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Bell repair needed? *Just call the firefighters*

■ STAFF REPORT

Our firefighters have been known as “jacks of all trades” for many years, as they’ve helped perform tasks that range from helping with the fireworks to retrieving cats from trees (yes, it really happened), giving sick and injured sea turtles stretcher rides off the beach, unlocking cars and now ... helping the bells to ring again.



The bell at Our Lady of Mercy Catholic Church was out of commission the past two weekends due to the bell rope falling off the pulley system. But

as of Tuesday, Oct. 17 it is ringing again, because the Fire Department repaired it.

Pictured above are Father Anthony Hewitt, Our Lady of Mercy Pastor, with District Chief Lee Cooper. Just below, Firefighter Alex Moore (on the ground) and Firefighter Casey Taylor (on the truck) and



(at bottom) the Our Lady of

Mercy steeple bell being attended to by Firefighter Alex Moore.

According to Richard Maxson, who supplied the photos and



information, the Church said they are immensely grateful for the generous help of the Boca Grande Fire Department