



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.

- ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

### **THIS WEEK**

#### SATURDAY AUGUST 6

7:25 am ....First Saturday Devotion 8:00 am ....Daily Mass 3:00-3:45 pm.....Confessions 4:00 pm ....Vigil Mass

#### SUNDAY AUGUST 7

7:00 am.....Mass 9:00 am.....Mass (Nursery & Bible School) 10:30 am.....Mass (Nursery & Bible School) 12:00 pm....Mass 6:00 pm....Mass

#### **MONDAY AUGUST 8**

8:00 am .... Daily Mass
12:00 pm .... Daily Mass
6:30 pm .... KC Officers Meeting
7:00 pm .... St. Vincent de Paul-St. Jerome

#### **TUESDAY AUGUST 9**

8:30 am .... Rosary Makers-Coffee Shop 12:00 am..... Daily Mass 6:00 pm .... Daily Mass & Novena 7:00 pm .... Charismatic Prayer-St. Gabriel

#### WEDNESDAY AUGUST 10

8:00 am ....Daily Mass 11:30 am ....Courageous Women 12:00 pm ....Daily Mass

#### THURSDAY AUGUST 11

8:00 am ....Daily Mass 12:00 pm ....Daily Mass 6:30 pm ....High School Bible Study-JPII House

#### FRIDAY AUGUST 12

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 <u>wlb14@aol.com</u>

#### Second COLLECTION

Parish Maintenance Fund



### SOLEMNITY OF THE ASSUMPTION HOLY DAY

Celebrate the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary with us on

### Monday, August 15 8:00 am 12:00 noon

#### On the COVER "Let the little children come to me"

Celebrating Baby Oliver Williams' Baptism with cousins & siblings. Baby Oliver is the son of Mercy faithful, Mary Kate & Brock Williams.

From left to right bottom row: Rose Williams, Annie Williams, Elizabeth Williams, Mabel Williams, Oliver Williams, Grace Williams, Fields Williams & Adele Kline

Standing up back row: William Kline & Everett Kline

# **BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS**



Bring your child's backpack to Mass and receive a special blessing to begin a great new school year!

### 9 & 10:30 Mass - Sunday, August 7th

Blessed are you, Lord God, Creator of body and mind and heart; You have sent the Spirit of wisdom and knowledge to guide your people in all their ways.

At the beginning of this new school year, we implore your mercy: Bless the students, teachers, and staff of Our Lady of Mercy Catholic School, that together we may grow in faith, hope, and love as we learn from you and each other how to follow your Son Jesus.

Expand the horizons of our minds, that we may grow in wisdom, understanding, and knowledge; deepen our commitment to seek the truth of your ways; and enliven our faith to reach out to those in need.

We now ask for You to bless the backpacks used by our students this year. They will hold their best work, and occasionally their neglected or rushed work too. They will carry their successes and their struggles; they will carry their treasures and their mistakes. May their backpacks remind them of your invitation to grow and learn in every situation.

We ask You to make our School and Parish family like these backpacks – ready to graciously carry each other's successes and failures, whenever each occasion may arise. As our children carry their backpacks to and from school each day, may they be reminded of Your love, care, and protection. May the straps of their backpacks remind them of Your loving embrace, securely wrapped around them as they go.

We pray all of this in the name of Jesus, our Teacher, this and every year. Glory and praise to you, Lord God, in the Church and in Christ Jesus forever and ever.

Amen.

Our Lady of Mercy, pray for us!

### **PARISH LIFE**

### **IMPORTANT CANDLE NEWS**

One of the most beautiful aspects of Our Lady of Mercy is the traditional votive candles at each of the statues. Lighting a candle is a beautiful and symbolic gesture of our prayer intention before the Lord. While we cannot remain in church all day, the lit candle is a symbol of our prayer intention ever before God.

Due to the rising inflationary costs of transportation, the cost of candles are rising as well. Please note that the small vigil lights will now be \$2 per candle. The candles in the



stands will remain at \$5, however, they are a smaller 3-day candle. The larger 5-day candle is available now in the Church Office for \$7. Please be reminded that all candle donations are on the honor system. Donations from the candles are used to purchase hosts, altar wine, and other liturgical items used at Holy Mass and special liturgies. Thank you for understanding.



### Summer is here!

# Don't forget to keep Mercy between your gas and electric bill.

A strong parish is important for our Diocese and City

#### Called to Action

### PARISH LIFE

### MAGNIFICAT

A Ministry to Catholic Women Prayer Breakfast

Speaker: Ms. Michelle Seghers

Please join us for our next Prayer breakfast, August 20, 2022 from 9:00 am - 12:00 pm at Oak Lodge Conference Center in Baton Rouge.

The music ministry of Mercy Beaucoup will lead us in Praise & Worship.

About our speaker: Michelle Seghers: Beginning with her



childhood, Michelle was blessed with numerous amazing experiences, instilling within her an early love for the Lord and His Church. She married Jimmy Seghers. They planned to sail around the world, but God had other plans for them. They had nine children, all home schooled. They founded "Totus Tuus Ministries" leading them back to Southern Louisiana. Michele has ministered within the church community in a wide variety of ways over the years. Currently she works as the Event Coordinator for Magnificat. Michelle has spent her life helping to build the Kingdom of God.

Register online here: <u>https://bit.ly/MagBRAug2022</u>

For more information, contact: Ms. Gwen Gillis johngg224@gmail.com (225) 505-7050

### **RCIA ~ RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS**

RCIA is an educational and liturgical process for all adults with no religious background or a religious background different from Catholicism who would like to learn more about the Catholic Church or for those with a Catholic background who would like to receive Eucharist and/or Confirmation.

Come check out the Mercy RCIA Program and see if it may be right for you at our informational meeting



Monday, September 12th at 6:00 pm in the Parish Activity Center.

You can also register ahead of time through the Church website at: <u>https://olomchurch.com/rcia/</u>

## *For more information, contact:* Deacon Kirk Duplantis

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### **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 \$275 per double occupancy room for Mercy parishioners and \$350 for non-parishioners.

Men's Retreat - departs Mercy on Thursday, October 27th and returns for noon Mass at Mercy on Sunday, October 30th.

# Registration for this retreat opens August 8th olomchurch.com

#### Called to Prayer

### IN REMEMBRANCE

#### Mass Intentions AUGUST 13, SATURDAY

8:00 am ..... Paul Catalanatto 4:00 pm ..... Plauche & Dufour Families / Bruce Hilbrecht / Tommy Simmons / Ellie Sances / William Auten / Nancy Valluzzo / Robert E. Wiemer, Sr. / Paul G. Werling / Peggy Werner / Clyde & Violet David / Carl Leonard / Mary Lynn Rainach / Francis Xavier Le and Pour Souls / Sister Betty Lyons / Matthew Pepper / Mark Martin / Anna Chuc Ngo / Shannon Cormier and family / Pat Wilklow / LeBlanc, Landry, Cangelosi and Rizzutto Families / Josie Ruffino / **SPECIAL INTENTIONS**: Stevie Guillory, Shannon Rougeau / Grandchildren & Great Grandchildren of the Charles Valluzzo Family / Fran Bussie

#### AUGUST 14, SUNDAY

7:00 am..... Manuel F. Gan / Kyle Cassano 9:00 am..... Marie Tullier / Byron Smith / Paul Catalanatto / Marilyn Bourgeois / Thad Bourque 10:30 am... Scott Litz & Frank Messina, Jr. / Brenda Fremin / Vito Impastato / Neil J. Daigle / Mary Planchard / SPECIAL INTENTION: Lindsey Sharp Perniciaro 12:00 pm.... Thomas & Deumite Families / Deacon & Mrs. Gene Brady / Paul Maranto / JoAnn Doyle / Dr. Clifton T. Morris, Jr. 6:00 pm..... Marvin Landry, II

#### AUGUST 15, MONDAY

8:00 am ..... Debbie Gwin 12:00 pm... Francis C. Pellegrin & Verline Pellegrin, Kenny Pellegrin / Ray Jones / Philip Chauvin Family / Joseph V. Zito / Dorothy Bueche Stevens / Brian Jeffrey Dawson / Charles Bourgeois / **SPECIAL INTENTION**: Emma Steele

#### AUGUST 16, TUESDAY

12:00 pm... Etta Mouille 6:00 pm.... George Mervin Simon, Rose Simon & Danny Simon / Selden & Grace Tibbetts / Saizan, Baynard, Hendry & Cowan Families / Mary Lynn Rainach / For the Poor Souls in Purgatory / Tyler Clay Die / Susan and Frank Chang / Anna Chuc Ngo / SPECIAL INTENTION: The Covington Family / For All our Diocesan Priest

#### AUGUST 17, WEDNESDAY

8:00 am ..... Paul Maranto 12:00 pm... Paul Catalanatto

#### AUGUST 18, THURSDAY

8:00 am ..... Martin S. Rinaudo, Jr. 12:00 pm... Melissa Margaret Mary Savoie

#### AUGUST 19, FRIDAY

8:00 am ..... Francis Xavier Le & One Soul in Purgatory 12:00 pm... Brown, Eiswirth, Schmitt & Clark Families / George A. Kadair, Sr. / Carol Louise Kais / Mary Lynn Rainach / Rohan Lafleur / Mark Martin / For the One Soul in Purgatory / Carl Dalbor, Jr./ Anna Chuc Ngo / SPECIAL INTENTION: Fr. Cleo Milano

#### Sanctuary Light Memorials

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

#### **René Joseph Tullier**

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

#### **Debbie Gwin**

In Sympathy to the Families of:

- Fr. Bob Marcel
- Jose Mendoza Shelby
- Clara Milano
- Geraldine Capone
- Rita Colleen
   Peak

**Robert** 

Mike Crowell

#### MERCY PRAYS

Layne Arceneaux Robert Blaha Patricia Bonnette Ronnie Bourgeois, Sr. Francisco Castellanos Darryl Cazes Suzanne Chaudoir Sonya Bueche Chauvin Joseph & Rita Corsentino Gordon Craig Randy Craig Pete Crifasi Jack Crittenden Donald Dawson Nicholas Foster Michael Franco Julie Hannie

Warren Knecht Sid Lawton Kaje & Lindsey Manda Jason Martin Steve Michel **Kevin Minor** Luke Mumfrey Paul O'Kelly Anthony Pizzolato Betsy Pizzolato Margarita Santos Ann Soike Ann Thibodeaux Jim Thompson **Bart Tullier** Dana Vidrine Karen & Wayne Watson

#### Called to Prayer

### PARISH LIFE



# PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION

#### **PSR QUICK FACTS**

- Open to students grades 1-10 who do not attend Catholic school
- PSR is required for a minimum of 2 yrs before receiving a Sacrament
- There are 2 tracks: children's program (grades 1-7) and a teen program (grades 8-10)

Children's PSR: tori.labelle@olomchurch.com Teen PSR: michaelyn.mcginnis@olomchurch.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)

#### **ON CAMPUS RADIO**

87.9 FM Listen to Mercy's Daily Masses live

#### 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 13th & 14th					
4:00 pm*	7:00 am*	9:00 am	10:30 am	12:00 pm	6:00 pm
Fr. Milano	Fr. Milano	Fr. Milano	Fr. Milano	Bishop Muench	Fr. Russo
L McCann J Stalls N Krzystowczyk C Abshire M Downing	B Babin A Haywood T Penouilh P Samrow J Pastorek	Deacon Grant J Harrison R Huber M Huber P Tullier	Deacon Grant T Grant J Smith Deacon Duplantis R Cooney	Deacon Duplantis P Thomas M Nodier A Nodier B Beale	G Bertrand D Smith T DeJohn B Avery K Walker
Lectors					
A August G Lalonde	E White A Wilson S Darensbourg	D Deshotels C Lee	D Massad M Massad	M Kimble K Kimble	C Steele E Pavlovich
Altar Servers					
M Arias (C) R Guillot K Allen	G Samrow (C)	J Harrison (C) A Stroud C Raemsch	R Cooney (C) M Romero J Romero	G Anderson (C) E Altazan M Collier	K Walker (C) L Shoriak S Rebaldo
The complete Ministry Schedule is published on our website at www.olomchurch.com. Called to serve? Contact Deacon Grant to volunteer for liturgical ministry					

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\*These liturgies are celebrated without incense.

The live-stream of the 12:00 noon Daily Mass can be found on the church website at www.olomchurch.com and youtube.com/olombr. The Sunday 10:30 am Holy Mass can be found on WBRZ+; olomchurch.com; and youtube.com/olombr.

### **COLUMBARIUM GARDEN OF PEACE**

### FINAL RESTING PLACE IN SACREDNESS, DIGNITY, AND RESPECT

The Garden of Peace and Memorial Columbarium provides a sacred and beautiful place for the inurnment of cremains in accordance with the Church's instructions.

As cremation continues to increase in popularity, the need to bury the ashes of cremated individuals is also increasing. The Garden of Peace is a peaceful and prayerful site on the campus of Our Lady of Mercy Catholic Church serving as an eternal resting place for our beloved deceased.



As you plan for your family's future needs, consider the option of cremation and burial at the Garden of Peace Memorial Columbarium. The Mercy Columbarium Garden of Peace is open to all parishioners and non-parishioners, Catholic and non-Catholic.

Columbarium niches are available in two sizes - each cremain niche holds a space for two persons. They are \$5800 for a small niche and \$8500 for larger niches.

There is no greater gift one can give to family than planning final arrangements that fulfill one's specific wishes and take the burden off of others. We would love to discuss the Columbarium with you on the phone or in person. Schedule your appointment today!

Call the Church Office to make your appointment: (225) 926-1883



