



How worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and divinity, and wisdom and strength and honor. To him belong glory and power for ever and ever. - ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

THIS WEEK

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 23

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

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 24

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

MONDAY NOVEMBER 25

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

TUESDAY NOVEMBER 26

8:30 amRosary Makers-Coffee Shop
12:00 pmDaily Mass
3:00 pmMiddle School Bible Study- JPII House
6:00 pm....Daily Mass & Novena
7:00 pmCharismatic Prayer-St. Gabriel

WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 27

8:00 amDaily Mass 9:00 amSVDP Meeting 12:00 pmDaily Mass 12:30 pm.....OWLS Friendsgiving-*Emmanuel Hall*

THURSDAY NOVEMBER 28 8:00 am Daily Mass

FRIDAY NOVEMBER 29 8:00 amDaily Mass 12:00 pmDaily Mass

Second COLLECTION

Christmas Flowers

Prayer LINE

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

Thanksgiving



"In everything give thanks, for this is the will of God." I Thessalonians 5:18

Start your National Thanksgiving Holiday at the Table of the Lord in thanks for His many blessings.

Eucharist is the Greek word for Thanksgiving.

We will celebrate Thanksgiving Mass on

Thursday, November 28 8:00 am

On the Cover

Thomas Roque and his uncle, retired Lieutenant General Russel Honore at the 5th grade tradition grandparents day Veteran's Mass. God bless our veterans!

Little Blue BOOKS

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

THIRTY - FOURTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

This week we might be inspired by the gospels to ask God to help us be attentive for the signs of God's presence in our lives each day.

We can ask Jesus to help us open our hearts and be more generous in our daily lives. Inspired by the poor widow, we can ask ourselves, in faith, "How willing am I to share? Do I give from my surplus or is it a real sacrifice?" Are we generous with our time and talents? Perhaps we spend too much time at the computer or at work or in various other projects, neglecting our family or other relationships. Are there places where we could give more of ourselves to people who need us?

When Jesus speaks of the "tribulations" that are ahead for all Christians, this might prompt me to ask myself how willing I am to live my faith courageously. Caring for the poor, seeking justice and self-giving love are basic elements of following Jesus, but they are not valued by our culture. Am I willing to face the objections of family and friends for being so "counter-cultural" in following the gospel?

Perhaps we are distracted by the pressures of daily life, or as Jesus says so aptly, we allow our hearts to grow drowsy from "carousing and drunkenness and the anxieties of daily life, and that day catch you by surprise...." What is it in our lives that keeps us from recognizing God's Kingdom here on earth? Maybe we abuse alcohol, are greedy or know deep inside there is a basic selfishness we don't even want to recognize in ourselves. We can only rely on Jesus for an "awakeness" that will help us to see ourselves as Jesus sees us, with love and forgiveness. It is in that moment, when we recognize that we are "loved sinners" that we can ask for the strength to make changes in our lives.

As we "awake" each morning and sit by the side of the bed before we begin our day, we can ask Jesus for the grace to see his presence in our lives in this day, and beg him for the help that we need. And in all of the smallest moments of the day, we can ask him from the deepest part of our hearts for the mercy and grace that will keep our eyes and hearts open this day. Then we can say, from our hearts, Thank you.

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.



Heritage Manor LA War Veterans Home

THE GIVING TREE

Your generous gifts through the Giving Tree will brighten the lives of many during this Holy Season. Your donations of cash and items listed below support the following organizations:

St. Vincent de Paul OLOM Parish Families

Make credit card donations on the church website at: <u>www.olomchurch.com</u> or you can drop off your donation at the church office. Contact the church office, (225) 926-1883 for more details. Opportunities to donate to the Giving Tree are offered through texting the word GIVING to (225)319-1746.

LAUNDRY DETERGENT TOILET PAPER BATH SOAP DEODORANT SHAMPOO DENTURE ADHESIVE & TABLETS SHAVING CREAM TOWELS WASHCLOTHS SHEETS & PILLOWCASES BLANKETS PILLOWS KNIT HATS SCARVES SOCKS WALMART GIFT CARDS TARGET GIFT CARDS AMAZON GIFT CARDS

The church office will accept donations until December 16th.

Called to Action

PARISH LIFE

Catholic in Recovery

Monday at 12 noon - Men Only

Starting December 4th:

Wednesday at 6:30 pm - Men and Women

St. Gabriel Room at the Parish Activity Center.

For those seeking a Catholic approach for dealing with real-life struggles.

> C.Y.L.A. Catholic Youth Leadership Award

The Catholic Youth Leadership Award was established in 1959 by the Louisiana State Council. In the beginning the State Council recognized only boys and in 1971 the State Council began to recognize one boy and girl as their State CYLA Winners

The CYLA Process

High School students complete an online CYLA application, and the application must be sponsored by a local Knights of Columbus Council.

The local Council selects one boy and girl as their Council CYLA winners.

The Local Council boy and girl winners are then sent to compete on a Diocesan Level.

Each Diocesan boy and girl winner is provided a chance to participate in the State CYLA Finals.

State CYLA Chairman: Delmas Forbes cyla@louisianakc.org 225-939-2980

January 25- Deadline to submit CYLA Applications

For more information visit www.olomchurch.com or call 225-926-1883

Awards

<u>Council Awards-</u> Two \$250 awards (one boy and one girl).

<u>Diocesan Awards-</u>Each Diocesan Winner will receive a \$1,000 check.

State Awards

1st Place Winner will receive a **\$5,000** Check, Plaque & Chance to be honored at KC State Convention.

2nd Place Winners will receive a \$3,000 Check.

3rd Place Winners will receive a \$2,000 Check

HOW TO APPLY

Go to the Knights of Columbus La. State Website: https://louisianakc.org/For-Members/Programs/CYLA

Or scan QR code below

Then click on Application link.



Called to Action

PARISH LIFE

Join us in the Church to prepare for the beautiful, penitential season of Advent:

Spirituality + Prayer in Advent

With Guest Speaker Fr. Stephen Kramer S.J.



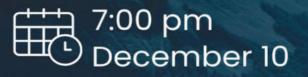
7:00 pm December 3

The Holy Face Devotion

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With Guest Speaker Fr. Miles Walsh S.T.D.



For more info contact: kirk.duplantis@olomchurch.com

PARISH LIFE

FEAST OF ST. LUCY

In honor of the Feast of St. Lucy, Patron Saint of diseases of the eye, Our Lady of Mercy Parish will celebrate a special Mass on FRIDAY, DECEMBER 13 at 12:00pm.

All eye care professionals and anyone experiencing illness or diseases of



the eye are encouraged to attend to receive a special blessing. Traditional Italian St. Lucy bread will also be distributed.

Santa Lucia, Prega per Noi! St. Lucy, Pray for Us!

Adoration Chapel

Can you spend an hour with Jesus?

Urgent Need: Saturday at 1:00 AM Tuesday at 12:00 AM

> Please Contact Michelle Schroeder 225-926-1883 or sign up at https://adorationpro.org/olomchurch



PARISH LIFE



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL OUR LADY OF MERCY CONFERENCE

Our St. Vincent de Paul Conference has just completed another fiscal year ending September 30, 2024. The impact of higher prices upon those who are less fortunate or survive on a fixed income drastically increased the number of calls we



received. Nonetheless, the dedicated volunteers went above and beyond to help and assist those in need within our church parish-of which there are many. This past year, a total of 395 families were given assistance which included 944 individuals.

This aid is made possible by the continuing generosity and patronage of the parishioners of Our Lady of Mercy Parish. We thank you and look forward to your continuing support.

Our conference is also in need of new members for this worthy and critical ministry. The rewards far exceed the effort!

Please contact OLOM Conference President, Sean Matassa, at (225) 772-9547 or <u>seanmatassa@gmail.com</u> to get involved.

COLUMBARIUM GARDEN OF PEACE

FINAL RESTING PLACE IN SACREDNESS, DIGNITY, AND RESPECT

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 their family than planning final arrangements that fulfill one's specific wishes and take the burden off of others.



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



IN REMEMBRANCE

Mass Intentions NOVEMBER 30, SATURDAY

8:00 am SPECIAL INTENTION: Jen Steele / The Regan and Coyle Family intentions 4:00 pm Francis Xavier Le / Gary & Kevin Keyser / Anna Casso / June and Bill Lepine / Peggy Werner / Nancy Valluzzo / Bill Auten / Howard Kidder, Jr. / Paul Burton / Shannon Cormier and Family / Diana Miller / Fay Walker / Eva and Joe Urdiales / SPECIAL INTENTIONS: Regan & Coyle Family / All Priests, Deacons, Seminarians and Religious Vocations

DECEMBER 1, SUNDAY

7:00 am..... Nicole D. Helms / Kyle Cassano / Ellie Sances / Anna Darensbourg / Jim Pose 9:00 am..... Roy Jones / Mike Lloyd Rinehart / Carolyn Adams Songy / Bob Henderson / Mary Kathleen Polk 10:30 am... Gary Alford / Brenda Fremin, The Fremin Family, Charles and Rosa Drago / Reynolds Bromley / Anna Casso / Michael S. DiVincenti III / Nolan Bueche III

12:00 pm... Charles Bourgeois / Johnson Kadair / Donald Dawson / Russell Normand / SPECIAL INTENTION: The Lemann Family intentions 6:00 pm Judy Pellerin / Roy and Ruby Seneca / Josephine Rando / Pamela Auer Roth / Adam Barksdale / SPECIAL INTENTIONS: The Mumfrey Family

DECEMBER 2, MONDAY

8:00 am Mollie Helm / Raymond Shelley 12:00 pm... Charlie Schmidt / Edward Smith / Jose Matarrita

DECEMBER 3, TUESDAY

12:00 pm... Sandy Roppolo / Jackie and Seth Sumrall 6:00 pm.... Francis Xavier Le / Mr. and Mrs. E.J. Chatelain / George Mervin Simon, Rosa Simon & Danny Simon / Selden and Grace Tibbetts / Aimee Planchard and Peggy Rylee / Mary Rose Planchard / Richard Ashby / Mary Bowman / Politz & Territa Families / Bourgeois & Gautreau Families / Nell Cedotal Fernandez

DECEMBER 4, WEDNESDAY

8:00 am Joseph Gagnier / SPECIAL INTENTION: Carol Wilson 12:00 pm... Jim Hebert / Willie Mae Lancaster

DECEMBER 5, THURSDAY

8:00 am William John Bull / John F. McKay / Fay Walker 12:00 pm... Jerry & Billie Fakouri / Daniel & Nelta Jarreau

DECEMBER 6, FRIDAY

8:00 am Calvin, Georginia and Curran Oubre, Wynona & Joe Lindsly, Hiram and Ellen May / Francis Xavier Le 12:00 pm... Mollie Poirson / Shirley & Joseph Zito / J. Louis & Virginia Tonore, Sr. / Bert & Marie Carbo, Sr. / Anthony J. Zito / Frank Panepinto / Bernice & Charles Healy / Vito Impastato / Jim Hebert / Nancy Lato / Anthony & Victoria Danna / Gregory L. Kadair, Sr. / Dorothy A. Harding / Jerry Crifasi / George and Ethel Sexton / Dale Soileau / D.J. Webre / Gene DeJean / Andy Juneau /Eugene Hedges / Sharon Budgewater / Ronnie Domma / SPECIAL INTENTION: Derek Wilson / Priests, Seminarians, & Deacons / Father Cleo / Lato & Rispone Families / Thanksgiving for answered prayers

Sanctuary Light Memorials

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

Aimee Planchard

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

Jim Hebert

In Sympathy to the Family of:

- Sharon Faulk
- Lance Walker
- Lois Abadie
- Angela Tullier Haydel
- Hallie Delage
- Pauline Mensi

Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of Mary

The Feast of the Immaculate Conception is usually celebrated on December 8th. This year, December 8th is the 2nd Sunday of Advent. When this happens, the feast is moved to the following Monday, which is December 9th. It remains a Holy Day of Obligation. There will be no vigil

Mass for this Holy Day.

Holy Day of Obligation

Monday, December 9th

8:00 AM 9:30 AM - School Liturgy 12 Noon 6:00 PM

"O Mary Conceived without sin, pray for those who have recourse to thee"

Called	to W	orship
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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)

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY RADIO

1380 AM - WPYR Listen daily at noon and 10:30 am on Sunday for Mercy's Mass live broadcast

Weekend of November 30th & December 1st						
4:00 pm*	7:00 am*	9:00 am	10:30 am	12:00 pm	6:00 pm	
Fr. Milano	Fr. Harb	Fr. Milano	Fr. Milano	Fr. Antony	Fr. Antony	
Extraordinary Ministers						
L D'Armond N Krzystowczyk C Duvieilh L McCann A Turner D Lockwood	A Haywood A Wilson T Penouilh L Dawkins	M Huber B Bordelon P Prosser B Caire R Huber Deacon Cloutier	M Vincent K Poiencot E Kline C Kline F Borghardt Deacon Cloutier J Smith C Graves	Deacon Cloutier M Kimble T DeJohn A August	E Schaff E Pavlovich C Roberts K Walker	
Lectors						
T Turner P Rigby	S Darensbourg J Pastorek J Gardemal	Children's Liturgy	B Billeaudeau C Billeaudeau	A Bargas K Kimble	G Gilbert C Schutte	
Altar Servers						
L D'Armond (C) L Broussard J Monsour	G Samrow (C)	R Huber (C) A Osborne W Osborne	F Borghardt (C) M Gautreaux C Rumfola	M Kimble (C) K Alford M Klemm	K Walker (C) L Christofferson E Presswood	
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.						



Attention Married Couples:

Would you like to spend quality time enriching your marriage?

Then join us on our parish sponsored married couples retreat at the beautiful St. Joseph Abbey's Retreat Center!



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