



Our Lady of Perpetual Help

✠ 222 west redoubt avenue ✠ soldotna, ak 99669 ✠

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:

PARISH OFFICE

Office Hours:

9am to 4pm Tues-Thurs

9am to noon Friday

Closed on Mondays

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262-4749, Option 3

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PARISH LIFE COORDINATOR:

Marlys Verba

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marlys.verba@gmail.com

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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.



Feast of the Holy Family
December 30th, 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:

December 29th and 30th 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 Dec 31st – Jan 6th

MONDAY, 12/31/2012	
Readings: 1 Jn 2:18-21 Ps 96:1-2, 11-12, 13 Jn 1:1-18	Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Morning Prayer 7:30am • Centering Prayer 8:15am
TUESDAY, 1/1/2013	
Readings: Nm 6:22-27 Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 Gal 4:4-7 Lk 2:16-21	Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Morning Prayer 7:30am • Legion of Mary 12:45pm • New Year's Mass 10 am
WEDNESDAY, 1/2/2013	
Readings: 1 Jn 2:22-28 Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 Jn 1:19-28	Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Morning Prayer 7:30am • Mass at 12:05 pm • THE WAY Café • RCIA class at 6:30pm
THURSDAY, 1/3/2013	
Readings: 1 Jn 2:29-3:61 Ps 98:1, 3cd-4, 5-6 Jn 1:29-34	Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Morning Prayer 7:30 am • Mass 12:05 pm • Adoration 12:45 pm until Friday at noon • Jumpin' Junction building on K-Beach from 6-8pm
FRIDAY, 1/4/2013	
Readings: 1 Jn 3:7-10 Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9 Jn 1:35-42	Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Morning Prayer 7:30 am • Adoration until noon • Mass 12:05pm
SATURDAY, 1/5/2013	
Readings: 1 Jn 3:11-21 Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5 Jn 1:43-51	Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RCIC Class at 1:30pm • Reconciliation 3:15 pm • Mass 4 pm
SUNDAY, 1/6/2013	
Readings: Is 60:1-6 Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13. Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6 Mt 2:1-12	Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mass 9 am • No Faith Formation Classes • Brown Bag after mass • Travelogue Presentation 5:30 pm

DISASTER PREPAREDNESS KIT

For week 14, please add the following to your kit:

- Whistle
- Extra batteries for flashlights and radio
- Pry bar

Altar Serving

Altar Serving is a liturgical ministry that assists the community in times of prayer. On January 6th, there will be an opportunity for students from 6th grade up to and including any adults, men or women, to attend a class on this important ministry. The class will take place immediately after Mass in the sanctuary at 10:15am. Those who are already serving in this ministry are invited/requested to come and share their expertise along with the facilitators. The class will be about an hour long. Please try to attend if you are interested in this ministry. For any questions, contact Dave or Kevin

Saturday 4:00 pm
Jan 5th, 2013

Lectors:

1st Reading:
Judy Nelson

2nd Reading:
Monty Murray

Eucharistic Ministers:

- Shirley Aleckson
- Kathy Bongiovanni
- Kathy Culling
- Cheryl Hammerstrom
- Steve Hammerstrom

Servers:

Cody Quelland

Sunday 9:00 am
Jan 6th, 2013

Lectors:

1st Reading:
Kathleen Evenson

2nd Reading:
Sheliah-Margaret Pothast

Eucharistic Ministers:

- Bob Evenson
- Jane Fellman
- Jim Fellman
- Helen Knopp
- John Pothast
- Jim Stogsdill
- Alyson Stogsdill

Servers:

Leah and Kyra McCabe

Mop & Bucket 12/31 - 1/6:
Don Bowers Family

Collection Counters 1/6:

Laurie Kapp

Children's Liturgy of the Word 1/6:

THE WAY CAFE



We are now serving at THE WAY cafe **every Wednesday**. If you are interested in helping in this ministry, you are invited to come to The Café any Wednesday any time from 3:30 to 7pm and see what it is all about.

The servers for January 2nd are:

- Bruce E
- Lynn F
- Judi N (Person in charge)
- Aida B

The servers for January 9th are:

- Alyson S
- Lynn F
- Jim S
- Judy N (Person in Charge)

The servers for January 16th are:

- David B
- Mary F
- Monte M
- Marlys V (person in charge)

2013

There are envelopes and calendars for the new year in the foyer of the church; please pick them up.

Brown Bag Ministry

We are most grateful for the donations for the 80 brown bag lunch bags we prepare the first two weekends of every month. WE are in need of juice boxes, raisins, 13 dozen cookies each weekend, and fruit cups, along with any other suggested items to include. Additional help is always welcome; with lots of help, it takes about 45 minutes total to pack the lunches each week. Young and old are welcome to come join us. January 6th after Mass in the hall is our next commitment.

travelogue

On Sunday, January 6th please join us for our second Travelogue experience with a presentation by Jim and Pat Hamilton on their Pacific Rim adventure. Pot luck will begin at 5pm with the presentation at 5:30pm.

SHARING THE LIGHT



Jumping Junction Fun Night

Thursday, Jan. 3rd from 6-8pm: Adults and Children are invited the last week before school starts to come join the residents of the Merit Inn for some fun playing and jumpin'. It is **all free**. Everyone is invited.

Soups and bread are needed for the meal sharing time; please sign up on the bulletin board or see Marlys.

SAVE THE DATE

Priest Scientist from Vatican Observatory: Rev. William R. Stoeger, S.J., PH.D. will offer a free public lecture "*God's Creation and the Big Bang-How They Fit Together*" at the Grant Hall Theater of Alaska Pacific University on Monday February 11, 2013 from 7:30-9:00 p.m.



The Month Ahead

Upcoming Events:

- **No faith Formation classes on December 30th, or January 6th**
- **January 6th:** Travelogue presentation; potluck begins at 5pm; Pat and Jim Hamilton will present on The Pacific Rim starting at 5:30pm in O'Neill hall.
- **January 6th Brown Bag Ministry** in the hall after mass
- **January 12th; Brown Bag Ministry** in the hall after Mass
- **Jan. 13th: Catholicism: Episode #4**, in the hall



Poinsettia Remembrance

Please remember to pray for the following loved ones who are specifically remembered by a poinsettia in the sanctuary during this Christmas Season: Jim/Carolyn Marble, Russell Hafer, Brett Snell, Bernard Johnson, R.R. Johnson, Carol Brenckle, Katherine Parker, Marilyn Dimmick, Emily Ermold, Winnie Hays, Victims of Sandy Hook Elementary, Families of Leadens/Mann, Douglas Oglesbee, Jessie/Richard Ross, Laurette and Al Antila, Bob Antila, Margie Marine, Wm. Joyce, Donn/Jerry, Joe Dilley, Mary Ellen Nimershiem, Dick Fruhwirth, Catherine Matusiewski. Poinsettias may be picked up after the liturgies on the weekend of January 5 and 6th. Thank you for participating in this Remembrance time.

Please feel free to pick up a Poinsettia after the liturgies the weekend.

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS!

For those of you wishing to send Christmas greetings to Fr. Joe or Fr. Andy, here are their addresses:

Father Joe Dowling

1245 4th Avenue
Chula Vista, California 9199-3012

Father Andrew Sensenig, OMI

Lebh Shomea Hour of Prayer
P.O. Box 9
Sarita, Texas 78385-0009



YEAR OF FAITH 2012 2013

Another key teaching of the Second Vatican Council was the shift from seeing ministry as the exclusive domain of the ordained, to realizing it is linked to the baptismal call and mission of each one of us.

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 31st

As we might expect on this Feast of the Holy Family, the readings focus on family matters. In fact, they offer a blueprint for family stewardship. The concept of stewardship within a family is closely related to how family members treat one another — how they show respect and love for one another.

The first reading from the Book of Sirach makes it quite clear that children are called to honor, revere, care for, and be kind to their father and mother. Of course, this is a manifestation of the commandment with which we are so familiar — Honor thy Father and Mother. Stewardship is synonymous with love. Thus, although the children are called to love in this way, it is also strongly implied that the father and mother are also called to love and revere one another and their children.

“And Jesus advanced in wisdom and age and favor before God and man.” We do not know much about the life of Jesus between his birth and the beginning of His ministry. We are presented with one vignette of His youth, however, in the Gospel reading from Luke. Under Jewish tradition a boy became a Bar Mitzvah (which means Son of the Commandment) at the age of 13. Prior to that step into maturity and adulthood a boy was expected to study, listen, and question at the Temple one or two years earlier. That is what Mary and Joseph and Jesus were pursuing in this Gospel passage — they were following the customs of the day. About this time in His life we might say, “The child became a man.”

The Holy Family is an ideal we as people cannot replicate. Nevertheless, it is clear that family life, like the virtues of love and kindness and humility and forgiveness, requires constant effort. Nothing in life is necessarily easy. Being a unified and loving family has rewards beyond our comprehension.

UPCOMING SPECIAL SERVICES AND LITURGIES

Anointing of the Sick

December 29th and 30th after mass

New Year’s Mass: January 1st at 10 am