



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.

CONTACT US:

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Closed on Mondays

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SEXUAL ABUSE VICTIM

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.



18th Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 5th, 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:

September 1st and 2nd after mass 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 August 6th – August 12th

| MONDAY, 8/6/2012 | |
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| Readings:  DN 7:9-10, 13-14  Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9  2 Pt 1:16-19  Mk 9:2-10 | Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Morning Prayer 7:30am • Centering Prayer 8:15am |
| TUESDAY, 8/7/2012 | |
| Readings:  Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22  Ps 102:16-18, 19-21, 29 and 22-23  Mt 14:22-36 OR Mt 15:1-2, 10-14 | Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Morning Prayer 7:30am • Mass 12:05 pm • Legion of Mary 12:45pm |
| WEDNESDAY, 8/8/2012 | |
| Readings:  Jer 31:1-7  Jer 31:10, 11-12ab, 13  Mt 15: 21-28 | Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Morning Prayer 7:30am • Mass 12:05 pm • Serving at THE WAY |
| THURSDAY, 8/9/2012 | |
| Readings:  Jer 31:31-34  Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19  Mt 16:13-23 | Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Morning Prayer 7:30 am • Mass 12:05pm • Adoration 12:45 pm until Friday at noon |
| FRIDAY, 8/10/2012 | |
| Readings:  2 Cor 9:6-10  Ps 112:1-2, 5-9  Jn 12:24-26 | Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Morning Prayer 7:30 am • Adoration until noon • Mass 12:05pm |
| SATURDAY, 8/11/2012 | |
| Readings:  Hab 1:12-2:4  Ps 9:8-9, 10-13  Mt 17:14-20 | Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reconciliation 3:15 pm • Mass 4 pm; Fr Ken will preside |
| SUNDAY, 8/12/2012 | |
| Readings:  1 Kgs 19:4-8  Ps 34:2-3, 4-9  Eph 4:30-5:2  Jn 6:41-51 | Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mass 9 am; Fr Ken will preside • Brown Bag Ministry O'Neill Hall at 10:15 am |

LET'S CLEAN HOUSE!

This upcoming week we are having a **Clean The Hall Extravaganza!**

Any ministry/group using the O'Neill HALL during the year is invited to come help clean the facility. There are many groups: Ladies, Quilting, ACTS, Youth Ministry, Liturgy, Faith Formation, RCIA and others who regularly use the hall.

As part of all our stewardship, please consider coming to help on Thursday, August 9th from 9am-4pm (any time is greatly appreciated). Many hands make the work light. All ages are welcome and encouraged! A DOOR PRIZE for the participants is planned; come take a chance!

Saturday 4:00 pm
August 11th, 2012

Lectors:

1st Reading:

Barb Dilley

2nd Reading:

Charles Miller

Eucharistic Ministers:

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- Kathy Bongiovanni
- Carm Bongiovanni
- Barbara Bonk
- John Bonk
- MaryLou Nushart

Sunday 9:00 am
August 12th, 2012

Lectors:

1st Reading:

Pat Cowan

2nd Reading:

Anne McCabe

Eucharistic Ministers:

- Thelma Antilla
- Connie Dunn
- Bruce Emmerson
- Jim Fellman
- Jane Fellman
- Marguerite McIntosh
- Terry Moxey

Mop & Bucket 8/6 - 8/12:

Audrey Russell family

Collection Counters 8/12:

Fred and Kathy Fruhwirth

Children's Liturgy of the Word 8/12:

Mary Fischer



THE WAY CAFE

Please note that we are serving on August 8th, instead of August 15th:

Servers for August 8th are:

- Judi Nelson, PIC
- Jim and Jane Fellman
- Janet Ross

The items requested for this month at the WAY cafe are: **No. 10 cans of fruit / vegetables.** Bring items to the blue tote in the foyer of the church.

BROWN BAG MINISTRY

Brown Bag ministry will make sandwiches on August 12th. Items needed for the 80 lunches are: juice boxes, fruit cups, potato chips, pretzels, raisins and any other lunch bag item. **No cookies are needed this time for lunches.** Monetary donations are graciously accepted as well. Please put donations in an envelope and deposit it in the container on the foyer table.

Interested in helping? This ministry takes very little time commitment: approximately 30 minutes making the lunches, a few minutes adding items to your grocery shopping for the ministry, or 30 minutes to deliver the lunches to the Kenai Merit Inn after they are made. We are grateful for the participation level of our parish. Thank you.

RETROUVAILLE: You can help your marriage!



Stress in Your Marriage? - Retrouvaille is a program for married couples that feel bored, disillusioned, frustrated, coldness or anger in their marriage. Most don't know how to change the situation or even communicate with their spouse about it. This program has helped 10's of 1000's of couples experiencing difficulties in their marriage. For information about or to register for the October program beginning with a weekend on Oct. 19 – 21st, 2012, call 1-800-470-2230 or email: 6001@retrouvaille.org. You may also log on to www.HelpOurMarriage.com



OUR LADY OF ANGELS PICNIC

Our Lady of the Angels in Kenai has extended an invitation to our parish to come join them at their parish picnic at the strip part in Kenai on August 19th at 11:30am. Please bring a side salad or chips to share; the meat will be provided.

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 5th

The Lord is abundantly generous! He gives of Himself out of love for each one of us, and His gifts are unconditional.

Today's readings draw our attention to the gift par excellence — the Eucharist. In this central mystery of our faith, Christ gives us Himself, completely — Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity. It is so much more than we deserve, so much more than we can wrap our human minds around. It is Jesus Himself. And He invites us to partake of it — to consume Him — so that we might have life in Him.

"I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me will never hunger, and whoever believes in me will never thirst" (Jn. 6:35).

Every time we step forward to receive the Eucharist, we literally take the Savior into our own bodies. And in so doing, we are given a grace to live our lives to the full, to show forth God's glory.

How will we respond to God's gifts of self, to His unconditional outpouring of love?

Will we offer Him ourselves in return — unconditionally? That is what it means to be Christ's disciples. We recognize His gifts, we see that they are given solely out of love — he expects nothing back — and we respond in sheer gratitude and awe struck wonder, offering Him our whole lives in return!



Dear OLPH,

I've often wondered how many 90 yr. olds we had in this parish and now I know: 4 of them. It was great to know that we are all doing well. Mary Margaret makes quilts and I teach knitting; it's nice to see that we are all still active.

Thank you to all who took time out of their busy schedule to help us celebrate this memorable day. I look forward to seeing Mary Margaret, Fran Barker, and Orville Utrup at Mass.

Sincerely, Kathleen Frame

THANK YOU!

Once again: thank you to the four of you for your awesome example of charity and faithfulness. You four are a wonderful example of faithfulness and what being church is about.

Blessings to you,
Marlys, parish life coordinator



CARE PACKAGES FOR MILITARY MEMBERS

The donations from last week's breakfast for military package postage were awesome. \$277 dollars were received; there is a signup sheet in the foyer for those able to help assemble the packages the week of August 20th. Any questions, please see Dave or Marlys.

VISITING PRIESTS

Father Ken Hannon, OMI, is here visiting the Peninsula until August 12th. He will be visiting each of our parishes.

In addition, **Father Charles will be leaving** to go back home on August 20th. We are having a **farewell potluck luncheon for him on Thursday, August 16th after Mass. Please bring your favorite dish to share.**

THANK YOU

Thank you, good people of Our Lady of Perpetual Help for your wonderful party for me. It is a cherished memory, but most of all I will cherish the memory of all you in heart as I travel to my new assignment in Texas. Thank you for being my friend.

Blessings and prayers:
Fr. Andy OMI

A WORD FROM THE OBLATES

The only constant in life is change. That does not always make change easy, as you all well know. But changes are necessary. Two members of our Oblate Pastoral Team have been assigned to other ministries: Father Joe to Hispanic ministry in Mexico and Father Andy to retreat ministry in South Texas.

Two more Oblates will be arriving in the next few weeks to be part of the Catholic Community here on the Western Kenai.

In the meantime, we have the gift of having four excellent Pastoral Life Coordinators to keep our ship on course, Ms Marlys Verba at Our Lady of Perpetual Help in Soldotna, Ms Pako Whannell at Our Lady of the Angels in Kenai, Ms Jennifer Hawkins at Saint John the Baptist in Homer and Ed Harper at Saint Peter the Apostle in Ninilchik. We are so grateful to have such fine ministers upon to rely and they have our total support and thanks.

We ask your patience and prayers as we restructure ourselves as an Oblate Pastoral community.