

Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Catholic Community

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 19, 2010

Served by the Missionary Oblates of
Mary Immaculate

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SUNDAY LITURGY: Saturday 5pm, Sundays will be 10am and 5pm

YOUTH MASS/ACTIVITY: 3rd Sunday at 4:00pm beginning September 19th

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 to 4:45pm

Adoration of Blessed Sacrament: Thursdays 12:30pm — Fridays 12:00 noon

Faith Formation classes will begin with the Meet/Greet session on Sunday, September 26, in the hall for children in the classes of preschool (Age 4-5) to sixth grade after the Mass, at 11:15am; If you have not registered, you may do so on Sunday morning. Please pick up a schedule for the Generations of Faith formation schedule for the year at the registration table. Everyone should bring either a casserole/salad to share.

Sacrament of Anointing of Sick or Communion: Available during the Sunday Masses, or as needed. Because of HIPAA laws, parishioners need to notify us if going to the hospital. Remember to request Anointing of the Sick before surgery — please call the parish @ 262-4749.

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

for children 8 and older; RCIC classes — please call Office

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: knowledgeisstrength@hotmail.com. Thanks!

Calendar for September 20, 2010 - September 26, 2010, with Daily Readings

September 20, <u>Monday:</u> Morning Prayer, 7:30am	September 21, <u>Tuesday:</u> Morning Prayer, 7:30am Noon Mass Legion of Mary 12:45pm	September 22, <u>Wednesday:</u> Morning Prayer, 7:30am Noon Mass	September 23, <u>Thursday:</u> Morning Prayer, 7:30am Noon	September 24, <u>Friday:</u> Morning Prayer, 7:30am	September 25, <u>Saturday:</u> 5:00pm Mass Reconciliation Acts Meeting 7:00pm	September 26 <u>Sunday:</u> 10am Mass Meet & Greet POTLUCK
Prv 3: 27-34 Ps 15: 2-3a, 3bc-4ab, 5 Lk 8: 16-18	Eph 4: 1-7, 11-13 Ps 19: 2-3, 4-5 Mt 9: 9-13	Prv 30: 5-9 Ps 119: 29, 72, 89 101, 104, 163 Lk 9: 1-6	Eccl 1: 2-11 Ps 90: 3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14, 17bc Lk 9: 7-9	Eccl 3: 1-11 Ps 144: 1b & 2abc, 3-4 Lk 9: 18-22	Eccl 11: 9--12:8 Ps 90: 3-4, 5-6 12-13, 14 & 17 Lk 9: 43b-45	Am 6: 1a, 4-7 Ps 146: 7, 8-9, 9-10 1Tm 6: 11-16 Lk 16: 19-31

A personal invitation: You are cordially invited to sign up now for participation in the Rite of Christian Initiation of adults or (children) RCIA (RCIC). Orientation for adults will be Wednesday, October 6, 2010 at 6:30pm in O'Neill Hall. Orientation for children will be Saturday, October 2, 2010 at 2:00pm in O'Neill Hall. RSVP: please call the Rectory at 262-4749 to inquire and to sign up now!

Jesus does not commend the steward's dishonesty; he does comment his shrewdness in cleverly ensuring a secure future for himself. Disciples must be equally shrewd but make very different choices: choosing trustworthy service over dishonesty for personal gain, choosing concern for others over personal needs, choosing eternal happiness above security in this world at any cost. In these very choices, disciples serve God and God alone. Thus can we secure for ourselves a sure future: being "welcomed into eternal dwellings." If Jesus were to say to me "Prepare a full account of your stewardship" my response would be...

Saturday, September 25, 2010, 5:00pm

Eucharistic Ministers: Kathy Bongiovanni, Carm Bongiovanni, Barbara Dilley, Margaret Johnson, & Cindy Irmen

Lectors: 1st Reading: Mary Bailey; 2nd Reading: Monty Murray

Altar Server: please check in

Sunday, September 26, 2010, 10:00am

Eucharistic Ministers: Shirley Aleckson, Kate Forrest, Alyson Stogsdill, Jim Stogsdill, & Remy Spring

Lectors: 1st. Reading: Barb O'Lena; 2nd Reading: Shannon Wyatt

Altar Server: please check in

Mop & Bucket 9/20—9/25: Linda McLane Family

Collection Counters: 9/26: Kathryn Dunagan & Cathy Haas

RETREAT

There will be another Kenai Peninsula MEN'S ACTS Retreat this fall. The dates for the retreat are October 21st to October 24th. The retreat will be held at the Solid Rock Bible Camp in Soldotna. ACTS stand for Adoration, Community, Theology, and Service and it is geared for those men who would like an interactive spiritual experience. For more information on the retreat please contact Alex Zerbinos at 260-4413 or 398-4894.

KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS

On Saturday, 2 October 2010, an Exemplification Team will be at Our Lady of Perpetual Help to administer the oath to all prospective Knights and to those who desire Knights of Columbus reinstatement. The program will begin at 9:30 am. It is estimated the entire process will last about three hours. The Alaskan State Deputy, Michael Welch, and District 5 Deputy, Les Dennis, will be in attendance to validate the procedure. This is the Final Exemplification scheduled for the fraternal year, so don't miss this opportunity to qualify for K of C fraternal benefits. Thank you!

The financial statement for fiscal year ending 6/30/10 is available in the foyer for anyone who is interested in the information.

FLU SHOT

It's that time of year...Flu Shot time! The Parish Health Ministry is offering an opportunity for you to get your flu shot, here at OLPH Church, after each mass this weekend of Sept. 18/19, (except the 4pm liturgy). The cost is \$30. For those on Medicare, they will do the paperwork, and it is free!

We now have two automated external defibrillators on the parish grounds; one is located in the foyer of the church by the entrance doors and the other in the hall, by the bathrooms. We will have a training for CPR use of the defibrillators in October for those who will be asked to be prepared to use these. However, until then, **ANYONE TRAINED IN THE USE OF THE DEFIBRILLATORS ALREADY ARE THE ONLY ONES TO USE THESE, IF NECESSARY.** Please see that they are not tampered with by anyone else. We pray we do not have to use these, but we are grateful for the resource. Many thanks to Jane Fellman, RN and Janet Gleason, RN, from our Parish Health Ministry for obtaining the defibrillators and assisting with the CPR class.

CHALLENGE TO YOU!

The Responsorial Psalm this Sunday is "Praise the Lord, who lifts up the poor" (Psalm 113). Numerous psalms praise God for caring for the poorest and most vulnerable in the world. They also invite us to be part of God's plan for bringing justice to all. Your challenge this week is to peruse the psalms until you find one which speaks to your family of God's compassion for the poor. (You can also use Psalm 113). Every day this week, pray at least part of your chosen psalm as a family or household on behalf of a person or community struggling with poverty, hunger, or lack of shelter. Start on Sunday with someone in your neighborhood or local community. Each day stretch your prayer further afield so that you are praying for global needs by the end of the week.

RAFFLE

We will once again have our Oktoberfest cash raffle with the drawing to be Oct 30th. Tickets are limited to 100 only at \$100 each. 1st prize is \$2500.00, 2nd prize is \$1000.00, 3rd, 4th, and 5th prizes are \$500.00. Calling on all "Snowbirds" to get your tickets before you fly south. Tickets are available in the foyer after each Mass.

Bible timeline starts again today after the 10am mass.



MEETING/SUPPER

Archbishop, Roger Schwietz, OMI, will hold an open "Town Hall" meeting regarding the sex abuse scandal in the Catholic Church on Saturday, September 25th at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish after the 5pm mass. It begins with a potluck supper: **PLEASE BRING A CASSEROLE OR SALAD TO SHARE AT THE DINNER.** This gathering is an opportunity for all who are interested to express their concerns. You may also ask questions regarding the response the Church has made to this very important issue, and to learn more about how our Archdiocese is working to create a safe and nurturing environment for all of God's People.

TEEN MISSION TRIP

There will be an informational meeting for High School Teens and their Parents regarding the next Teen Mission trip. It is on Tuesday, September 21 at 7:00pm in O'Neill Hall. The mission trip will take place during the school spring break of 2011. You are welcome to bring your input and questions or contact Father Joe at 262-4749. See you there!

FIRST TEEN EVENT!

All 7th - 12th Grade Students are invited on September 19th to OLPH from 4:00pm to 8:00pm for Mass and then go to the Kenai Beach for our BBQ & Bonfire Excursion. Please Bring: \$5.00 per Participant and invite a friend in the 7th - 12th grades!

THINGS TO BE DONE: 1) Update your medical forms - one per teen 2) Get your permission slips signed and turned in by September 12. Your guest(s) must also fill out a signed medical form and signed permission slip... *no exceptions at all.*

NEED MORE INFO? PLEASE CALL:
Tonilyn Spring 262-8478,
Brenda Ahlberg 262-5432 or
Rose Henry 252-9465



JUSTFAITH

JustFaith, an adult educational and formational program, offers an opportunity for parishioners to experience a spiritual journey into compassion. JustFaith provides a lively and challenging format to read, view, discuss, pray, experience and be formed by the justice tradition that changes lives, inspires faithful witness, and transforms the world through love and service. This is a wonderful companion to the GOF topic this year of "Justice". There is an informational evening planned for Wednesday, Sept. 29th at 7pm at O'Neill Hall. Father Roger has experienced this program and is pleased to be sharing the information regarding JustFaith, and the impact that it can have on us.

MUSIC, MUSIC, MUSIC

Our teen music group, "The Catholic Catastrophe" invites all teens/young adults to join our music group! Our Director is J.D. Uponen, who is also a Music Teacher in the public school system. Songs include contemporary Christian music used at our teen masses. We are in need of both male and female singers and also a backup pianist! It is great fellowship and fun! We practice 45 min. prior to each teen mass. Teen mass will be on Sept. 19th at 4:00pm. All parishioners are welcome to the Teen Masses! Any questions please call: Sue Dukowitz at 283-4098 or email her at sdukowitz@acsalaska.net



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Registration for First Reconciliation/First Eucharist classes may be done on the OLPH Total Faith Formation Registration form. The schedule for the classes may be picked up at the registration tables in the hall today September 19th in the foyer of the Church and after Mass. Thank you!

A PRAYER FOR FAMILY COMMITMENT

Dear God our Father, you have called all Christian families to be a sign of your love to the world. Help us to be generous with the gifts of life and love that you have showered on our family. May we share them so that our homes become true signs of unitized and fruitful love. Let us never forget to thank you each day for all that sustains us and to look to Christ, who comes to us in the events of family life, in the Sacraments of the Church, and in service to the poor. In all of this, our family becomes a living expression of your Church, a hallowed home of life and love. By the power of the Holy Spirit, may all of us - spouses, parents, and children - share, as members of his Body, in Jesus' mission to build a civilization of love. Father, we ask this in Jesus' name in union with the Holy Spirit. Amen

We are in need of Adoration Substitutes who are willing to take "difficult" hours (11pm until 8am). Substitutes always have the option of declining if it doesn't fit their schedule; it is NOT a weekly commitment. If you are willing to be placed on our list, please call Maria at 262-1703. Thanks!