

# HIDDEN MERCY

with Michael O'Loughlin

AIDS, Catholics, and the Untold Stories  
of Compassion in the Face of Fear

**Saturday, March 5, 7:30pm**



St. Thomas More Church | 636 W. Ponce de Leon Ave., Decatur, GA 30030

**RSVP at [bit.ly/hiddenmercy](https://bit.ly/hiddenmercy)**

*In person and livestreamed*



The height of the AIDS crisis in the United States in the 1980s and 1990s left many profound stories that remained untold. Journalist Michael O'Loughlin will speak about his new book, *Hidden Mercy: AIDS, Catholics, and the Untold Stories of Compassion in the Face of Fear*, as he uncovers the stories of Catholics who at great personal cost chose compassion during the AIDS crisis. O'Loughlin offers a compelling picture of those who responded to human suffering with mercy, offering insights for LGBTQ and other people of faith struggling to find a home in religious communities today.

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**MICHAEL J. O'LOUGHLIN** is an award-winning journalist and the national correspondent for America Media. He is the host of the podcast *Plague: Untold Stories of AIDS and the Catholic Church*, recommended by The New York Times and featured on NPR. Prior to joining America magazine, O'Loughlin was a national reporter for The Boston Globe. He has written for The Atlantic, The Washington Post, Foreign Policy, National Catholic Reporter, and The Advocate and has been featured on MSNBC, Fox News, ABC, CBS, and NPR. He lives in Chicago.