



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

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

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PASTORS:

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(Lead pastor)

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Fr. Tom Rush, OMI

262-4749, Option 3

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SEXUAL ABUSE VICTIM

ASSISTANCE COORDINATOR:

Marlys Verba: contact info above

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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.



THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

October 30th, 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 31st - November 6th 2016

Monday, 10/31/2016	
Readings:  PHIL 2:1-4  PS 131:1BCDE,2,3  LK 14:12-14	Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Centering Prayer: 8:15am at Church Halloween Open House O'Neill Hall 5-8pm
Tuesday, 11/1/2016	
Readings:  RV 7:2-4,9-14  PS 24:1BC-2,3-4AB,5-6  1JN 3:1-3  MT 5:1-12A	Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Morning Prayer 7:30am Daily Mass: 12:05pm Why Catholic? Renew: O'Neill Hall 1pm and 6pm
Wednesday, 11/2/2016	
Readings:  WIS 3:1-9  PS 23:1-3A,3B-4,5,6  ROM 5:5-11  JN 6:37-40	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 Faith Formation dinner 5:30-6:30pm. Class from 6:30pm-7:30pm Confirmation Class at 7pm at O'Neill Hall
Thursday, 11/3/2016	
Readings:  PHIL 3:3-8A  PS 105:2-3,4-5,6-7  LK 15:1-10	Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Morning Prayer 7:30am No Daily Mass No Adoration
Friday, 11/4/2016	
Readings:  PHIL 3:17-4:1  PS 122:1-2,3-4AB,4CD-5  LK 16:1-8	Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Men's Group 6:30am-8am Morning Prayer 7:30am Daily Mass: 12:05pm
Saturday, 11/5/2016	
Readings:  PHIL 4:10-19  PS 112:1B-2,5-6,8Aand 9  LK 16:9-15	Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ACTS 9am in O'Neill Hall Reconciliation 4:15-4:45pm Mass at 5pm
Sunday, 11/6/2016	
Readings:  2MIC 7:1-2,9-14  PS 17:1,5-6,8,15  2THES 2:16-3:5  LK 20:27-38	Events: TIME CHANGE for DAYLIGHT SAVINGS: FALL BACK ONE HOUR <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mass at 9am. Commissioning of ACTS retreat team at Mass

October 31 st - November 6 th 2016	
Mops and Bucket Crew	
Collection Counters	Judy Marchiando Peter Marchiando November 6 th
Children's Liturgy of the Word	Anne B.

Saturday 5:00pm
November 5th 2016

Lectors:
Judy Nelson
Jackie Swanson

Eucharistic Ministers:
Kathy Bongiovanni
Carm Bongiovanni
Linda Hutchings
Holly West
Sean McGuire

Servers:
Cody Quelland
Andrew Arthur

Sunday 9:00 am
November 6th 2016

Lectors:
Anne McCabe
Becky Applebee

Eucharistic Ministers:
Jim Fellman
Jane Fellman
Joe McElroy
Krys Williams
Dr. McIntosh
Jane Eveland
Cindy Glassmaker

Servers:
Jackson Blackwell
Cameron Blackwell

THE MONTH AHEAD

October 30th - Heritage Place Costume Party after Mass
October 30th - Fifth Sunday collection for St. Vincent DePaul
October 31st - Halloween gathering at O'Neill Hall 5:00pm-8:00pm
November 2nd - Confirmation Year 1 Mandatory student/parent meeting 7pm at O'Neill Hall
November 6th - Daylight saving change. Fall back one hour
November 12th - Filipino/ Puerto Rican flavored potluck. Bring something to share
November 17th - 20th - MEN'S ACTS Retreat

UPCOMING LITURGICAL SERVICES

October 29th - 30th - Anointing of the sick
November 1st - Holy Day of obligation. Mass at noon
November 2nd - All Saints Day. Mass at noon.
November 3rd - No Mass, no adoration
November 7th - 10th - No daily Mass, No adoration this week
November 11th - Daily Mass at noon as usual
November 12th - 13th - Word/Communion Service
November 24th - Thanks Giving Mass at 10am
December 7th - Vigil of Feast of the Immaculate Conception. Holy Day of Obligation mass at 7pm. Advent Reconciliation opportunity prior to Mass 5:30 - 6:30pm.
December 22nd - Advent Taize prayer at 7pm

FRED MEYERS REWARDS

Fred Meyer annual re-enrollment
After the Fred Meyer June 2016 annual customer reenrollment period, Fred Meyer customers who did not re-link their cards for our parish were dropped from the system on July 1. Make sure to like your Rewards Card with Our Lady of Perpetual Help (#87764) on Fred Meyer Community Rewards.
Here is how--sign up for or login to the Community Rewards program by linking your card to Our Lady of Perpetual Help parish at www.fredmeyer.com/community-rewards. Then every time you shop and use your Rewards Card, you help our parish earn a donation. You still earn your Rewards Points, Fuel Points, and Rebates, just as you do today. If you do not have a Rewards Card, they are available at the customer Service desk of any Fred Meyer store.

HALLOWEEN ACTIVITIES

The evening of Halloween **October 31st**, O'Neill Hall will be open from 5-8pm for a warm place with hotdogs, hot cocoa and a warm fire out front. Thank you to Homer Electric for the donation of hotdogs for the evening's festivities. Drs. Pedro Perez/Gladys Bailon-Perez are the coordinators of the evening. If you would like to help, contact them at 262-0889. Donations are gladly accepted for the evening.

VESPERS AND INSTALLATION DATES

With Thanksgiving to Almighty God The Archdiocese of Anchorage invites you to for the Installation Mass of the fourth Archbishop of Anchorage the Most Reverend Paul Dennis Etienne, DD, STL.
Please join us for Solemn Evening Prayer
November 8th - 7:00 pm at the Holy Family Cathedral, Anchorage.
Mass of Installation: **November 9th** 2016 - 2:00 pm at Our Lady of Guadalupe Co-Cathedral Anchorage. Reception to follow in the Lunney Center
In anticipation of attendance at capacity, the Installation Mass of Archbishop-Designate Etienne will be live streamed online at CatholicAnchor.org. The celebration (and live stream) will begin at 2 pm on **November 9.**



STEWARDSHIP MINISTRY FAIR

The stewardship ministry fair will be in up until the second week in November. Please check out the many ministries offered and see where you can help. We are grateful for those who have already done so. We would like to initiate a Steward of the Month/Stewardship Ministry for the month beginning in December. The nomination slips can be found in the foyer. Please drop your slips in the basket found on the table. Thank you in advance for your help with this.

OPERATIONAL CHRISTMAS CHILD'S SHOE BOX

It is that time of year again to share the gifts we have been given. Operational Christmas Child's Shoe Box Drive has started. Shoe Boxes will be available for pick up the weekend of November 5-6th at the back of church. The Bishop's Attic has donated some new Beanie Babies that can be enclosed in your box if you would like one while supplies last. They will be set out with the shoe boxes. Due date is Sunday **November 20th** at 11 am. If you have any questions, contact Ruthann at 252-7337. Thank you in advance for supporting this great cause.

FAITH FORMATION NEWS

The children invite you to come join them (with or without costumes) on their trek over to Heritage Place. Bring your smile and come have a fun time with us. If you would like to donate to the meal Wednesday night, please go to toperfectpotluck.com to sign up; *mccabe* is the coordinator's name / *olph* the password. Please note the meal starts at 5:30pm in Fireweed; anyone is invited to join us.

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 30TH

In the Gospel Reading from St. Luke we hear the story of the tax collector Zacchaeus and his desire to see and perhaps meet Jesus. The image of Zacchaeus up in that sycamore tree is one that many of us may recall from our childhood, and hearing it — because it is a vivid impression, and one that even as we get older may — may trigger a memory.

The name Zacchaeus means "pure one," but he certainly was not pure. We learn from his own confession how he has overcharged and cheated people in his tax collection duties. However, for all his faults and shortcomings Zacchaeus seeks purity, and he understands that Jesus is a way to achieve that. It is interesting to note that Zacchaeus climbs a tree to see Jesus better. That sounds like something a child might do, and that fulfills in a small way an instruction Jesus gives to each of us, "Amen, I say to you, unless you turn and become like children, you will not enter the kingdom of heaven." Jesus follows that remark by immediately reminding us that we must become humble like children.

That is a cue for us to recall importance of humility when it comes to being a good steward, but thanks to the lesson of Zacchaeus we learn even more about how to seek stewardship. Like the tax collector we need to make an effort to seek Jesus; like him we must be humble; we must welcome Jesus into our homes and into our hearts; and finally we need to receive him joyfully.

FIRST YEAR CONFIRMATION CLASS

Mandatory Parent Student meeting for the 2018 Confirmation group - current freshmen and sophomores - will be Wednesday, **November 2nd** at 7pm in O'Neill Hall. Class expectations, participation requirements and class calendar will be discussed. If you are unable to attend, please contact Marlys for information on an alternate meeting time.

OMI MEETING

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

ADULT EDUCATION

Adult Faith Formation opportunity to begin this upcoming Sunday, **November 6th** after Mass meeting in the community room of the church, beginning at 10:15am.

Conversion is a series of six stories from the Bible that Bishop Barron demonstrates how ordinary, sinful people are met by Jesus and called to a better life. Please join us for this series.

MONTH OF REMEMBRANCE

November is the Month of Remembrance of the faithful departed. In the foyer of the church, during the month, there will be a Book of Remembrance in which you may record your loved ones names. Those names will be remembered at all Masses during the month beginning on **November 2nd**, All Souls Day.

In addition the Remembrance quilt will be in the foyer for any new additional names.

You are also invited to bring a picture of your loved one with the name on the back, to be placed on the altar of Remembrance in the sanctuary area for the month of November.

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

A Great Quote we all need to think about: "Christian community is a gathering around the person of Christ in a way that displaces our selfishness so that we begin to live in a charity, joy, peace, patience, goodness, long-suffering, faith, constancy, mildness, and chastity that makes it possible to precisely live with each other beyond differences, fears and incompatibilities.....**community means staying together even when we don't like each other, aren't attracted to each other, and struggle with hopeless differences.** Only when we understand and accept this will romance, a beautiful thing in itself, cease being an obstacle to real community". (Ronald Rolheiser, OMI: Our Struggle for Community, Oct. 2005)

This is true for marriages, true for families, true for communities of priests, and true for parishes! With all the marvelous variety and diversity we have at our parishes, we also have our differences in styles and visions of what it means to be a Catholic parish. **No single vision exhausts the meaning of "Church"** (in Greek: ekklesia: "the gathered"). Rather, each one must seek through humility and patient endurance to give birth to what is best in the other. That means that none of us has the ultimate TRUTH, nor can we produce it as individuals. Rather, the Holy Spirit guides us toward the truth in the community of the whole Church, under our Archbishop, through our celebration of the Word and Sacraments, through our works of charity and repentance, and our common discipleship of talent, time, and treasure. Prayer is critical at each stage of the process. Prayer helps us through the obstacles that emerge in each of us as we travel the path of discipleship. We discover our unfaithfulness and stubbornness in the context of prayer and action, and then we can move toward humble faithfulness and openness to God's will, as it is found in **community life in the Church. Church is never an individual thing I do. It is always a communal thing we do in Christ and under the guidance of the Church.** (Fr. Donald Bramble, OP, Nov. 6, 2006)