



# 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)

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#### Fr. Bob Leising, OMI

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### PARISH LIFE COORDINATOR:

#### Marlys Verba

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Marlys Verba: contact info above

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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.



THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

January 10<sup>th</sup>, 2016

## 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 21<sup>st</sup>/22<sup>nd</sup>, 2016** 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 January 11<sup>th</sup> - 17<sup>th</sup> 2016

MONDAY, 1/11/2016	
<b>Readings:</b>  1SM 1:1-8  PS 116:12-13,14-17, 18-19  MK 1:14-20	<b>Events:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Centering Prayer: 8:15am at Church</li> </ul>
Tuesday, 1/12/2016	
<b>Readings:</b>  1SM 1:9-20  1SAMUEL 2:1,4-5,6-7, 8ABCD  MK 1:21-28	<b>Events:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Morning Prayer 7:30am</li> <li>Daily Mass: 12:05pm</li> </ul>
Wednesday, 1/13/2016	
<b>Readings:</b>  1SM 3:1-10,19-20  PS 40:2and5,7-8A,8B-9,10  MK 1:29-39	<b>Events:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Morning Prayer 7:30am</li> <li>Daily Mass: 12:05pm</li> <li>Pastoral Meeting at 6pm in Fireweed Hall</li> <li>RCIA meets in O'Neill Hall at 6:30pm</li> </ul>
Thursday, 1/14/2016	
<b>Readings:</b>  1SM 4:1-11  PS 44:10-11,14-15,24-25  MK 1:40-45	<b>Events:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Morning Prayer 7:30am</li> <li>Daily Mass: 12:05pm</li> <li>Adoration after Mass until Friday afternoon</li> </ul>
Friday, 1/15/2016	
<b>Readings:</b>  1SM 8:4-7,10-22A  PS 89:16-17,18-19  MK 2:1-12	<b>Events:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Men's Group 6:30am-8am</li> <li>Morning Prayer 7:30am</li> <li>Daily Mass: 12:05pm</li> </ul>
Saturday, 1/16/2016	
<b>Readings:</b>  1SM 9:1-4,17-19,10:1  PS 21:2-3,4-5,6-7  MK 2:13-17	<b>Events:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Reconciliation 4:15-4:45pm</li> <li>Mass at 5pm</li> </ul>
Sunday, 1/17/2016	
<b>Readings:</b>  IS 62:1-5,  PS 96:1-2,2-3,7-8,9-10  1COR 12:4-11  JN 2:1-11	<b>Events:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mass 10 am</li> <li>Faith Formation Classes meet</li> <li>Adult Education Class begins at 11:15 in Fireweed</li> </ul>

January 11 <sup>th</sup> - January 17 <sup>th</sup> 2016	
<b>Mops and Bucket Crew</b>	Anne McCabe family
<b>Collection Counters</b>	Connie G. Kathy F. January 17 <sup>th</sup>
<b>Children's Liturgy of the Word</b>	Anne M. Georgia C.

**Saturday 5:00pm**  
January 16<sup>th</sup> 2016

**Lectors:**

**Eucharistic Ministers:**

Please check the bulletin board for the ministers for this week

**Servers:**  
Danny McIntosh  
Drew Cox

**Sunday 10:00 am**  
January 17<sup>th</sup> 2016

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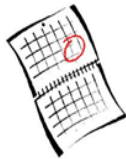
**Servers:**  
Caleigh Glassmaker  
Faith Glassmaker  
Isabella Valenzuela

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## THE MONTH AHEAD

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**January 10<sup>th</sup>** - Safe/Sacred Training in Classrooms  
**January 10<sup>th</sup>** - Adult Education class to begin in Fireweed at 11:15am  
**January 10<sup>th</sup>** - Circle of Grace presented in faith formation classes  
**January 23<sup>rd</sup>** - Martha/Mary Women's Ministry: "Heart Language" Fireweed at 11:30-1pm  
**January 24<sup>th</sup>** - Place at the table 4-6pm at Fireweed Hall  
**January 30<sup>th</sup>** - Bunco Game/Potluck after Mass  
**January 31<sup>st</sup>** - Second Collection for St. Vincent DePaul organization  
**February 6<sup>th</sup>** - Hospitality Baking Ministry at 10am in Fireweed  
**February 7<sup>th</sup>** - Renew Groups begin meeting again



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## UPCOMING LITURGICAL SERVICES

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**January 19<sup>th</sup>** - No Noon Mass; Area meeting  
**February 10<sup>th</sup>** - Ash Wednesday Mass noon and 7pm  
**March 10<sup>th</sup>** - Chrism Mass in Anchorage  
**March 24<sup>th</sup>** - Holy Thursday  
**March 25<sup>th</sup>** - Good Friday  
**March 27<sup>th</sup>** - Easter

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## Archbishop Hurley

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Archbishop Hurley is celebrating his 89<sup>th</sup> birthday on **January 12<sup>th</sup>**. He is too ill for any celebration this year but please remember him in your prayers on this day.  
Cards may be sent to his home:  
600 West 11<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Anchorage, AK 99501

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## NEW PARISH APP

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There are a sizeable number of you who have downloaded the myparish app already. It is a new opportunity to foster a stronger parish life and better engage the New Evangelization. Be sure to download the App today by visiting [myparishapp.com](http://myparishapp.com) or searching for myparish on your phone's App store and stay connected all week long. We will try to keep you updated with announcements/reminders of weekly goings on as well as the daily Mass readings, prayers. Please check us out.  
Parish App Feature-of-the-Week  
Helpful parish updates;  
Easily reply to requests  
Connect with our parish throughout the week  
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## CIRCLE OF GRACE PRESENTATION

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These are the Safe/Sacred Environment classes which are required by the Archdiocese for students in Faith formation. All classes this upcoming Sunday will have a presentation on various topics. The materials will be available for the parents to view both this weekend and next.

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## RETROUVAILLE

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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 overcome times like these in their marriage. 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 26-27 & 28**, 2016.  
Call 907863-8000, or log on to <http://www.HelpOurMarriage.com>.

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## PARISH POTLUCK

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Parish potluck after mass next weekend, Puerto Rican flavor.  
Also, parish potluck and Bunco on Saturday, **January 30<sup>th</sup>** after mass.

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## STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 10<sup>th</sup>

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Today we celebrate the Solemnity of the Baptism of the Lord. This officially brings to an end the season of Christmas. You might say this is a second Epiphany. It is important to us as Catholics and Christians because it represents a second creation involving the entire Trinity.

In fact in the Eastern Church this feast is called Theophany because God appears in three persons. Jesus the Son is baptized; the Holy Spirit descends upon Him; and God declares "You are my beloved Son; with You I am well pleased."

We recall our own Baptism on this day, because Christ's Baptism represents in many ways what occurred at our Baptism. At Christ's Baptism the Holy Spirit descended upon Him. At our Baptism the Trinity occupied our soul; Christ was declared the "Beloved Son"; at our Baptism we became a child of God. At Jesus' Baptism the heavens were opened, and at our Baptism heaven was opened to us.

On this Holy Day we need to reflect upon our own Baptismal calls — calls to live and love on this earth, a command to seek holiness, to actively be disciples of Christ, calls which can be achieved in part by embracing stewardship as a way of life. The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* (#1213) states: "Holy Baptism is the basis of the whole Christian life, the door which gives access to the other sacraments. We are incorporated into the Church and made sharers in her mission."

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## CONVERSION, FOLLOWING THE CALL OF CHRIST

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CONVERSION, FOLLOWING THE CALL OF CHRIST is a seven week session DVD program by Fr. Robert Barron using six stories of conversion from the Bible to demonstrate how six ordinary people were met by Jesus where they were and called to a better life through him. "Jesus calls us in thousands of different ways to follow Him as we strive on the path for spiritual excellence, explains Fr. Barron. We will look at Bartimaeus, the Rich Young Man, Matthew, Jonah, the Woman at the Well and the Journey of the Magi. Please consider joining us after Sunday Mass in Fireweed Fellowship hall beginning on **January 10<sup>th</sup>**. Barb Dilley will be facilitating the sessions.

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## MARY AND MARTHA'S WOMEN'S MINISTRY

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Mary/Martha's Women's Ministry meet this Saturday to make fleece blankets for Lee Shore. Our next gathering is on Saturday, **January 23<sup>th</sup>** with a presentation by Brenda Maimon from Anchorage.

Please join us for the presentation and gathering at 11:30am-1pm. Please stay for a potluck lunch. We did the "Martha" activity now please come and hear a "Mary" listening time.

Questions: Marlys 262-5542.

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## A YEAR OF MERCY WITH POPE FRANCIS

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The Smell of Sheep: An evangelizing community gets involved by word and deed in people's daily lives; it bridges distances, it is willing to abase itself if necessary and it embraces human life touching the suffering flesh of Christ in others.

Evangelizers thus take on the "smell of the sheep" and the sheep are willing to hear their voice. An evangelizing community is also supportive, standing by people at every step of the way no matter how difficult or lengthy this may prove to be. It is familiar with patient expectation and apostolic endurance. (*Evangelii Gaudium*).

Is there someone in your life who needs to know that you are standing by him or her every step of the way? Who needs a phone call, a kind note or a visit? Make time for a small act of mercy.

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## A PLACE AT THE TABLE

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Thank you to those that helped with the organizing/planning for our first meal on Sunday, **January 24<sup>th</sup>** 4-6pm. The meals will be offered the fourth Sunday of each month to the community to those who would like to share food and fellowship. If you would like to help please sign up on the sheet on the bulletin board. Items are needed for the meal. Please check the bulletin board if you could help. If there are those in our parish who would like to come but need a ride there is a sign up sheet on the bulletin board for that.

On **February 5<sup>th</sup>** a showing of the documentary, "A PLACE AT THE TABLE" will be shown. In this year of Mercy what a wonderful tool to implement the Works of Mercy: Feed the hungry and comfort the sorrowful. Please consider joining us!