

# Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Catholic Community

September 4, 2011

Twentieth 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

**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

**HAPPY  
50th  
OLPH**

**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: CLASS SCHEDULED NOVEMBER 3RD AT 7:00PM**

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](mailto:pjham@alaska.net), Pat Hamilton 262-5250

**Sexual Abuse Victim Assistance Coordinator:** Marlys Verba

**PLEASE REMEMBER:**

The Religious Education Classes will begin on Wednesday, October 5, 2011 at 6:30pm.

Please Note: Submissions/articles for the weekly bulletin via email must be in by Thursdays at noon to Marlys: [marlys.verba@gmail.com](mailto:marlys.verba@gmail.com) Thanks!

## Calendar for September 5, 2011 - September 11, 2011, with Daily Readings

<u>September 5, Monday:</u>	<u>September 6, Tuesday:</u>	<u>September 7, Wednesday:</u>	<u>September 8, Thursday:</u>	<u>September 9, Friday:</u>	<u>September 10, Saturday:</u>	<u>SEPTEMBER 11, Sunday:</u>
Morning Prayer 7:30am  Centering Prayer 8:15am	Morning Prayer 7:30am  Mass 12:05  Legion of Mary 12:45pm  Fulfilled in your Hearing 6:00pm	Morning Prayer 7:30am  Mass 12:05  Teen Music Practice 7pm	Morning Prayer 7:30am  Mass 12:05  Adoration after mass	Morning Prayer 7:30am  Mass 12:05	Reconciliation 4:00pm  Mass 5:00pm	Mass 10:00am  National Day of Service, 10 years
Col 1 24: 2-3 Ps 62: 6-7, 9 Lk 6: 6-11	Col 2: 6-15 Ps 145: 1b-2, 8-9, 10-11 Lk 6: 12-19	Col 3: 1-11 Ps 145: 2-3, 10-11, 12-13ab Lk 6: 20-26	Mi 5: 1-4a Rom 8: 28-30 Is 13: 6ab, 6c Mt 1: 1-16, 18-23 Mt 1: 18-23	1Tm 1: 1-2, 12-14 Ps 16: 1b-2a, 5, 7-8, 11 Lk 6: 39-42	1Tm 1: 15-17 Ps 113: 1b-2, 3-4, 5, 6-7 Lk 6: 43-49	Sir 27: 30-28: 7 Ps 103: 1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12 Rom 14: 7-9 Mt 18: 21-35

### OLPH TRIVIA

How large was our mortgage loan from the Knights of Columbus for our new church building?

### BIBLE STUDY BEGINS

Bible Timeline will begin on September 11th after 10am Mass with a potluck lunch in O'Neill Hall. We will be studying ACTS this year. The workbooks will be available at this first meeting. All are welcome to join us. Please call JoAnn Biegel at 262-2444 for more information. See you there!



**Saturday, September 10, 2011, 5:00pm**

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Barbara Dilley, Cindy Irmen, Margaret Johnson, Bill Sadler, Ruthan Truesdell

**Lectors: 1<sup>st</sup> Reading:** Linda Houglum

**2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:** Judy Nelson

**Altar Server:** please check in

**Sunday, September 11, 2011, 10:00am**

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Shirley Aleckson, Myrna Cowan, Karen Evans, Sonja Foutty, Debbie Stanton, Jim & Alyson Stogsdill

**Lectors: 1<sup>st</sup> Reading:** Dave Carey **2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:** Pat Cowan

**Altar Server:** please check in

**Mop & Bucket 9/5-9/10:** Leslie Kosydar Family

**Collection Counters: 9/11:** Robert and Myrna Schuh

## 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](mailto:sdukowitz@acsalaska.net) or 283- 4098.

## A STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

In Saint Paul's letter to the Romans he suggests that God lavishes His love upon us through Jesus Christ, who calls us to the kind of loving relationship, if we so choose it, that demands accountability. It is like, in Saint Paul's vocabulary, a kind of "debt" that we can never "pay in full". But we begin to repay by following the direction of one of the most familiar statements in the Bible "Love your neighbor as yourself". Good Stewards realize that God does not call them just to love those who are easy to love, but to love the unloved and the hard to love people in this world as well. This week, remind yourself "I am put here as an ambassador of God's Love".



## RCIA CLASSES TO START SOON

Classes for anyone interested in the Catholic Church will start on Wednesday, October 5, at 6:30 pm. We will meet each Wednesday throughout the school year in O'Neill Hall.

If you are Baptized in another Christian Church, are un-baptized but interested in learning about the Church, or a Catholic who wants to learn more about the Church, you are asked to please contact Marlys at 262-5542 or Shirley at 262-9654 during September. Thank you for your participation.

## Married Singles

**Lifestyle** –The Married Singles Lifestyle describes couples that have lost a sense of closeness they once had

## Retrouvaille

A lifeline for marriages  
George and Jackie Palmer  
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as marriage partners and are living more like roommates.  
**4 Stages of Marriage** – The 4 stages of marriage are: (1) Romance, (2) Disillusionment, (3) Misery, and (4) Awakening. Many marriages experience the first 3 Stages. Marriages that end in divorce never make it to the 4<sup>th</sup> Stage of Awakening. Don't give up without learning about the 4<sup>th</sup> Stage of Awakening. If your marriage suffers from Disillusionment or Misery please contact Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi with a long i). For confidential information about or to register for the October program beginning with a weekend on Oct. 14-16 call 800-470-2230 or email: 6001@retrouvaille.org, or visit the web site at [www.HelpOurMarriage.com](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.com) THANKS

## ADORATION OPENING

Are you up late into the night? Consider spending **1am to 2am** with our Eucharistic Lord on **Friday** mornings. Please try out this peaceful hour for a few weeks. Call Maria @ 262-1703. Thank you!

## 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", and other works; and he is a co-founder of "Centering Prayer" (along with Thomas Keating and Basil Pennington). Please mark these dates for further info in the upcoming weeks:

Friday: September 16th; presentation on "Julian of Norwich" at 7pm at the hall

Saturday: September 17th: presentation from 10am-3pm in the church on "Cloud of Unknowing" and Contemplative prayer

Saturday: Preside at 5pm Mass and Presentation at 7pm on "The Process of Forgiveness"

Sunday: Preside at 10am Mass with homily on "Forgiveness"

For the next nine days he will be in Anchorage giving several different presentations. A Free Will offering to be taken at each presentation. Thank you. If you have Questions please call Marlys 262-5542

# 50 years

## PLAN TO ATTEND TODAY:

IT'S A "ONCE-IN-A-LIFETIME" EVENT!  
THE 50<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF OUR PARISH.  
SATURDAY, SEPT. 3<sup>RD</sup>—BEGINNING WITH A 5:00 P.M. MASS,  
FOLLOWED BY A DELICIOUS POTLUCK DINNER.  
WE ASK YOU TO MAKE IT MEMORABLE AND TO  
BRING YOUR FAVORITE CASSEROLE, SALAD,  
OR DESSERT TO COMPLIMENT OUR MAIN COURSE.

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# ANNIVERSARY



We are in the process of changing our Mass schedule to better serve the communities of Our Lady of the Angels, Kenai and Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Soldotna. Clergy shortages often require a priest to serve several parishes on the same weekend. Presently, masses at OLA and OLPH are at the same time: 5pm Saturdays and 10am Sundays. By staggering mass times, one priest could celebrate all four masses on a weekend. This would minimize the need for multiple Eucharistic Services when clergy conferences, retreats, vacations and illnesses result in fewer priests being available in our Kenai-Soldotna area. By staggering the mass times, we will also help families who have found the current mass schedule difficult to attend. That is, at times when it is inconvenient to participate in one's own parish, there will now be an option to celebrate in the neighboring parish at a different hour. Next weekend everyone will have an opportunity to share and make suggestions as to what the new staggered mass times should be. Please take this week to pray and discuss your ideas with fellow parishioners. Once a new schedule is agreed upon, changes will take place on the weekend of October 1/2.

## THINK ABOUT IT



