

# Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Catholic Community

Seventh Sunday of Easter, May 24, 2009

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**SUNDAY LITURGY:** Saturday 5pm, Sunday 9am and 11:30am  
First Sunday of month, Youth Ministry 5pm

**WEEKDAY LITURGY:** Monday through Friday, 12:05pm

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** Thursday 11:00 – 11:45am  
Saturday 4:00 – 4:45pm

**Sacrament of Anointing of Sick:** Available during the Sunday masses, or as needed.

**Sacrament of Baptism:** for children – Parents Prep class required. Call Marlys for reservations.  
Best done prior to birth.  
for adults – Contact the office about RCIA

**Sacrament of Marriage:** 6 month process (several classes and FOCUS Test and/or Engaged Encounter, or Couple to Couple...contact a priest.

**Pastoral Council:** meets the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month (usually)

**Prayer Chain:** [pjham@att.net](mailto:pjham@att.net), Pat Hamilton 262-5250

**Sexual Abuse Victim Assistance Coordinator:** Marlys Verba

Please Note: Submissions/articles for the weekly bulletin via email must be in by Thursdays at noon to Marlys: [marlys.verba@gmail.com](mailto:marlys.verba@gmail.com) and you may send a copy to: [csponsel@acsalaska.net](mailto:csponsel@acsalaska.net)

## Famous Last Words

Today, we are celebrating the Ascension of Jesus into heaven ---the intimate rejoining of Jesus with the Father. It's truly a great feast because it is in fact the "homecoming" of Jesus after his 33 years of completing all that God had willed for him.

Although Scriptures and paintings portray Jesus as disappearing from the apostles' sight, Jesus' Ascension doesn't mean that he has left us. It really reminds us that the glory of heaven and the evil of hell are both still realities in our lives.

While on earth, Jesus was limited by time and space as we are --- for example, he was not able to appear to the apostles behind closed doors until after his resurrection. But after his Ascension, Jesus is absolutely unlimited by the dimensions of earth. The great news for us is that Jesus can now be present to all creatures in a different way. Because of the Ascension, all of God's power can now flow through Jesus, and it becomes available to all of us who are united in God through Jesus' life and death.

Jesus gave us some special last directions before he sealed his life's work on earth: "Go into the whole world and proclaim the gospel to every creature." This is an action plan for our entire lives!

Have we thought prayerfully, deeply, about how we can obey these words, using our particular gifts and our current situation in life?

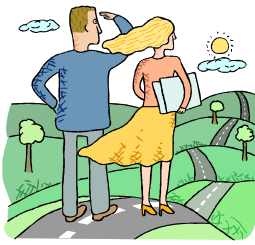
The angels had to say to the apostles, "Why are you standing there looking at the sky?" In other words, we need to fix our inner gaze on Jesus, while we live out his final words to us each day.

Go in peace, to love and serve our God!

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**T**he *One Bread, One Body* Annual Appeal is an opportunity to help make possible the ministries that enable our Church to proclaim the gospel in urban and rural communities throughout Alaska. If you have not already, please consider sharing your gift of treasure with a pledge to the Annual Appeal this week. Make your pledge online at [www.archdioceseofanchorage.org/donate](http://www.archdioceseofanchorage.org/donate).

**Covenant House**, homeless shelter for youth in Anchorage, is requesting appropriate clothing for job searching and interviews, for both young men and women, of all shapes and sizes. Other odds and ends they could use are Frisbees, footballs, tennis racquets and balls, adult size bike helmets, etc. Donations can be brought to the church foyer and they will be taken to the shelter. Please try to have donations to the church by June 7<sup>th</sup>.



## A LOOK AHEAD:

On June 7<sup>th</sup> the global solidarity committee will host a breakfast after the 9am Mass. This is a fundraiser for the July young adult peace conference in Anchorage.

**SAVE THE DATE**--- Vacation Bible School is June 23 thru June 26 from 6-9pm. This year we will be learning about ROME and Paul and the Underground Church. Registration will begin Saturday June 6<sup>th</sup>, cost is \$5.00 per child. If you are interested in helping in any way, call Heather Stockton 260-6581 or email [heatherlynns2003@yahoo.com](mailto:heatherlynns2003@yahoo.com).

**W**e need your help!! We are having a Fundraising Garage Sale for Vacation Bible School Friday May 29 and Saturday May 30 at the Truesdell home. For more information or directions to the Truesdell home, please call Heather Stockton 260-6581 or email [heatherlynns2003@yahoo.com](mailto:heatherlynns2003@yahoo.com).

**H**ELP!!! We are in need of 5 outdoor canopies for Vacation Bible School. We are also looking for baskets, fake fruit (grapes, apples, pears), flower garlands, plant (leafy) garlands, blankets, and any Robes or Roman type costumes. If you have anything to donate please call Heather Stockton 260-6581 or email [heatherlynns2003@yahoo.com](mailto:heatherlynns2003@yahoo.com).

**OLPH will have** a team for the Relay for Life May 29<sup>th</sup> at Skyview High School. We are looking for energetic folks willing to help brainstorm fundraising ideas, recruit walkers and help guide us as "We Race for a Cure". Interested? There are some times open for walkers on Saturday morning May 30<sup>th</sup>. 8am-1:00pm are available. Please call **Alyson at 389-3235** or email [fishhappens@gci.net](mailto:fishhappens@gci.net).

The OLPH Relay for Life team asks for your support by donating items for a garage sale to be held in the Redemptorists Center, Saturday May 16<sup>th</sup>, 9am-3pm. For additional information call Alice at 260-8080.

Monetary donations may also be made online at [http://main.acsevents.org/site/TR/RelayForLife/RFLFY90GW?pg=teamlist&fr\\_id=17832](http://main.acsevents.org/site/TR/RelayForLife/RFLFY90GW?pg=teamlist&fr_id=17832). Click on OLPH team link, then click on donate at the top of the page.

## May Calendar

May 24: Generations of Faith, 12:45pm-3:30pm  
 May 27: RCIA, 7pm/Hall  
 May 28: Men's Breakfast, 6:30/Hall  
 May 31: Bible Time Line/Hall @ 12:30pm  
 Summer Schedule 5pm Sunday Mass  
 begins

**Summer Retreat:** Listening to the Voice of God. Tues 8/18—Wed 8/26 at Holy Spirit Center, led by Fr. Armand Nigro, SJ and Fr. Vince Beuzer, SJ. *“God sent the spirit of his Son into our hearts crying out “Abba Father,” (Gal. 4:6). Deepen your prayer life and awareness of God at work in your life this summer. The 8 day silent Ignatian Retreat provides 3 catered meals a day with private bedroom, tools for holy discernment, spiritual direction, Sacraments of Healing, and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Fee \$650. Deposit \$300 (non-refundable). To register call: 346-2343 or [www.holyspiritcenterak.org](http://www.holyspiritcenterak.org).*

**O**n May 31<sup>st</sup>, the summer schedule of Masses will begin; we will have an additional 5pm Mass on Sunday until August 30<sup>th</sup>. Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers will not be scheduled but we are asking that those who know they will be attending that Mass that week, could sign up on the sheet on the bulletin board, the weekend prior. This is particularly important with the Lectors for preparation purposes. If you will be attending every week, please so note on the signup sheet.

### Calendar for May 25, 2009 – May 31, 2009, with Daily Readings

May 25, Monday: Noon Mass Morning prayer, 7:30am	May 26, Tuesday: Noon Mass Morning prayer, 7:30am	May 27, Wednesday: Noon Mass Morning prayer, 7:30am RCIA, 7pm	May 28, Thursday: Noon Mass Morning prayer, 7:30am Eucharistic Adoration starts after noon service Men's Group Breakfast 6:30am	May 29, Friday: Noon Mass Morning prayer, 7:30am Eucharistic Adoration ends before noon service	May 30, Saturday: 5pm Mass Reconciliation 4:00pm	May 31, Sunday: 9:00am, 11:30am and 5:00pm Masses
Acts 19:1-8	Acts 20:17-27	Acts 20:28-38	Acts 22:30 23:6-11	Acts 25:13b-21	Acts 28:16-20, 30-31	Acts 5:5; 8:11
Psalms 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab	Psalms 68:10-11, 20-21	Psalms 68:29-30, 33-35a, 35bc-36ab	Psalms 16:1-2a&5, 7-8, 9-10, 11	Psalms 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab	Psalms 11:4, 5&7	1 Cor: 12: 3-7, 12-13 Sequence
John 16:29-33	John 17:1-11a	John 17:11b-19	John 17:20-26	John 21:15-19	John 21:20-25	John 20:19-23

#### Saturday, May 30, 2009, 5:00pm

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Joe Deveaux, Barbara Dilley, Sue Dukowitz, Rick Dukowitz, Bob Ermold

**Lectors:** 1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Monty Murray; 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Dave Nelson

**Altar Server:** Server Needed

#### Sunday, May 31, 2009, 9:00am

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Kathryn Dunagan, Connie Dunn, Bob Evenson, Rose Henry, Joan Jones

**Lectors:** 1<sup>st</sup>. Reading: Kathleen Evenson; 2<sup>nd</sup> reading: Laurie Kapp

**Altar Server:** Kyle Shassetz

#### Sunday, May 31, 2009, 11:30am

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Cindy Kircher, Cindy, Marguerite, McIntosh, Marylou Nushart, Dave Carey, Kate Forrest

**Lectors:** 1<sup>st</sup>. Reading: Karl Kircher; 2<sup>nd</sup> reading: Charles Miller

**Altar Server:** Jack Navarro  
Robert Forrest

**Mop & Bucket 5/25 — 5/30:** Jerry Gibson Family **Collection Counters: 5/31:** Terry Davis

# SPRING

Graceful, Playful Child of Creation

You never walk: you always leap, skip or dance.  
You rush in  
with baskets full of life,  
giving us all spring fever.  
We promise to multiply the life you bring  
by planting new seeds.  
We will believe in the life in each seed  
as we drop it into rich provided soil.

In this season of rebirth,  
teach us the steps to dance.  
Encourage us to celebrate  
the life rising around and in us.  
Absorb us in the ritual of rising.

Remind us never to be ashamed  
of the beauty that is ours.  
Bless us, awaken us  
from the womb of darkness.

Your secrets once sleeping in the earth  
are stretching toward the sun.  
Help us to stretch with them  
as we reach for all we can be.  
Share with us your virtues of joy,  
rebirth and hope.

In this season of resurrection,  
may the brokenness of our world  
be healed by  
your contagious spirit and energy.

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Parish Financial Summary/Cash Flow Report  
July 1, 2008 through April 30, 2009

## Revenue

Weekly Collections	\$244,882.07
Other donations/gifts	\$ 1,627.55
Interest /Investment income	\$ 2,882.98
Building Fund Donations	\$ 52,403.73
special donations/ for remodel	\$ 25,000.00
Misc Income	\$ 845.00

**Fiscal YTD revenue** **\$327,641.33**

## Expenses

Personel exp (salary,benefits)	\$ 58,781.42
Supply expense	\$ 18,086.54
facility/plant expense	49198.31 \$ 49,198.31
remodel/rectory & hall	\$ 34,794.58
Stewardship paid to Diocese	\$ 35,167.71
all other expense	\$ 19,856.79

**Fiscal YTD expense** **\$215,885.35**

**mortgage payments principal** **\$ 49,805.93**

**Net cash flow** **\$ 61,950.05**

actual operating net is \$ 9,546.32

## Alaska Catholic Youth Conference

Alaska Catholic Youth Conference (ACYC), is a conference for youth in grades 9-12 and will be held this year from June 1<sup>st</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish in Anchorage. Teens and adults from parishes throughout the state have begun preparing for ACYC '09.

Hopefully youth from the Western Kenai groups will be attending. The information booklet is available near the Teen Bulletin Board in the Gathering Space at OLPH. There is one general registration form for youth and adults, which can be found in this booklet. Please note the forms that need to be filled out.

The necessary adults for supervision have come forward, but we could use a little help with housing – depending on the number of youth attending.

Please **pray** for this special event. May God bless those participating with safe travel, opportunities to learn and experience more about their faith and make new friends.