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Monthly Reflection with Pope Francis (An excerpts from *A Year of Mercy: Inspiring Words* from Pope Francis, edited by Diane M. Houdek and published by Franciscan Media.)

Servant of Christ's Love

The Church's first truth is the love of Christ. The Church makes herself a servant of this love and mediates it to all people: a love that forgives and expresses itself in the gift of oneself.

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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