



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

Tuesday/Thursday 8:30 am to
3:00 pm

Wednesday 8:30am to 7:30pm

Parish Office Phone: 262-5542

Website - www.olph.cc

Access to We Share

Email - olph@alaska.net

PASTORS:

Fr. Roger Bergkamp, OMI

(Lead pastor)

262-4749, Option 3

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Fr. Tom Rush, OMI

262-4749, Option 3

PARISH LIFE COORDINATOR:

Marlys Verba

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SEXUAL ABUSE VICTIM

ASSISTANCE COORDINATOR:

Marlys Verba: contact info above

PRAYER CHAIN:

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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-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY
TIME

October 2nd, 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 **October 29th/30th, 2016** during 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 October 3rd - 9th 2016

Monday, 10/3/2016	
Readings:  GAL 1:6-12  PS 111:1B-2,7-8,9and 10C  LK 10:25-37	Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Centering Prayer: 8:15am at Church
Tuesday, 10/4/2016	
Readings:  GAL 1:13-24  PS 139:1B-3,13-14AB, 141C-15  LK 10:38-42	Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Morning Prayer 7:30am Daily Mass: 12:05pm
Wednesday, 10/5/2016	
Readings:  GAL 2:1-2,7-14  PS 117:1BC,2  LK 11:1-4	Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Morning Prayer 7:30am Daily Mass: 12:05pm Adult Bible Study group will meet in Fireweed at 6:30pm RCIA Class 6:30pm in Community Room Confirmation Class 6-8pm Faith Formation dinner at Fireweed Hall 6-6:30pm Faith Formation classes at O'Neill Hall 6:30pm-7:30pm Rehearsal for Confirmation at 7:30pm in church
Thursday, 10/6/2016	
Readings:  GAL 3:1-5  LK 1:69-70,71-72,73-75  LK 11:5-13	Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Morning Prayer 7:30am Daily Mass: 12:05pm. Adoration follows Mass until noon Friday
Friday, 10/7/2016	
Readings:  GAL 3:7-14  PS 111:1B-2,3-4,5-6  LK 11:15-26	Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Men's Group 6:30am-8am Morning Prayer 7:30am Daily Mass: 12:05pm Moms Group: 5:30pm-7:30pm at O'Neill Hall
Saturday, 10/8/2016	
Readings:  GAL 3:22-29  PS 105:2-3,4-5,6-7  LK 11:27-28	Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ACTS 9am in O'Neill Hall Reconciliation 4:15-4:45pm Mass at 5pm
Sunday, 10/9/2016	
Readings:  2KGS 5:14-17  PS 98:1,2-3,3-4  2TIM 2:8-13  LK 17:11-19	Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mass at 9am Confirmation at 9am Mass Reception following

September 26 th – October 2 nd 2016	
Mops and Bucket Crew	
Collection Counters	Kathryn Dunagan Cathy Haas October 9 th
Children's Liturgy of the Word	Ruthann T.

Saturday 5:00pm
October 8th 2016

Lectors:
Jackie Swanson
Carlos Valenzuela

Eucharistic Ministers:
Kathy Bongiovanni
Carm Bongiovanni
Kathy Cullings
Linda Hutchings
Sean McGuire

Servers:
Isabella Valenzuela
Katherine Gross

Sunday 9:00 am
October 9th 2016

Lectors:
Karl Kircher
Melissa Thomson

Eucharistic Ministers:
Cindy Glassmaker
Cindy Kircher
Helen Knopp
Jane Fellman
Jim Fellman
Krys Williams
Dr. McIntosh

Servers:
Faith Glassmaker
Caleigh Glassmaker

THE MONTH AHEAD

October 11th - Presentation in Fireweed Frank Mercadante: Light dinner 5:30pm-6:00pm and Presentation 6:00-7:30pm
October 14th - Oktoberfest Quilt Bingo at Fireweed Hall
October 15th - Oktoberfest Dinner in Fireweed Hall
October 15th - Fall Youth Rally 10-3pm at Lumen Christi
October 22nd - Centering Prayer workshop 8:30am-4pm
October 22nd - Potluck after Mass
October 22nd - 23rd - Ministry Fair weekend
October 23rd - Parish Breakfast in Fireweed
October 23rd - Place at the Table 4-6pm at Fireweed
October 28th - 29th - Oktoberfest Halloween Carnival in Redemptorist Center
October 30th - Heritage Place Costume Party after Mass
October 31st - Halloween gathering at O'Neill Hall 5:00pm-8:00pm
November 17th - 20th - MEN'S ACTS Retreat

UPCOMING LITURGICAL SERVICES

October 9th - Confirmation at 9am Mass
November 22nd - Advent Taize prayer at 7pm

"REACHING OUR YOUNGER GENERATIONS"

Come meet Frank Mercadante!
Frank is an incredible and inspiring Catholic husband and Dad! After experiencing a powerful conversion at seventeen, Frank could think of nothing better to give his life to than sharing with others the same Good News that so transformed his life. He is an author, speaker and educator. He received the National Catholic Youth Ministry Award in Training from the National Federation for Catholic Youth Ministry in 2008.

Tuesday **October 11th**: OLPH at Fireweed Missionary Discipleship: "Reaching Our Younger Generations", presentation to begin at 6:15-8pm. Light dinner offered from 5:30pm-6pm. Appropriate presentation for all parents, those interested in youth ministry and reaching out to our students.

Saturday **October 15th** 10am-3pm at Lumen Christi School, Anchorage Fall Youth Rally 2016: "Positively Dangerous". Registration forms can be found on the Faith Formation Bulletin Board in Foyer. We are hoping to get a large group to attend from the peninsula; please check in with Marlys with the registration forms and further information. Frank will also be giving two other presentations while in Anchorage. Please see the bulletin board for that information.

ADORATION SCHEDULE

There is a need for someone to cover the hour of 10-11pm for adoration on Thursdays. Please contact Pat Murray if you are interested.

WHY CATHOLIC?

The renew WHY CATHOLIC? groups will begin meeting the week of **October 2nd**. Two classes will meet Tuesday 1-2:30pm in O'Neill Hall and Tuesday evening 6pm-7:30pm in O'Neill Hall.

This session Live, is focusing on the beatitudes, forming one's conscience and stewardship of God's gifts to us. Please feel free to join either group, even if you have not participated in the other sessions. The books have arrived. Ms. Shirley has them for \$15/each.

BINGO FOR QUILTS/ OKTOBERFEST

Bingo for 29 quilts evening is **October 14th** at Fireweed Hall. Light Dinner served doors open at 5:30pm. Games begin at 6:30pm.

Oktoberfest dinner/auction/raffle will happen on Saturday, **October 15th** beginning at 6pm, tickets will be available soon.

This year the Halloween Carnival will happen on Friday, **October 28** 5-8pm and Saturday, **October 29** 1-4pm in the Redemptorist center.

The evening of Halloween **October 31st** O'Neill Hall will be open from 5pm-8pm for a warm place with hotdogs, hot cocoa, and a warm fire out front. Coordinators, Pedro and Gladys at 262-0889, leave name and they will return the call.

Donations are gladly accepted for this evening: Hot dogs, buns, cocoa, and candy. Please bring to O'Neill Hall.

CENTERING PRAYER

Do you seek the still, small voice of God? 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.

There will be a Centering Prayer Workshop for those who are new to Centering Prayer and for those who wish to renew their practice on **October 22nd**, Saturday, 9:30 – 3PM Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church in O'Neil Hall.

For more information and to sign up, please call Meg Zerbinos, 398-4831

MOM'S GROUP MEETING

There is a Mom's Group meeting on October 7th from 5:30-7:30. I hope that you can all join us for fun and fellowship with adults while the kids play. Remember it's not just for mom's please let the dad's come as well. We will eat and socialize together.

If you would like your name and email added to the group notifications please contact Janelle Marks at janellemarks@gmail.com.

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 2ND

Our First Reading from the Old Testament Book of Habbakuk is once again from someone we consider to be a minor prophet. However, Habbakuk, like other divinely-inspired writers of the Bible, captures the essence of messages and prophecies that have universal applicability not only in his time, but to us today.

Habbakuk was writing more than 600 years before the birth of Christ that is more than 2,600 years before now. Yet he addresses a stewardship approach to life in ways that are significant to us today. Scholars generally agree that the overall theme of Habbakuk is trying to grow from a faith that might be termed perplexing and sometimes doubtful to a point where we place absolute trust in God. In today's reading, Habbakuk deals with the situation of when someone believes in God, but when they look at the world around them, it does not seem to match what God wants. Isn't that true of today's world as we are inundated with tragic and horrible news almost on a daily basis?

Trust in God is the key for us to be good stewards, and it is at the crux of the power of faith. In his *Memoirs* Pope Benedict XVI said, "The more I reflect on it, the more I understand that the nature of human life is that it is ever Holy Saturday, not Easter Sunday. We are still awaiting Easter; we are not standing in full light, but walking toward it full of trust." That trust is the secret!

OLA CRAFT BAZAAR

Our Lady of the Angels will be holding their 4th Annual Craft Bazaar on Friday **October 7th** & Saturday **October 8th** from 10:00am - 4:00pm both days. We are extending an invite to you to join us as a vendor or a customer. To reserve a table call:
Karen (907)350-0843 or Lori (907)283-3315

RETRouvaille

Stress in Your Marriage? – Just three weeks left till the RETROUVAILLE program begins. The program for couples living in a troubled marriage and are, board, frustrated, angry or alone in their marriage, or couples experiencing conflict and arguments or maybe no longer communicate at all with each other and are unable to change the situation. The program has helped 10's of 1000's of couples renew their marriage relationships, it can help you to.

For information about or to register for the program beginning with a weekend on **October 21, 22** and **23** 2016 call 1- 907-863-8000 or log on to www.HelpOurMarriage.com.

A PLACE AT THE TABLE

The next gathering for the Place at the Table is **October 23rd** from 4-6pm. This free meal and conversation is a wonderful couple of hours to visit with community members and our church family. Consider coming to help at 2pm with the preparation.

FAITH FORMATION NEWS

Faith formation classes have started for the students in grades Kinder-8th grade. We will continue meeting on Wednesdays. The schedule is posted on the bulletin board. The catechists spend much time preparing for the classes amidst their busy daily lives, so attendance and participating is an important part of the program. As parents and faith community members, it is our responsibility to reinforce through prayer and actions what is being shared in the classroom.

Soon we will begin having Sunday activities for the entire faith community to work together on specific projects with our students. Any suggestions or a desire to help with those activities, please see Ms. Anne McCabe.

Signups for bringing items for the meals, both faith formation students and others who would like to attend, please access: PerfectPotluck.com. McCabe as coordinator and OLPH as password. This has been most helpful for coordinating the food efforts. Thank you to Anne McCabe for setting this website up.

The Children's Liturgy of the Word has started with dismissal of the students prior to the First Reading. Students who are 4years - 6years are invited to participate. Younger ones may participate if there is an older sibling or parent along with them. We are still needing two assistants to help the catechist during these sessions. If you are interested, please see Marlys.

RCIA CLASSES

Time to register for RCIA classes:

Anyone interested in learning about the teachings of the Catholic Church is encouraged to sign up now. The classes start Wednesday, **September 21**, 2016 in the Church Community Room. Class will be from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. and continue each Wednesday through **May 24**, 2017.

These classes are for those considering joining the Church, for Catholics who have not received the Sacrament of Confirmation and for anyone who wants to know more about the Catholic Church.

Please sign up by calling Shirley at 262-9654 or Marlys at 262-5542.

ST. FRANCIS STEWARDSHIP AWARDS

Come join us on **October 13th** at 5:30pm at Our Lady of Guadalupe to recognize our parish volunteers!

Thirty people from across the Archdiocese have been nominated.

Table and seating reservation forms are available at: archdioceseofanchorage.org/st-francis-stewardship-awards.

Reservation deadline is **October 7th**, so get your seat or parish table today.

Congratulations to the two nominees from Our Lady of Perpetual Help: Pat Murray and Joann Biegel.