

August 23rd 2015
21st Sunday in
Ordinary Time



Our Lady of Perpetual Help

✠ 222 west redoubt avenue ✠ soldotna, ak 99669 ✠

Catholic Community Served by the
 Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate

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

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:

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Parish Calendar of Events

8/24/15	8/25/15	8/26/15	8/27/15	8/28/15	8/29/15	8/30/15
8:15am Centering Prayer	7:30am Morning Prayer	7:30am Morning Prayer	7:30am Morning Prayer	Adoration continues 12:05pm Daily Mass	4:15pm-4:45pm Reconciliation	10:00am Mass Peninsula Picnic @ Homer 11am after Mass
5:30pm Finance Meeting at O'Neill Hall	12:05pm Daily Mass	12:05pm Daily Mass	12:05pm Daily Mass Adoration until Noon on Friday	6:30am-8am Men's Group Meeting at O'Neill Hall	5:00pm Mass	MOMS Meeting After Mass Fireweed

Sacraments

RECONCILIATION:

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

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

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 **September 19th/20th, 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).

THE MONTH AHEAD

August 15th-31st - Faith Formation registration
August 29th - Catechist's Meeting 10am-12pm in O'Neill Hall
August 30th - Peninsula Parish Catholic Picnic Kenai OLA at 3pm
August 30th - Confirmation Class in O'Neill Hall 11:15am-1:15pm
August 30th - Mom's Meeting after Mass in Fireweed Hall
August 30th - Peninsula Parish Catholic Picnic Homer St. John's after 10:30 mass
September 2nd - RCIA starts at 6:30-8:30pm

UPCOMING GARAGE SALE

The second set of garage sales at the Redemptorist Center will be on September 3rd - 5th and **September 10th-12th** 9-3pm. The proceeds of those sales will benefit the Iron Mike statue for the Soldotna Creek Park. The veterans of the parish with Deacon Dave Carey as contact person will facilitate the sales. Items may be dropped off at the Center during the week on Tuesday-Friday.
Signup sheet for veterans who would like to assist with the sale.
Thank you in advance for all of the donations/help with this project.

HELP FOR TROUBLE MARRIAGES

Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vii), a French word meaning to find oneself again to find each other again. Retrouvaille has helped tens of thousands of married couples suffering a breaking down in their relationships. This program can help you too. For info, or to register for program, beginning **October 16th-18th**.
Call: 1-8000470-2230 or www.HelpOurMarriage.com

GOD'S WORD AMONG US

Some have expressed a desire to have the GOD'S WORD AMONG US for a personal subscription. If there are enough interested in getting an individual yearly subscription we would be willing to order bulk subscriptions to be delivered to the church and then dispersed. If you are interested please sign up on the bulletin board to be contacted if we have at least 15 orders to proceed. For further information, please check with Gloria Sweeney @ 262-1054.

ARCHDIOCESE SAFE/SACRED ENVIRONMENT

All those who are involved in parish ministries that have contact with children or vulnerable adults, must have a background check every 5 years and a Safe/Sacred Environment class update every two years. If you have been contacted regarding your need to update, please do so as soon as you can. This is an Archdiocese requirement. Our children in faith formation will be having the CIRCLE of GRACE presented in classes later this year. Once again this is a required Archdiocese program. Any questions, please contact the office.

RCIA

RCIA Classes to start soon.
Anyone interested in learning about the teachings of the Catholic Church is encouraged to sign up now. The classes start Wednesday, **September 2nd**, in O'Neill Hall from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. and continue each week throughout the school year. Along with learning about the teachings of Jesus we also provide a daily prayer book which past participants say is one of the best parts of the program.
Please sign up at weekend Mass or by contacting the office at 262-5542 or Shirley at 262-9654.

FAITH FORMATION

On **September 20th** we will begin Faith Formation classes. Registration will be available in foyer after all Masses the upcoming three weeks. We would encourage registration by **August 30th** so we may finalize preparation for the classes/teachers schedule. Confirmation Classes are on a separate schedule. They will have their first meeting Sunday **August 30th** at 11:15-1:15pm in O'Neill Hall.

MOM'S MINISTRY

We have many new moms in our parish and the desire to meet and be a support for one another has been expressed. May we invite those interested MOMs in our parish who would like to participate to meet after the Sunday Mass on **August 30th** in Fireweed Hall to meet/greet and see if with some brainstorming and sharing something could be organized.

ST. FRANCIS STEWARDSHIP AWARDS

August 31st is the deadline to submit your nominations for the St. Francis Stewardship Awards. The Archdiocese will honor four top volunteers/couples/groups from across the Archdiocese. These awards formally recognize those dedicated individuals and groups who serve tirelessly in support of and as stewards of the Church's work in South-central Alaska. A selection committee will evaluate the submissions and select top nominations as recommendations to the Archbishop. Winners will be announced at a banquet held at Our Lady of Guadalupe Co-Cathedral on **October 8th** in Anchorage. Nomination forms can be found at archdioceseofanchorage.org/st-francis-stewardship-awards

HEIFER INTERNATIONAL

WE DID IT! We are able to purchase a Gift of an Ark for \$5000.00 PLUS additionally another \$1219.16 of either animals or Irrigation Pumps / Biogas stoves for a village. It indeed has been a community effort from donations, garage sale items donated/purchased by the community and additional monies from the community hearing of our efforts. Please take time to weigh in on what the extra monies should purchase. We would like to send out a check by **September 1st**. THANK YOU in advance for all of your support with this project.