



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

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Access to We Share

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PASTORS:

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262-4749, Option 3

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Marlys Verba

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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.



TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY
TIME

August 30th, 2015

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 **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.

Calendar for August 31st- September 6th 2015

MONDAY, 8/31/2015	
Readings: 1THES 4:13-18 PS 96:1and3,4-5,11-12,13 LK 4:16-30	Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Morning Prayer 7:30am • Centering Prayer 8:15am
Tuesday, 9/1/2015	
Readings: 1THES 5:1-6,9-11 PS 27:1, 4, 13-14 LK 4:31-37	Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Morning Prayer 7:30am • Daily Mass: 12:05pm • St. Vincent's' O'Neill Hall at 5pm • Facilities meeting: Fireweed at 5:30pm
Wednesday, 9/2/2015	
Readings: COL 1:1-8 PS 52:10,11 LK 4: 38-44	Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Morning Prayer 7:30am • Daily Mass: 12:05pm • RCIA 6:30-8:30pm; O'Neill Hall
Thursday, 9/3/2015	
Readings: COL 1:9-14 PS 98:2-3AB,3CD-4,5-6 LK 5:1-11	Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Morning Prayer 7:30am • Daily Mass: 12:05pm • Adoration after Mass until Friday noon
Friday, 9/4/2015	
Readings: COL 1:15-20 PS 100:1B-2,3,4,5 LK 5:33-39	Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Morning Prayer 7:30am • Adoration until noon • Daily Mass: 12:05pm • Garage Sale: Veterans sponsored: 9-3pm
Saturday, 9/5/2015	
Readings: COL 1:21-23 PS 54:3-4,6and8 LK 6:1-5	Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mass of Ressurrection for Shirley Twohy at noon • Garage Sale: Veterans sponsored: 9-3pm • Reconciliation 4:15-4:45pm • Mass at 5pm
Sunday, 9/6/2015	
Readings: IS 35:4-7A PS 146:7,8-9,9-10 JAS 2:1-5 MK 7:31-37	Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mass 10 am

August 31 st – September 6 th 2015	
Mops and Bucket Crew	Rod Harbaugh Family
Collection Counters	Pat C. Myrna C. September 6 th
Children's Liturgy of the Word	Begin on September 13 th

Saturday 5:00pm
September 5th 2015

Lectors:
Ruthann Truesdell
Dennis Murray

Eucharistic Ministers:
Kathy Cullings
Linda Hutchings
Sean McQuire
Russell Gross
Michaeleen Gross

Servers:
Katherine Gross
Haley Buckbee

Sunday 10:00 am
September 6th 2015

Lectors:
Lauri Kapp
Pat Cowan

Eucharistic Ministers:
Alyson Stogsdill
Jim Stogsdill
Gloria Sweeney
Bruce Emerson
Myrna Cowan

Servers:
Leah McCabe
Danny McIntosh

THE MONTH AHEAD

August 30th - Confirmation Class in O'Neill Hall 11:15am-1:15pm
August 30th - Peninsula Parish Catholic Picnic Homer St. John's after 10:30 mass
September 2nd - RCIA starts at 6:30-8:30pm
September 5th - Mass of Resurrection at Noon for Shirley Twohy
September 3rd-5th - Garage Sale Redemptorist Center for Iron Mike Statue in Soldotna Creek Park
September 10th - 12th - Garage Sale for Iron Mike Statue
September 12th - Hospitality Baking Ministry 10-2pm
September 15th - Why Catholic? Presentation at 6:30pm at Hall
September 18th - Lectio Divina Workshop O'Neill Hall: 6:30pm-8:30pm
September 19th - Introductory Centering Prayer Workshop at OLA 9:30am-3:30pm
September 20th - Faith Formation begins Catechetical Sunday, blessing of Catechists
September 26th-27th and **October 3rd-4th** - Stewardship Ministry Fair in Fireweed
October 6th - No Daily Mass Area Meetings

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.

FOUNDATIONS OF FAITH COMMUNITY

A course offering RN's advanced training in care of the spirit. CEU's are available. This will be held at O'Neill Hall October 1st-4th and 16th-18th. Contact Jane Fellman for further information at 262-9009.

ARCHDIOCESE SAFE/SACRED ENVIRONMENT

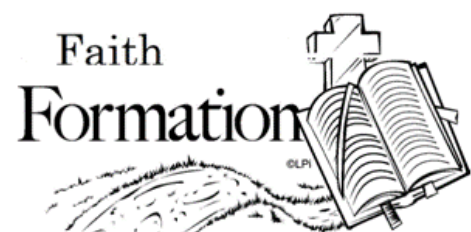
All those who are involved in parish ministries that have contact with children or vulnerable adults, must have a background check every 5 years and a Safe/Sacred Environment class update every two years. If you have been contacted regarding your need to update, please do so as soon as you can. This 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 pm 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.



STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 30TH

In today's Gospel from Mark, Jesus quoted the prophet Isaiah as he addressed the Pharisees, reminding them that they are hypocrites: "The people honor me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me," Jesus said. Unfortunately, some of us may fall into the same category.

We may attend Mass regularly; we may pray daily; we even may be supportive of the Church with our time, talent, and treasure as good stewards. However, Jesus is challenging us to do more than just make the appearance of being a good Catholic. The root Greek word for "hypocrite" is *hypokrisis*, which meant one "who is an actor" or one "who wears a mask." The Lord's point is that we must reach deeper and strive to have Him in our hearts.

Our society is quite taken with images and appearances. We need to recognize that Jesus sees through and beyond what we appear to be and do, and He sees into our hearts and souls. This may make us uncomfortable, but it is something with which we must deal on a daily basis. Whatever we do and whatever we may pursue needs to be motivated by love of the Lord and of "our neighbor." Love like that — having our hearts close to Jesus — is work, but it is a labor worth pursuing.

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

EARTH ANGEL

The ministry of Earth Angels will be cleaning our section of the Sterling Highway on Sunday **September 13th**. We'll be meeting at 1:00pm at the DOT parking lot which is just beyond Skyview High School on the left. Please consider joining us.

If you have any questions you can contact Theresa Carroll at 398-9882.

EVENING OF LECTIO DIVINA

Lectio Divina is one of the great treasures of the Christian tradition of prayer. It means Divine Reading and is a reflective reading of scripture. It is a method of prayer that leads into the deeper meaning of scripture and a closer relationship with Christ.

Kess Frey from Anchorage will be leading an evening of study and practice of Lectio Divina on **September 18th** from 6:30-8:30 PM in O'Neil Hall.

CENTERING PRAYER WORKSHOP

Centering prayer is a simple method of a daily prayer practice designed to facilitate the development of Contemplative Prayer by preparing our faculties to receive this gift. It is an attempt to present the teaching of earlier times in an updated form. Centering Prayer is not meant to replace other kinds of prayer: rather it casts a new light and depth of meaning on them. It is at the same time a relationship with God and a discipline to foster that relationship. This method of prayer is a movement beyond conversation with Christ to communion with Him. Kess Frey will be leading an Introductory Centering Prayer Workshop on **September 19th** Saturday 9:30am - 3:30am at Our Lady of Angels in Kenai.

Kess Frey lives in Anchorage and has been practicing Centering Prayer since 1989. In 1992 he was trained at Contemplative Outreach to present introductory workshops. He is the author of three books concerning Centering Prayer's conceptual background, facilitates prayer groups and silent retreats and is active in prison ministry at the Anchorage jail.

Please contact Meg Zerbinos @ 398-4831 if you have any questions or need more information.

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 at 262-1054.