



Our Lady of Perpetual Help

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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

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

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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.



SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

January 17th, 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 23rd/24nd, 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.

Calendar for January 18th - 24th 2016

MONDAY, 1/18/2016	
Readings: 1SM 15:16-23 PS 50:8-9,16BC-17,21 and23 MK 2:18-22	Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Centering Prayer: 8:15am at Church Pastoral Council Meeting @ 5:30pm in O'Neill Hall
Tuesday, 1/19/2016	
Readings: 1SM 16:1-13 PS 89:20,21-22,27-28 MK 2:23-28	Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Morning Prayer 7:30am NO Daily Mass: Area Meeting
Wednesday, 1/20/2016	
Readings: 1SM 17:32-33,37,40-51 PS 144:1B,2,9-10 MK 3:1-6	Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Morning Prayer 7:30am Daily Mass: 12:05pm Parish Nursing Meeting: 4pm: O'Neill Hall RCIA meets in O'Neill Hall at 6:30pm Confirmation class 6-8pm
Thursday, 1/21/2016	
Readings: 1SM 16:6-9; 19:1-7 PS 56:2-3,9-10A,10B-11,12-13 MK 3:7-12	Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Morning Prayer 7:30am Daily Mass: 12:05pm Adoration after Mass until Friday afternoon
Friday, 1/22/2016	
Readings: 1SM 24:3-21 PS 57:2,3-4,6and11 MK 3:13-19	Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Men's Group 6:30am-8am Morning Prayer 7:30am Daily Mass: 12:05pm
Saturday, 1/23/2016	
Readings: 2SM 1:1-4,11-12,19,23-27 PS 80:2-3,5-7 MK 3:20-21	Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Martha/Mary Women's Ministry: 11:30-1pm at Fireweed Fellowship Hall Reconciliation 4:15-4:45pm Mass at 5pm Parish Potluck after Mass
Sunday, 1/24/2016	
Readings: NEH 8:2-4A,5-6,8-10 PS 19:8,9,10,15 1COR 12:12-30 LK 1:1-4; 4:14-21	Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mass 10 am Faith Formation Classes meet Adult Education Class begins at 11:15 in Fireweed A Place at the Table 4-6pm

January 18 th - January 24 th 2016	
Mops and Bucket Crew	Joe McElroy family
Collection Counters	Kathryn D. Cathy H. January 24 th
Children's Liturgy of the Word	Carol Asp Danielle

Saturday 5:00pm
January 23rd 2016

Lectors:
Dave Nelson
Ruthann Truesdell

Eucharistic Ministers:
John Bonk
Barb Bonk
Bill Sadler
Kathy Bongiovanni
Carm Bongoivanni

Servers:
Clyde Crandall
Quinn Cox

Sunday 10:00 am
January 24th 2016

Lectors:
Lauri Kapp
Anne McCabe

Eucharistic Ministers:
Bob Evenson
Sharon Shassetz
Thelma Antila
Alex Zerbinos
Meg Zerbinos

Servers:
Kellie Arthur
Erika Arthur

THE MONTH AHEAD

January 23rd - Martha/Mary Women's Ministry: "Heart Language" Fireweed at 11:30-1pm

January 23rd - Puerto Rican flavored potluck after Mass

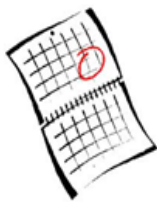
January 24th - Place at the table 4-6pm at Fireweed Hall

January 30th - Bunco Game/Potluck after Mass

January 30th - 31st - Second Collection for St. Vincent DePaul organization

February 6th - Hospitality Baking Ministry at 10am in Fireweed

February 7th - Renew Groups begin meeting again



The Month Ahead

UPCOMING LITURGICAL SERVICES

January 19th - No Noon Mass; Area meeting

January 22nd - Mass of the Resurrection for Archbishop Hurley at Our Lady of Guadalupe in Anchorage

January 23rd - Noon Rite of Committal at Cooper Landing St. John Neumann Mission. (FR. Roger will be going to this he has room if some would like to go with him to Cooper Landing).

January 23rd - 24th - Anointing of the sick after Mass

February 10th - Ash Wednesday Mass noon and 7pm

March 10th - Chrism Mass in Anchorage

March 24th - Holy Thursday

March 25th - Good Friday

March 27th - Easter

PARISH POTLUCK

You are invited to a parish potluck with a Puerto Rican Flavor (hosted by Dr. Pedro Perez and Dr. Gladys Bailon-Perez) on Saturday, **January 23rd**. Please bring a dessert/ or salad to share.

The following month we will again have a Filipino flavored potluck. On Saturday, **January 30th**, there will be a parish potluck with the added fun of a BUNCO game afterwards. No worry if you've never played this game. Come, learn and have fun!

NEW PARISH APP

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 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

Learn more or download our parish app at myparishapp.com.

RETROUVAILLE

Retrouvaille, a marriage healing ministry! The 4 stages of marriage: (1) Romance, (2) Disillusionment, (3) Misery, and (4) Re-awakening. Many marriages that end in divorce never make past the 3rd Stage. Don't give up without learning about the 4th Stage. If your marriage suffers from Disillusionment or Misery, contact Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vii). For information about, or to register for the program beginning with a weekend **February 26, 27 & 28, 2016**, call 907-863-8000, or log onto www.HelpOurMarriage.com

Archbishop Hurley

As you may know Archbishop Hurley died on Sunday, January 10th two days prior to his 89th birthday. The following schedule is for the services:

January 20th: 6pm Visitation and viewing at Janssen Evergreen Memorial Chapel in Anchorage.

January 21st: 1:15pm Reception of Archbishop Hurley's Body at Holy Family Cathedral

6:30pm Evening Prayer, Office of the Dead

8:30pm Rosary

9pm Archbishop Hurley's body returned to the funeral home

January 22nd 2pm: Solemn Mass of Christian Burial at Our Lady of Guadalupe Co-Cathedral with reception at 3:30pm.

Please note: GCI will live stream statewide Archbishop Hurley's Solemn Mass of Christian Burial Friday, **January 22nd**, 2016 at 2pm on GCI channel 1 and channel 999 in HD.

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 17th

We have often maintained that there is a stewardship message in every reading from Holy Scripture. Today's readings are no exception, from the reminder that "God rejoices in each of us" to "To each individual the manifestation of the Spirit is given for some benefit" from St. Paul's first letter to the Corinthians to the Gospel story about the miracle at the wedding in Cana as reported in John.

Although each of those messages is worthy of our thought, meditation, and reflection, we would like to focus on a particular line in St. John's Gospel, a statement which literally says it all about stewardship as a way of life. Our Blessed Mother Mary says quite simply, "Do whatever He tells you." Her message for those gathered at the wedding and her message for us is the same.

The whole purpose of our lives is to seek and ascertain what it is that the Lord is telling us. We all understand that is not easy, and for many of us becomes a lifelong quest. Yet, that is exactly what Mary says to us, and it is exactly what we need to do. Through prayer and discernment each of us must try to discover what the Lord is "telling" us. That requires prayer on our part; it means we have to listen more than speak; and it means we need to identify, recognize, and use our gifts.

CONVERSION, FOLLOWING THE CALL OF CHRIST

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.

This will begin this Sunday, **January 17th**.

LETTERS OF OFFERINGS

2015 Letters of Offerings will soon be available. Please contact the office at 262-5542 to update your mailing address if you have already moved.

MARY AND MARTHA'S WOMEN'S MINISTRY

Join us this Saturday from 11:30-1pm for a presentation by Brenda Maiman on Heart Talk. Stay for a potluck lunch.

A YEAR OF MERCY WITH POPE FRANCIS

What Should the Church Strip Herself of?

But I would, as a pastor ask myself as well: What should the Church strip herself of?

She must strip away every kind of worldly spirit, which is a temptation for everyone strip away every action that is not for God, that is not from God. Strip away the fear of opening the doors and going out to encounter all especially the poorest of the poor, the needy, the remote without waiting. Certainly not to get lost in the shipwreck of the world but to bear with courage the light of Christ the light of the Gospel even in the darkness where one can't see where one might stumble.

She must strip away the seeming assurance structures give, which though certainly necessary and important should never obscure the one true strength it carries within: God. Address, October 4, 2013.

Reflection: What is God asking you to strip away from your life? Where is he asking you to be a light in the midst of darkness? To be merciful instead of self-centered?

A PLACE AT THE TABLE

Thank you to those that helped with the organizing/planning for our first meal on Sunday, **January 24th** 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 signup sheet on the bulletin board for that.

QUILTING MINISTRY

Quilting Ministry has begun meeting.

Every Thursday at 10-3pm in Fireweed Fellowship Hall. Everyone is welcome. We will be working on mittens, hot pads and other projects.

Bring a friend, meet new friends!

We attend Mass at noon, potluck lunch to follow Mass.

If you need a ride, please call Pat at 262-7801.