

Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Catholic Community

July 10, 2011

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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 and 5:00 pm until July 31st

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. Class scheduled **August 2 at 7:00pm**

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 Thanks!

Calendar for July 11, 2011 - July 17, 2011, with Daily Readings

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| July 11, Monday: Morning Prayer 7:30am Centering Prayer 8:15am | July 12, Tuesday: Morning Prayer 7:30am Mass 12:05 Legion of Mary 12:45pm Fulfilled in your Hearing 6:00pm | July 13, Wednesday: Morning Prayer 7:30am Mass 12:05 | July 14, Thursday: Morning Prayer 7:30am Adoration Mass 12:05 | July 15, Friday: Morning Prayer 7:30am Mass 12:05 | July 16, Saturday: Reconciliation 4:00pm Mass 5:00pm WYD Planning & Potluck after mass | July 17, Sunday: Mass 10:00am Mass 5:00pm |
| Ex 1: 8-14, 22 124: 1b-3, 4-6, 7-8 Mt 10: 34-11: 1 | Ex 2: 1-15a 69: 3, 14, 30-31, 33-34 Mt 11: 20-24 | Ex 3: 1-6, 9-12 1-3 1b-2, 3-4, 6-7 Mt 11: 25-27 | Ex 3: 13-20 105: 1 and 5, 8-9, 24-25, 26-27 Mt 11: 28-30 | Ex 11: 10-12: 14 116: 12-13, 15 and 16bc, 17-18 Mt 12: 1-8 | Ex 12: 37-42 136: 1 and 23-24, 10-12, 13-15 Mt 12: 14-21 | Wis 12: 13,16-19 86: 5-6, 9-10, 15-16 Rom 8: 26-27 Mt 13: 24-33 |

OLPH TRIVIA

When did the Redemptorists arrive on the Peninsula and start our parish?

Saturday, July 16, 2011, 5:00pm

Eucharistic Ministers: Kathy Bongiovanni, Carm Bongiovanni, Margaret Johnson, Bill Sadler, Ruthann Truesdell

Lectors: 1st Reading: Carolyn Cannava **2nd Reading:** Jackie Swanson

Altar Server: please check in

Sunday, July 17, 2011, 10:00am

Eucharistic Ministers: Terry Moxey, Sharon Shassetz, David & Laurie Stropes, Shirley Twohy, Jim & Alyson Stogsdill

Lectors: 1st Reading: Kevin Woodvine **2nd Reading:** Shannon Dwyer

Altar Server: please check in

Mop & Bucket 7/11-7/16 Mary Jenson Smith

Collection Counters: 7/17: Robert & Myrna Schuh

A STEWARDSHIP PRAYER FOR JULY

Lord and Creator,

You are the source of wisdom and grace,
the author of human freedom and creativity.

We thank you for these gifts, and ask that you
teach us to be good stewards of our creative spirits.

Show us how to quiet ourselves, and to learn the art
of re-creation, reflection and relaxation; so that we
might recharge and refill ourselves for the work you
have planned for us. Help us never to be too busy to
pause and realize your gracious presence all around
us: in nature, in other people, in ourselves. Slow us
down, Lord, and teach us to be stewards

of our time of recreation. Amen.



A STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

In today's reading from the prophet Isaiah, there is a guarantee that the unleashing of God's Word will bear much fruitfulness in the world. The Word of God will accomplish whatever God sends it forth to do. His Word is given to us as a gift to be nurtured, shared and made to "bear fruit." The question is whether or not we are exercising good stewardship over God's Word. Have we been "fruitful" with God's Word? Have we unleashed God's Word? Do we share God's Word or do we leave that task to others?

YOUR ADORATION IS NEEDED

There are now three (3) openings at our Soldotna Parish. Please do consider spending time with our Eucharistic Lord every Thursday night from 7pm until 8pm, Friday early mornings from 1am until 2am, and Friday mornings from 8am until 9am. Help with any of these times is gratefully appreciated! Substitutes are available. Try it out while you are here for the summer. Call Maria at 262-1703 with questions or to sign-up for a trial run. Thank you.

GRATITUDE

by Rev. Michael J. Kettenring

I was married 30 years before my wife, Kacky, died and I became a priest. I learned bunches from Kacky. Love requires intimacy. Intimacy requires communication, and communication requires lots of talk. Love also requires a willingness to sacrifice, me for you. If wife and husband deeply communicate and regularly sacrifice, everything else falls into place.

When I began stewardship at Visitation, I applied Kacky's lessons. I told the parishioners we must have an intimate relationship with God; we must talk with our God often. We must also be willing to sacrifice for each other the way He sacrificed for us. Talking with God is, of course, prayer. Sacrificing for each other is ministry.

I mention the words Good Steward in every homily I preach. I also constantly talk about love, prayer and ministry. Does that make me a head-in-the-clouds financial fool? I don't think so. My last job before becoming a priest was as a vice-president of a \$3 billion dollar company.

During the last five years at Visitation, prayer commitments have increased more than a thousand percent. The number of our ministries has increased more than 150 percent. Collections too have more than doubled!

Some marriage counselors tell us the primary reason couples do divorce is money. So, they argue the key to a healthy marriage is a good budget. Baloney! The key to a healthy marriage is communication and sacrifice. Many tell us the key to good stewardship is an emphasis on tithing. More baloney! The key to good stewardship is communication (*time* talking with God) and sacrifice (using our *talents* to minister). Trust me: the money (*treasure*) follows.