



Look to your covenant, O Lord, and forget not the life of your poor ones for ever.

Arise, O God, and defend your cause, and forget not the cries of those who seek you.

THIS WEEK

SATURDAY AUGUST 9

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

SUNDAY AUGUST 10

7:00 am..... Mass

9:00 am..... Mass

10:30 am..... Mass

12:00 pm..... Mass

6:00 pm.....Mass

MONDAY AUGUST 11

8:00 am Daily Mass

12:00 pm Daily Mass

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

6:30 pm.....KC Officers Meeting - SVDP Room

TUESDAY AUGUST 12

8:30 am.....Rosary Makers-Coffee Shop

10:00 am.....Called By Faith

12:00 pm.....Daily Mass

3:00 pm.....Middle School Bible Study

6:00 pm..... Daily Mass & Novena

7:00 pm...... Charismatic Prayer Group-St. Gabriel

WEDNESDAY AUGUST 13

8:00 am Daily Mass

12:00 pm Daily Mass

THURSDAY AUGUST 14

6:00 am TMIY

8:00 am Daily Mass

9:30 am Moms and Tots

12:00 pm Daily Mass

4:00 pm......Assumption Vigil Mass

6:00 pm..... Assumption Vigil Mass

6:30 pm High School Bible Study-JPII House

FRIDAY AUGUST 15

8:00 am Assumption Mass

9:30 am Assumption Mass (School)

12:00 pmAssumption Mass

Prayer LINE

For Prayer Line requests, contact: Ms. Genie Ogden: (225) 293-2367 or Ms. Carroll Benedetto at wlb14@aol.com or (225)241-0400

On the Cover

Honoring the Blessed Mother for the Feast of the Assumption, Brenna Evans and Louis LeBlanc mark this speical Feast with flowers for the Virgin Mary assumed into heaven Body and Soul, Queen of Heaven and Earth.

O'Mary concevied without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee!

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.

Morning Rosary at Mercy

The Holy Rosary is prayed in church daily at 7:30 am. On Tuesday mornings there is no Mass, but please join the ACTS men and women in praying the Holy Rosary at 7:45 am. Everyone is invited.



SOLEMNITY OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY BODY AND SOUL INTO HEAVEN

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION
Thursday, August 14

4:00 pm Vigil 6:00 pm Vigil

Friday, August 15 8:00 am 9:30 am (School Mass) 12:00 noon **OUR LADY OF MERCY YOUTH, FAMILY AND PSR MINISTRIES PRESENTS:**



KICK-OFF

Family Picnic

SUNDAY AUGUST

IN EMMANUEL HALL 1-3 PM

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MERCY'S



CONFIRMATION ORIENTATION

WHO

Current 10th + 11th graders with 1 parent/guardian

WHEN

MONDAY, AUG 18 6-7:30p in the Church

CANDIDATES

Session 1:

AUG 24 6p Mass

+ **7-8:30p** (PAC)

WHAT'S DUE?

- Online Registration Form (includes \$50 Registration Fee)
- Copy of Baptismal
 Certificate
- Retreat Option Form

Rev. Fr. Cleo Milano, parishioners and friends,

As my time here comes to a close, I want to share my gratitude before I return to India on August 18, 2025. I am deeply thankful to each one of you for the warm welcome you've extended to me every summer during my two-month stay. Your hospitality, faith, family spirit, delicious food, and sense of fun have truly made this place feel like home.



OLOM is a remarkable parish—a true "shrine," in my view—where people come from all directions seeking the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Masses, Anointing of the sick, and spiritual guidance. The Perpetual Adoration Chapel stands as a profound attraction, drawing many to bask in God's love and peace. The school is equally special, offering a nurturing environment that is second to none.

I am particularly grateful to Fr. Cleo Milano, the dynamic and visionary pastor, whose meticulous planning has made all the difference in the parish's growth and success. I also want to extend my heartfelt congratulations to Fr. Josh Zelden on his recent ordination to the priesthood. His enthusiasm and zeal are a great blessing to this community.

Thank you all for your kind invitations to share breakfast, lunch, and dinner together. Your generosity and hospitality have been a gift that I will always cherish. Your prayers and support have been a source of strength to me, and I ask that you continue to pray for my missionary work in India. I also kindly ask for your support in the education of seminarians through your "love offerings." As Scripture reminds us, "God loves a cheerful giver," and I am profoundly grateful for your continued cheerful giving and sacrifices.

I assure you of my humble prayers and blessings: "May the Lord bless and keep you, may He let His face shine upon you, and be gracious to you, and give you His peace."

For those wishing to contribute, checks can be made out to "OLOM Church" with "Fr. Steve's Mission" in the memo line.

With deep gratitude and prayers,

Fr. Steve Rodrigues, OFM Cap.

PARISH LIFE

MAGNIFICAT - A MINISTRY TO CATHOLIC WOMEN

Saturday, August 23rd 9:00 am - 12:00 pm Oak Lodge Reception Center

You are invited to a Prayer Breakfast with speaker Casey Sprehe. Please join us for our next Prayer Breakfast, August 23rd, 2025 from 9:00 am - 12:00pm at Oak Lodge Reception Center.

For more information or to register online, go to MagnificatAug2025.Eventbrite.com or contact Dianne Lencse at 225-235-3021 or Gwen Gillis at 225-505-7050.

A Ministry to Catholic Women

Grief Support Group

SEASON OF HOPE

Are you grieving the loss of a loved one? You are not alone.

Our Lady of Mercy will soon offer Seasons of Hope, a Christ-centered support group for those mourning the death of someone they love. Rooted in scripture, prayer and community, this six-week series offers spiritual comfort and healing in a safe and supportive environment.

🚃 Begins Wednesday, September 3

6:00 p.m. in the PAC

Open to all parishioners and community members

Stay tuned for sign-up details and more information in the coming weeks.

Whether your loss is recent or long ago, Seasons of Hope is here to walk with you.

The Hallow App is coming to Mercy August 15th

Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

What is the Hallow App?

Through prayer and meditation rooted in the Catholic faith, Hallow helps people find peace and grow in faith, every day. As the #1 prayer app in the world, Hallow provides a wide variety of audio-guided meditation, prayer challenges, mental health content, sleep stories, and sacred music. Pray with Fr. Mike, Sr. Miriam, Jonathan Roumie, Mark Wahlberg, Immaculee Illibagiza, Bishop Barron, + many others.

How do I access Hallow?

Everyone is invited to be a part of our parish community page. There, you can create a profile, add friends, share/respond to prayer intentions, and take part in prayer challenges with the parish.

If you are already on Hallow with a premium account, follow these steps or scan the QR code below to join the parish community:

- 1. Open the Hallow app.
- 2. Find Community tab (bottom of screen).
- 3. Search for your parish by name or zip code.
- 4. Tap "Join Parish".
- 5. Start praying!

If you are already on Hallow with a free account, follow these steps or scan the QR code below to join the parish community:

- 1. Go to Hallow.com/Parish.
- 2. Find your parish by name or zip code.
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- 4. Follow the steps to get access to the for a Hallow premium account. You can opt out of this and choose to be on the free version by selecting "skip".
- 5. Once the above is complete, download the app, tab on the "Community" tab, and start praying!

If you are new to Hallow, follow these steps or scan the QR code to join the parish community and get access to your parish discount.

- 1. Go to Hallow.com/Parish.
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- 4. Follow the steps to get access to the discount for a Hallow premium account. You can opt out of this and choose to be on the free version by selecting "skip". It's a 20% discount and a 6-month free trial for new users. The discount is subject to variation throughout the year too, and we'll keep you posted on when it adjusts. It won't go below the 20 it'll only get better.
- 5. Once the above is complete, download the app, tab on the "Community" tab, and start praying!





If you have any issues getting someone set up on the app, please reach out to <u>parishsupport@hallow.app</u> or call the church office.

A parish wide prayer challenge will be announced soon!



IN REMEMBRANCE

Mass Intentions AUGUST 16, SATURDAY

8:00 am Maureen Mahoney Miller
4:00 pm Mary Rose Planchard / Aimee Planchard/
Johnson Kadair / Nancy Valluzzo / Bill Auten / Jerry &
Billie Fakouri / Daniel & Nelta Jarreau / Clyde & Violet
David / Anna Casso & Audrey Brown / Howard Kidder
Jr. / Peggy Werner / Bob Ourso / Carl and Barbara
Guidry / Donna Brian / Adele & Leo Heuvel / Coralie
Savoie, Luke Savoie, Melissa Margaret Mary Savoie /
Paul Burton / Diana Miller / Maurice Lasserre / Donald
Rougon / JoAnn Levatino / Rhett Lorio / SPECIAL
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and deacons / Vocations to the priesthood / Shannon
Cormier & Family

AUGUST 17, SUNDAY

7:00 am...... Kyle Cassano / Ellie Sances / Enrique Vitanza / Donald Rougon 9:00 am...... Donna Brian / Neal McConnell 10:30 am... Anna Casso / Brenda, Ellis, Enola, Luke, & Mary Fremin / Charles & Rosa Drago / Lindley Spaht Dodson / Michael S. DiVincenti III / Duane Whitty / Adrian Scallan 12:00 pm... Michael David Brown / Johnson Kadair / Theodore "Ted" Donaldson / JoAnn Levatino

6:00 pm Rene & DoLores Poirier / Jerry Romero

AUGUST 18, MONDAY

8:00 am Tony Timpa 12:00 pm... Paul Catalanatto / Cathy Reeves

AUGUST 19, TUESDAY

12:00 pm... William Ledet /Julius Juneau 6:00 pm.... Ethel Delage / Maureen Miller / Mr. and Mrs. Emmanuel Chatelain / Aimee Planchard / Michael Joseph Montagnino / Robert, Mike, Tom, & David Guessfeld / Donna Brian / Coralie Savoie, Luke Savoie, Melissa Margaret Mary Savoie / Dan & Gloria Butcher / Bob and Brenda Rickoll / Neal McConnell

AUGUST 20, WEDNESDAY

8:00 am Wade Barbay / John McKay 12:00 pm... Ruth Wemple / Ida M LeBlanc

AUGUST 21, THURSDAY

8:00 am Sean Howell / Dr. Clifford Comeaux 12:00 pm... Mary Anne Mentz / Shirley Constantin

AUGUST 22, FRIDAY

8:00 am Rosie Martina / Kathleen Samrow Deroche
12:00 pm... Johnson Kadair / Mervin Simon, Rose Simon,
Danny Simon, Layla Simon and Tyler Clay Die / Anthony J. Zito
/ Sandy Roppolo / Gregory L. Kadair, Sr., Dorothy A. Harding,
Jerry Crifasi, George A. Kadair, Sr. / Ann Alldredge / Mr. and
Mrs. Charles Mentz, Sr. and Family / Maureen Miller / Audrey
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Sanctuary Light Memorials
The sanctuary light in the church
burns this week in memory of

Rita & Anthony "Tinker" Farris

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

Lura Sharp

In Sympathy to the Family of:

- Flo Beard
- Joy Wagener
- Mary Joyce Gill Allen
- Janell Lorrain
- Catie Carson Brown
- Ann Guercio LeBlanc
- Margie Fabre
- Louise Rozier
- Vincent Anthony Cannatella
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PARISH LIFE



Join Father Cleo Milano on a 10-day Mediterranean Cruise from Rome to Venice on Silver Seas Cruise Lines. The dates of the cruise are September 14 - September 24, 2026. An informational meeting will take place with Silver Seas Representative, Betsy Burks, on <u>Tuesday, August 26 at 1:00 pm</u> in the PAC and again <u>Tuesday, August 26th at 6:00 pm</u> in the PAC. Come learn about upgrades and additional amenities. This trip is a wonderful opportunity to enjoy historical sites, beautiful scenery and relaxing times together. We will travel to Rome, Naples, Palermo Sicily, Giardini Naxos, Kotor, Montenegro, Bari, Italy, Medjugorje, Havar Croatia, Zadar, Croatia, and Venice.

Additional information and questions may be forwarded to Tootie Bonacorso at (225) 926-3752 (work) / (225) 278-7598 (cell) or by email at tootie@pearsonstravel.com.

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)

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY RADIO

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

Weekend of August 16th & August 17th					
4:00 pm	7:00 am	9:00 am	10:30 am	12:00 pm	6:00 pm
Fr. Milano	Fr. Zelden	Fr. Steve	Fr. Milano	Fr. Zelden	Fr. Zelden

MERCY MEN'S ACTS RETREAT

An ACTS Retreat is a parish-based event which offers parishioners an opportunity to experience the love of Jesus Christ through a retreat experience that begins on a Thursday evening and ends with Sunday Mass in the parish. The ACTS Retreat meets people where they are in their spiritual journey and invites them to experience God in a manner that is both personal and communal.



This experience is an opportunity for spiritual renewal and the making of many friends. Fr. Cleo invites you to prayerfully consider joining a group of men from our parish to make this spiritual retreat at The Solomon Retreat Center in Loranger, LA. The cost of the retreat is \$325 for Mercy parishioners and \$400 for non-parishioners. Double occupancy rooms are provided.

Men's Retreat - departs Mercy on Thursday, October 9th and returns for noon Mass at Mercy on Sunday, October 12th.

Registration for this retreat is NOW OPEN - olomchurch.com

For more information, contact:

Deacon Kirk Duplantis <u>kirk.duplantis@olomchurch.com</u> (225) 926-1883

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