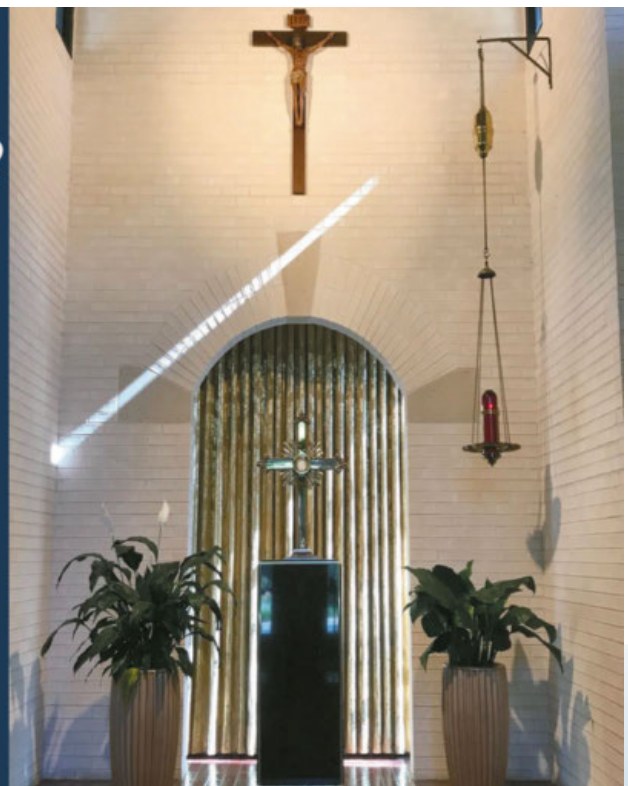
Thursday at 7:00 AM

Saturday at 1:00 PM

Tuesday at 2:00 AM

Sunday at 12:00 AM

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## PARISH LIFE

### A PRAYER FOR PROTECTION DURING HURRICANE SEASON

O God, Master of this passing world, hear the humble voices of your children. The Sea of Galilee obeyed Your Son's command, when He calmed the stormy waters and delivered the disciples from fear and harm. During this hurricane season, we turn to You, O Loving Lord, for your Mercy is without end. Spare us from tragedies like those of the past and keep us safe in your loving care.

O Virgin Mother, Star of the Sea, we seek your powerful help. Plead for us with Your Son that we might be spared all harm, whether natural or made by human hand, and walk safely in His footsteps until we reach our heavenly home.

Our Lady of Prompt Succor, hasten to help us!

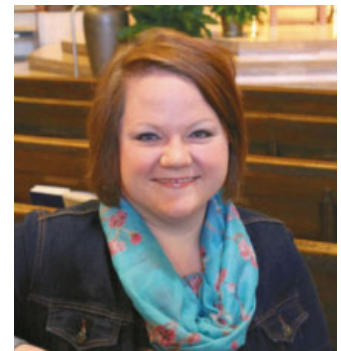


## MAGNIFICAT - A MINISTRY TO CATHOLIC WOMEN

**Saturday, November 2nd**  
**9:00 am**  
**Oak Lodge Reception Center**

You are invited to a Prayer Breakfast with speaker: Kathleen Lee Higgins. Please join us for our next Prayer Breakfast, November 2nd, 2024 from 9:00 am - 12:00pm at Oak Lodge Reception Center.

For more information or to register online, go to [MagnificatNov2024.Eventbrite.com](https://MagnificatNov2024.Eventbrite.com) or contact Gwen Gillis at 225-505-7050 or email [johnng224@gmail.com](mailto:johnng224@gmail.com).



# IN REMEMBRANCE

## Mass Intentions

### OCTOBER 26, SATURDAY

8:00 am ..... Kathryn Daggett  
 4:00 pm ..... Paula LeBaron, Joe & Jenny Serio, John and Jackie Kenaley / Kathryn Daggett / Francis Xavier Le / Paul Catalanatto / Clyde and Violet David / Anna Casso / Peggy Werner / Nancy Valluzzo / Bill Auten / Paul Burton / Diana Miller / Howard Kidder, Jr. / Barbara Guidry / Eleanor Henley / Fay Walker / Eva and Joe Urdiales / SPECIAL INTENTIONS: The Monsour family / Shannon Cormier & Family

### OCTOBER 27, SUNDAY

7:00 am..... Kyle Cassano / Bruce Hilbrecht / Ellie Sances / Anna Darensbourg  
 9:00 am..... Brenda Fremin, The Fremin Family, Charles and Rosa Drago / Mike Lloyd Rinehart / Bob Henderson / Charlie & Marie Tullier / Anthony & Rita Farris  
 10:30 am... Lynn Little / Vito Impastato / Anna Casso / Michael S. DiVincenti III / Joseph Patrick Terrell / Johnson Kadair  
 12:00 pm... Vincent and Elaine Coyle / Russell Normand / SPECIAL INTENTION: The Lemann Family intentions  
 6:00 pm ..... Vincent & Elaine Coyle / Ann Daniel Dodson / For America

### OCTOBER 28, MONDAY

8:00 am ..... John F. McKay  
 12:00 pm... Kathryn Daggett / Jerry & Billie Fakouri, & Daniel & Nelta Jarreau

### OCTOBER 29, TUESDAY

12:00 pm... Rudy Naquin / SPECIAL INTENTION: The Ferachi Family  
 6:00 pm ..... Francis Xavier Le / George Mervin Simon, Rosa Simon & Danny Simon / Selden and Grace Tibbetts

### OCTOBER 30, WEDNESDAY

8:00 am ..... Carl Shelden / SPECIAL INTENTION: George Smith  
 12:00 pm... Barbara Michael / Louis and Catherine Benedetto

### OCTOBER 29, THURSDAY

8:00 am ..... Mary Rose Planchard / Laurence J. Conkerton  
 12:00 pm... Ron Truxillo / Louis McHardy / SPECIAL INTENTION: Brenda Truxillo  
 4:00 pm ..... Mary Olive Pierson / Virginia Youngblood  
 6:00 pm ..... Bernice & Charles Healy / Isidra Villalon Bayon

### NOVEMBER 1, FRIDAY

8:00 am ..... Francis Xavier Le / Jean Beth Luckett Lasserre  
 12:00 pm... Mollie Poirson / Shirley & Joseph Zito / Anthony J. Zito / Anthony Jerry Montagnino / Joseph L. Saizan / Bernice & Charles Healy / Vito Impastato / Rosemary Daquano / Francis and Verline Pellegrin / Ray Jones / Jim Hebert / Carl Dalbor, Jr. / John Carmena / Eleanor Henley / John Mitchell Naquin / Darwyn Williams / Colleen Cauble / D.J. Webre / Alice Lowery / SPECIAL INTENTION: Derek Wilson / Priests, Seminarians, & Deacons / For America

## Sanctuary Light Memorials

The sanctuary light in the church burns this week in honor of

**Patricia Robert**

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

**Anthony "Tinker" Farris**

In Sympathy to the Family of:

- **Brother Eldon Crifasi**
- **Andrea Kerr**
- **Nellrie Fernandez**

## MERCY PRAYS

Layne Arceneaux	Jason Martin
Rod Alkadi	Brian Matthew
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Francisco Castellanos	Paul O'Kelly
Lauren Chemin	Anthony & Betsy Pizzolato
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Randy Craig	Leon Rester
Pete Crifasi	Margarita Santos
Jack Crittenden	Ann Soike
Ted Donaldson	Jim Seidule
Nicholas Foster	Jim Thompson
Myrna Edwards	Bart Tullier
Brett Gianelloni	Dana Vidrine
Julie Hannie	Audrey Wallace
Kim Scallan Lajoie	Karen Watson
Joseph Landry	Terri White
Sid Lawton	Myishia Whitefield



### Blessing of the Graves at the Garden of Peace

In honor of the Feasts of All Saints and All Souls, please join Father Cleo Milano in praying the rosary at 3:00 pm on October 27th. Families and friends of those inurned in the Columbarium are invited to attend.

If you have any questions, please reach out to Michelle Schroeder at 926-1883 or by email at [michelle.schroeder@olomchurch.com](mailto:michelle.schroeder@olomchurch.com)

Dear Friends of Our Lady of Mercy Columbarium Garden of Peace,

As the days of fall arrive, we are reminded of this special time of year when we mark the approaching Feasts of All Saints and All Souls. We remember before God our deceased loved ones. It is said that a great deal can be known about a community by looking at its cemeteries. Our beautiful Columbarium Garden of Peace reflects respect and bestows great reverence to our beloved dead.

I want to extend the invitation for you to join us for the BLESSING OF THE GRAVES at Our Lady of Mercy Garden of Peace on Sunday, October 27, 2024 at 3:00 pm. There will be the recitation of the Holy Rosary, the traditional blessing of graves, and the individual mentioning of each person inurned in this sacred place.

Thank you for choosing and supporting the Columbarium Garden of Peace at Our Lady of Mercy.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Rev. Cleo J. Milano, Pastor

*"Our Columbarium garden will be a history of people, a perpetual record of yesterday, a sanctuary of peace and quiet today and a statement of care and belief in tomorrow. Our beautiful Garden of Peace exists because every life is worth living and remembering, always."*

## Feast of All Saints Mass Schedule

**Thursday, October 31st - 4:00 pm & 6:00 pm Vigil**  
**Friday, November 1st - 8:00 am; 12:00 noon; 6:00 pm**

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)

## CATHOLIC COMMUNITY RADIO

1380 AM - WPYR

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10:30 am on Sunday for  
Mercy's Mass live broadcast

### Weekend of October 26th & October 27th

4:00 pm*	7:00 am*	9:00 am	10:30 am	12:00 pm	6:00 pm
Fr. Milano	Fr. Antony	Fr. Antony	Fr. Milano	Fr. Milano	Fr. Antony
Extraordinary Ministers					
J Schiro C Formeller M Downing J Stalls L McCann N Krzystowczyk	P Samrow L Dawkins J Pastorek T Penouilh	D Maggio S Maggio R Huber M Huber Deacon Grant L Gemmill	J Harrison P Prosser M Taylor J Smith D McCrary Deacon Cloutier Deacon Grant C Kline	Deacon Duplantis Deacon Cloutier N Graham A Nodier M Nodier	G Bertrand B Bailey C Steele C Schutte
Lectors					
K Steintrager G Gilbert	J Gardemal A Haywood A Wilson	Children Liturgy	C Kline E Kline	B Elliser A Wall	S Cunningham E Pavlovich
Altar Servers					
J Millet (C) E Schiro H Schiro	G Samrow (C)	R Huber (C) A Raemsch C Raemsch	J Harrison (C) K Allen L Mann	M Nodier (C) G Dillon B Elliser	C Schutte (C) J Floyd M Floyd

The complete Ministry Schedule is published on our website at [www.olomchurch.com](http://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](http://olomchurch.com); and [youtube.com/olombr](http://youtube.com/olombr).



OUR LADY  
of MERCY

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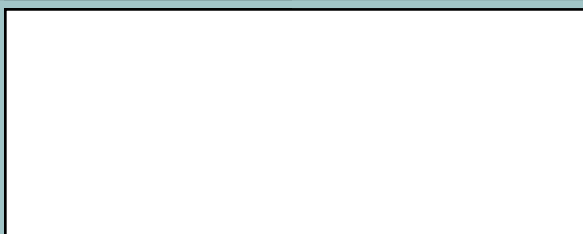
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