



# 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](http://www.olph.cc)

Access to We Share

Email - [olph@alaska.net](mailto:olph@alaska.net)

### PASTORS:

#### Fr. Roger Bergkamp, OMI (Lead pastor)

262-4749, Option 3

[rgrbergkamp@gmail.com](mailto:rgrbergkamp@gmail.com)

#### Fr. Tom Rush, OMI

262-4749, Option 3

### PARISH LIFE COORDINATOR:

#### Marlys Verba

262-5542 / 262-4749 option 4

Cell Phone: 252-5954

[marlys.verba@gmail.com](mailto:marlys.verba@gmail.com)

### 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-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY  
TIME

October 9<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 **October 29<sup>th</sup>/30<sup>th</sup>, 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](mailto:marlys.verba@gmail.com).

# Calendar for October 10<sup>th</sup> - 16<sup>th</sup> 2016

Monday, 10/10/2016	
<b>Readings:</b>  GAL 4:22-24,26-27, 31;5:1  PS 113:1B-2,3-4,5A, 6- 7  LK 11:29-32	<b>Events:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Centering Prayer: 8:15am at Church</li> </ul>
Tuesday, 10/11/2016	
<b>Readings:</b>  GAL 5:1-6  PS 119:41,43,45,47,48  LK 11:37-41	<b>Events:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Morning Prayer 7:30am</li> <li>Daily Mass: 12:05pm</li> <li>Why Catholic? Renew: O'Neill Hall 1pm and 6pm</li> <li>Frank Mercandante presentation in O'Neill Hall: Light dinner at 5:30pm/ Presentation from 6-7:30pm</li> </ul>
Wednesday, 10/12/2016	
<b>Readings:</b>  GAL 5:18-25  PS 1:1-2,3,4and6  LK 11:42-46	<b>Events:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Morning Prayer 7:30am</li> <li>Daily Mass: 12:05pm</li> <li>Adult Bible Study group will meet in Fireweed at 6:30pm</li> <li>RCIA Class 6:30pm in Community Room</li> <li>Faith Formation dinner at Fireweed Hall 6-6:30pm</li> <li>Faith Formation classes at O'Neill Hall 6:30pm-7:30pm</li> </ul>
Thursday, 10/13/2016	
<b>Readings:</b>  EPH 1:1-10  PS 98:1,2-3AB,3CD-4, 5-6  LK 11:47-54	<b>Events:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Morning Prayer 7:30am</li> <li>No Mass</li> <li>No Adoration</li> <li>St. Francis Stewardship Awards Dinner Our Lady of Guadalupe: Anchorage 5:30-8pm</li> </ul>
Friday, 10/14/2016	
<b>Readings:</b>  EPH 1:11-14  PS 33:1-2,4-5,12-13  LK 12:1-7	<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> <li>Quilt Bingo in Fireweed. Doors open at 5:30pm</li> <li>Games begin at 6:30pm</li> </ul>
Saturday, 10/15/2016	
<b>Readings:</b>  EPH 1:15-23  PS 8:2-3AB,4-5,6-7  LK 12:8-12	<b>Events:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ACTS 9am in O'Neill Hall</li> <li>Fall Youth Rally at Lumen Christi 10-3pm</li> <li>Reconciliation 4:15-4:45pm</li> <li>Mass at 5pm</li> <li>Oktoberfest Dinner, Auction, Raffle in Fireweed begins at 6pm</li> </ul>
Sunday, 10/16/2016	
<b>Readings:</b>  EX 17:8-13  PS 121:1-2,3-4,5-6,7-8  2TIM 3:14-4:2  LK 18:1-8	<b>Events:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mass at 9am</li> </ul>

October 10 <sup>th</sup> – October 16 <sup>th</sup> 2016	
<b>Mops and Bucket Crew</b>	
<b>Collection Counters</b>	Pat Cowan Myrna Cowan October 16 <sup>th</sup>
<b>Children's Liturgy of the Word</b>	Anne McCabe

**Saturday 5:00pm**  
October 15<sup>th</sup> 2016

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**Lectors:**

**Eucharistic Ministers:**

Please check bulletin board

**Servers:**  
Jackson Blackwell  
Cameron Blackwell

**Sunday 9:00 am**  
October 16<sup>th</sup> 2016

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**Eucharistic Ministers:**

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**Servers:**  
Isabella Valenzuela  
Erika Arthur

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## THE MONTH AHEAD

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**October 10<sup>th</sup> - 26<sup>th</sup>** - No Faith Formation  
**October 11<sup>th</sup>** - Presentation in Fireweed Frank  
Mercadante: Light dinner 5:30pm-6:00pm and  
Presentation 6:00-7:30pm  
**October 13<sup>th</sup>** - St. Francis Stewardship Awards Our Lady  
of Guadalupe 5:30-8pm  
**October 14<sup>th</sup>** - Oktoberfest Quilt Bingo at Fireweed Hall  
**October 15<sup>th</sup>** - Oktoberfest Dinner in Fireweed Hall  
**October 15<sup>th</sup>** - Fall Youth Rally 10-3pm at Lumen Christi  
**October 22<sup>nd</sup>** - Centering Prayer workshop 8:30am-  
4pm  
**October 22<sup>nd</sup> -23<sup>rd</sup>** - Ministry Fair weekend  
**October 23<sup>rd</sup>** - Parish Breakfast in Fireweed  
**October 23<sup>rd</sup>** - Place at the Table 4-6pm at Fireweed  
**October 28<sup>th</sup> - 29<sup>th</sup>** - Oktoberfest Halloween Carnival in  
Redemptorist Center Friday 5-9pm, Saturday 1-4pm  
**October 30<sup>th</sup>** - Heritage Place Costume Party after  
Mass  
**October 31<sup>st</sup>** - Halloween gathering at O'Neill Hall  
5:00pm-8:00pm  
**November 12<sup>th</sup>** - Filipino and Columbian parish potluck  
in Fireweed after Mass  
**November 17<sup>th</sup> - 20<sup>th</sup>** - MEN'S ACTS Retreat

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## UPCOMING LITURGICAL SERVICES

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**October 9<sup>th</sup>** - Confirmation at 9am Mass  
**October 13<sup>th</sup>** - No Mass and Adoration. Pastoral Day  
**November 7<sup>th</sup> - 10<sup>th</sup>** - No daily Mass, No adoration this  
week  
**November 11<sup>th</sup>** - Daily Mass at noon as usual  
**December 22<sup>nd</sup>** - Advent Taize prayer at 7pm

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## OMI Meeting

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The OMI's will be gone for meetings the week  
of **November 7<sup>th</sup> -10<sup>th</sup>**. There will not be Daily Mass on  
those days nor will there be adoration.  
There will be Mass on Friday at noon.

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## "REACHING OUR YOUNGER GENERATIONS"

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Frank Mercadante will be with us in O'Neill Hall  
on Tuesday, October 11th to give a presentation on  
Missionary Discipleship: Reaching Our Younger  
Generations.  
Please note the location change. We will have a  
light dinner at 5:30pm with the presentation starting  
at 6pm. There is much conversation on what more we  
can do for our younger members of the church.  
Please come and hear Frank's insights. Presentation is  
appropriate for all parents, high school students and  
those interested in Youth Ministry and reaching out to  
the youth. Frank will also, be facilitating the Fall Youth  
Rally at Lumen Christi on Saturday from 10-3pm.  
Registration forms are available on the bulletin board.

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## BINGO FOR QUILTS/ OKTOBERFEST

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Bingo for 20 quilts evening is **October 14<sup>th</sup>** 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 15<sup>th</sup>** 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 31<sup>st</sup>** 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.

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## CENTERING PRAYER

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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 22<sup>nd</sup>**, Saturday  
9:30 – 3PM Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church in O'Neil  
Hall. There will be a centering prayer follow-up on  
Saturday, **November 5<sup>th</sup>** at O'Neill hall from 8:30am-  
4pm.

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

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## A PLACE AT THE TABLE

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The next gathering for the Place at the Table is **October  
23<sup>rd</sup>** from 4-6pm. This free meal and conversation is a  
wonderful couple of hours to visit with community  
members and our church family. The List for the items  
needed for the dinner is posted on the bulletin board.  
Thank you in advance to those of you who help with  
this. If you would like, please join us for the food  
preparation at 2pm.

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## OLPH COSTUME PARADE

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In an ongoing effort to connect the generations, we  
are planning an outing to Heritage Place. Our OLP  
Costume Parade will take place Sunday, **October  
30<sup>th</sup>** after mass. All adults, teens and children are  
encouraged to participate. Plan to bring your  
costumes to church and change into them after  
mass. We will then head over to Heritage Place for a  
costume parade. Please join us for an exciting morning  
of fun and laughter as we share the holiday with the  
residents at Heritage Place.

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## **STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 9<sup>TH</sup>**

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Our Gospel Reading from St. Luke relates to how Jesus healed 10 lepers. However, only one realized the full sense of his healing and he returned to say "Thank you." To that gesture Jesus responds to him, "Stand up and go; your faith has saved you." This is another case where something may have been lost in our translation.

The last line in its original Greek might also be translated "Your faith has made you whole," or "Your faith has made you well." In any case, the point is the importance of gratitude to God. How often have we pointed out that stewardship is a response in gratitude to God's blessings? That ongoing and consistent feeling of thanks is so important.

Jesus healed 10, but only one was really completely healed. The other nine were healed physically, but only the one who felt the gratitude was healed both physically and spiritually. In that sense he was truly "made whole" and "saved."

That is the same salvation that we seek, and the key to it would seem to be that deep sense of thanksgiving as part of our lives and how we live them. Bishop John C. Wester of the Diocese of Salt Lake City opened a recent stewardship conference in his diocese by saying, "Stewardship is about gratitude — recognizing what there is to be thankful for. Gratitude is at the heart of our faith in the Eucharist."

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## **THANK YOU**

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Dear Church Family: It is with great humility that I thank you for all you have done for our family these past months. Your prayers, your love, your hugs, your tears, your support has sustained us during this most difficult time.

Rosemarie is at rest now. No more pain or sorrow can touch her, but while here, you all did. She was so grateful and humbled by all the support and outreach she received.

A special thank you to Anne McCabe and all the wonderful people who helped with her funeral reception. We could not have done it without you. In Jesus' name, The O'Lena Family: Ron, Barb, Gabe/Megan, Jacob, Nate and Joshua.

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## **CONFIRMANDI CANDIDATES**

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Congratulations to our 17 confirmandi candidates who will be confirmed at the Sunday Mass by Archbishop Roger Schwietz, OMI.

Cody Quelland, John-Mark Pothast, Austin Asp, William Gross, Connor Gross, Patrick Gross, Leah McCabe, Korie Gilmore, Portia Padilla, Jackson Blackwell, Kellie Arthur, Ava Gabler, Danielle Hills, Vanessa Steiner, Madisen Elder, Trevor Marks and Samuel McElroy. We look forward to them becoming more active members in our faith community.

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## **FAITH FORMATION NEWS**

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Wednesday evening Faith Formation has gotten off to a great start. Classes will continue with their usual start time of 6:30, but dinner service now begins at 5:30. The lengthened meal time will ensure the little ones have time to eat before our group singing at 6:15. Anyone wishing to contribute to the Wednesday evening meals is encouraged to visit PerfectPotluck.com to sign up. Meal coordinator name is McCabe and the password is OLPH.

The faith formation students as well as the Children's liturgy family are invited to bring their costumes to church on Sunday, **October 30<sup>th</sup>** and after Mass, get dressed in their costumes and go to Heritage for some fun and games with the residents there. Come and bring a smile to share with them. Permission slips for the field trip and Facebook pictures will need to be signed. They are available from Ms. Marlys. For questions please see Ms. Anne.

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## **RCIA CLASSES**

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The RCIA classes have started already. We are meeting in the community room on Wednesday nights from 6:30pm-8pm. You are invited to join us for dinner in Fireweed prior to the class, if you would like. This class is for those considering joining the Catholic church and for those adults needing the sacrament of Confirmation. Contact: Shirley 262-9654.

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## **STEWARDSHIP MINISTRY FAIR**

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For the month of October we will be highlighting some of the different ministries that are available in our parish. The weekend of October 22/23rd, we will have a ministry fair and an opportunity for signing up for ministries you are interested in. Please prayerfully discern whether you could make a commitment for a year to help in that area. Suggestions for other ministries? See Sue Dukowitz.

We would like to initiate a Steward of the Month/Stewardship Ministry of the month to highlight our different areas. The Steward of the month would be nominated by you, anyone who you feel is a good representation of that ability to use their gifts for God's glory. Could be any age, family or individual. Forms will be available to use in the foyer along with a box to return them or put in the collection basket. We are hoping to, to have a picture of these individuals so that we may all get to know each other better. Thank you in advance for your help with this ministry.

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## **WHY CATHOLIC?**

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We have two Why Catholic? Renew groups meeting on Tuesdays; both meetings are in O'Neill Hall at 1pm and 6pm respectively. If you want to join, please come, even if you have not participated before. Books will be available at the class.