



# MERCY ALIVE

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III SUNDAY OF LENT  
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My eyes are always on the Lord,  
for he rescues my feet from the snare.  
Turn to me and have mercy on me,  
for I am alone and poor.

- ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

## THIS WEEK

### SATURDAY MARCH 22

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

### SUNDAY MARCH 23

7:00 am.....Mass  
9:00 am.....Mass  
10:30 am.....Mass  
12:00 pm.....Mass  
6:00 pm.....Mass  
7:00 pm.....High School Youth Group

### MONDAY MARCH 24

8:00 am ...Daily Mass  
12:00 pm ...Daily Mass  
12:00 pm.....Catholic in Recovery-St. Gabriel  
6:00 pm ...KC Business Mtg-St. Joseph

### TUESDAY MARCH 25

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

### WEDNESDAY MARCH 26

8:00 am ...Daily Mass  
9:00 am ...School Way of the Cross  
12:00 pm ...Daily Mass  
6:00 pm ...The Light is on for YOU  
6:30 pm ...Catholic in Recovery -St. Gabriel

### THURSDAY MARCH 27

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

### FRIDAY MARCH 28

8:00 am ..Daily Mass  
9:00 am ..School Liturgy  
12:00 pm ...Daily Mass  
5:00 pm ...KC Fish Fry  
6:00 pm ...Stations of the Cross

## On the Cover

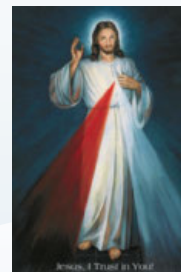
Lane Gwin, Madison Wilton, and Hannah Guillory praying to Our Mother Mary.

## Our Lady of Mercy Pray for us!

## Campus Safety

Please do not leave your purse or any valuables visible on the seats or floor of your car. Place all of your valuables in the trunk of your vehicle in order to avoid anyone who might be tempted to do something the Lord would not want them to do. It is recommended that you do not give cash to anyone soliciting money. This only encourages repeat behavior and is somewhat fearful to those in the Adoration Chapel and the elderly. If you want to support the needy, then give to the St. Vincent de Paul Society where your generosity will surely help the poor and hungry.

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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](mailto:wlb14@aol.com)



THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

# DAILY PRAYER THIS WEEK

This is a pivotal week of Lent. We can solidify the patterns we have begun or we can make a new start, if we haven't been able to get started yet. If we have begun to recognize what needs realigning in our lives and have begun to fast and abstain from some things that get in the way of our relationship with the Lord, then we are engaging in a struggle. We are likely uncovering resistance and experiencing our personal sinfulness face-to-face.

This is all preparing us for a deeper conversion, a readiness for reconciliation with God and the graces that will allow us to be a source of reconciliation with others. This is the time when we begin to see and experience how much God loves us at a new and more personal level. These graces prepare us to keep our eyes focused on Jesus in the weeks ahead - to learn from him, to fall in love with him more deeply and to be drawn to imitate him more completely. If we are just getting started with our Lenten journey, renewing our desires for these graces will be all we need to begin with a renewed openness. God does not need a lot of time to convince us of his love for us.

This is a week about God's love for us and our call to love others the same way. It is a week to keep our daily focus on naming a desire each morning. The day ahead will shape what we ask for as our feet hit the floor in the morning. Pausing to thank the Lord for this day and to ask for the grace to let our mind and heart be renewed in the concrete circumstances, relationships and obligations of our day. Throughout the day, we can then return to those desires in background of our awareness. Our request for the Lord's help is always there and our consciousness of it will help us make the choice we desire to make, to let go of what we need to let go of, to add what we need to add. This will take us deeper and deeper into self-awareness and a sense of our need for a Savior, who is right there to embrace us and give us the graces we ask for.





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# **Friday Night Fish Fry**

**Dine In, Carry Out or Drive Through**

**Time: 5:00 pm - 7:00pm**

**Price: \$10.00 cash per plate**

**\$11.00 credit card per plate**

**Our Lady of Mercy Parish Activity Center**

**March 21st**

**March 28th**

**April 4th**

**April 11th**

Scan to volunteer



AHG Girls will be selling dry ingredient Chocolate chip & Snickerdoodle cookie mixes in a jar on March 28th.

## LENTEN CONFESSION

### THE LIGHT IS ON FOR YOU! SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION



"Come back to me with all your heart. Don't let fear keep us apart" says God through the prophet Hosea. As Catholics, we are given the opportunity to heed God's call by readying ourselves for the Lord's Passion during this Lenten season through the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Our Lady of Mercy offers this special opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation through "The Light Is On For You."

Start with an examination of conscience, recalling your sins and prayerfully asking yourself what you have done with full knowledge and full consent against God's Commandments.

Additional opportunities for the Sacrament of Reconciliation at Our Lady of Mercy are on:

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 26**

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 2**

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 16**

**6:00 pm - 7:30 pm**



# DIVINE MERCY NOVENA

TUESDAYS AT 6:00 PM



## **8TH GRADE PRESENTATION OF THE LIVING STATIONS**

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 9TH AT 6:00 PM**

**THURSDAY, APRIL 10TH AT 9:00 AM**

**FRIDAY, APRIL 11TH AT 9:00 AM**

**THE LIVING STATIONS WILL BE  
PRESENTED BY THE OLOM 8TH  
GRADE CLASS FOR THE PARISH.  
ALL ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND!**





**PARISH LIFE**

# **STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

**Pray the Stations of the Cross with us on Fridays during Lent**

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Friday, March 21st	6:00 pm
Friday, March 28th	6:00 pm
Friday, April 4th	6:00 pm

## **8TH GRADE PRESENTATION OF THE LIVING STATIONS**

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Wednesday, April 9th	6:00 pm
Thursday, April 10th	9:00 am
Friday, April 11th	9:00 am

## **GOOD FRIDAY**

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Friday, April 18th	12:00 noon
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## PARISH LIFE

### Adult Confirmation at the Cathedral

Sunday, June 8th

12:00 noon

St. Joseph Cathedral

Bishop Duca will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation for adults who have been baptized in the Catholic faith, have received the Eucharist, but were never Confirmed. This celebration will take place on Pentecost at St. Joseph Cathedral. Contact Deacon Kirk Duplantis if interested in participating by **May 5th**.

*For more information, contact:*

Deacon Kirk Duplantis

[kirk.duplantis@olomchurch.com](mailto:kirk.duplantis@olomchurch.com)



# EGG MY YARD

WAKE UP TO YOUR OWN PERSONAL EASTER EGG HUNT!  
LET OUR BUNNIES DO THE WORK FOR YOU! EGGS WILL BE FILLED WITH CANDY AND PLACED IN YOUR FRONT YARD ON SATURDAY, APRIL 19TH AFTER DARK.

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OUR LADY *of* MERCY

# PARISH EGG HUNT

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

**When: Saturday, April 12th 10-11 am**

**Who: Toddlers - 3rd Grade**

**Where: Mercy Football Field**

\*rain option Mercy Arts Center



## IN REMEMBRANCE

### Mass Intentions

#### MARCH 29, SATURDAY

8:00 am ..... SPECIAL INTENTION: Boyd Edward Helm  
4:00 pm ..... Gary and Kevin Keyser / Paul Rozas / Nancy Valluzzo / Bill Auten / Margaret Bologna / Clyde & Violet David / Anna Casso / Fay Walker / Barbara & Carl Guidry / Nellrie Cedotal Fernandez & James B. Fernandez / Howard Kidder Jr. / Bob Ourso / Peggy Werner / Lois Maurin Abadie / SPECIAL INTENTIONS: Fr. Cleo Milano & priests, seminarians and deacons / Vocations to the priesthood / Mr. and Mrs. Steven Craig Swilley and Family

#### MARCH 30, SUNDAY

7:00 am..... Kyle Cassano / Ellie Sances / Mrs. Corinne Lemoine / SPECIAL INTENTIONS: Patriarco Family  
9:00 am..... Paul Catalanatto / Janet M. Williams / Anna Casso / John Collignon / Jack Kellerman  
10:30 am... Avalon Daggett / Angelo Sparacino / Ann Alldredge / Gary Alford / Ada & Vincent Dimattia / Michael S. DiVincenti III  
12:00 pm... Bob Ourso / Lawrence Marino / Chad LeGrange / Johnson Kadair / SPECIAL INTENTIONS: The LeGrange Family, the Gravois Family, the Burkett Family  
6:00 pm ..... Brenda, Ellis, Enola, Luke, & Mary Fremin / Charles & Rosa Drago / SPECIAL INTENTIONS: St. Charbel Mission Church

#### MARCH 31, MONDAY

8:00 am ..... Donna Brian / SPECIAL INTENTIONS: Jeanne Garcia  
12:00 pm... Linda Pitre / Poor Souls in Purgatory

#### APRIL 1, TUESDAY

12:00 pm... Patricia Avery, Nina Jo Avery, Noel Michael Avery, Jr.  
6:00 pm ..... Fred Gwin & Jean Gwin / Debbie Gwin / Verline & Francis Pellegrin / Selden and Grace Tibbetts / Mervin Simon, Rose Simon, Danny Simon, Layla Simon and Tyler Clay Die / Paul Catalanatto / Shirley & Joseph Zito / Iray & Lorena Ledoux / Aimee Planchard / Mary Rose Planchard / Tyler Craig, Barbara Sonnier, Betty and Gene Craig / Hallie Pfefferle / Mary McCowan / Lois Abadie / Mary Nguyen / Lawrence Berry / Mr. & Mrs. Felix Guidroz / Lois Maurin Abadie / Bob Ourso / Jack Kellerman / Donna Brian / Francis Xavier Le / Gladys Green / Tommy Humphreys / Billy Humphreys / Stanley Davis, Jr. / Liza A. Flores / Amado Guloy / SPECIAL INTENTIONS: Charlie Valluzzo / The poor souls in Purgatory / Linda Monies / Shannon Bieser / Carmen Damen / Mary Park / Christine Swilley & Family / John and Susan Forsythe

#### APRIL 2, WEDNESDAY

8:00 am ..... Mary Tran / Tommy Humphrey  
12:00 pm... Francis Xavier Le / Ann Nguye

#### APRIL 3, THURSDAY

8:00 am ..... Jeff Nola / Anthony "Tinker" and Rita Farris  
12:00 pm... George A. Kadair, Sr. / Barbara Sonnier

#### APRIL 4, FRIDAY

8:00 am ..... Calvin, Georginia & Curran Oubre / Wynona & Joseph Lindsly, Hiram & Ellen May  
12:00 pm... Mollie Poirson / Shirley & Joseph Zito / Anthony J. Zito / Sandy Roppolo / Josie Songy / Gregory L. Kadair, Sr., Dorothy A. Harding, Jerry Crifasi, George A. Kadair, Sr. / J. Louis and Virginia Tonore, Sr., Bert and Marie Carbo, Sr. / Gregory E. Tonore, Jr., Julie Zambie Williams / Mike, Tom, David, & Robert Guessfeld / Donna Parker / Bob Ourso / Olivia Frank Lamonica / Joseph Leonard Timothy "Tim" Lamonica / Diane Dejean / Carl Dalbor, Jr. / Francis Xavier Le / Gladys Green / Tommy Humphreys / Billy Humphreys / Donna Brian / Robert "Bob" and Elaine Thomas / SPECIAL INTENTIONS: Fr. Cleo Milano & priests, seminarians and deacons / Vocations to the priesthood / The President and our country / The poor souls in Purgatory

### Sanctuary Light Memorials

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

## Jack Kellerman

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

## Chad LeGrange

In Sympathy to the Family of:

- **Wesley Singleton**
- **Johnnie L. Dukes**
- **Adele Heuvel**
- **Alexander Trenier**
- **Emma Gardiner Norris**
- **Michael Brown**
- **Sandy Bertman**
- **Rachel Drago Wall**
- **Dickie Hamilton**
- **Ted Donaldson**
- **Skipper Post**

## THIS YEAR FOR LENT, OUR PARISH IS ADOPTING - THE WOMAN'S NEW LIFE CLINIC



# WOMAN'S NEW LIFE CLINIC

Woman's New Life Clinic's mission is to promote the sanctity of life, the dignity of women, and the sacredness of sexuality through medical and mental health services. The Clinic is empowering women to choose life.

Since their start in 2001, they've saved over 2,553 lives from abortion. WNLC offers free professional counseling, pregnancy tests, ultrasounds, and case management to women in unplanned pregnancies. They also offer professional post-abortion counseling, pregnancy loss counseling, ALL FREE OF CHARGE.

In addition to these services for women in unplanned pregnancies, Woman's New Life Clinic has launched new programs, allowing them to compete with Planned Parenthood, such as family planning instruction. Woman's New Life Clinic operates strictly through private donations from people like you. Donating to Woman's New Life Clinic is something tangible that each and every one of us can do in the fight for life.

We are challenging each family in our parish to donate \$20 or more to this life-saving campaign. Though you may not be able to be on the front-lines of this battle, your participation enables their staff to be there, because without YOU, Woman's New Life Clinic cannot exist. The staff at Woman's New Life Clinic pray fervently for their donors and clients. Please pray for them as well. For your convenience an envelope will be available in the monthly envelope packet in March.

Envelopes will remain in church throughout Lent for your convenience in supporting this important cause. The clinic is located within our parish boundaries at:

760 Colonial Dr.  
Baton Rouge, LA 70806  
(225) 663-6470  
[www.womansnewlife.com](http://www.womansnewlife.com)

**Envelopes are available in the Church to place your offering  
in support of Pro-Life.**



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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### Weekend of March 29th & March 30th

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					
C Formeller M Downing L McCann T Turner N Krzystowczyk A Turner	J Pastorek L Hopkins T Penouilh P Samrow	B Bordelon R Beyer P Prosser L Babin Deacon Cloutier L Saab	J Purgerson L Cloutier F Borghardt B Purgerson M Taylor Deacon Grant Deacon Cloutier T Grant	Deacon Duplantis T DeJohn C Graves C Roberts	G Gilbert G Bertrand B Bailey C Steele
Lectors					
K Steintrager G Lalonde	J Gardemal A Haywood A Wilson	Children Liturgy	S Toups M Massad	H Schiro L Holliday	E Pavlovich S Cunningham
Altar Servers					
J Millet (C) A Lajoie R Schroeder	G Samrow (C)	L Babin (C) A Saab L Saab	J Purgerson (C) E Ellis H Kiebach	T Patin (C) C Canady J Savoia	G Bertrand (C) E Presswood J Smith

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).



# **St. Joseph Altar**

## **Committee Members**

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**Caryn Vincent - Co Director**

**Teal Gray**

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**Annie Broussard**

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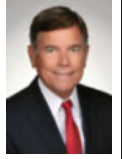
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