

Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Catholic Community

August 21, 2011

Twentifirst 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 through weekend of August 28th

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 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 August 22, 2011 - August 28, 2011, with Daily Readings

<u>August 22, Monday:</u>	<u>August 23, Tuesday:</u>	<u>August 24, Wednesday:</u>	<u>August 25, Thursday:</u>	<u>August 26, Friday:</u>	<u>August 27, Saturday:</u>	<u>August 28, Sunday:</u>
<p>Morning Prayer 7:30am</p> <p>Centering Prayer 8:15am</p>	<p>Morning Prayer 7:30am</p> <p>Mass 12:05</p> <p>Legion of Mary 12:45pm</p> <p>Fulfilled in your Hearing 6:00pm</p>	<p>Morning Prayer 7:30am</p> <p>Mass 12:05</p>	<p>Morning Prayer 7:30am</p> <p>Adoration</p> <p>Mass 12:05</p>	<p>Morning Prayer 7:30am</p> <p>Mass 12:05</p>	<p>Reconciliation 4:00pm</p> <p>Mass 5:00pm</p>	<p>Mass 10:00am</p> <p>Mass 5:00pm</p>
<p>1Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10 Ps 149: 1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a, and 9b Mt 23: 13-22</p>	<p>1Thes 2: 1-8 Ps 139: 1-3, 4-6 Mt 23: 23-26</p>	<p>Rv 21: 9b-14 Ps 145: 10-11, 12-13, 17-18 Jn 1: 45-51</p>	<p>1Thes 3: 7-13 Ps 90: 3-5a, 12-13, 14 and 17 Mt 24: 42-51</p>	<p>1Thes 4: 1-8 Ps 97: 1 and 2b, 5-6, 10, 11-12 Mt 25: 1-13</p>	<p>1Thes 4: 9-11 Ps 98: 1, 7-8, 9 Mt 25: 14-30</p>	<p>Jer 20: 7-9 Ps 63: 2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 Rom 12: 1-2 Mt 16: 21-27</p>

OLPH TRIVIA

In what year was our parish incorporated ?

\$\$\$ RAFFLE \$\$\$

Raffle tickets are available in the foyer to raise funds for the Redemptorist Memorial Garden. Prizes include a one-of-a kind pottery fish platter with antique silver utensils accompanied by 4 salmon fillets and canned salmon, a French braid wool quilt, and a set of men's and ladies woolen mittens and hat. The raffle drawing will be on Labor Day weekend at our 50th anniversary festivities. See you there!

Saturday, August 27, 2011, 5:00pm

Eucharistic Ministers: Kathy Bongiovanni, Carm Bongiovanni, Margaret Johnson, Steve & Cheryl Hammarstrom

Lectors: 1st Reading: Charles Miller **2nd Reading:** Monte Murray

Altar Server: please check in

Sunday, August 28, 2011, 10:00am

Eucharistic Ministers: Dave Carey, Kate Forrest, Cindy Kircher, Helen Knopp, Marguerite McIntosh, Terry Moxey, Sharon Shassetz

Lectors: 1st Reading: Shannon Dwyer **2nd Reading:** Karl Kircher

Altar Server: please check in

Mop & Bucket 8/22-8/27: Karl Kircher Family

Collection Counters: 8/28: Karl & Cindy Kircher

BAKE SALE TODAY

There will be one more bake sale to help support our Mission in Murkuru, Kenya, Africa. We are asking you to please bake something to help us raise the funds. This sale on August 20th and 21st and takes the place of the bake sale we usually schedule in December so if you want to bake Christmas Cookies go for it! Fruitcake? Why not?

TEEN MUSIC

Our teen music group, "Catholic Catastrophe" is in need of more singers, teens and college age, and a back up piano player to help with the music at our monthly teen Masses during the school year. J.D. Uponen is the teen music director and has an extensive background in music. He is employed as a music teacher in our school district as well. Music is contemporary Christian music and rehearsals are usually twice a month for one hour. The first rehearsal is Wed. Sept. 7th from 7:00 - 8:00 P.M. at OLPH Church in Soldotna. (yes, this time can also be used for Confirmation hours, school service hours, volunteer hours, and community service) If interested, please contact Sue Dukowitz at sdukowitz@acsalaska.net or 283- 4098.

A STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

Paul concludes his discussion of the relation of Jews and Gentiles in the Church in today's reading from Romans. In his amazement at God's action in sending Jesus as both Jewish Messiah and universal savior, he cannot express anything except praise for God's "riches and wisdom and knowledge," his inscrutable judgments and unsearchable ways. God is beyond human comprehension, not because he doesn't care or is hostile (as some religions have held), but because he is so great and loving and generous that neither our imagination nor our reason can grasp it. Because everything we have comes as a gift from God, even our existence, Paul reminds us that we can't give something to God in a fashion that puts God in debt to us. "For from him and through him and for him are all things." So although we are in debt to God, we ought not to view our return to God of a portion of our time, talent, and treasure as a duty to be grudgingly accepted. Instead we're invited to make a loving response. Among the many blessings for which we owe thanks to God is the Church, through which we receive sacramental grace and in which we live our Christian life. Jesus built the Church on St. Peter and entrusted to him "the keys of the kingdom of heaven." In it we can safely journey through the storms of this life until our arrival at heaven.

YOUR ADORATION IS NEEDED

There is an adoration opening at our Soldotna Parish. Please do consider spending time with our Eucharistic Lord every Thursday from 4:00 to 5:00pm or on Friday early morning 1:00 to 2:00am. Help with this time 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.

BIBLE STUDY

Our parish Bible Study resumes on Sept. 11, 2011 and is studying The Acts of the Apostles. Sign up this Sunday after Masses or call JoAnn Biegel for more information at 262-2444. Everyone is welcome to this exciting and informative trip through the Bible. The cost of study books is \$35.



Faith Formation Fun Day

Today, Sunday August 21, at 11:15 a.m. on the Church grounds is Faith Formation Fun Day! Register for Fall classes; Pre-school to Adults. There will be Games, Jumping Junction, and Lunch! Please bring chips, veggies, fruit or cookies to share. Hot dogs are provided by the church. We invite all new to the parish as well as other parishioners, to stop at the parish registration desk either to register or update our information. Please stop by and see what is available for you. Also, we will have a send off for Father Charles as he prepares to leave us for the winter. Please join us!



50 years

PLAN TO ATTEND:

IT'S A "ONCE-IN-A-LIFETIME" EVENT!
THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF OUR PARISH.

SEPT 3RD—BEGINNING WITH A 5:00 P.M. MASS,
FOLLOWED BY A POTLUCK DINNER.

PLEASE BRING YOUR FAVORITE CASSEROLE,
SALAD, OR DESSERT TO
COMPLIMENT OUR MAIN COURSE.

THE MUSIC MINISTRY WILL GATHER FOR A PRACTICE SESSION
FOR THIS MASS ON FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 2 AT 7PM.

50th

ANNIVERSARY

THE LOVING SEARCH FOR GOD

Father William A. Meninger, a Trappist Monk of St. Benedict's Monastery in Snowmass, Colorado will be here with us Friday, September 16-18 giving presentations: Fr. Meninger is the author of The Loving Search for God, (based on the 14th Century anonymous classic The Cloud of Unknowing), The Process of Forgiveness, other works and he is a co-founder of Centering Prayer (along with Thomas Keating and Basil Pennington). On Friday, September 16, he will give a presentation on Julian of Norwich; Saturday evening a presentation on the process of forgiveness and continuation of that topic on Sunday after Mass. Please mark these dates for further info in the upcoming weeks. Thank you. Questions: Marlys 262-5542

Married Singles Lifestyle –

The Married Singles Lifestyle describes couples that have lost a sense of closeness they once had as marriage partners and are living more like roommates.



Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi with a long i) teaches couples how to survive times like these in their marriages. This program has helped 10's of 1000's of couples experiencing difficulty at all levels of marital distress from disillusionment to deep misery. For information about, or to register for the **October** program beginning with a weekend on **Oct. 14,15 & 16** call **1-800-470-2230**, email: **6001@retrouvaille.org**. or go on the web at www.HelpOurMarriage.com.

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