



Give me justice, O God, and plead my cause against a nation that is faithless. From the deceitful and cunning rescue me, for you, O God, are my strength.

THIS WEEK

SATURDAY APRIL 5

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

SUNDAY APRIL 6

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 APRIL 7

8:00 am Daily Mass

12:00 pm Daily Mass

12:00 pm...... Catholic in Recovery-St. Gabriel

6:30 pm.....OCIA-Mary our Mother

6:30 pm.....SVDP Meeting-St. Jerome

7:00 pm..... Baptism Seminar-St. Gabriel

TUESDAY APRIL 8

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 9

8:00 am Daily Mass

9:00 amSchool Way of the Cross

12:00 pm Daily Mass

6:00 pm Living Stations

THURSDAY APRIL 10

6:30 amTMIY-St. Joseph

8:00 am Daily Mass

9:00 amLiving Stations

9:30 am Moms and Tots

12:00 pm Daily Mass

6:30 pm High School Bible Study- JPII House

FRIDAY APRIL 11

8:00 am ...Daily Mass

9:00 am ...Living Stations

12:00 pm Daily Mass

5:00 pmKC Fish Fry

On the Cover

Pictured are 4th graders Luke Werline, Max Murthy, and Katie Willmann representing the Holy Family for the St. Joseph Altar with Father Cleo and Deacon Kirk.

St. Joseph Pray for us!

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



Please note there will be no Stations of the Cross on Friday, April 11th at 6:00pm.

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Prayer LINE

For Prayer Line requests, contact:
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Ms. Carroll Benedetto at wlb14@aol.com



FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

© DAILY PRAYER THIS WEEK

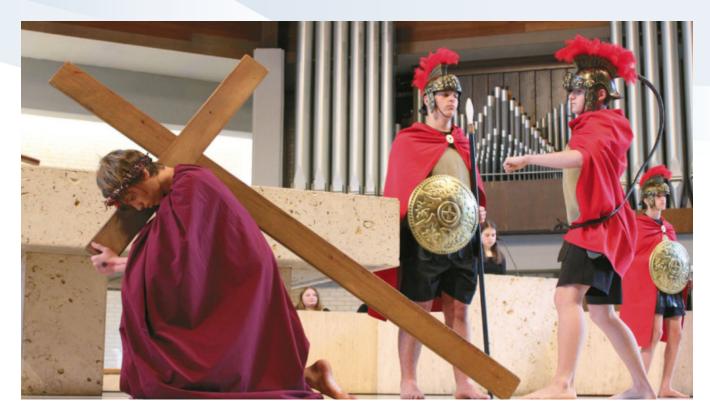
This is the last full week of Lent. We can feel the conflict and struggle developing in the readings. As we read about the drama that surrounded Jesus' last days on earth and reflect upon its meaning, we experience how the drama that is going in our own hearts is more intense the closer we get to the end of Lent. The Spirit of the Lord is really trying to help us be more open and more free, to receive the graces our Lord wants to offer us.

There is another spirit that is fighting just as hard to distract us, discourage us, and prevent us from being open and attentive to God's gifts. The closer we get to the mystery of our Lord's passion, death and resurrection for us, the more we can experience struggle. If I experience myself somewhat "at war" with myself, then these are very important days to keep deliberately asking our Lord to help me.

It is also a great time to begin to prepare to renew the baptismal promises at Easter. We can reject the unloving choices we've made, all that is unjust, dishonest, disrespectful and violent. We want to refuse to be mastered by empty promises. Declaring our desire for freedom is a great preparation to receive this great gift. If we are celebrating the Scrutinies with the OCIA candidates and catechumens, this is a wonderful time to pray for them as well, for their protection from the evil one in the last days of their journey.

If we have developed the habit of naming a desire the first thing each morning, and carrying on a conversation with our Lord in the brief background moments of the day, we are already comfortable with letting the Word or the Season interact with the concrete events of the week. This way of finding intimacy with our Lord, through our daily interaction - even in a very busy life - is so appropriate for the Fifth Week of Lent. We can discover areas that are still resistant to God's grace. We can ask for help to practice new ways of being free, or new ways of loving. We can find ways to make financial sacrifices to give to the poor this week.

Each night this week, we can give thanks. The closer we get to celebrating Holy Week and the events that brought us our salvation, each of us can express our gratitude, realizing this was all for me.



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!



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

April 11th
Last Fish Fry!





MERCY Paschal Triduum

Holy Thursday, April 17th Mass of the Lord's Supper 6:00 pm

> Good Friday, April 18th Solemn Way of the Cross 12:00 pm The Lord's Passion 3:00 pm

Easter Vigil, April 19th 8:00pm

Easter Sunday

7:00am; 9:00am; 10:30am; 12:00pm; 6:00pm

CONFESSION BEFORE EASTER

The Light Is On For You! Several priests will be available for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. The best spiritual preparation for Easter is taking the time to make a good Confession. The mercy of Jesus is never spent; do not be afraid to pour your heart out to the Lord in telling Jesus that for which you most want Him to forgive.



6:00 pm - 7:30 pm on Wednesday, April 16

It's Been a While Since My Last Confession

- First, don't be afraid, Jesus said, "Heaven rejoices more for one repentant sinner than for 99 righteous persons who never needed to repent." The priest will be so happy you've returned to confession after many years
- Second, try to prepare with the help of a good examination of conscience sheet, but the priest will know that you cannot remember your sins with the precision of someone who came the previous week
- Third, get the largest sins off your shoulders first
- Fourth, don't be afraid to ask the priest for help; most confessors are experts in leading someone in your circumstances through an examination of the "big stuff" in the confessional
- Finally, don't wait. Come back to be reconciled to your loving Father, set off the celebration in heaven, and share your Father's joy!



MAGNIFICAT - A MINISTRY TO CATHOLIC WOMEN

Saturday, April 26th 9:00 am - 12:00 pm Oak Lodge Reception Center

You are invited to a Prayer Breakfast with speaker: Judy Zelden. Please join us for our next Prayer breakfast, April 26th, 2025 from 9:00 am - 12:00pm at Oak Lodge Reception Center.



For more information or to register online, go to MagnificatApril2025.Eventbrite.com or contact Dianne Lencse at 225-235-3021 or Gwen Gillis at 225-505-7050 or email lencser@cox.net

Magnificat.

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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



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IN REMEMBRANCE

Mass Intentions APRIL 12, SATURDAY

8:00 am Binks Miciotto / April Schaff / SPECIAL INTENTIONS: Joseph Mahoney

4:00 pm John Milton and Todd Fruge / Julio Patolilic / Gary and Kevin Keyser / Ann Alldredge / Gary Alford / Nancy Valluzzo / Bill Auten / Jerry & Billie Fakouri / Daniel & Nelta Jarreau / Clyde & Violet David / Eugene & Margie Andre / Anna Casso / Francis Xavier Le / Nellrie Cedotal Fernandez & James B. Fernandez / Donna Parker / Howard Kidder Jr. / Jason Ward / Olivia Frank Lamonica / Diana Miller / Paul Burton / Bob Ourso / Peggy Werner / Joseph Leonard Timothy "Tim" Lamonica / June and Bill Lepine / Pietra Brocato / Carl and Barbara Guidry / Donna Brian / SPECIAL INTENTIONS: The Helms, Landry and Nieman Families / Fr. Cleo Milano & priests, seminarians and deacons / Vocations to the priesthood / Shannon Cormier & Family

APRIL 13, SUNDAY

7:00 am..... Kyle Cassano / Sandy Roppolo / Ellie Sances / Jason Ward / Enrique Vitanza / April Schaffs 9:00 am..... Anna Casso / Bob Ourso / Francisco Javier Gutierrez / John Collignon / Paul Catalanatto 10:30 am.... The Vicari and Cretini Families / Lawrence Marino / Jason Ward / Bob Ourso / Michael S. DiVincenti III / Johnson Kadair / SPECIAL INTENTIONS: Phillip B. Eckert and Family 12:00 pm... K.J. Thomas / Raul Bencomo / Jason Ward / Lorenzo Marino / Chad LeGrange / SPECIAL INTENTION: The LeGrange Family, the Gravois Family, the Burkett Family 6:00 pm.... Brenda & Nelson Hebert / Brenda, Ellis, Enola, Luke, & Mary Fremin / Charles & Rosa Drago / Jason Ward / Donna Brian

APRIL 14, MONDAY

8:00 am Donna Brian 12:00 pm... Adrian Scallan / April Schaff

APRIL 15, TUESDAY

12:00 pm... Robert Biletnikoff / Sue Ferachi
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 / Anthony
"Tinker" and Rita Farris / Tyler Craig, Betty and Gene
Craig, Barbara Sonnier / A.J. and Margaret Bologna /
Joe and Jenny Serio, John and Jackie Kenaley, Paula
Lebaron / Hallie Pfefferle / Mary McCowan / Olivia
Frank Lamonica / Mary Nguyen / Lawrence Berry /
Keith, Gene & Nancy Guidroz / Bob Ourso / Francis
Xavier Le / Gladys Green / Tommy Humphreys / Billy
Humphreys / Donna Brian / SPECIAL INTENTIONS:
Charlie Valluzzo / The poor souls in Purgatory

APRIL 16, WEDNESDAY

8:00 am Jack Kellerman 12:00 pm... Valerie Coyle

APRIL 17, HOLY THURSDAY

6:00 pm..... Debbie Gwin / Lucien Branch, Jr. / Mary Bowman / Mary Ann Fasullo / SPECIAL INTENTIONS: Priests, Seminarians and Deacons / Azélie Schiro

APRIL 18, GOOD FRIDAY

8:00 am No Mass 12:00 pm... No Mass

Sanctuary Light Memorials
The sanctuary light in the church
burns this week in memory of

Sue Ferachi

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

Paul Catalanatto

In Sympathy to the Family of:

- Alexander Trenier
- Emma Gardiner Norris
- Michael Brown
- Sandy Bertman
- Rachel Drago Wall
- Dickie Hamilton
- Ted Donaldson
- Marianne Steintrager
- Sammy W. DiVincenti
- Audrey Brown
- Coralie Savoie

New Details!

PARISH EGG HUNT

Prizes, pictures with the Easter Bunny, and a picnic lunch on the lawn!

When: Saturday, April 26th 10-11:30 am

Who: Toddlers - 3rd Grade

Where: Lower School Playground

*rain option Parish Activity Center



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 April 12th & April 13th					
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					
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Lectors					
G LaLonde 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 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:

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

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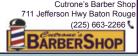
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