

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church

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April 15, 2007

Second Sunday of Easter

“Blessed are they who have not seen and yet believed,” Jesus says in today’s Gospel. For those who have not seen to believe, however, we must be good stewards of our faith, living it joyfully and sharing it generously. Then, in our time too, “men and women in great numbers” will be “added to the Lord.”

The State of Alaska, Office of the Long Term Care Ombudsman, OLTCO, is seeking volunteers to visit older Alaskans in long term care settings. Volunteers will complete 24 hours of comprehensive training, prior to assignments, to be able to provide information on resident rights and assist elders in problem-solving and self-advocacy. Trained volunteers will arrange visits to fit their schedules.

The next training series will be held in Kenai in the:
 Kenai Public Health Conference Room
 630 Barnacle Way
 6:00 pm—10:00 pm
 Tuesday, Wednesday, & Thursday
 May 15, 16, 17, and 22, 23, 24

All six sessions must be attended. To secure space in this training your application must be received by **April 30th**. Applications are available on-line at www.akoltco.org or by calling 1-800-730-6393.

See Bulletin Board for more info.

The special collection this weekend will benefit the Catholic Communication Campaign (CCC), the Catholic University of America and the *Catholic Anchor*. Through the CCC, the US Bishops fund media programming, projects and resources that promote Gospel values and foster the pastoral teachings of the Catholic Church. (Feel free to browse www.usccb.org/ccc to get movie reviews and other information regarding books, radio and television features.) Your gift to this collection also helps provide student scholarships at the Catholic University of America, the national university of the Catholic Church in the United States. In addition, this collection helps fund the costs to publish and distribute the *Catholic Anchor*, or Archdiocesan newspaper — mailed free of charge to all registered parishioners of our Archdiocese. Please give generously to this special collection.

Faith Formation Classes will meet this week at the usual times.

Catechists meeting is on April 16th at 5:30pm in the Hall.

A high school retreat for students in the Soldotna/Kenai parishes has been planned for the upcoming Thursday evening-Friday. We will gather at the Tanglewood Bed and Breakfast for the event. Father Frank will join us for the retreat as we reflect on Responding to Social Justice/Hunger. Please see Marlys, Janet, or Connie for specific questions.

ACYC forms are available in the foyer. This is a fun gathering of the young church for four days in Anchorage. The dates are June 4-7. Any questions, please ask Marlys or Janet.

You are invited to a planning session for Vacation Bible School for this summer. I would like to try a new format which would be more flexible with several dates during the summer for one day camps, on different topics, with different facilitators. If you would like to help in any way, please come Monday, April 23rd to O’Neill hall at 1pm.

“In Thanksgiving” celebration for the First Eucharist students and guests will be Friday, April 20th at the hall. Invitations have been sent regarding the schedule. Please R.S.V.P. by Tuesday.

Reconciliation will be available from 5:30pm-6:15pm. First Eucharist will be celebrated at the 11:30 liturgy next Sunday. Please join us both for the Mass and the reception following in the hall.

EASTER LILIES MAY BE PICKED UP AFTER THE LITURGIES THIS WEEKEND

Next Friday, April 10 is the Jr. High Truth Pursuit competition at St. Benedict’s in Anchorage. Keep the team in your prayers that they may have a safe trip. For more information contact Kathy Johnson @ 776-8593.

Today in the hall Our Lady’s Bower has books & religious items for sale after Mass. If you have any questions, please call Kathy Johnson @ 776-8593.

Calendar for April 16 – April 22, 2007

April 16, Monday: There will be no Mass today

April 17, Tuesday: There will be no Mass today

April 18, Wednesday: Noon Mass

Music practice 3:15pm

St. Vincent dePaul meets, 5:30pm, O’Neill Hall

April 19, Thursday: Noon Mass

Eucharistic Adoration starts after noon Mass and is continuous until tomorrow before noon Mass

April 20, Friday: Noon Mass

Eucharistic Adoration continues from yesterday, ending before noon Mass

Children’s Play Group, 1pm, old church

April 21, Saturday: Mass, 5pm

Reconciliation, 4:00pm

April 22, Sunday: 9am and 11:30am Masses

Saturday, April 21, 2007 5:00pm	Sunday, April 22, 2007 9:00am	Sunday, April 22, 2007 11:30am
Eucharistic Ministers:		
Carm Bongiovanni	Ron O’Lena	Shirley Aleckson
Kathy Bongiovanni	Sharon Shassetz	Diane Garske
Barbara Bonk	Margaret Sill	Joan Lahndt
Joe Deveax	A. Stogsdill	Anna LaRoche
	J. Stogsdill	Ruthann Truesdell
NOTE: When Sister Joyce presides, only 1 EM is needed, shown by an *		
Lectors:		
1st reading: Carolyn Cannava	1st reading: Barbara O’Lena	1st reading: Jackie Swanson
2^{ns} reading: Dave Nelson	2nd reading: Charlie Miller	2^{ns} reading: Sheilah-Margaret Pothast
Altar Servers:		
Grey Hansen w/Mentor	Adam Agosti w/Mentor	Danny McIntosh Remy Spring
Mop & Bucket: 4/16-4/21: The Donald Dooney family		
Collection Counters 4/22: Lynn & Gene Friendshuh		

Heartfelt thanks to all those who helped make the Children's Easter Activities such a success! John, Hannah, John-Mark, Heather, Evan, Katie, Mary, Rosemary, Pat & Dennis, Marllys, Sarah, Elise & Adam, Thelma, Cyndy, Barbara, and all of you wonderful cupcake/cookie bakers extraordinaire! Many thanks to all those who donated candy for the event, as well. We had a great turnout, TONS of cupcakes, and the kids had a ball with 9 different activities to enjoy. Thank you so much for all of your help in continuing this fun parish tradition!

I will need more names for "Road Kill" as many don't answer or cannot go. Make sure you are able to dress it before signing up. Thanks, Barb Trombley.

Attention Walkers!!! It's Relay For Life time of year again. It came up fast and "they" already want t-shirt sizes, by April 16th! Please call DeeDee Garske with your t-shirt size if you plan to participate this year on June 1st and 2nd. 262-9747. Thank You!

Let's get growing!!! Kenai River Nursery is now part of our SCRIP program. \$25 gift cards are available and they will donate 5% of that gift card purchase to OLPH. Don't forget with every purchase at Kenai River Nursery they will give you six free tomato plants! Spring is here so Lets get growing-and help support OLPH!!!
