



Catholic Charities
Archdiocese of New Orleans



"Pope Francis consistently reminds us that to be followers of Jesus we must reach out to the poor and do so in a radical way. He provides for us not only words but a true example of caring for others and being a voice for those whose voice is not heard."

– Archbishop Gregory Aymond

Symposium for Systemic Change & Criminal Justice Reform **MERCY WORKS**



"The name of God is Mercy"

– Pope Francis

Friday, October 21 • 9am-2pm
St. Agnes Church

THEMES FOR REFLECTION AND PLANNING:

- **Advocating Justice: Legislative Action**
- **Creating Community: Organizing for Justice**
- **Civic Engagement of Student Leaders**
- **Serving the Least of These: Outreach and Charity**

***Everyone is invited to attend a pre-symposium Mass at 8 AM.
Archbishop Gregory Aymond will be the celebrant.***

FEATURED SPEAKERS:

Archbishop Gregory Aymond

Archdiocese of New Orleans

Kenneth Polite

U.S. Attorney General Eastern District of Louisiana

Robert M. Tasman, Esq.

Louisiana Conference of Catholic Bishops

Rhett Covington

Louisiana Department of Public Safety and Corrections

Andrea James & Topeka Sam

National Council for Incarcerated and Formerly Incarcerated Women and Girls

Syrta Steib-Martin & Victoria Wylie
Operation Restoration

Fox Rich

Foundation 4 Mercy

Dr. Nia Haydel

Academic Center for Excellence

Dillard University

Wayne Vedeckis & Michael Acaldo

Society of St. Vincent de Paul Baton Rouge

Deacon Rudy Rayfield

Society of St. Vincent de Paul New Orleans

Tom Costanza

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