

# Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church

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**February 25, 2007**

## First Sunday of Lent

Today's first reading describes the offering of first fruits the people of Israel were to present to the Lord in thanksgiving for their deliverance from Egypt and the gift of the promised land. Is my offering at today's Mass an appropriate response to the many blessings the Lord has given me?

**OPERATION RICE BOWL** All people should be respected for their work and have the right to earn a wage adequate to support a family. Through Operation Rice Bowl giving, you help people in countries around the world start their own businesses, such as farm cooperatives or small stores, so that they may earn enough to pay for food and for their children to go to school.

**NEEDING** to purchase some break up boots? Do you need a new, warm coat? Does your husband love to wear Carharts? If you answered yes to any of these questions, please stop by the SCRIP table after Mass to purchase some gift certificates for Sweeney's—the working man's store. Mr. Sweeney will donate 5% of the gift card amount to OLPH, to help us build the new hall. Don't forget Sweeney's has what you are looking for!!

**PLEASE GIVE** generously this weekend to the **Collection for Black and Indian Missions** in the United States. Your support helps make possible programs and services in needy parishes and schools in our nation's African American and American Indian communities. Thank you for giving what you are able to share!

**AT THE ST. FRANCIS** of Assisi Awards on Tuesday night at Anchorage, we were honored to have one of our students, Rosemary Houglum receive this award. She has been an active volunteer in many ways in our parish. Please take time to congratulate her.

**TO ALL THE PARISHIONERS** who made delicious meals for the Carpenter family. We are very grateful to you all!!! Thank you for your prayers and generosity Thank you once again! -The Carpenter Family

**DURING LENT** we will be having a Children's Stations of the Cross on March 30<sup>th</sup> at 7pm. I would like to put together a children's choir for that occasion. We will be singing simple songs/responses. We will have a few rehearsals before the event. Anyone who is interested in having their child participate please contact Heather Stockton, 260-6581.

**FAITH FORMATION:** Meals are needed for the upcoming Super Wednesday nights: Please sign up on the meal sheet on the bulletin board.

**Super Wednesday classes meet this week.**

Confirmation class February 25<sup>th</sup> @ 12:45pm —meets in the Hall.

Sign-Up sheet for Friday Lenten Soup Suppers is on the bulletin board. Please consider bringing a soup to the evening meal at 5:45pm-6:45pm Fridays every week in the Hall, followed by the Stations of the Cross at 7pm. Contact person this week is Thelma, 262-9443. Donations for the meal goes to Rice Bowl.

Lenten Bible Study on Lenten Readings will begin Wednesday, February 28<sup>th</sup> @ 6pm in the Hall. Please consider this as a way to deepen your understanding of the Scripture readings and themes for Lent. This is a four week commitment of your time --

**Music Practice at 5:30pm on Monday**

**THERE IS A NEED** for wool remnants or old coats to make quilts. Please see if you have any bright colors which would work to add variety. There is a quilting activity every Thursday at 10am in the Hall. Please bring any fabric either to the store room at Church or the Hall.

**COLLEGE VOCATIONAL SCHOOL CARE** and **ENCOURAGEMENT PACKAGES.** Mothers and fathers of youngsters off to College and Vocational School are encouraged to place the name and address of the student AND your name and phone number on the SIGN-UP SHEET on the BULLETIN BOARD. We will be sending pre-Lent—Easter packages this year. More info needed, call Gail L. Keith, 283-7207. Thank you.

### Calendar for February 25 — March 4, 2007

**February 26, Monday:** There will be no Mass today  
 Music practice 5:30pm

**February 27, Tuesday:** There will be no Mass today

**February 28, Wednesday: Noon Mass**

**March 1, Thursday: Noon Mass**

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

**March 2, Friday: Noon Mass**

Eucharistic Adoration continues from yesterday, ending before noon Mass  
 Children's Play Group, 1pm, old church  
 Legion of Mary meets, 3:30pm, Community Room  
 Lenten Soup Supper, 5:45pm  
 Stations of the Cross, 7pm

**March 3, Saturday: Mass, 5pm**

Reconciliation, 4:00pm

**March 4, Sunday: 9am and 11:30am Masses**

Social Justice Committee meets, 12:30, O'Neill Hall  
 St. Padre Pio Franciscans meet, 1st Sundays, 1:00pm

**Saturday, March 3, 2007**

5:00pm

**Sunday, March 4, 2007**

9:00am

11:30am

#### Eucharistic Ministers:

Barbara Bond  
 \*Sue Dukowitz  
 Rick Dukowitz  
 Steve Hansen  
 (only 4 needed)

Barbara O'Lena  
 Ron O'Lena  
 \*Alyson Stogsdill  
 Gloria Sweeney  
 Mike Sweeney

Tim Agosti  
 \*Connie Dunn  
 Karen Evans  
 Pat Murray  
 Mary Lou Nushart

*NOTE: When Sister Joyce presides, only 1 EM is needed, shown by an \**

#### Lectors:

**1<sup>st</sup> reading:**  
 Dave Carey  
**2<sup>nd</sup> reading:**  
 Jackie Swanson

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 Lauri Kapp  
**2<sup>nd</sup> reading:**  
 Monty Murray

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 Linda Houglum  
**2<sup>nd</sup> reading:**  
 Tamara Slone

#### Altar Servers:

**Mop & Bucket: 2/26—3/3:** The Adam Bell family

**Collection Counters 3/4:** Pat & Myrna Cowan