



# 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 9:00 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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#### (Lead pastor)

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### PARISH LIFE COORDINATOR:

#### 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.



PALM SUNDAY

MARCH 20<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 **April 2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</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 March 21<sup>st</sup> - 27<sup>th</sup> 2016

Monday, 3/21/2016	
<b>Readings:</b> IS 42:1-7 PS 27:1,2,3,13-14 JN 12:1-11	<b>Events:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Centering Prayer: 8:15am at Church</li> </ul>
Tuesday, 3/22/2016	
<b>Readings:</b> IS 49:1-6 PS 71:1-2,3-4A,5AB-6AB,15and17 JN 13:21-33,36-38	<b>Events:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Morning Prayer 7:30am</li> <li>Daily Mass: 12:05pm</li> </ul>
Wednesday, 3/23/2016	
<b>Readings:</b> IS 50:4-9A PS 69:8-10,21-22,31and33-34 MT 26:14-25	<b>Events:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Morning Prayer 7:30am</li> <li>Daily Mass: 12:05pm</li> </ul>
Thursday, 3/24/2016	
<b>Readings:</b> EX 12:1-8,11-14 PS 116:12-13,15-16BC,17-18 1COR 11:23-26 JN 13:1-15	<b>Events:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Morning Prayer 7:30am</li> <li>Decoration for the liturgy at 8am</li> <li>No Noon Mass</li> <li>Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7pm followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacraments until 12am at Fireweed</li> </ul>
Friday, 3/25/2016	
<b>Readings:</b> IS 52:13-53:12 PS 31:2,6,12-13,15-16,17,25 HEB 4:14-16; 5:7-9 JN 18:1-19:42	<b>Events:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Men's Group 6:30am-8am</li> <li>Morning Prayer 7:30am</li> <li>Decoration for the liturgy at 8am</li> <li>Stations around town at 12pm O'Neill Hall</li> <li>TRE ORE at Community Room 12pm-3pm</li> <li>Stations at church at 3pm</li> <li>Liturgy at 7pm</li> </ul>
Saturday, 3/26/2016	
<b>Readings:</b>  <b>PLEASE SEE SIDEBAR FOR THE READINGS</b>	<b>Events:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Decorating and Cleaning at 8am</li> <li>No Reconciliation</li> <li>No Mass at 5pm</li> <li>Easter Vigil at 9pm</li> </ul>
Sunday, 3/27/2016	
<b>Readings:</b> ACTS 10:34A,37-43 PS 118:1-2,16-17,22-23 COL 3:1-4 JN 20:1-9	<b>Events:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mass 9 am</li> <li>Parish Breakfast and Easter Egg Hunt after Mass</li> </ul>

March 21 <sup>st</sup> -27 <sup>th</sup> 2016	
<b>Mops and Bucket Crew</b>	Parish
<b>Collection Counters</b>	Pat C. Myrna C. March 27 <sup>th</sup>
<b>Children's Liturgy of the Word</b>	WILL RESUME NEXT WEEK

**Saturday 5:00pm**  
March 26<sup>th</sup> 2016

Schedule for liturgical ministries/servers can be found on the bulletin board

**Sunday 9:00 am**  
March 27<sup>th</sup> 2016

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Saturday, 3/26/2016
GN 1:1-2:2
PS 104:1-2,5-6,10,12,13-14,24,35
GN 22: 1-18
PS 16:5,8,9-10,11
EX 14:15-15:1
EX 15:1-2,3-4,5-6,17-18,
IS 54:5-14
PS 30:2,4,5-6,11-12,13
IS 55:1-11
IS 12:2-3,4,5-6
BAR 3:9-15,32-4:4
PS 19:8,9,10,11
EZ 36:16-17A,18-28
PS 42:3,5;43:3,4
ROM 6:3-11
PS 118:1-2,16-17,22-23
LK 24:1-12

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## THE MONTH AHEAD

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**March 20<sup>th</sup>** - Faith Formation Class (Palm Sunday)  
**March 24<sup>th</sup>-25<sup>th</sup>-26<sup>th</sup>** - Decorating church at 8am  
**March 27<sup>th</sup>** - A Place at the Table 4-6pm  
**April 1<sup>st</sup>** - Moms Group Meeting at O'Neill Hall from 5:30pm  
**April 1<sup>st</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup>** - Martha and Mary Archdiocese Women's Retreat at Alyeska  
**April 5<sup>th</sup>** - Area Wide Meeting. No daily Mass  
**April 9<sup>th</sup> - 10<sup>th</sup>** - Presentation on Dementia at Fireweed after Mass  
**April 12<sup>th</sup>** - Spring Renew Meeting at OLA at 5:30pm  
**April 16<sup>th</sup> - 17<sup>th</sup>** - DVD: New Rules for End of Life Care by Barbara Karnes After Masses  
**April 18<sup>th</sup> - 21<sup>st</sup>** - OMI Convocation. No Daily Mass, No Adoration that week

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## HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

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**March 24<sup>th</sup>** - No noon Mass.  
Holy Thursday Mass at 7pm. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament after liturgy until midnight in Fireweed.  
**March 25<sup>th</sup>** - Station around the town will begin at noon from O'Neill Hall.  
TRE ORE: Community Room at noon to 3pm.  
Station of the Cross at church at 3pm.  
Good Friday Liturgy at 7pm.  
**March 26<sup>th</sup>** - Holy Saturday vigil at 9pm  
**March 27<sup>th</sup>** - Easter Mass at 9am. Followed by Parish Breakfast and Easter Egg Hunt



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## GOOD FRIDAY WALK

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On **March 25<sup>th</sup>**, Good Friday, there will be a Stations of the Cross walk from Soldotna to Kenai at noon from O'Neill Hall. Please coordinate with the Men's Group for car pooling, either to be dropped off or picked up, if you won't be able to make the whole journey.

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## PARISH OFFICE

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Please note that the office will be closed on Friday, **March 25<sup>th</sup>** in observance of Good Friday.

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## MARCH SPECIAL COLLECTION

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This weekend's collection for Aid to the Church in Central & Eastern Europe and Russia supports Catholic organizations that offer affordable shelter and training to seminarians while also providing pastoral care and catechesis. Your donation today helps to restore the Church and build the future for millions of people. The collection also supports the Archdiocese of Anchorage's mission in Magadan, Russia. Please prayerfully give to this collection.

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## MARTHA AND MARY MINISTRY

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Come and rejoice after Easter with a Women's Retreat! "Women with a Heart of Mercy" will be Co-Directed by two Dominican Sisters, Terry Richard and Mary Ann Collins, **April 1<sup>st</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup>** 2016 at the Chapel of Our Lady of the Snows in Girdwood, Alaska. Come and join the faith-filled week-end of prayer, silence, joy and laughter.

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## WHY CATHOLIC?

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Why Catholic? Spring Retreat **April 12<sup>th</sup>** at 5:30pm at Our Lady of the Angels.  
Everyone is invited to attend a Spring Retreat on Biblical Justice, Catholic Social Teaching, Charity and Justice. The retreat is presented by Brenda Maiman, the Why Catholic representative for Renew International

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## EASTER EGG HUNT

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The Moms group will be facilitating the children's Easter egg hunt after the breakfast on Easter Sunday. They would appreciate any small wrapped pieces of candy, stickers or other small items to be included in the eggs. Please bring to the basket in the foyer.

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## TRE ORE

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Tre Ore is a liturgical service held on Good Friday from noon until 3pm to commemorate the Passion of Christ. Specifically it refers to the three hours that Jesus hung on the Cross and includes a series of homilies on the seven last words spoken by Christ. Bishop Barron was invited by Cardinal Timothy Dolan to preside over the Tre Ore service at St. Patrick's in New York and the content of the presentation is used for this time. We will begin to contemplate these words with Bishop Barron and spend time reflecting on them. Join us in the community room at church at noon until 3pm.

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## STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 20<sup>TH</sup>

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Today, Palm Sunday, is the sixth and last Sunday of Lent and marks the beginning of Holy Week for us. Officially the Church calls this day Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion. There is a dichotomy in this name that we must acknowledge for it reflects, in many ways, who we are and how we sometimes act.

On the one hand is Palm Sunday, a time of celebration that marks Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem. It is a time of joy and celebration and we all festively raise our palms in salute to our King. However, as the readings continue, the mood turns somber with the reading of the Passion of the Lord.

As we stand for this Gospel, and play a part, we call out, "Crucify him! Crucify him!" What a change, beginning with Hosanna! and ending with condemnation. Although we may be intellectually aware that we are playing the part of the people of Jesus' time, we really must reflect on whether this also represents how we can be today.

Do we glorify Christ at one moment, but then condemn him through our own actions, our own inability to fulfill His expectations for us? Of course we do. As Lent culminates and Easter comes upon us, it is time for us to admit our sins and to vow as good stewards to live out the love to which the Lord has called us. Jesus made His sacrifice for us with determination to save us. Should we not show the same fortitude in converting our lives?

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## A PLACE AT THE TABLE

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Our next offering of a meal is scheduled for Sunday, **March 27<sup>th</sup>** from 4-6pm. Please let those who you think would be interested to know about this. Signup sheet for food needed is on the bulletin board. Transportation for our parishioners to come will be provided.

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## OMI CONVOCATION

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The OMI priests will be out of town attending the OMI area meeting **April 18<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup>**. Please note there will not be daily Mass during those days.

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## FAITH FORMATION

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There will be faith formation class on Palm Sunday, which will be various activities in O'Neill Hall centered around Holy Week. The younger children are also invited to come and participate in this. The faith formation time is 10:15-11:15am.

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## HOLY WEEK

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As we ready ourselves for Holy Week the various liturgical needs have been posted on the bulletin board. Please check to see if there are areas you may help with.

We will be doing the cleaning/decorating for each of the days of the Triduum: Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday at 8am each morning. Please come and help when you can, bring your vacuums.

Easter Lily Remembrance envelopes can be found on the foyer table. Remember a loved one with a lily in the sanctuary during the Easter Season. Cost is \$12/Lily. Please include the name of your loved one.

In addition for the Easter morning Breakfast, breakfast casseroles are requested. Please sign up on the sheet.

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## WORKSHOP

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We are seeing more incidence of Alzheimer's Disease as our population ages. By 65 years of age 1 in 9 people present with the disease by 85 years of age 1 in 2 present with the disease. Saturday, April 9<sup>th</sup> at 6pm and Sunday, **April 10<sup>th</sup>** at 10am, I will present some basic information regarding the disease. The presentation will last 30-45 minutes. Please come and learn about this disease that is plaguing our elderly population and how you can make a difference. For questions, contact Ruthann Truesdell at 252-7337.

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## NEW RULES FOR END OF LIFE CARE

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We will be showing the 30 minute DVD, "New Rules for End of Life Care" by Barbara Karnes, after the masses on **April 16<sup>th</sup>** and **17<sup>th</sup>**.

A wise and informative look at the dying process. Barbara has demystified the dying process in this very helpful DVD. In doing so, she leaves one with a sense of calm in the face of what most of us regard as a terrifying and unknown state. Her soothing demeanor helps us to understand and believe that we can, indeed, provide a caring and peaceful end of life experience for those who are in need. For more information contact Meg Zerbino, 398-4831

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## ORDINATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD

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Deacon Dan Ziegler will be ordained to the priesthood on Friday, **May 20<sup>th</sup>** 2016 at 7pm at Immaculate Conception Chapel at the Oblate School of Theology in San Antonio, TX.

His contact information is Deacon Dan Ziegler/314 E. Kings Hwy, San Antonio, TX. 78212

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