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The Church's first truth is the love of Christ. Consequently, wherever the Church is present, the mercy of the Father must be evident. In our parishes, communities, associations and movements, in a word, wherever there are Christians, everyone should find an oasis of mercy.

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*And now I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. John 13: 34*

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The announcement of God's mercy does not take the form of spoken or written words. God's mercy must be visible in every action and situation of the Church. Our parishes, schools and agencies must be places which conduct themselves so as to be beacons of mercy.

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