

Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Catholic Community

Third Sunday of Easter, April 18, 2010
Served by the Missionary Oblates of Mary
Immaculate

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PARISH MISSION STATEMENT:

*We, the faith community,
accept the call of God to
participate in the mission of
Jesus Christ by
Proclaiming the Gospel
and living the reign of
God among us as disciples.*

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SUNDAY LITURGY: Saturday 5pm, Sunday 9am and 11:30am, Youth Mass every 3rd Sunday of month @ 4pm

HOLYDAY MASS SCHEDULE: Noon and 7pm (see bulletin)

WEEKDAY Mass Schedule: Tuesday through Friday, 12:05pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Thursday 12:45pm — Saturday 4:00 – 4:45pm

Adoration of Blessed Sacrament: Thursdays 12:30pm — Fridays Noon

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

Communion/Visitation to the Sick: Please let the Fathers'/Office know of someone who is ill/in the hospital who wants communion or anointing of the sick.

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.

Funerals: contact parish office immediately after the death

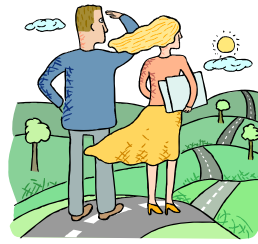
Prayer Chain: pjham@alaska.net, Pat Hamilton 262-5250

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 and you may send a copy to: csponsel@acsalaska.net

As of Holy Thursday, the Archdiocese of Anchorage has lifted the precautions taken with regard to the H1N1 (swine flu). These precautions included recommendations against shaking hands during the sign of peace, holding hands during the Lord's Prayer, and Eucharistic ministers & the Presider were to use a hand sanitizer before distributing Communion. At Our Lady of Perpetual Help we will continue to use the hand sanitizer but we will return to our former practice of the handshake of peace. If you are still concerned about health risks, please feel free to bow to your neighbors instead of shaking hands and I'm sure they will understand. Thank you for your cooperation over the past several months.

Fr. Joe, OMI



A look ahead:

The Parish Nursing/Health Ministry will present a

Chronic Disease Self-

Management Program called

“Living Well with Chronic Conditions”. People with chronic conditions have similar concerns and problems. People with chronic conditions must deal not only with their disease(s) but also with the impact these have on their lives and emotions. Participants will learn how to: Manage symptoms, find support and solutions to problems, relax and manage stress, eat healthy and exercise safely, communicate better with your doctor, and other health care personnel, make daily tasks easier, cope with challenges and frustration and bring more joy in to your life.

This is a 6-week program that will be held from 6 to 8:30 p.m. on the following Tuesdays: May 4, 11, 18, 25, June 1 & 8. It will be held at O'Neill Hall. Please sign up on the Nursing/Health Ministry bulletin board in the Church foyer ASAP so we can get the necessary number of books for the workshop. If you have questions, please call Shirley Aleckson at 262-9654.

WELCOME TO OUR NEW CATHOLICS!

Each Sunday from Easter until Pentecost our new Catholics will be wearing their new white robes or name tags during Mass. Please pray for them and make them feel welcome by introducing yourself to each of them during the Easter Season. These RCIA & RCIC Elect and Candidates joined the Church at the Easter Vigil.

They are: Heather Hanscom, Heidi Johnsrud, Ashleigh Lutz, Emileigh “Gracie” Lutz, Chloe Newby, Vicki Snow, Bruce Vadla, Connie West, James West, Joe Bazan, Ian Leach and Lars Russell. Also parishioner, Patricia Morrison, was Confirmed at the Easter Vigil. Congratulations, Pat!

Now the neophytes (new converts) continue the conversion process called Mystagogy which is the Greek word for “mystery”. This is a time for the community and the neophytes together to grow in deepening their grasp of the Paschal Mystery and in making it part of their lives through meditation on the Gospel, sharing in the Eucharist and doing works of charity

The RCIA (adults) classes will continue each Wednesday at 7 p.m. Also the RCIC (children) classes will continue each Saturday at 3 p.m. Please contact the office if you are interested in joining the RCIA or RCIC. You are welcome at any time of year. The process is on-going.

The MagnifiKids Mass Missal is available each week in the foyer. If you are a 2nd grader and on up, please take one for the Mass to help you follow along.



The American Cancer Society Relay for Life will be held June 4th and 5th at Skyview High School. This year's theme is Camping for a Cause.

Anyone wishing to walk may sign up at the table in the vestibule.

Watch for fund raising events coming up. For more information contact Alyson at 262-5622 or fishhappens@gci.net

Blood Pressure checks will be done by the Parish Health Ministry after all the liturgies on April 24/25; Please avail yourself of this opportunity to simple check on your health.

Calendar for April 19, 2010 – April 25, 2010, with Daily Readings

April 19, Monday: No Mass Morning prayer, 7:30am	April 20, Tuesday: Noon Mass Morning prayer, 7:30am Legion of Mary 12:45pm	April 21, Wednesday: Noon Mass Morning prayer, 7:30am	April 22, Thursday: Noon Mass Morning prayer, 7:30am Let The Choice Be Mine: 6:30p	April 23, Friday: Noon Mass Morning prayer, 7:30am gather in Hall	April 24, Saturday: 5:00pm Mass Reconciliation 4:00pm	April 25, Sunday: 9am and 11:30am Masses
Acts 6:8-15	Acts 7:51-8:1a	Acts 8:1b-8	Adoration of Blessed Sacrament: Thursday 12:30pm — Friday Noon		Acts 9:31-42	Acts 13:14, 43-52 (51C)
Psalm 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30	Psalm 31:3cd-4, 6 & 7b & 8a, 17 & 21ab	Psalm 66:1-3a, 4- 5, 6-7a	Acts 8:26-40	Acts 9:1-20	Psalm 116:12-13, 14-14, 16-17	Psalm 100:1-2, 3, 5
John 6:22-29	John 6:30-35	John 6:35-40	John 6:44-51	John 5:12	John 6:60-69	Revelation 7:9, 14b-17 John 10:27-30

Saturday April 24, 2010, 5:00pm

Eucharistic Ministers: Rick Dukowitz, Sue Dukowitz, John Pothast, Margaret Johnson

Lectors: 1st Reading; Sheilah-Margaret Pothast; 2nd Reading: Carolyn Cannava

Altar Server: Grey Hanson

Sunday April 25, 2010, 9:00am

Eucharistic Ministers: Myrna Cowan, Sonja Foutty, Helen Knopp, Gloria Sweeney, Mike Sweeney

Lectors: 1st. Reading: Kevin Woodvine; 2nd reading: Pat Cowan

Altar Server: Danny McIntosh

Sunday April 25, 2010, 11:30am

Eucharistic Ministers: Shirley Aleckson, Karen Evans, Diane Garske, Anna Laroche, Marguerite McIntosh

Lectors: 1st. Reading: Scott Earsley; 2nd reading: Dave Carey

Altar Server: Robert Johnson

Mop & Bucket 4/19—4/24: Matt Dammeyer Family **Collection Counters: 4/25:** Pat & Myrna Cowan

A *Note from Brother Craig Bonham,* **OMI:**

In keeping with general OMI time lines, I will begin a new obedience effective July 1, 2010. This means I will be moving out of Alaska.

The opportunity to serve as Archbishop Schwietz's personal assistant in 2001 was a delightful surprise. The further opportunity to join in an apostolic community based ministry here on the Western Kenai was a further adventure in the ever unfolding mystery of the vocation as a brother with Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate. My new obedience will begin with a sabbatical of further education based in Washington, DC, and latter participation in The DeMazenod Experience, which is an opportunity to be further formed in the missionary spirit of the founder of our religious congregation. At this time I do not know if the Provincial will be sending another OMI to serve here. Frs. Andy, Joe and Roger will work out with each of the faith communities coverage of the areas where I have had the privilege to serve. May the Holy Spirit continue to guide us in this time of change and in this mysterious adventure that Christ invites each of us to participate in the building God's kingdom on earth.



LET THE CHOICE BE MINE: We plan and prepare for most of the events in our lifetime, yet few of us prepare for the final event in our lives, our funeral.

When a death occurs there are over 50 decisions that will have to be made within the first 24 hours. Making funeral arrangements is overwhelming and the grief can be numbing. Clear and rational decisions are difficult to make. The ultimate gift to those we leave behind is to make our wishes known in writing. You will have an opportunity to hear of the Church's teaching regarding cremation and the funeral planning itself. Please choose us for a two part presentation: On Thursday, April 22 at 6:30pm/8pm, Father Joe will address these various topics along with time to ask questions; the follow up will be on Thursday, April 29 6:30pm-8pm when Father Andy will finish the followup time with funeral planning, Comfort Care/Five Wishes for health care planning; These two evenings will be full of important information and time for questions; please join us. This is facilitated by the Parish Health Ministry.

Splish! Splash! Sploosh!

Teen Event: April 18

Mass at 4:00pm at Our Lady of the Angels Church

- All are invited to attend Mass -

Swimming at Nikiski Pool

---- *Note the change in location* ----

After Mass, teens will be transported to and from the Nikiski Pool. Boxed dinners will be provided. Teens must have the following: Signed permission slip, emergency medical form (if you already have one on file no need for another) and MONEY - \$5.00 for food cost and \$7.00 to swim total \$12.00. Forms and money must be paid and turned in by Sunday, April 11. **NO EXCEPTIONS.** Drivers are needed. Call Elaine Agosti 283-7055 or Brenda Ahlberg 262-5432 for question.

This year the **Bishop's Attic Board of Directors** will again be offering 3 scholarships for \$1,500 each to High School Graduates who will be pursuing continuing education in an accredited college or certified vocational training program. Applications will be available from the High School Guidance Departments. **Completed applications must be postmarked or delivered to the Bishop's Attic by 5:00PM April 15, 2010.** For further information please call **Joyce Fischer at 262-9269.**

The Board of Directors wishes to thank all who volunteer, donate items or shop at the Bishop's Attic and make these scholarships possible.
