



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 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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(Lead pastor)

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Marlys Verba

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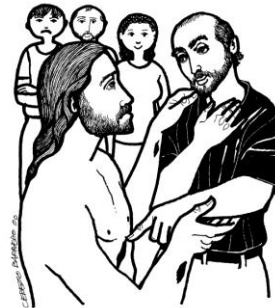
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For verbal prayer requests, please call the parish office.

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.



FIRST SUNDAY OF EASTER

APRIL 3rd, 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 2nd/3rd, 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 April 4th - 10th 2016

Monday, 4/4/2016	
Readings:  IS 7:10-14;8:10  PS 40:7-8A,8B-9,10,11  HEB 10:4-10  LK 1:26-38	Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Centering Prayer: 8:15am at Church
Tuesday, 4/5/2016	
Readings:  ACTS 4:32-37  PS 93:1AB,1CD-2,5  JN 37B-15	Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Morning Prayer 7:30am No Daily Mass: Area Meeting
Wednesday, 4/6/2016	
Readings:  ACTS 5:17-26  PS 34:2-3,4-5,6-7,8-9  JN 3:16-21	Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Morning Prayer 7:30am Daily Mass: 12:05pm RCIA 6:30pm
Thursday, 4/7/2016	
Readings:  ACTS 5:27-33  PS 34:2and9,17-18, 19-20  JN 3:31-36	Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Morning Prayer 7:30am Daily Mass: 12:05pm Adoration after Mass until Friday afternoon
Friday, 4/8/2016	
Readings:  ACTS 5:34-42  PS 27:1,4,13-14  JN 6:1-15	Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Men's Group 6:30am-8am Morning Prayer 7:30am Daily Mass: 12:05pm
Saturday, 4/9/2016	
Readings:  ACTS 6:1-7  PS 33:1-2,4-5,18-19  JN 6:16-21	Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reconciliation 4:15-4:45pm Mass at 5pm Presentation on Alzheimer's after Mass in Fireweed
Sunday, 4/10/2016	
Readings:  ACTS 5:27-32,40B-41  PS 30:2,4,5-6,11-12, 13  REV 5:11-14  JN 21:1-19	Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mass 9 am Presentation on Alzheimer's after Mass in Fireweed Faith Formation classes after Mass

April 4 th –April 10 th 2016	
Mops and Bucket Crew	Audrey Russell Family
Collection Counters	Connie G. Kathy F. April 10 th
Children's Liturgy of the Word	Anne B. Haley

Saturday 5:00pm
April 9th 2016

Lectors:
Barb Dilley
Martha Rodrigues

Eucharistic Ministers:
Rick Dukowitz
Susan Dukowitz
Sean McGuire
MaryLou Nushart
Donna Cotman

Servers:
Haley Buckbee
Faith Glassmaker

Sunday 9:00 am
April 10th 2016

Lectors:
Barb O'Lena
Carlos Valenzuela

Eucharistic Ministers:
Bob Evenson
Sharon Shassetz
Thelma Antila
Alyson Stogsdill
Jim Stogsdill

Servers:
Cameron Blackwell
J Jackson

THE MONTH AHEAD

April 5th - Area Wide Meeting. No daily Mass
April 9th - 10th - Presentation on Dementia at Fireweed after Mass
April 12th - Spring Renew Meeting at OLA at 5:30pm
April 16th - Intro to Centering Prayer at O'Neill Hall at 9:30am-3pm
April 16th - 17th - DVD: New Rules for End of Life Care by Barbara Karnes After Masses at Fireweed Hall
April 18th - 21st - OMI Convocation. No Daily Mass, No Adoration that week
April 20th - Confirmation Class 8pm
April 24th - Confirmation Class 10:15-11:15am
A Place at the Table at Fireweed 4-6pm
May 3rd - Facilities Meeting at Fireweed at 5:30pm

UPCOMING LITURGICAL SERVICES

April 3rd - Divine Mercy Sunday: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after Mass until 11 am followed by the Chaplet of Divine Mercy
April 5th - No daily Mass
April 19th - 21st - No daily Mass
May 15th - First Eucharist at 9am Mass

EASTER LILIES

Please remember in prayer the loved ones who we specifically remembered during this Easter Season with 46 Easter Lilies in the sanctuary. They may be picked up after Masses this weekend.

ORDINATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD

Deacon Dan Ziegler will be ordained to the priesthood on Friday, **May 20th** 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 dziegler@omiusa.org/OblateRenewal Center Phone: 210-349-4173

ANNUAL CHILI FEED COOK-OFF

Acts group is hosting the second annual Chili Feed Cook-off on Saturday, **April 30th** at Fireweed from 4-8pm. If you think you have the best recipe for chili consider entering the cook-off. Contact for further information is Mary at 252-3131.

WHY CATHOLIC?

Why Catholic? Spring Retreat **April 12th** 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

CENTERING PRAYER WORKSHOP

There will be an "Introduction to Centering Prayer Workshop" on **April 16th** Saturday 9:30am to 3pm at *Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church* in O'Neil Hall.

Centering Prayer is a form of Christian prayer rooted in the ancient Christian contemplative tradition. It is a method of consenting to the presence and action of God in our lives. The fruit of this prayer is a growing sense of God leading us beyond anxiety into an inner stillness and peace, and outward in compassion and service. The workshop is for those who are new to Centering Prayer and for those who wish to renew their practice.

For more info and to sign up, please call Meg Zerbino, 398-4831.

EASTER BLESSINGS/THANKS

To all those who've helped and participated in the liturgies, extra activities such as the Stations of the Cross, Walk around town, food preparation and set up for the breakfast/egg hunt, we are most grateful for your generosity of time and joyfulness during this Holy season.

May our Lord continue to bless each of you during this Holy Season.

ALASKA CATHOLIC YOUTH CONFERENCE

ACYC will be **June 6-9th**, 2016 at Our Lady of Guadalupe and Lumen Christi School.

The Theme is Boundless Mercy: Misericordia Inagotable.

There have been exciting changes to ACYC. Pick up a conference schedule in the foyer on the bulletin board to find out more. Early Bird registration before **May 1st**. Online Registration will be coming soon. We are in need of adult chaperones this year. Please see Marlys

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 3RD

The purpose of Sacred Scripture is in part to teach us about the faith, to provide to us what the Church calls "divine revelation." Our Second Reading from the Book of Revelation provides insights of which we need to be aware. The name of this Book – Revelation – is derived from the very first words of the Book, which are "The revelation of Jesus Christ..."

Written in Greek, the word translated as "revelation" is *apokalypsis*, meaning "unveiling" or indeed "revelation." As indicated in today's reading this book is written by "John...on the island called Patmos." Our Catholic tradition tells us that this is John the Apostle, although scholars sometimes disagree with that assessment and conclusion. We do nonetheless know what and where Patmos is.

The Island of Patmos was the Roman Empire's version of Alcatraz Island, a place where some were exiled and forced to work in the marble quarries found there. Ten miles long and six miles wide, Patmos has been described as lonely and desolate. Yet for John, the writer of this Book, it does not separate him from God or from his fellow Christians. He describes in today's narrative the revelation which came to him there, but to experience such a revelation he had to be aware and open to the Words of the Lord.

We may at times feel just as exiled, just as lonely, but if we remain open and conscious of God's presence, we, too may find solace and comfort and instructions. That is what being a steward is all about — being attentive to what God is saying to us.

A PLACE AT THE TABLE

Our next offering of a meal is scheduled for Sunday, **April 24th** from 4-6pm.

Please let those who you think would be interested to know about this. Signup sheet for food needed will be on the board next week. We are grateful to those committed to this ministry that served on Easter Sunday. There were 50 guests and 10 workers! Transportation for our parishioners to come will be provided. Signup sheet on the board. Please join us and see what we're all about!

OMI CONVOCATION

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

WORKSHOP

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 9th at 6pm and Sunday, **April 10th** 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.

NEW RULES FOR END OF LIFE CARE

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

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 Zerbinos, 398-4831

OPERATION RICE BOWL

We prayed, fasted, and gave alms and now we celebrate! Our Lenten journey with CRS Rice Bowl ends in our own hearts, where Jesus reigns forever. Let us rejoice in the Risen Lord and in the lives we changed this Lent in Columbia, Laos, Rwanda, Honduras and all over the world. Don't forget to turn in your Rice Bowl by **April 10th** to the basket in the foyer.

TIJUANA MINISTRY

If there are still persons who would like to travel to Tijuana - La Morita - to participate in house building, there are opportunities at the end of June and the beginning of July. For more information and to sign up go to About the Tijuana Ministry | Tijuana Ministry The deadline for signing up is April 15, even though the website says April 1. If anyone does sign up, would they please let me know.

Thanks,
Fr. Tom