



# 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 (for Summer):

8am to 3pm Tues-Thurs

Closed on Mondays

Franceska Robinson, Secretary

Ph: 262-4749

Parish Hall Ph: 262-5542

www.olph.cc olph@alaska.net

### PASTORS:

#### Fr. Roger Bergkamp, OMI

#### (Lead pastor)

262-4749, Option 3

rgrbergkamp@gmail.com

#### Fr. Bob Leising, OMI

262-4749, Option 3

bobleising@hotmail.com

#### Fr. Tom Rush, OMI

262-4749, Option 3

### PARISH LIFE COORDINATOR:

#### Marlys Verba

262-5542 / 262-4749 option 4

Home Phone: 262-8830

marlys.verba@gmail.com

### PRAYER CHAIN:

#### Pat Hamilton

262-5250

pjham@alaska.net

### SEXUAL ABUSE VICTIM ASSISTANCE COORDINATOR:

Marlys Verba: contact info above

## 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.



21<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time  
August 25<sup>th</sup>, 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.

### ANOINTING OF THE SICK OR COMMUNION:



**Anointing of the sick will be August 31<sup>st</sup> and September 1<sup>st</sup> after mass**

- *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: 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 26<sup>th</sup> – September 1<sup>st</sup>

MONDAY, 8/26/2013	
<b>Readings:</b> 1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10 PS 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b Mt 23:13-22	<b>Events:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Morning Prayer 7:30am</li> <li>• Centering Prayer 8:15am</li> </ul>
TUESDAY, 8/27/2013	
<b>Readings:</b> 1 Thes 2:1-8 PS 139:1-3, 4-6 Mt 23:23-26	<b>Events:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Morning Prayer 7:30am</li> <li>• Mass at 12:05</li> </ul>
WEDNESDAY, 8/28/2013	
<b>Readings:</b> 1 Thes 2:9-13 PS 139:7-8, 9-10, 11-12ab Mt 23:27-32	<b>Events:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Morning Prayer 7:30am</li> <li>• Mass at 12:05 pm</li> <li>• Serving at THE Way 3:30 – 7:00 pm</li> <li>• RCIA Open House; 6pm at the church</li> <li>• Liturgy meeting at 9am</li> </ul>
THURSDAY, 8/29/2013	
<b>Readings:</b> 1 Thes 3:7-13 PS 90:3-5a, 12-13, 14 and 17 Mk 6:17-29	<b>Events:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Morning Prayer 7:30 am</li> <li>• Adoration 12:45 pm until Friday at noon</li> </ul>
FRIDAY, 8/30/13	
<b>Readings:</b> 1 Thes 4:1-8 PS 97:1 and 2b, 5-6, 10, 11-12 Mt 25:1-13	<b>Events:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Morning Prayer 7:30 am</li> <li>• Adoration until noon</li> <li>• Mass 12:05pm</li> <li>• Men's Group: 6:30 am-8 am at O'Neill Hall</li> </ul>
SATURDAY, 8/31/2013	
<b>Readings:</b> 1 Thes 4:9-11 PS 98:1, 7-8, 9 Mt 25:14-30	<b>Events:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reconciliation 3:15-3:45 pm</li> <li>• Mass 4 pm</li> </ul>
SUNDAY, 9/1/2013	
<b>Readings:</b> Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29 Ps 68:4-5, 6-7, 10-11 Heb 12:18-19, 22-24a Lk 14:1, 7-14	<b>Events:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mass 9 am</li> </ul>

# RETRouvaille

**REDISCOVER YOUR MARRIAGE – RETROUVAILLE** (pronounced retro-vii) simply means 'rediscovery'. The program offers the chance to rediscover yourself, your spouse and a loving marriage relation-ship. 10's of 1000's of couples headed for divorce have saved their marriages by attending the program. For information about or to register for the program beginning with a weekend on Oct.18, 19 & 20, 2013 call 1-800-470-2230 or email us at 6001@retrouvaille.org or log on to [www.HelpOurMarriage.com](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.com)

## Children's Liturgy of the Word

Are you interested in facilitating the children's gathering to break open the Word during the Mass for approximately 20 minutes once a month? If you would like to try this ministry, please see Marlys; we are in need of two catechists to help with this as well as 2 student volunteers to assist in the classroom.

**Saturday 4:00pm**  
**August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2013**

**Lectors:**  
**1st Reading:** Judy Nelson  
**2nd Reading:** Ruthann Truesdell

**Eucharistic Ministers:**

- Kathy Bongiovanni
- Carm Bongiovanni
- Barbara Bonk
- John Bonk
- Bill Sadler

**Servers:** Kevin W and Josh O

**Sunday 9:00 am**  
**Sept 1<sup>st</sup>, 2013**

**Lectors:**  
**1st Reading:** Kathleen Evenson  
**2nd Reading:** Kyra McCabe

**Eucharistic Ministers:**

- Thelma Antila
- Bruce Emmerson
- Kate Forrest
- Dede Garske
- Helen Knopp
- Marguerite McIntosh
- Jeff Rypka

**Servers:** Hailey B and Kellie A

## THE WAY CAFE



At the end of August, the First Baptist church will reassess the serving for THE WAY CAFE: They are hopeful they will be able to continue serving meals, if not at the present location, somewhere to serve the needs.

### The servers for August 28<sup>th</sup> are:

- Ron D
- Maria T
- Tess M (person in charge)
- Carolyn B

### The servers for September 4<sup>th</sup> are:

- Marlys V
- Nan F
- Thelma A (person in charge)
- Kathryn D

## NOW AVAILABLE!

# TITHING MADE EASY

It is now possible to make your church donation for the Sunday offering, the Building Fund, and St Vincent DePaul online. Simply log on to the highly secure, parish website at [www.olph.weshareonline.org](http://www.olph.weshareonline.org) to begin or go to the parish website at [www.olph.cc](http://www.olph.cc) and click on Electronic Giving.

You will be asked for your e-mail address which will be your identification number and you will receive a temporary password which you may later choose to change.

You may make your donations either by a direct withdrawal from your checking account or by credit card. You will be able to schedule the frequency of these payments to fit your schedule. Please note that there are transactions fees paid by the parish for each transaction so it helps the parish if you choose to make your donation less often than weekly. The parish also incurs more fees with a credit card transaction than with a direct withdrawal.

All of your donations will be reported to the parish for our recordkeeping purposes and we will still be able to issue you a year-end record for tax purposes.

## Financial

# Statements

For fiscal year 6-30-2013 are available on the table in the foyer; please pick one up.

## ☛ THE MONTH AHEAD ☛

**September 23 | Family Day**- Monday — A Day to Eat Dinner with Your Children is a national effort to promote family dinners as a natural, effective way to reduce teen substance abuse risk. The goal of Family Day is not simply to promote family dinners on the day in question, but to symbolize the importance of regular family dinners and to encourage Americans to make family dinners a regular feature of their lives. Parent Power is the most potent--and underutilized--tool in preventing substance use. Like the Great American Smokeout, Family Day is meant as a reminder of the importance of spending time with your family every day. Family Day will take place on the fourth Monday in September. For more information please visit: <http://casafamilyday.org/familyday/>

**August 28<sup>th</sup> and September 11<sup>th</sup> | Open House for RCIA** at 6 pm in the church

**September 15<sup>th</sup> | Blessing of Catechists:** there will be a celebratory **Parish Breakfast** after mass.

**September 22<sup>nd</sup> | Faith Formation classes begin,** 10:15 to 11:30 am

**September 2-6<sup>th</sup> | Fr. Roger away** for meetings

**September 3-6<sup>th</sup> | Fr. Bob away** on retreat

**September 24<sup>th</sup> | Confident Communicators**  
Class: 6-8pm at O'Neill Hall

**September 26-29<sup>th</sup> | Men's ACTS retreat**

## Upcoming Liturgical Services

- **August 31<sup>st</sup> and September 1<sup>st</sup>:** Anointing of the Sick after Mass
- **September 15<sup>th</sup>;** Catechetical Sunday: Blessing of the teachers
- **September 15<sup>th</sup>:** Spanish Mass at OLA at 6:30 pm

## Meet and Greet for new parishioners

We are excited to announce a new hospitality ministry to welcome new parishioners to our parish. Beginning this September, we will have a **pizza night to welcome new parishioners to OLPH**, and do so on a regular basis to meet and greet everyone. Jane Gabler will be the contact person for this event. We will be posting upcoming information regarding the date, time and place. STAY TUNED.

## CONFIDENT COMMUNICATORS

The purpose of this 6 week course is developing an awareness of communication in one's life, practicing positive communication habits, and developing a personalized plan for continuing communication effectiveness beyond our time together.

The presenter is Homer resident, Michelle Waclawski, a member of St. John's parish. This course is being offered to the parishioners of the Catholic churches here on the peninsula. The course will run every Tuesday for 6 weeks, Sept 24-Oct. 29, 6-8pm at O'Neill Hall. This course is a \$50 investment in yourself; make checks payable to OLPH. To gain the most benefit from these classes, attendance is important as each week builds on the previous weeks' lesson. **PRE-REGISTRATION is required; the deadline is Sept 15th.**

**Space is limited.** Call Marlys at 262-5542 for questions; registration forms are on the bulletin board.



You may have noticed that the dirt equipment is working at the site for the new hall. There have been many meetings and much work has been done to get to this point. Of course, there is still a lot to do to see the project through to completion. There will be a meeting **FOR ALL PARISHIONERS** in the hall on Sunday, September 8th after Mass at 10:30am. Coffee and treats will be provided. At this meeting, we will provide an update on the project to date, what has been accomplished, and determine what still needs to be done. We will identify people who can take on those tasks. We need to identify ongoing fundraising opportunities and continue to formulate the capital campaign plan. Linda Hutchings is chairing this important committee.

**Whether you have been on a committee or are just interested in the process or how you can help, please join us on Sunday, September 8th at 10:30am at the hall. Everyone's help is requested.**



## RCIA holds Open House

If you have wondered what you would learn in the RCIA class, who teaches the class or have any questions about the Church and RCIA process come to one of the following Open Houses. OLPH, Soldotna, will hold its Open Houses on Wednesdays, August 28th and September 11th at 6:30 p.m. We will meet in the Church. This is a good opportunity to find out more about the RCIA process before signing up for the classes. Refreshments will be served. Contact Shirley 262-9654

## RCIA

Classes for anyone interested in the Catholic Church will be held each Wednesday starting September 25th at OLPH in O'Neill Hall from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Please sign up by calling Shirley at 262-9654.



## Faith Formation

Faith Formation classes will begin on September 22<sup>nd</sup> at 10:15 to 11:30 am each Sunday after Mass. Classes are available for preschool (Ages 4-5) to high school. If you have not already registered, registration will be available the next two weekends after Mass in the foyer.

## *Kenai Peninsula* A.C.T.S. Retreats

The A.C.T.S. (Adoration, Community, Theology & Service) teams want to remind the community of the upcoming retreats.

**MEN'S RETREAT:** September 26<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup>. Those interested in attending can call Ron at 398-1001 or email [kenaipenacts@gmail.com](mailto:kenaipenacts@gmail.com). More information will be available after weekend masses.

**WOMEN'S RETREAT:** October 10-13, 2013: A Christ centered retreat weekend as taught by the Apostles (ACTS 2:42). **For info concerning the retreat, contact:**

Retreat Director: Elaine Agosti 907-252-1602

Retreat Co-director: Mary Mussman 907-953-3131