

Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Catholic Community

September 11, 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

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. 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 September 12, 2011 - September 18, with Daily Readings

September 12, Monday: Morning Prayer 7:30am Centering Prayer 8:15am	September 13, Tuesday: Morning Prayer 7:30am Mass 12:05 Legion of Mary 12:45pm Fulfilled in your Hearing 6:00pm	September 14, Wednesday: Morning Prayer 7:30am Mass 12:05 Teen Music Practice 7pm	September 15, Thursday: Morning Prayer 7:30am Mass 12:05 Adoration after mass	September 16, Friday: Morning Prayer 7:30am Mass 12:05 Fr. Meninger 7:00pm topic: Julian of Norwich	September 17, Saturday: Fr. Meninger 10am-3pm Centering Prayer Reconciliation 4:00pm Mass 5:00pm Fr. Meninger 7:00pm topic: Process of Forgiveness	September 18, Sunday: Mass 10:00am Fr. Meninger at our Liturgy with speech on Forgiveness
1Tm 2: 1-8 Ps 28: 2, 7, 8-9 Lk 7: 1-10	1Tm 3: 1-13 Ps 101: 1b-2ab, 2cd-3ab, 5, 6 Lk 7: 11-17	Nm 21: 4b-9 Ps 78: 1bc-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38 Phil 2: 6-11 Jn 3: 13-17	1Tm 4: 12-16 Ps 111: 7-8, 9, 10 Jn 19: 25-27 Lk 2: 33-35	1Tm 6: 2c-12 Ps 49: 6-7, 8-10, 17-18, 19-20 Lk 8: 1-3	1Tm 6: 13-16 Ps 100: 1b-2, 3,4,5 Lk 8: 4-15	Is 55: 6-9 Ps 145: 2-3, 8-9, 17-18 Phil 1: 20c-24, 27a Mt 20: 1-16a

TRAPPIST MONK TO VISIT OLPH

Father William Meninger, Trappist Monk and Author of numerous books is coming next week to Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish. He will be teaching and leading workshops on Centering Prayer, The Mystics, and Forgiveness. Fr. Meninger leaves St. Benedict's Monastery in Snowmass, Colorado only four times a year to teach and hold workshops around the world. This week he will be coming to Alaska and giving workshops here as well as in Anchorage. The following is his calendar at Our Lady of Perpetual Help:

FRIDAY: Presentation on Julian of Norwich, a Mystic on September 16 at 7:00pm in O'Neill Hall

SATURDAY: Workshop (in the church) on Centering Prayer, Cloud of the Unknowing with a light lunch provided on September 17 at 10:00am - 3:00pm

SATURDAY: Presentation on the Process of Forgiveness in O'Neill Hall on September 17 at 7:00pm.

SUNDAY: Fr. Meninger will be with us at the Liturgy and speak on Forgiveness.

We do have some of his books available in the foyer, if you would like to read them prior to an event. Donations for Father and St. Benedict's Monastery are being asked of you. RSVP by Thursday if you should require babysitting for an event. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board for Friday night and Saturday. If you have any questions please see Marlys. See you there!

Saturday, September 17, 2011, 5:00pm

Eucharistic Ministers: Kathy Bongiovanni, Carm Bongiovanni, Barbara Bonk, and John Bonk

Lectors: 1st Reading: Carolyn Cannava 2nd Reading: Mary Bailey

Altar Server: please check in

Sunday, September 18, 2011, 10:00am

Eucharistic Ministers: Connie Dunn, Tonilyn Spring, Glorie Sweeney, Shirley Twohy, Krys Williams, Laurie & David Stropes

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

Altar Server: please check in

Mop & Bucket 9/12-9/17 Krzysztof Kudyba Family

Collection Counters: 9/18: Kathryn Dunagan & Cathy Haas

A STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

Today's Gospel reading continues Jesus' instructions on being good stewards of others – the direction that if we love Jesus Christ, we must forgive an individual 77 times. The reading compels us to consider one of the most difficult practices of Christian discipleship. Forgiveness is the way of Jesus, the way of the cross. Vengeance, bitterness and hatred seem so much easier and certainly more desirable. Forgiveness is a hard road to travel, but it is the only road that leads to life in Christ. Consider this week who you need to forgive.

YOUR ADORATION IS NEEDED

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 Anniversary of 9/11: How do Christian Stewards Respond?

When we celebrate the Eucharist together on Sunday, September 11, 2011, we will already have been surrounded by vivid reminders of the tenth anniversary of the 9/11 attacks in the United States. How should Christian stewards commemorate this anniversary?

Catholics embrace a diversity of thought regarding armed conflict and war on terrorism, ranging from variations of the just war tradition to varying degrees of pacifism. They hold a deep appreciation of our uniformed men and women who serve at home and abroad.

Christian stewards do not stand idly by, helpless or disengaged. They open their hearts to conversion and draw closer to those who suffer. They seek ways to diffuse violence and conflict. They seek to understand those with whom they disagree. They encourage leaders to act with prudence and compassion. Christian stewards remember those who have been lost and memorialize this day by re-committing their lives to following in the footsteps of Jesus to make the world a better place.

FAITH FORMATION NEWS

Registration will be available again next week after the masses. If you have not done so already, please register as well as pay the registration fees. These are necessary for the materials and supplies used. The fees are \$10 per child for classes, \$15 per child for sacrament classes. Generations of Faith registration is \$50 per family or \$25 per individual for the entire session.

Sunday Faith Formation classes will start on October 2nd. Generations of Faith's first event is on October 9th. The regular Sunday classes will not meet on this Sunday. All classes will focus on this topic. The topic is "Call of Worship", the revised Roman Missal. The presenter is Dave Carey. In the following weeks after this presentation we will continue to meet for discussion regarding the upcoming changes. Please consider joining us.



WHAT ARE YOUR THOUGHTS?

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. Today everyone will have an opportunity to share and make suggestions as to what the new staggered mass times should be. Please take this time 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.

OLPH Teen ministry needs YOUR help. We plan youth Mass and Activities once monthly for all youth of our parish in 7th to 12th grades. We need the participation of adults to accomplish this. So if you would like to help us out, we are having an organizational meeting for the year on Wednesday, September 14th at 6:00pm in O'Neill Hall. Please join us for the sake of our youth. Even if you can only help out with one event, or don't like to be front and center, there are many small tasks to be done.
Please join us!!!

