



Rejoice, Jerusalem, and all who love her. Be joyful, all who were in mourning; exult and be satisfied at her consoling breast.

- ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

THIS WEEK

SATURDAY MARCH 29

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

SUNDAY MARCH 30

7:00 am.....Mass 9:00 am.....Mass 10:00 am.....OCIA-*St. Ann* 10:30 am....Mass 12:00 pm....Mass 6:00 pm....Mass

MONDAY MARCH 31

8:00 amDaily Mass 12:00 pmDaily Mass 12:00 pm.....Catholic in Recovery-*St. Gabriel*

TUESDAY APRIL 1

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 APRIL 2

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 APRIL 3

6:30 amTMIY-*St. Joseph* 8:00 amDaily Mass 9:30 amMoms and Tots 12:00 pmDaily Mass 6:30 pmHigh School Bible Study- *JPII House*

FRIDAY APRIL 4

7:30 am ...First Friday Devotional 8:00 am ...Daily Mass 9:00 am ...School Liturgy 12:00 pmDaily Mass 5:00 pmKC Fish Fry 6:00 pmStations of the Cross

On the Cover

Celebrating all things Irish on St. Patrick's Day, the Quilted Honor Guard helped to acknowledge all the Christian Life Award winners with beads and a rainbow of green confetti. Pictured from left to right are Mike Schroeder, Father Cleo, Mitch Kimble, Mike Kimble, Lance "Chief" Laplace, and Fritz Embaugh.

St. Patrick 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.

Please pick up your Divine Mercy yard sign in the church office free of charge. Proudly display them in your yard!



Prayer LINE

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

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT **DAILY PRAYER THIS WEEK**

The gospels this week make it very clear toward the end of the week that Jesus faced opposition that couldn't accept who he is. We see that Jesus comes to lay down his life that we might live. So, this week of Lent is an important time for us to ask ourselves if there are any parts of our hearts, any of our patterns, that oppose Jesus and his desire to give us life. This kind of honesty can transform our lives. It can allow the grace of God to bring reconciliation and healing we might not have imagined.

Even if it hasn't been easy to get really engaged with Lent so far, we can still make a beginning, even now. The key is openness and desire. If we can feel any attraction, any sign that the Lord is possibly drawing us, then the Lord can work with us - no matter what resistance or fear we might also be experiencing. All we have to do is act out of these desires and simply ask the Lord for the grace to help us be more honest and more open to what he is offering us. For example, we can ask for the grace to examine our consciences more thoroughly. We could try a different approach to facing any resistance we might have to the Lord's working in us. We might not commit the big sins, but we may not have examined what we fail to do. Who am I failing to love, to forgive, to be generous to? From whom am I withholding affection, care, reconciliation? Where can I live more honestly, with more integrity? How might I proactively change my own personal patterns of escape with patterns of care for others?

It is a time of grace when we can experience moments of "recognition," or self-understanding. But it is not a grace to beat up on ourselves or become self-absorbed in our own guilt. It is grace to feel grateful to the Lord for showing us obstacles to the life he is offering us. It is grace to feel our spirits lighten as we feel drawn to greater freedom and peace. It is incredible grace when we are drawn to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation. This week, let us give thanks to the Lord who deeply desires our greater freedom and joy. As we go to bed each night, let us thank the Lord for what we saw that day and renew our desires for the next day of grace.

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.

PARISH LIFE

8TH GRADE PRESENTATION OF THE LIVING STATIONS

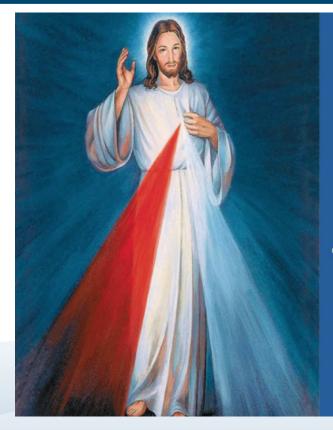
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 9TH AT 6:00 PM

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!





DIVINE MERCY NOVENA TUESDAYS AT 6:00 PM



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

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

Friday, March 21st Friday, March 28th Friday, April 4th

6:00 pm 6:00 pm 6:00 pm

TRADITIONAL 8TH GRADE PRESENTATION OF THE LIVING STATIONS

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

9:00 am

GOOD FRIDAY

Friday, April 18th

PARISH LIFE

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

Friday Night

Knights of Columbus®

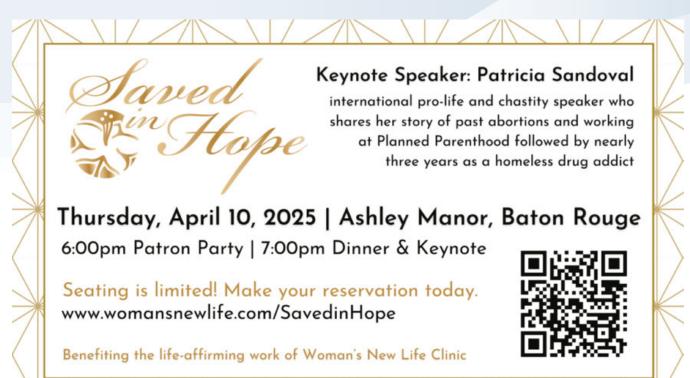
Our Lady of Mercy Parish Activity Center

March 21st March 28th April 4th April 11th



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

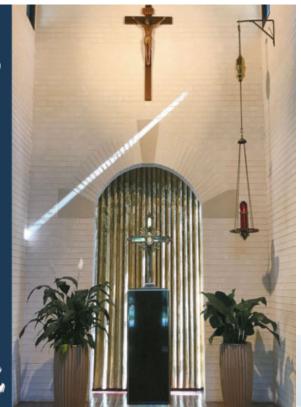
PARISH LIFE



Adoration Chapel Can you spend an hour with Jesus? Urgent Needs:

> Sunday, 12:00 AM Tuesday, 2:00 AM Thursday, 3:00 AM

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



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 <u>kirk.duplantis@olomchurch.c</u>om



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, APRIL 2 WEDNESDAY, APRIL 16 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm

Called to Prayer

IN REMEMBRANCE Mass Intentions APRIL 5, SATURDAY

8:00 am Mollie Barbara Helm / SPECIAL **INTENTIONS: Barbara Mahoney Helm** 4:00 pm The Donaldson, Giannoble, Danna, Ruhl, West, Cox, Wilcox, Wintz, Molina and Calandro Families / Alex Spano / The Elam, Mason, Meisner and Hamm Families / Dominic & Rose Graphia / Mary Levatino / Joe Bologna & Family / Tullio Saffiotti / Gary and Kevin Keyser / Robert E. Wiemer, Sr. / Theresa & Nelvin Fontenot / Nancy Valluzzo / Bill Auten / Anna Casso / The Poor Souls in Purgatory / Binks Miciotto / Dr. Clifton T. Morris, Jr. / Francis Xavier Le / Nellrie Cedotal Fernandez & James B. Fernandez / Brother Eldon Crifasi / Howard Kidder Jr. / Hallie Pfefferle / Diana Miller / Paul Burton / Bob Ourso / Peggy Werner / Donna Brian / Jack Kellerman / Pietra Brocato / SPECIAL INTENTIONS: Fr. Cleo Milano & priests, seminarians and deacons / Vocations to the priesthood / Russell Normand / Shannon Cormier & Family

APRIL 6, SUNDAY

7:00 am..... Kyle Cassano / Manuel F. Gan, Sr. / Ellie Sances / Thad Bourque / Enrique Vitanza / SPECIAL INTENTION: Sam Sances

9:00 am..... Roy Jones / Gary Alford/ Anna Casso / Cindy Heier / John Collignon

10:30 am... Gabriella and William Gigante / Percy, Ann, Paul, Chris and Susan Moise / Angelo Sparacino / Brenda, Ellis, Enola, Luke, & Mary Fremin / Charles & Rosa Drago / Michael S. DiVincenti III

12:00 pm... Dorothy Bueche Stevens / Raul Bencomo / Lawrence Marino / Kerry Johnson / Johnson Kadair / SPECIAL INTENTIONS: Justin, Josh, Keely, Miller and Lottie Donaldson

6:00 pm Lindley Spaht Dodson / Bob Ourso

APRIL 7, MONDAY

8:00 am John McKay / Hallie Pfefferle 12:00 pm... Paul Catalanatto / Donna Brian

APRIL 8, TUESDAY

12:00 pm... Alida Casey / Adele Heuvel 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 / Robert, Mike, Tom, & David Guessfeld / Tyler Craig, Betty and Gene Craig, Barbara Sonnier / The Ballard, Chambers, and McCay Families / Lois Abadie / Bob Ourso / Hallie Pfefferle / Mary McCowan / Mary Nguyen / Lawrence Berry / Jerry D'Aquila / Jack Kellerman / Francis Xavier Le / Gladys Green / Tommy Humphreys / Billy Humphreys / Stanley Davis, Jr. / Donna Brian / SPECIAL INTENTIONS: Charlie Valluzzo / The poor souls in Purgatory

APRIL 9, WEDNESDAY

8:00 am Van and June Gaudin, Jr. / Elaine Breaux 12:00 pm... SPECIAL INTENTIONS: Carolyn Ourso / Regan & Coyle Family

APRIL 10, THURSDAY

8:00 am Nancy Angeron Taylor 12:00 pm... Claudia and Joseph M. Blanchard / Jerry & Billie Fakouri / Daniel & Nelta Jarreau

APRIL 11, FRIDAY

8:00 am Francis Xavier Le

12:00 pm... Gregory L. Kadair, Sr., Dorothy A. Harding, Jerry Crifasi, George A. Kadair, Sr. / Daryl Bongiovanni / Charles Middleton, Jr. / Joseph Patrick Terrell / Mother Ange, Sister Evelyn, Sister Therese De La Passion, Sister Paul Xavier / Diane Dejean / Carl Dalbor, Jr. / Bob Ourso / Donna Brian / Robert "Bob" and Elaine Thomas / SPECIAL INTENTIONS: Fr. Cleo Milano & priests, seminarians and deacons / Vocations to the priesthood

Sanctuary Light Memorials

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

Margaret Bologna

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

Robert Biletnikoff

In Sympathy to the Family of:

- Alexander Trenier
- Emma Gardiner Norris
- Michael Brown
- Sandy Bertman
- Rachel Drago Wall
- Dickie Hamilton
- Ted Donaldson
- Skipper Post
- Marianne Steintrager
- Sam W. DiVincenti, Sr.
- Audrey Brown

PARISH LIFE

OUR LADY of MERCY PARISH EGG HUNT

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

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When: Saturday, April 12th 10–11 am Who: Toddlers – 3rd Grade Where: Mercy Football Field *rain option Mercy Arts Center

Called to Worship)
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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 April 5th & April 6th						
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 Abshire L McCann D Lockwood J Schiro A August N Krzystowczyk	J Pastorek P Samrow T Penouilh G Samrow	D Maggio S Maggio L Carter M Stumpf Deacon Cloutier K Kimble	L Gemmill A Dalmau A Nodier N Graham M Nodier Deacon Zelden Deacon Grant K Poiencot	Deacon Duplantis B Beale M Roussel E Schaff	D Smith G Gilbert C Steele R Torry	
Lectors						
C Ransome R Arabie	A Wilson J Gardemal A Haywood	Children Liturgy	B Haldane T Grant	D Dantin C Graves	E Pavlovich S Hingle	
Altar Servers						
J Millet (C) J Hernandez J Hernandez	G Samrow (C)	M Stumpf (C) A Osborne W Osborne	M Nodier (C) A Romero J Romero	G Anderson (C) N Frederick L LeBlanc	D Smith (C) K Craig C Reems	
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.						

THIS YEAR FOR LENT, OUR PARISH IS ADOPTING -THE 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 you 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

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



For ad info. call 1-800-477-4574 • www.4lpi.com



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