



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

WEEKDAY MASS:

Tues - Fri 12:05 pm

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Thurs 12:30 pm to Fri noon.

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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.



The Ascension of the Lord
May 20th, 2012

SACRAMENTS

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Thursday: 12:45 pm and Saturday 3:15 – 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 May 21st – May 27th

MONDAY, 5/21/2012	
Readings:  Acts 19:1-8  Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab  Jn 16:29-33	Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Morning Prayer 7:30am • Centering Prayer 8:15am
TUESDAY, 5/22/2012	
Readings:  Acts 20:17-27  Ps 68:10-11, 20-21  Jn 17:1-11a	Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Morning Prayer 7:30am • Mass 12:05 pm • Legion of Mary 12:45pm • Earth Angels church cleanup; meet at O'Neill Hall 1:00 pm
WEDNESDAY, 5/23/2012	
Readings:  Acts 20:28-38  Ps 68:29-30, 33-3536ab  Jn 17:11b-19	Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Morning Prayer 7:30am • Mass 12:05 pm
THURSDAY, 5/24/2012	
Readings:  Acts 22:30; 23:6-11  Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11  Jn 17:20-26	Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Morning Prayer 7:30 am • Mass 12:05pm • Adoration 12:45 pm until Friday at noon
FRIDAY, 5/25/2012	
Readings:  Acts 25:13b-21  Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab  Jn 21:15-19	Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Morning Prayer 7:30 am • Adoration until noon • Mass 12:05pm
SATURDAY, 5/26/2012	
Readings:  Acts 28:16-20, 30-31  Ps 11:4, 5 and 7  Jn 21:20-25	Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reconciliation 3:15 pm • Mass 4 pm • Mass of Resurrection for Bill Twohy 1:30 pm
SUNDAY, 5/27/2012	
Readings:  Acts 2:1-11  Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34  1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 OR  Gal 5:16-25  Jn 20:19-23	Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mass 9:00 am

KEEPING IT CLEAN!

The six earth angels that graciously cleaned our good earth as a form of stewardship on Tuesday deserve a **big thank you!** They collected **thirty five bags of garbage.** Thank you Terri Carroll for facilitating that chore!

The cleanup of the church grounds has been rescheduled to Tuesday, May 22nd at 1 pm. Please meet at the hall.



Saturday 4:00 pm
May 26th, 2012

Lectors:

1st Reading:

Charles Miller

2nd Reading:

Judy Nelson

Eucharistic Ministers:

- Kathy Bongiovanni
- Carm Bongiovanni
- Aida Burgess
- Cindy Kircher
- Bill Sadler

Sunday 9:00 am
May 27th, 2012

Lectors:

1st Reading:

Pat Cowan

2nd Reading:

Chuck Henry

Eucharistic Ministers:

- Myrna Cowan
- Kate Forrest
- Dede Garske
- Rose Henry
- Terry Moxey
- Shirley Twohy
- Ron O'Lena

Mop & Bucket 5/21 - 5/27:

Mary Ellen Johnson Family

Collection Counters 5/27:

Kathryn Dunagan and Cathy Haas

Children's Liturgy of the Word 5/27:

Stephanie Cox and Kathryn Dunagan

SERVICE OPPORTUNITY: KENAI MERIT INN

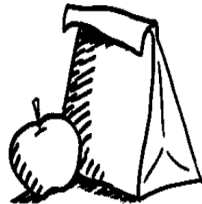
We are grateful to the several individuals (of all ages) who helped with the brown bag ministry this past weekend.

We are scheduled to pack bags again on June 3 and June 10. Cookies are needed for the bags. We will have a brown bag in the foyer for food donations for the ministry. Ongoing items needed are: peanut butter, jelly, juices, and other snacks. Seventy Five bags are prepared each week which means that 75 individual food items are needed. Monetary resources are graciously accepted.

We will begin serving at The Way Cafe at the Merit Inn on June 6th, and we will serve every other Wednesday. The schedule for June and July is posted on the bulletin board in the foyer. **If you cannot serve when you are scheduled, please notify Kathryn at kathryn.dun@gmail.com.**

Please note that the Food Handlers Certificate must be in Marlys's office by June 1st prior to serving at The Way.

If you are interested in this ministry, please see Marlys or any of the listed participants with your questions.



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL (*note a date change)

Registration for Vacation Bible School will take place this weekend and next after both masses.

VBS has been scheduled for **June 19-21 from 5:30 pm - 8:00 pm** at O'Neill Hall.

Many volunteers are still needed in various areas. Contact Ellie Woodvine with any questions.



We are getting near to the Relay For Life event on June 1st-2nd. **Walkers are needed to be on the track during the entire time of the event;** the event starts at 6 pm on Friday, June 1st and lasts until 2 pm on Saturday, June 2nd.

Please register at the table in the foyer. Also, please take the time to register for the OLPH team on the Relay for Life web site at www.relayforlife.org for fundraising donations.

T-shirts are still available with the OLPH team logo on it. They are \$20/shirt and proceeds go to the Relay for Life team.

PILGRIMAGE TO ROME



The three bishops of Alaska are leading a pilgrimage to Rome for the canonizations of Blessed Marianne Cope and Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha on October 15-22, 2012.

The fliers with the details of the pilgrimage are in the foyer. Notice the fuel surcharge of \$640 on the back of the flier. This could change as we get closer. It also is **not** included in the price per person listed on the flier.

Fuel surcharges and the money for the optional tour of Lourdes will be due 60 days out. Also, the balance owed will be due 60 days prior to the trip.

Contact Bob McMorrow 907-273-1552 with any questions.

CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES!



Congratulations to our graduates that we celebrate this weekend: Russell Dukowitz, JD Ahlberg, Kyle Shassetz, Rachel Wyatt, Danny McIntosh, and Craig Hills.

We pray God continues to bless you and be present to you in your daily lives.

Did you know that 21 of your local Church's parishes and missions are located in rural and remote communities? Your gift through the One Bread, One Body Annual Appeal helps make possible support for parishes and missions in some of the most remote communities in North America.

Check out the kickoff video, and Like Us at www.facebook.com/OneBreadOneBodyAnnualAppeal to see updates throughout the campaign, additional videos, and the latest events and happenings from all parishes.



2012 One Bread, One Body

Share Your Faith, Share Your Gifts

Our call to love God and love our neighbor must be more than an attitude. As stewards of God's gifts, we show our love through our actions towards those in our community.

We are called to bring sustenance to every part, place and member of the communities our local Church serves.

Did you know that 21 of your Archdiocese's 29 parishes and missions are located in rural and remote communities, some accessible only by plane or boat?

If you haven't already, please pledge your gift to the One Bread, One Body Annual Appeal today. You will help bring Church to some of the most remote communities in North America.

The amount of your gift matters far less than your participation as an active steward of these vital ministries.

Your Archdiocese's Mission

The Catholic Archdiocese of Anchorage is a people of many cultures, called by the love of Christ to proclaim the Gospel, celebrate the sacraments and give witness through joyful lives of prayer and service.

Help your Archdiocese **Go Green!** Give online: www.archdioceseofanchorage.org/donate

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT

Christian disciples have always been charged to proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ — even as He walked the earth Himself.

We hear in the story Jesus calling Simon (Peter) and Andrew, He invites them: "come follow me, and I will make you fishers of men."

Drawing others to Christ and building the Church has always been a big part of what it means to be a disciple. First we must give ourselves to Him, completely, and then, in giving ourselves, using the gifts He has given us, we must proclaim the Good News and build His kingdom.

That call of discipleship does not change with Jesus' ascension. He is still here — physically in the Eucharist and spiritually everywhere, AND He promises to send the Spirit (a reality we will celebrate next Sunday on Pentecost. Armed, then with the gift of His Spirit, and His grace therein, we boldly proclaim, "Christ has risen." Christ has come for all. And He offers salvation to all who accept it. It is an awesome (in the literal sense of the word) Gospel that we proclaim. And when we proclaim it in courage full of faith in the Lord whom we proclaim, we are sure to beckon others to Him.

"We have seen and testify that the Father sent His Son as savior of the world. Whoever acknowledges that Jesus is the Son of God, God remains in Him and He in God" (second reading for seventh Sunday of Easter).

It may seem a far-fetched idea for us, in this day and age — to boldly proclaim the Gospel, but the fact is, we are called just as personally and profoundly as the disciples in Jesus' day. He calls each one of us by name, and invites us to follow Him. He wants to make us fishers of men. We must simply give Him our yes, offer Him ourselves, and proclaim the Gospel without reservation.

"I urge you to live in a manner of the call you have received, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another through love. ... You were also called to the one hope of your call; one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all. ... But grace was given to each of us according to the measure of Christ's gift" (second reading for the Ascension).

This means that the way we live our lives must show people that Jesus lives, that He is real, and that He comes first. When people see us — day in and day out — they should see a witness of Jesus' truth. We should live for Him, every minute of every day, and happily so, after all, life as Christ's disciple is the most fulfilling life we could even begin to dream up. It is He Whom we were created to live for, and His blessings are beyond measure.

As we continue to celebrate the Easter Season, may we boldly and joyfully proclaim, Christ has risen, AND He ascended into heaven — Body and Spirit.

He lives! Alleluia!