



# 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 5:00 pm

Sunday 10:00 am

### WEEKDAY MASS:

Tues - Fri 12:05 pm

### ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

12:30 pm Thursday to 12 noon  
on Friday

## CONTACT US:

### PARISH OFFICE

#### Office Hours:

Closed on Monday; 9:00 am to  
3:00 pm Tuesday - Friday

#### Parish Office Phone: 262-5542

Website - [www.olph.cc](http://www.olph.cc)

Access to We Share

Email - [olph@alaska.net](mailto:olph@alaska.net)

## PASTORS:

### Fr. Roger Bergkamp, OMI (Lead pastor)

262-4749, Option 3

[rgrbergkamp@gmail.com](mailto:rgrbergkamp@gmail.com)

### Fr. Bob Leising, OMI

262-4749, Option 3

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### Fr. Tom Rush, OMI

262-4749, Option 3

## PARISH LIFE COORDINATOR:

### Marlys Verba

262-5542 / 262-4749 option 4

Cell Phone: 252-5954

[marlys.verba@gmail.com](mailto:marlys.verba@gmail.com)

## SEXUAL ABUSE VICTIM ASSISTANCE COORDINATOR:

Marlys Verba: contact info above

## PRAYER CHAIN:

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For verbal prayer requests, please  
call the parish office.

## 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.



FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 21<sup>st</sup>, 2014

## SACRAMENTS

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

- Thursday: 12:45 pm and Saturday 4:15 – 4:45 pm

### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

- Infants / children – Parents Preparation class is required. Contact the parish office to register.
- Children 8 and older - Contact the office to register for RCIA
- Adults – Contact the office to register for RCIA

### SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:

- Please contact the parish office for preparation of marriage, allowing at least 6 months.

### ANOINTING OF THE SICK OR COMMUNION:
























- Anointing of the sick will be **January 24<sup>th</sup>/2<sup>th</sup>, 2015** 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*
- *Homebound individuals wishing to receive the Eucharist need to contact the parish office.*

FUNERALS: Contact parish office immediately after the death.



Please Note: Submissions/articles for the weekly bulletin must be submitted via email by Wednesday at noon to Marlys [marlys.verba@gmail.com](mailto:marlys.verba@gmail.com).

Calendar for December 22<sup>nd</sup> - December

MONDAY, 12/22/2014	
<b>Readings:</b>  1SM 1:24-28  1SM 2:1,4-5,6-7,8ABCD  LK 1:46-56	<b>Events:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Morning Prayer 7:30am</li> <li>• Centering Prayer 8:15am</li> <li>• Renew Meeting at 6:30 O'Neill Hall</li> </ul>
Tuesday, 12/23/2014	
<b>Readings:</b>  MAL 3:1-4,23-24  PS 25:4-5AB,8-9,10,14  LK 1:57-66	<b>Events:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Morning Prayer 7:30am</li> <li>• Daily Mass: 12:05pm</li> <li>• Church cleaning and decorating at 1pm</li> </ul>
Wednesday, 12/24/2014	
<b>Readings:</b>  2SM 7:1-5,8B-12,14A,16  PS 89:2-3,4-5,27,29  LK 1:67-79	<b>Events:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Morning Prayer 7:30am</li> <li>• NO Mass at Noon</li> <li>• Children's Christmas Eve Mass at 5:00pm</li> <li>• Christmas Eve Night Mass at 9:00pm</li> </ul>
Thursday, 12/25/2014	
<b>Readings:</b>  IS 52:7-10  PS 98:1,2-3,3-4,5-6  HEB 1:1-6  JN 1:1-18	<b>Events:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Christmas Mass: 10:00 am</li> </ul>
Friday, 12/26/2014	
<b>Readings:</b>  ACTS 6:8-10,7:54-59  PS 31:3CD-4,6,8AB,16BC,17  MT 10:17-22	<b>Events:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NO MASS</li> </ul>
Saturday, 12/27/2014	
<b>Readings:</b>  1JN 1:1-4  PS 97:1-2,5-6,11-12  JN 20:1A,2-8	<b>Events:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reconciliation 4:15-4:45pm</li> <li>• Mass at 5pm</li> </ul>
Sunday, 12/28/2014	
<b>Readings:</b>  SIR 3:2-6,12-14  PS 128:1-2,3,4-5  COL 3:12-21  LK 2:22-40	<b>Events:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mass 10 am</li> </ul>

December 22 <sup>nd</sup> – December 28 <sup>th</sup> 2014	
Mops and Bucket Crew	Parish Family
Collection Counters	Pat Cowan Myrna Cowan December 28 <sup>th</sup>
Children's Liturgy of the Word	No Children's Liturgy

**Saturday 5:00pm**  
December 27<sup>th</sup> 2014

**Lectors:**  
Carolyn Cannava  
Dave Nelson

**Eucharistic Ministers:**  
Linda Hutchings  
Holly West  
Sean McGuire  
Aida Burgess  
Joe Deveaux

**Servers:**

**Sunday 10:00 am**  
December 28<sup>th</sup> 2014

**Lectors:**  
Scott Earsley

**Eucharistic Ministers:**  
Jeff Rypka  
Joe McElroy  
Dr. McIntosh  
Cindy Kircher

**Servers:**



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## THE MONTH AHEAD

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**December 21<sup>st</sup>** - Parish Christmas Breakfast and Children's Pageant after Mass at Fireweed Hall

**December 21<sup>st</sup>** - Christmas Caroling to follow at 12:00pm-2:30pm

**December 23<sup>rd</sup>** - Christmas church cleaning and decorating for Christmas at 1pm.

**December 30<sup>th</sup>** - *OPEN HOUSE* celebration of Fr. Roger's 50th Ordination at 6:30 - 8:30pm at Fireweed Hall

**December 24<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup>** and **January 1<sup>st</sup>** - Parish Office will be closed

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## UPCOMING LITURGICAL SERVICES

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**December 24<sup>th</sup>** - Christmas Eve: Children's Mass at 5pm

**December 24<sup>th</sup>** - Evening Mass at 9pm

**December 25<sup>th</sup>** - Christmas Day Mass at 10am

**January 1<sup>st</sup>** - New Year's Day Mass Solemnity of Mary the Holy Mother of God. Holyday of Obligation Mass at 10am

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## CLEANING AND DECORATING

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Parish cleaning and decorating for Christmas. All hands are needed for a quick cleaning prior to decorating for Christmas on Tuesday at 1pm. Please bring your vacuum cleaner if you can. A new schedule for the weekly cleaning will be posted this upcoming week as well as in the bulletin.

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## RETRouvaille

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Retrouvaille: The married Singles Lifestyle describes couples that have drifted apart and are living more like roommates than a married couple. Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vii) teaches couples how to survive times like these in their marriages. This program has helped 10's of 1000's of couples experiencing difficulty at all levels of marital distress. For information, or to register for the program beginning with a weekend on February 13, 14 & 15 2015. Call 1-800-470-2230, or email: [6001@retrouvaille.org](mailto:6001@retrouvaille.org), or log on to <http://www.HelpOurMarriage.com>

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## FATHER ROGER'S CELEBRATION

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*Father Roger is celebrating his 50th year of ordination in December. We would like to invite you to celebrate/share your good wishes with him at an **OPEN HOUSE on Tuesday, December 30<sup>th</sup>** from 6:30-8:30pm in Fireweed Fellowship Hall.*

*If you would like to assist at the reception or could bring finger foods please see either Thelma Antila or Jane Fellman.*

*A basket is placed on the foyer table for cards for Father Roger for those who might not be able to join us that evening.*



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## UPCOMING

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Thank you to those many hands that assisted with the filling of the Christmas baskets. Our team work had the chore done in short order and was much appreciated. To those who rang the SILVER BELLS this week know that your efforts were appreciated.

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## THANK YOU

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Thanks to the Quelland family and Fr. Roger for putting up the nativity set. To Linda Hutchings for her creativity with the coffee boxes and upkeep of that ministry.

The One Bread, One Body campaign is over but our parish continues to shine with their stewardship commitment to support the broader church in our Archdiocese. At present, 44% of our parish has participated with a pledge. Please know that you can still pledge to this campaign until the end of the year. The monies over our assessed goal will come back to the parish for the building fund. Great Job!

*Thank You!*

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## **STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 21<sup>st</sup>**

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"May it be done to me according to your word." (Lk 1:38) With that simple statement, our Blessed Mother Mary represents everything that a good steward must be — someone who has put total trust in God regardless the consequences. On this Fourth and final Sunday of Advent, it is imperative for all of us to keep that in mind. Mary's response is what each of us needs to strive for. We, too, need to be prepared to place our lives in God's hands, and to react to whatever happens with a sense of thanksgiving and resolve. Holy Scripture reminds us these few days before we celebrate the birth of Christ that we have been on a journey, an Advent journey. This journey should have prepared us for the joy of this week, but it also should have been marked by our own ongoing conversion and effort to be better Catholics and Christians. St. Paul tells us in the second reading "...according to the revelation of the mystery...manifested." Jesus is the manifestation of this mystery. At Christmas, we must acknowledge this because it represents our salvation, and it is the reason why we must celebrate with great happiness. "For unto us a child is born; unto us a child is given." (Is 9:6)

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## **FAIR TRADE COFFEE**

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The new coffees that have arrived are \$12/bag. Try some of them at the Parish Breakfast next weekend. Make a great Christmas gift!

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## **LITURGICAL MINISTERS**

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Please note there is a sign-up sheet for the Christmas Eve and Christmas Day liturgies for the Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Ushers and Gift Bearers needed. Please take time to sign up.

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## **NEW ENVELOPES**

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Please note that the envelopes for the new year as well as a calendar are available for the taking in the foyer. Also, there are Spanish missals to be found in the foyer to be used during Mass and replaced when finished with them.

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## **FAITH FORMATION**

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Faith Formation classes WILL NOT MEET the weekends of **December 21<sup>st</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup>, January 4<sup>th</sup>.**

The children will be presenting the Christmas pageant on Sunday, **December 21<sup>st</sup>** during the Parish breakfast after Mass at Fireweed Fellowship Hall. Everyone is invited to join us.

After the breakfast/pageant, we will go Christmas Caroling around to the shut-ins. Please join us for this fun activity.

The faith formation classes will resume on **January 11<sup>th</sup>** with the Safe/Sacred Environment presentations in the classrooms that day.

Adult education will meet for class on **January 11<sup>th</sup>**. You may join the presentations at any time.

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## **REMEMBRANCE CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS**

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Thank you to all who participated in the poinsettia remembrance this year. Please pray for all the loved ones mentioned and their families during this holy season.

Flowers may be picked up after the weekend liturgies on **December 28<sup>th</sup>**.

Please remember the following in prayer: Rose/Nick Zerbinos, Cecilia/George Heier, Leona Broker, Christopher Chadwick, Gavina Peralta, Cresencia Romero, Milagros Barro, Fred Braun, Lorna Braun, Grandma Wanda Nelson, Bill (Pops) Gabler, Joseph Longevin, Jr, Russell Hafer, M/M Jim Marble

Bernard Johnson, Rick Johnson, Mort Shine, Baby Alex (Alexander William Gibbs-Tisdale), Williams Family, Piszko Families, Wally Lahndt, Marvin Sievert, Yola DeVeaux, Charlie DeVeaux, John/Eileen Smith, Trs Bonk, John Bonk, Jr.

James Bowers, Mike Seaman, Leon/Macey Hutchings, Dolly/Jack Farnsworth, Misako Davidson, Doyle/Oberg families, Priest of OLPH, Antila Family, Ross Family, Joanne Holly, Joseph Dilley, Mary Ellen Nimershiem/Hal Alsip, Ken/Kip Nushart, Dale Trombley, Keith Bradrick, Edgar/Wilma Reed, Shirley Sandercock, Art/Brett Snell, Matt Johnson, Jim Twohy, Bill Twohy, George Wallin.

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## **PARISH OFFICE HOURS**

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Parish Office will not be open on **December 24<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup>** and **January 1<sup>st</sup> 2015**.