



# MERCY ALIVE

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These are the ones who, living in the flesh,  
planted the Church with their blood;  
they drank the chalice of the Lord  
and became the friends of God.

- ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

## THIS WEEK

### SATURDAY JUNE 28

8:00 am.....Daily Mass  
8:30 am.....Dominus Project  
4:00 pm.....Daily Mass

### SUNDAY JUNE 29

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

### MONDAY JUNE 30

8:00 am .....Daily Mass  
12:00 pm .....Daily Mass  
12:00 pm.....Catholic in Recovery-*St. Gabriel*

### TUESDAY JULY 1

8:30 am.....Rosary Makers-*Coffee Shop*  
12:00 pm.....Daily Mass  
6:00 pm.....Daily Mass & Novena  
6:00 pm.....Middle School Bible Study  
7:00 pm.....Charismatic Prayer Group-*St. Gabriel*

### WEDNESDAY JULY 2

8:00 am .....Daily Mass  
12:00 pm .....Daily Mass

### THURSDAY JULY 3

6:00 am .....TMIY  
8:00 am .....Daily Mass  
9:30 am .....Moms and Tots  
12:00 pm .....Daily Mass  
12:45 pm .....Church Tour with Fred  
6:30 pm .....High School Bible Study-*JPII House*

### FRIDAY JULY 4

7:30 am .....First Friday Devotional  
8:00 am .....Daily Mass  
12:00 pm .....Daily Mass

## 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)

## On the Cover

Mercy Faithful Mark and Tina LaHaye are seated on the sanctuary steps following the baptism of their newest granddaughters, Alice Bordelon and Lilian Pfefferle. In the photo, from left to right, are Tina and Mark, Marie, Abigail, Alice, and Lilian, followed by Patrick, and Mark.

"Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the holy Spirit,"

- Matthew 28:19

## Welcome Fr. Steve Rodrigues!



## Altar Flower Memorial

The Altar Flowers the weekend of Corpus Christi were given in loving memory of



## Ethel Delage

## Eternal Rest onto Her



SOLEMNITY OF SAINTS PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES

## DAILY PRAYER THIS WEEK

It can sometimes take great amounts of courage to follow Jesus. So easily can our being "Christian" be taken for granted that the foundational meaning of what it means to follow Him gets lost in the hype, or even popularity, of being a Christian. We can so easily, and often justifiably, get so caught up in our daily routine that taking time to consider the question of "Why do I follow Christ?" gets postponed until I have more time.

This week, we can find those times in our day where we have down time, no matter how little, and consider this question. We can first be grateful for this time offered, and rejoice in this call of Christ to follow where He has gone. "Lord, thank you for knowing me, and calling me down your path." As we become more comfortable finding these niches in our day, anywhere from in the shower, the commute to work, or the mid-morning coffee break, we can reflect on this call to follow and be grateful that not only have we been called, but we have been given the gifts necessary to fulfill that call. "...just as you have given me the grace to desire and offer this, so may you also give me the grace to fulfill it." (From the Vows of the Society of Jesus)

A great temptation is to consider that we are not worthy to follow in this call of Jesus. We may be aware of things we have done or people we have wronged that might "disqualify" us from following Jesus as we think he intends. The week is a wonderful opportunity to reflect upon His words as we realize that "I desire mercy, not sacrifice. I did not come to call the righteous but sinners." We can rejoice in the heartfelt knowledge that no matter how unworthy we may feel, we are beloved children of God and have been called to a place in His Kingdom.

At the end of each day, we can spend a few moments in thanks. Grateful that we have been called, and grateful that we have been given the gifts necessary to heed that call. We can rejoice in the knowledge that we are amidst brothers and sisters that share that call, and that we all have a place in the Kingdom of God.

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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.

Each Family is, a "domestic church." Each family is the first and most fundamental place where faith is received, nurtured, and brought to maturity. The Dominus Project, an endeavor of Franciscan Missionaries of Our Lady University, exists to help families encourage each other in holiness.

**Join us BELOW!**

# PARENTING, A SPIRITUAL ENDEAVOR

**SEMINAR**

**SATURDAY, JUNE 28TH**  
OLOM PARISH ACTIVITY CENTER

MASS AT 8:00 AM

DOORS OPEN AT 8:30 AM

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## Dr. Holly Taylor Coolman

Holly Taylor Coolman is the author of *Parenting, The Complex and Beautiful Vocation of Raising Children*.

She teaches Theology at Providence College. Her areas of expertise include Christian accounts of Judaism, as well as the family, especially adoption. She and her husband have five children, and she is the grandmother of the smartest and most beautiful toddler in the world.



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## ANNUAL PROPAGATION OF THE FAITH

### **MISSION APPEAL** **July 5th and 6th**

Father Doug May, will be at Mercy for the annual missionary appeal. The second collection is for the Maryknoll Fathers and Brothers. Anyone wishing to donate by check please make the check payable to Our Lady of Mercy Church and include For Maryknoll on the memo line. We welcome Father Doug May, who will speak at all the Masses on July 5 and 6. Maryknoll is the popular name for the Catholic Foreign Mission Society of America, which was founded in 1911 to follow Christ's command to preach the Gospel to all the nations. Maryknoll Serves principally among the poor in places where the Church is little known and often in great need.



Father Doug May

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### **ATTENTION SUNDAY 7 AM MORNING** **MASS FAITHFUL**

Additional volunteers are needed for the role of lectors and commentators at the 7 am mass on Sunday morning. While we are very grateful to our present lectors and commentators, a few more volunteers are needed to assist. If God is calling you to this important ministry, please contact Deacon Grant or Father Cleo.  
Thank you for your participation.



## PARISH LIFE

### Coming Soon! Mass Intentions 2026

Our Lady of Mercy will be offering an online scheduling platform for Mass Intentions starting in 2026. This new option to schedule 2026 Masses will be available on our website in the very near future. We appreciate your understanding and patience during the completion of the online system. We anticipate opening up Mass Intentions for 2026 by July 9th. Once we start accepting Mass Intentions for next year, you will have the option to continue to make them in the traditional way as well.

**Stay tuned for more details and updates!**  
**God Bless our beloved dead and grant our prayers and intentions!**

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## PARISH LIFE

### Adoration Chapel

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Urgent Needs:

**Friday, 5:00 PM**

**Sunday, 6:00 PM**

**Thursday, 3:00 AM**

Please Contact Michelle Schroeder  
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## Note of Appreciation from Fr. Tony Russo

I wish to send my heartfelt thanks and gratitude to Fr. Cleo, the deacons, all the great Mercy staff and Rocco Moreau and the Men's ACTS Retreat team for the most excellent 25th Priesthood Anniversary Celebration on Pentecost Sunday - June 8, 2025.

My entire extended family and I will be reminded for years to come of so many dear friends in the Diocese and especially at Our Lady of Mercy Parish.



**GOD BLESS YOU ALL!!!**

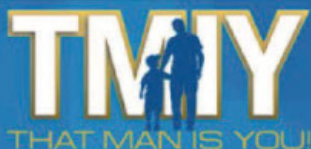
**HIP HIP HURRAY!!!**

# Called By Faith

Women's Bible Study

## MYSTERIES of the ROSARY — The Glorious Mysteries —

**Join Called By Faith to explore The Mysteries of the Rosary. This 6 week video series will focus on the Glorious Mysteries. No registration necessary! Meet in the Parish Activity Center on Tuesdays at 10 am beginning July 8th.**



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### **The Wild Goose**

**The Wild Goose is a video series with Fr. Dave Pivonka on discovering a deeper understanding and relationship with the Holy Spirit**

**Every Thursday Morning**

**6:00 am Breakfast**

**6:30 am Presentation**

**7:00 am Small Group**

**7:30 am Finished**

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## **A PRAYER FOR PROTECTION DURING HURRICANE SEASON**

O God, Master of this passing world, hear the humble voice 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 from all harm, whether natural or made by human hand, and walk safely in His footsteps until we reach our heavenly home.

Amen

**Our Lady of Prompt Succor, hasten to help us!**

Please Note: The crowns on the statue of Our Lady of Prompt Succor are currently being refinished. If you would like to donate to their replating restoration please call the church office.



## IN REMEMBRANCE

### Mass Intentions

#### JULY 5, SATURDAY

8:00 am ..... Mollie Barbara Helm / SPECIAL INTENTIONS: Barbara Mahoney Helm  
4:00 pm ..... Mr. and Mrs. Myles Morrison / Henry Carson McKowen / Mark P. Johnson / Aimee Planchard / Mary Rose Planchard / Johnson Kadair / Wendy Keyser / Bonnie Walker Holliday, Susan Walker Levasseur / Louis McHardy, Gordon Fisher / Aileen Lowe / Alex Spano / Dominic & Rose Graphia / Mary Levatino / Joe Bologna & Family / Tullio Saffiotti / Nancy Valluzzo / Bill Auten / Clyde & Violet David / Eugene & Margie Andre / Anna Casso & Audrey Brown / John Carmena / Dr. Clifton T. Morris, Jr. / Francis Xavier Le / Howard Kidder Jr. / Peggy Werner / Bob Ourso / Joseph Leonard Timothy "Tim" Lamonica / Donna Brian / Carl and Barbara Guidry / Jack Kellerman / Ted Donaldson / Coralie Savoie, Luke Savoie, Melissa Margaret Mary Savoie / May Battard / Eva & Joe Urdiales / Paul Burton / Diana Miller / Maureen Miller / SPECIAL INTENTIONS: The Adams Family / The Morrison Family / Fr. Cleo Milano & priests, seminarians and deacons / Vocations to the priesthood / Shannon Cormier & Family

#### JULY 6, SUNDAY

7:00 am..... Kyle Cassano / Ellie Sances / Donna Brian / Enrique Vitanza / SPECIAL INTENTIONS: Sam Sances  
9:00 am..... Roy Jones / Iray & Lorena Ledoux / Theresa & Nelvin Fontenot / Eva & Bruce Soileau / Augustine Kien V. Nguyen  
10:30 am... Brandon Cloutier / Percy, Ann, Paul, Chris and Susan Moise / Anna Casso / Lindley Spaht Dodson / Michael S. DiVincenti III / SPECIAL INTENTIONS: Phillip B. Eckert and Family  
12:00 pm... Raul Bencomo / Johnson Kadair / Dan & Gloria Butcher / Bob and Brenda Rickoll / SPECIAL INTENTIONS: The Thomas and Deumite Families / Beaux'n Brungart, Caitlyn, & Dagen McMorris  
6:00 pm ..... Brenda, Ellis, Enola, Luke, & Mary Fremin / Charles & Rosa Drago / Theodore "Ted" Donaldson / Bob Biletnikoff / Jerry Romero

#### JULY 7, MONDAY

8:00 am ..... John McKay / Hallie Pfefferle  
12:00 pm... Fr. Marcellus Moorman OFM / Otis James

#### JULY 8, TUESDAY

12:00 pm... Gina Bonfiglio Reinhard / Neal McConnell  
6:00 pm ..... Judy Pellerin / Lois Abadie / Coralie Savoie, Luke Savoie, Melissa Margaret Mary Savoie / Karl Raymond LaCroix / Maureen Miller

#### JULY 9, WEDNESDAY

8:00 am ..... Karl Lacroix / Wendy Keyser  
12:00 pm... Lynn Amedee / SPECIAL INTENTIONS: The Spence and Rice families

#### JULY 10, THURSDAY

8:00 am ..... Buddy Champion  
12:00 pm... Thomas Sharp / J. Roland and Claudia B. Ourso

#### JULY 11, FRIDAY

8:00 am ..... Calvin, Georgina & Curran Oubre / Wynona & Joseph Lindsly, Hiram & Ellen May  
12:00 pm... Johnson Kadair / Mervin Simon, Rose Simon, Danny Simon, Layla Simon and Tyler Clay Die / John Milton and Todd Fruge / Shirley & Joseph Zito / Lydia Julier / Gregory L. Kadair, Sr., Dorothy A. Harding, Jerry Crifasi, George A. Kadair, Sr. / Ian Wilson / Francis Xavier Le / Gladys Green / Tommy Humphreys / Billy Humphreys / Mary Elaine Matlock / Jack Kellerman / Coralie Savoie, Luke Savoie, Melissa Margaret Mary Savoie / Agnes Lamendola / Otis James / Neal McConnell / Wendy, Gary, & Kevin Keyser / SPECIAL INTENTIONS: Fr. Cleo Milano & priests, seminarians and deacons / Vocations to the priesthood / The poor souls in Purgatory

### Sanctuary Light Memorials

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

## Joseph Patrick Terrell

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

## Neil Daigle, Aline Daigle & Biaggio Genusa

### In Sympathy to the Family of:

- Don & Leah Buller
- Robert Tuminello
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Call the Church Office to make your appointment: (225) 926-1883

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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)

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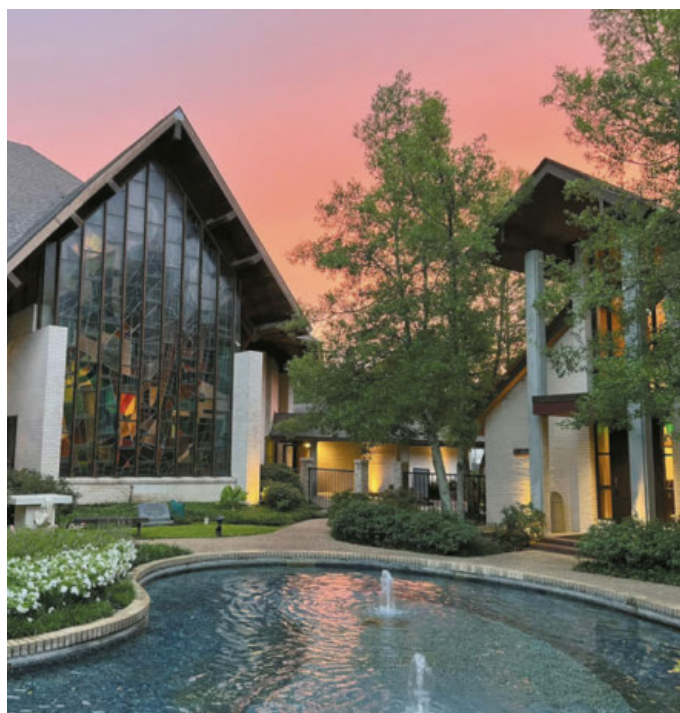
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#### Weekend of July 5th & July 6th

4:00 pm	7:00 am	9:00 am	10:30 am	12:00 pm	6:00 pm
Fr. Josh	Fr. Miles	Fr. Miles	Fr. Josh	Fr. Doug	Fr. Doug

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(Ephesians 4:2-6)



Michaelangelo - *The Creation of Adam*

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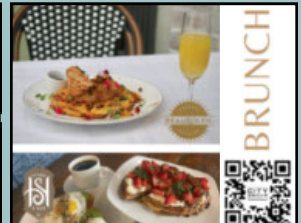
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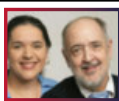
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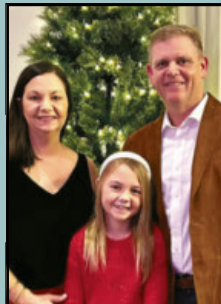


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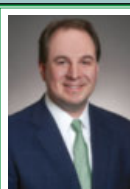
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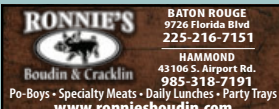
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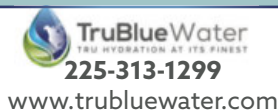
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