

Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Catholic Community

Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 7, 2010

Served by the Missionary Oblates of
Mary Immaculate

222 West Redoubt Avenue Soldotna, AK

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Closed on Mondays

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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 5:00pm & Sunday 10:00am

YOUTH MASS/ACTIVITY: 3rd Sunday each month at 4:00pm

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

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 our 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 November 8, 2010 - November 14, 2010, with Daily Readings

November 8, Monday: Morning Prayer 7:30am Centering Prayer 8:15am	November 9, Tuesday: Morning Prayer 7:30am Mass 12noon Legion of Mary 12:45pm Teen Music Practice 7:00pm	November 10, Wednesday: Morning Prayer 7:30am Mass 12noon RCIA Class 6:30pm	November 11, Thursday: Morning Prayer 7:30am Mass 12noon	November 12, Friday: Morning Prayer 7:30am Mass 12noon	November 13, Saturday: RCIC Meeting 1:00pm Reconciliation 5:00pm Mass World Kindness Day!	November 14, Sunday: Mass 10am GENERATIONS OF FAITH 11:15-2:15pm
Ti 1: 1-9 Ps 24: 1b-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 Lk 17: 1-6	Ez 47: 1-2, 8-9, 12 Ps 46: 2-3, 5-6, 8-9 1 Cor 3: 9c-11, 16-17 Jn 2: 13-22	Ti 3: 1-7 Ps 23: 1b-3a, 3bc-4, 5, 6 Lk 17: 11-19	Phlm 7-20 Ps 146: 7, 8-9a, 9bc-10 Lk 17: 20-25	2 Jn 4-9 Ps 119: 1, 2, 10, 11, 17, 18 Lk 17: 26-37	3 Jn 5-8 Ps 112: 1-2, 3-4, 5-6 Lk 18: 1-8	Mal 3: 19-20a Ps 98: 5-6, 7-8, 9 2 Thes 3: 7-12 Lk 21: 5-19

GENERATIONS OF FAITH EVENT, SUNDAY NOVEMBER 14, 2010

TOPIC: OPTION FOR THE POOR

Presenters: Bonnie Cler from Anchorage, St. Anthony's, and Archdiocese representative of Catholic Relief Services & Fr. Roger, who has served the people of Brazil for a number of years.

Please join us for lunch at 11:15am in O'Neill Hall with the opening prayer/activity at 12noon, followed by breakout sessions.

RSVP is necessary for childcare...this will not be provided unless there are sign-ups for this service.

You may also call the office by Wednesday, November 10th at 262-5542.

Saturday, November 13, 2010, 5:00pm

Eucharistic Ministers: Margaret Johnson, Bill Sadler, Krys Williams, Sue Dukowitz, Rick Dukowitz, Cheryl & Steve Hammarstram,

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

Altar Server: Nathan O'Lena

Sunday, November 14, 2010, 10:00am

Eucharistic Ministers: Remy Spring, Jane Fellman, Jim Fellman, Laurie Stropes, Dave Stropes

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

Altar Server: Alex Agosti

Mop & Bucket 11/8-11/13: Audrey Russell Family

Collection Counters: 11/14: Robert Shuh & Myrna Shuh

TEENS THANKSGIVING POTLUCK

Sunday, November 21, 2010 between 4pm - 8pm

Join us for mass, dinner, basket building for the hungry and Capture the Flag in the dark!

If your last name begins with...

A - G bring a salad

H - N bring a side dish

M - S bring drinks

T - Z bring a dessert

Beside food, wear warm clothing and bring a flash light or head lamp and a friend. We will be outside for this activity. Permission slips must be turned in by Sunday, November 12. If you have not already turned in a Medical Release Form for this year please turn that in also. Friends must also fill out both forms. If you have question please contact Brenda Ahlberg 262-5432, Rose Henry 252-9465 or Tonilyn Spring 262-8478.

Food Drive, Operation Christmas Child

Please help the teens collect food for Thanksgiving food baskets. Bring Thanksgiving food items to the church on the weekend of November 12-13th. (i.e. canned vegetables, mushroom soup, potatoes, stuffing, evaporated milk, canned pumpkin, yams, cranberry sauce, jello, sparkling cider, juice, olives). Thank you in advance, for your generosity. For questions call Ruthann Truesdell at 252-7337.

It is time for Operation Christmas Child again. Shoe boxes and brochures will be available at the back of the church starting October 30th. They will be collected and delivered to Samaritan Air on Sunday, November 21st after 10 am Mass. For questions call Ruthann Truesdell at 252-7337.

This year Operation Christmas Child is planning to distribute a record number of shoe box gifts to hurting children in Haiti as well as millions of boys and girls in over 100 countries around the world. As part of our ongoing disaster relief response in Haiti, the boxes will serve as encouragement to young survivors of the January earthquake. And globally, there are countless children living in equally traumatic and impoverished circumstances who need to know there is a God who loves them. What would Jesus do? What can you do? The collection date for the boxes is Sunday, November 21st. Thank you in advance for your generosity and prayers. For questions call Ruthann Truesdell.

DECK THE HALLS!

Christmas wreaths will be here soon! There is a sign-up sheet in the foyer for pre-orders. We only ordered 100 so get on the list now...**FA, LA, LA, LA, LA, LA!**

TEEN FOOD DRIVE

WE NEED YOUR HELP! It is time for our yearly service project of filling baskets for the hungry. Fliers need to be passed out and food needs to be picked up.

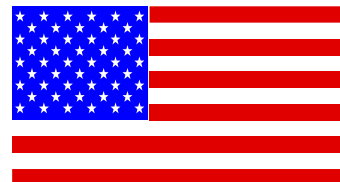
Friday, November 5: teens and adult volunteers will pass out fliers for the food drive after school. Please check your meeting place and meet promptly after school. Soldotna Middle meet at the entrance by the office at 2:30 pm and look for a parent volunteer for instructions. SOHI meet at the entrance by the office at 2:30 pm and look for a parent volunteer for instructions. Anyone else meet at O'Neill Hall at 3pm. From your meet spots you will be given maps and fliers to place on neighborhood doors. Parents please pick up your teens at 4pm from their original meeting places.

Saturday, November 13: teens meet at O'Neill Hall at 1pm. We will have drivers to take teens to pick up the food donations. Parents please pick up your teens at 3:30pm at O'Neill Hall.

If you have questions, call Ruthann Truesdell - 252-7337, Tonilyn Spring 262-8478, Rose Henry 252-9465 or Brenda Alhberg 262-5432.

Our Christmas Military Care Packages Ministry

collection continues this weekend and through November 28th with assembling of all packages by November 28th from 3-5 pm. Please add names and addresses of men and women serving overseas in Iraq or Afghanistan to our list on the military table in the church foyer. Please include the name and phone number of the person submitting for contact purposes. The items needed are listed on the military table in the foyer. Feel free to take a copy. Monetary donations are welcome - we can shop for you or apply to postage. Thank you so much for your contributions to this ministry. It is a great morale booster for our military men and women serving our country overseas during the holidays, and our parish has received many thank you letters in the past expressing their warm appreciation. If you have questions please call Karen Evans 260-3637 or Marlys 262-4749 ext. 4.



DANKE SHOEN



A huge thank-you to everyone that helped in ANY way to make this year's Oktoberfest another big success. We had a full house for both Friday night's bingo for quilts, and Saturday's dinner and auction. The overall net earned for our building fund is **\$23,378.83**.

The winners of the cash raffle were: **1st prize:** Dale Trombley, **2nd prize:** Connie Gatling, and **3rd, 4th and 5th prizes** were: Mike Sweeney, Mike Walker, and Walter Sill. Congratulations to all of you !!!



Centering prayer has begun meeting in the community room on Mondays from 8:15am - 9:00am. Please feel welcome to come and experience this form of prayer.

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

LISTENING WITH GRACE by Mathew Kessler, C.Ss.R.

Dispute among believers is as old as Christianity itself, and our readers actively keep that part of our tradition alive. It's good to hear from you at the Liguorian, one and all. Some of the letters are disconcerting, but it may surprise you to know we don't feel that way because the readers disagree with something they read in Liguorian...it's because of their tone.

These readers believe that any deviation from what they believe is Catholic content is the product of someone determined to undermine Catholicism. Their letters convey an attitude that whatever a pope, bishop, religious, professional minister, theologian, or teacher writes must fit into a uniform Catholic faith that has no room to grow.

The Christian Tradition has found that, most of the time, the best way to embrace disputes is to take the path of respectful listening without losing focus on the essentials of the faith. This path, called discipleship, is a way to live in the Kingdom of God - to live with the knowledge that life is bigger than our experience of it. We're aware that although we don't know the entire story of the woman at the well or the trials of the paralyzed man lowered by his friends, God does.

Discipleship requires the right blend of intelligence, humility, and courage. Intelligence ensures our faith is not reduced to feelings. Humility reminds us to listen for what's not being said. Courage compels us to act, since greed can destroy lives and, as we're seeing, economies, and ignorance can fuel racism.

On November 13th we celebrate World Kindness Day. The idea of designating a day to do random acts of kindness, pay it forward, or surprise people by just being nice is, in a way, an indictment of our current culture. We shouldn't need a special day to be kind - that should be something disciples of Jesus do every day. But we have become more indifferent to those around us, and we often don't feel like helping others when we ourselves are struggling. Your challenge this week is to put a justice spin on World Kindness Day. Choose someone who has been mean or unjust to you in some way, and do something nice for this person - even if you have to grit your teeth to do it. Then choose someone to whom you have been unjust, see what you can do to right the wrong, and do one extra thing just to be kind.

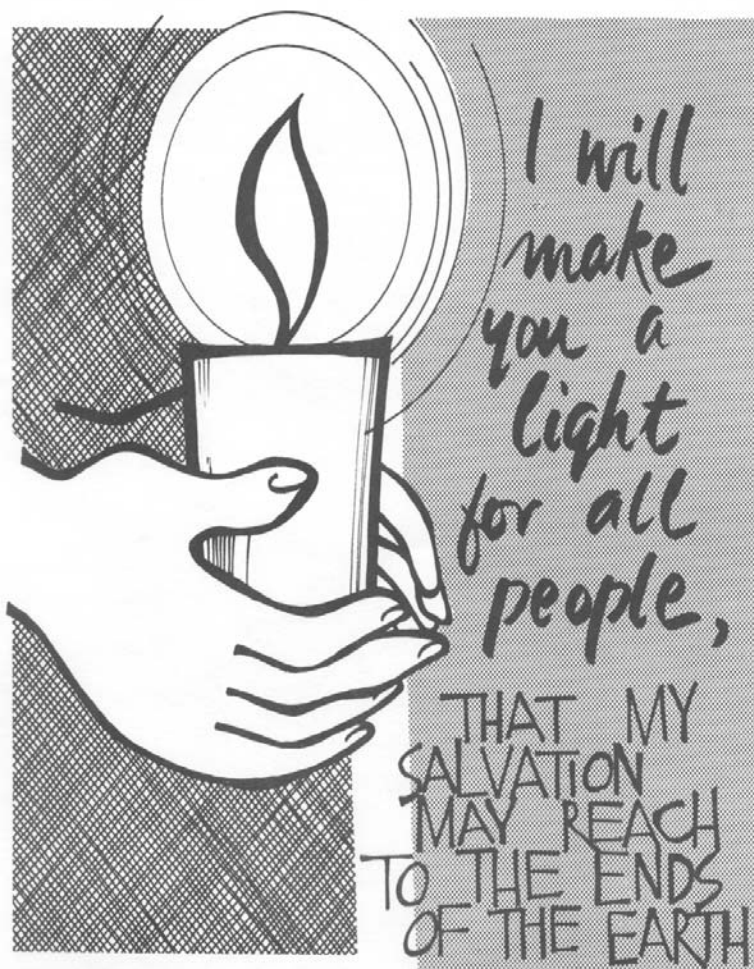


WALK THE LABYRINTH

The labyrinth will be set up at Central Peninsula Hospital in the Redoubt/Spur rooms from Friday, Nov. 5, 6pm until Monday, Nov. 8, 7am. Everyone is welcome to come and walk. For more info, please call Meg Zerbinos, 714-4610 or 260-4413.

Luva Child Inc. and Covenant House Alaska host a candlelight vigil for homeless youth on November 10th at 5:40pm. This is at the Kenai Peninsula Borough building at 144 Binkley St., Soldotna. We will be collecting canned food to benefit the Kenai Peninsula Food Bank. Please consider attending in support of this ministry; The Vigil in Anchorage is at the same time.

Questions, please call Marlys at 262-5542.



SAFE ENVIRONMENT TRAINING

Although the training is ongoing, it is that time of year when the required Safe Environment Training is being offered for all those who are involved in parish ministries that deal with children or vulnerable adults; that would include anyone who volunteers more than once or twice in a specific area of the following ministries: Youth Ministry, Faith Formation, Parish Nursing, St. Vincent DePaul, Altar Server Training, Choir Director, and Eucharistic Ministers doing home visits. If you are new at any of these ministries in the parish, a background check (every 5 years is required) and a Safe Environment Training done online is required every three years. The online training has two new sections this year, so we are requesting EVERYONE to do the online training and the Archdiocese Sexual Abuse policy which is a part of that training, must be done every year. Please hand the certificate and signed form for the Archdiocese sexual abuse policy in to me, Marlys Verbs, those who need it, will receive the background check papers. To access the site: Archdioceseofanchorage.org; go to safe & sacred environment; log on: identify with your name and password; identify which parish you are from; you will have up to 90 days to complete the program; entering as many times as you need to complete and get your certificate. PLEASE TRY TO COMPLETE THIS BY NOVEMBER 21st. Questions, please call Marlys at 262-5542.

REMEMBRANCE EVENING VESPERS

On Wednesday, December 1, 2010, at 7:00pm our second annual Remembrance Evening Vespers will occur. This is for all who have lost loved ones, recently or longer ago, as we enter the holiday season and that sense of loss is greater. Upcoming details next week.

In the foyer, our remembrance quilt is available to sign your loved ones names on if you have not already done so. This will be hung in the sanctuary on November 21st. The remembrance book of the dead is in the foyer. Also, for the entire month of November, these names will be remembered at mass each time. Please include your loved ones names.

CHOIR PRACTICE

Choir practice for Advent and Christmas will begin on Saturday, November 13th at 1:00pm. Please consider joining us for those upcoming liturgies in this ministry. If you play an instrument, either piano, guitar, or flute, please contact Pat: 262-5250.

AN ADVENT MISSION

Father Seamus Kennedy, OMI, will be facilitating our third Generations of Faith, GOF, event on Solidarity. That future GOF will take place on Sunday, December 12, 2010. He will facilitate an Advent Mission for us on December 13th, 14th, and 15th. Upcoming information about Father Kennedy and the Mission will be in next week's bulletin.

Thank you.

ADVENT OFFERING

In preparation for the upcoming advent season, we will be offering a five week contemplative reflective dialogue within a group setting following Thomas Merton: Bridges to Contemplative Living. The session is limited to ten participants. They will be meeting on Tuesdays, beginning November 23, 30, December 7, 14, and 28th. If you are interested in looking at the materials, which are \$5 a book, please see Marlys or sign up on the bulletin board. Thank you.



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