



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.



5th Sunday of Lent
March 17th, 2013

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.

ANNOINTING OF THE SICK OR COMMUNION:

April 27th and 28th 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 March 18th – March 24th

MONDAY, 3/18/2013	
Readings:  Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62  Ps 23:1-6  Jn 8:12-20	Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Morning Prayer 7:30am • Centering Prayer 8:15am
TUESDAY, 3/19/2013	
Readings:  2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16  Ps 89:2-5, 27 and 29  Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22  Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a	Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Morning Prayer 7:30am • Noon Mass • Lenten Longings Meets at O'Neill Hall at 1pm
WEDNESDAY, 3/20/2013	
Readings:  Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95  Dn 3:52-56  Jn 8:31-42	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, 3/21/2013	
Readings:  Gn 17:3-9  PS 105:4-9  Jn 8:51-59	Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Morning Prayer 7:30 am • Mass 12:05 pm • Adoration 12:45 pm until Friday at noon • Quilting at O'Neill hall 10-3pm • Lenten Longing meets, 7pm at O'Neill hall
FRIDAY, 3/22/2013	
Readings:  Jer 20:10-13  Ps 18:2-7  Jn 10:31-42	Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Morning Prayer 7:30 am • Adoration until noon • Mass 12:05pm • Soup Supper at 6 pm • Stations of the Cross 7 pm
SATURDAY, 3/23/2013	
Readings:  Ez 37:21-28  Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13  Jn 11:45-56	Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RCIC Reconciliation: 1:15pm • RCIC Class at 1:30pm • Reconciliation 3:15 pm • Mass 4 pm • Philipino Parish Potluck at 5:15 pm at O'Neill Hall
SUNDAY, 3/24/2013	
Readings:  Lk 19:28-40  Is 50:4-7  Ps 22:8-9, 17-20, 23-24  Phil 2:6-11  Lk 22:14—23:56	Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mass 9 am • Faith Formation Classes

Saturday 4:00 pm and
 Sunday 9:00 am
 March 23rd-24th, 2013

Check the church bulletin board for the Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, and Servers for



**WE HAVE A POPE!
 FRANCIS I**

Excerpt from Francis I's first words as Pope:

...And now, we take up this journey: Bishop and People. This journey of the Church of Rome which presides in charity over all the Churches. A journey of fraternity, of love, of trust among us. Let us always pray for one another. Let us pray for the whole world, that there may be a great spirit of fraternity. It is my hope for you that this journey of the Church, which we start today, and in which my Cardinal Vicar, here present, will assist me, will be fruitful for the evangelization of this most beautiful city.

See his complete message at:
http://www.vatican.va/holy_father/francesco/elezione/index_en

Mop & Bucket 3/18 - 3/24:
 Tyson Cox Family

Collection Counters 3/24:
 Elaine Woodburn and Linda McLane

Children's Liturgy of the Word 3/24:
 Stephanie Cox and Kathryn Dunagan

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 March 20th are:

- Thelma A
- Pat H (person in charge)
- Fr Bob
- Maria T

If you are interested in helping at THE WAY, an Alaska food handler's card is necessary; Take the short food handler test at:

alaska.state.gegov.com/foodworker.

Once you have your card, please bring it to Marlys and you will be scheduled to help.

ITEMS NEEDED FOR THE WAY:

- Large cans of fruit
- Spaghetti sauce
- Spaghetti noodles

Please place food items in the totes in the church foyer for THE WAY.

Choose Respect

On Thursday, March 28th, our parish will be participating in the community wide awareness walk for CHOOSE RESPECT. We are invited to gather at the bell tower at the Leif Hansen Park in Kenai at noon and walk to the Kenai Visitors center where there will be presentations and information on Choose Respect. This fits well into our advocating for a SAFE ENVIRONMENT. This event, during HOLY WEEK, is a wonderful time to reflect on the suffering and pain that so many in our community experience on a daily basis due to domestic violence. Let's try to have a large group from our parish to show our support. If anyone would like a ride over, please check with Marlys.

Parish Potluck

Please join in for the PHILIPPINO parish potluck after mass next Saturday at O'Neill Hall at 5:15pm. Those that attended last month know it was an enjoyable gathering with wonderful food and a chance to get to know one another. Please bring a salad or dessert to share.



OLPH Teen Mission to Mission Fundraiser:



Come for an evening of dinner, dancing, and an auction at the Redemptorist Center. **Saturday, April 6th**: 6pm to ... whenever.

Tickets are \$15/ticket or \$25/couple. Adults only and must be 21 to attend.

Raffle tickets are \$5 / ticket or 5 tickets for \$20.

- 1st prize: 10.22 Ruger
- 2nd prize: Alaska Quilt
- 3rd prize: Daniels Lake Lodge reservation



The Month Ahead

Upcoming Events:

- **March 17th**: Catholicism series, DVD # 6, at hall at 10:15
- **March 23rd**: Philipino Parish Potluck at 5:15pm
- **March 27th**: RCIA retreat
- **March 28th**: Choose Respect Walk; Kenai; noon to 2 pm
- **March 30th**, Holy Saturday: 8:00 am Cleaning and decorating of church for Easter.
- **April 14th**: First Eucharist
- **April 16 - 19th**: no daily Mass; the OMI's will be at the convocation.



UPCOMING LITURGICAL GATHERINGS

Soup Supper: 6 pm at O'Neill Hall

Stations of the Cross: each Friday of Lent: 7pm

This week's Stations of the Cross will be facilitated by The Liturgical Ministries

Chrim Mass: Our Lady of Guadalupe (Anchorage) on March 19th.

Lent Reconciliation Services:

- OLPH, March 21st at 7pm
- OLA, March 18th* at 6:30pm
**Note the time change*
- Ninilchik, March 20th at 6:30 pm

Easter Weekend:

- **Holy Thursday** (March 28th): 7pm
- **Holy Thursday: Adoration** of the Blessed Sacrament 8 pm to midnight in Redemptorist Center.
- **Good Friday: Stations of the Cross** around town: noon at the hall
- **Good Friday: Stations of the Cross** at the church: 3 pm
- **Good Friday Service** (March 29th): 7pm
- **Easter Vigil** (March 30th): 9pm
 - Dessert Buffet to follow the Vigil
- **Easter Sunday** (March 31st) at 9am

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 17th

If there is one consistent message in the readings for this Fifth Sunday of Lent, it is that we must look to the future, not to the past. As Catholic Christians, we are a people of eternity, a people who concentrate on the hope and promise of our Lord and Savior. Jesus reminds us many times that His "Kingdom is not of this world." (Jn 18:36)

Living a life of stewardship places a person with an eye always on that other kingdom. St. Augustine once wrote that "A life of holiness does not lead one to Jesus, but Jesus can lead one to a life of holiness." That is our challenge as good stewards — to keep our eyes on the Lord, our minds open to His Word., and our hearts open to His love. If we do that in the present, the past will not weigh heavily upon us, and the future will take care of itself.

If we truly attempt to live lives of stewardship, we must keep in mind that we follow that way of life as a "calling." However, we are not to condemn others because they fail to live that way. We also must remember to love all regardless whether we think they are "good" Christians or not. All of this is fulfilled because we understand that our rewards are in Heaven, not necessarily on earth — in the future, not in the present. The eminent scholar, author, and Christian apologist C.S. Lewis put it this way: "When Christians cease to think of the other world in their future is when they become ineffective in this one."

Easter Lily Remembrance



Envelopes may be found on the foyer table. For \$12 per Lily, you may have a flower placed in the sanctuary in memory of a loved one for the Easter Season. Please put the money and name of your loved one in the envelope. Please note, flowers will be ordered by March 25th. They may be picked up after the liturgies on April 14th.



Posted on the Bulletin board is the LITURGICAL MINISTRIES SHEET for HOLY WEEK. Please take a few minutes to sign up where you are able to help.