



# Our Lady of Perpetual Help

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Catholic Community Served by the Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate

## MASS SCHEDULE:

### SUNDAY LITURGY

Saturday 4:00 pm

Sunday 9:00 am

### YOUTH MASS/ACTIVITY

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the Month: 4:00 pm

### WEEKDAY MASS:

Tues - Fri 12:05 pm

### ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Thurs 12:30 pm to Fri noon.

## CONTACT US:

### PARISH OFFICE

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Closed on Mondays

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### ASSISTANCE COORDINATOR:

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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.

Fifth Sunday in Lent  
March 25, 2012

## SACRAMENTS

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Thursday: 12:45 pm and Saturday 3:00 – 3:45 pm

### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

Infants / children – Parents Preparation class is required. Call

Marlys for reservations (best done prior to birth).

Adults – Contact the office about RCIA

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.

### SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF SICK OR COMMUNION:

Available during the Sunday Masses or as needed.

**NOTE: Because of privacy laws, parishioners need to notify us if going to the hospital.** Remember to request Anointing of the Sick before surgery — please call the parish at 262-4749.

**FUNERALS:** Contact parish office immediately after the death.







Please Note: Submissions/articles for the weekly bulletin via email must be in by Wednesday at noon to Marlys: marlys.verba@gmail.com.

# Calendar for March 26<sup>th</sup> – April 1<sup>st</sup>

## MONDAY, 3/26/2012

### Readings:




-  Is 7:10-14; 8:10
-  Ps 40:7-11
-  Heb 10:4-10
-  Lk 1:26-38

### Events:

- Morning Prayer 7:30am
- Centering Prayer 8:15am

## TUESDAY, 3/27/2012

### Readings:




-  Nm 21:4-9
-  Ps 102:2-3, 16-21
-  Jn 8:21-30

### Events:

- Morning Prayer 7:30am
- Mass 12:05pm (in O'Neill hall)
- Legion of Mary 12:45pm

## WEDNESDAY, 3/28/2012

### Readings:




-  Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95
-  (Ps) Dn 3:52-53, 55-56
-  Jn 8:31-42

### Events:

- Morning Prayer 7:30am
- Mass 12:05pm (in O'Neill hall)
- RCIA 6:30pm

## THURSDAY, 3/29/2012

### Readings:




-  Gn 17:3-9
-  Ps 105:4-9
-  Jn 8:51-59

### Events:

- Morning Prayer 7:30am
- Mass 12:05pm (in O'Neill hall)
- Quilting Group 10:00am to 3:00pm
- No Adoration

## FRIDAY, 3/30/2012

### Readings:




-  Jer 20:10-13
-  Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-7
-  Jn 10:31-42

### Events:

- Morning Prayer 7:30 am
- Mass 12:05 pm (in O'Neill Hall)
- Just Faith 3:00 pm
- Soup Supper 6:00pm
- Presentation 7:00 -8:30pm

## SATURDAY, 3/31/2012

### Readings:






-  Ez 37:21-28
-  (Ps) Jer 31:10-12abcd, 13
-  Jn 11:45-56

### Events:

- Music Practice 2:00 pm
- Reconciliation 3:00 pm
- Mass 4:00 pm (in the Redemptorist Center)

## SUNDAY, 4/1/2012

### Readings:

-  Mk 11:1-10
-  Is 50:4-7
-  Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24
-  Phil 2:6-11
-  Mk 14:1-15:47

### Events:

- Mass 9:00 am (in the Redemptorist Center)

## REMODELING UPDATE



Due to the continued remodeling in the church, there will be **no adoration this week.**

Also note, **daily mass** will be held at the usual times in O'Neill Hall.

Thank you for your continued patience with this project; the remodeling is expected to be completed in time for the Palm Sunday masses.

Saturday 4:00 pm  
March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2012  
and

Palm Sunday 9:00 am  
April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2012

The Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers for these services will be scheduled by Marlys.

Please see the sign-up sheet on the foyer table for Holy Week Liturgies.

### Altar Server:

- Saturday: Kevin Woodvine
- Sunday: Belle Henry

Mop & Bucket 3/26-4/1:

All Parishioners

Collection Counters 4/1:

Fred and Kathy Fruhwirth

Children's Liturgy of the Word 4/1:

Laurie Kapp and Jacob

## LENTEN SOUP SUPPER FOLLOWED BY STATIONS OF THE CROSS



The last soup supper of Lent will be held this Friday, March 30<sup>th</sup> in O'Neill Hall. There is a signup sheet on the bulletin board for anyone who wishes to volunteer or contribute foods. Please contact Ron at 262-6448 with any questions.

Stations of the Cross will follow at 7 pm. The theme of this week is The Way of the Cross in Troubled Times.

## GENERATIONS OF FAITH TOTAL FAITH FORMATION PROGRAM



March 25	Student classes
April 1	Student classes
April 8	Easter: no classes
April 15	Generations of Faith: the Creed: the church last student class
April 20	First Eucharist retreat
April 22	First Eucharist at mass: reception to follow

## EASTER LILY REMEMBRANCE



Easter lily remembrance for your loved ones is available until Palm Sunday in the foyer. Please leave \$12 per flower in an envelope with the name of the loved one written on the envelope. These flowers will be placed in the sanctuary until April 22<sup>nd</sup> and then they may be taken home.

## HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE



**Palm Sunday:** The weekend of March 31-April 1 will begin Holy Week. The liturgies will begin in the Redemptorist Center for both masses. We will walk over to the church together in a procession. This solemn procession on Palm Sunday will provide a vivid image of the Church's celebration of Christ's entrance into Jerusalem to fulfill the Paschal Mystery of his death and resurrection.

\*Please remember to bring the Lenten bags to church.

**Holy Thursday:** Liturgy is at 7 pm. Afterward, there will be a procession to the Redemptorist Center for adoration until midnight. The Prayer Labyrinth will be available at the same time in the same space. **Please Note:** the entrance to both spaces is the back door of the Redemptorist Center. Restrooms will be available in the church.

**Good Friday:** At noon, a walking Stations of the Cross will begin; this journey will start at O'Neill hall and proceed through town. At 3 pm, the Stations of the Cross will be recited at the church. Celebration of the Passion of the Lord is at 7 pm in the church.

**Saturday: Easter Vigil:** Set up for Easter will begin at 8 am; please join us as many hands are needed to prepare the church. Easter Vigil liturgy will begin at 9 pm. After mass, there will be a dessert buffet in the church foyer to celebrate Easter and to welcome the new members of our Church. Please bring your favorite dessert to share.

**Easter Sunday** Mass is at 9 am followed by a brunch in O'Neill Hall; donations for the brunch will go to the Rice Bowl.

## **SPRING CLEANING FOR FREEDOM**



So many of us have accumulated much more than we need. It bursts from our closets, overflows our shelves and clutters our lives. Lent might be a wonderful time to deliberately release ourselves from the many "things" we own by cleaning out our closets and simplifying our lives in a prayerful and intentional way.

On one level, this is ridding ourselves of things we don't need, or things that we hated to part with except that they are so "out of style." Certainly, many of us have many things that are "extra" or "unneeded" for us, but could be wonderful for those who can't afford to buy clothes at a store. Another level of this journey into personal freedom is to ask ourselves how much I really do need. How many sweaters do I want to choose to have? How many jackets, sport shirts, dresses, shoes? How much jewelry? How much sporting equipment? How much electronic equipment? How many sets of silverware or dishes? How much of so many things we have in our lives? We can get as serious and go as deeply into this as we desire to find fruit.

This is not "should I get rid of what I don't need?" This is different, more faith-filled and takes us into giving up 'good' stuff -- perhaps stuff we are attached to -- because we want to experience the exercise of freedom. We do this because we sense that we are not free in some areas that are tremendously important for us, important for our salvation, and growing in freedom before the things of our lives can be a great grace.

This freedom, too, will place us in greater solidarity with those who find such great happiness and joy in trusting in God, while having so much less than we imagine we could survive on.

What else might we do, that fits with my circumstances and the needs around us and in the world?

## **BANNER**

Have you noticed the banner in the church sanctuary? You have been invited to live as children of the Light in the continuing weeks of Lent. Each week a different group will carry in our processional cross. You will be challenged by that group with a specific action for the week.

This week the Just Faith and St Vincent DePaul Society will carry the cross. The challenge this week is to be aware of the different crosses the weak, the hungry, and those who struggle for justice carry each day. Will you respond with thoughts of charity and / or justice? Next week, bring to church examples of these injustices found in this week's newspaper.



## **A STEWARDSHIP MOMENT FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT**

The climactic event of Jesus' passion and death is drawing closer; a time when the great confrontation between Jesus and the powers of darkness take place. Jesus invites his disciples into a great mystery with curious pronouncements: Those who love their lives just as they are will lose them. If a grain of wheat dies, it will bear much fruit. When Jesus is lifted up, he will draw all to himself. The Christian steward knows life can't be lived in complacency. We are called to die to self, bear more fruit, be raised up with Jesus. In today's Gospel reading Jesus brings discomfort to those who are comfortable. How would we respond to Jesus?