



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 10:00 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

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Website - www.olph.cc

Access to We Share

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PASTORS:

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262-4749, Option 3

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Fr. Tom Rush, OMI

262-4749, Option 3

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Marlys Verba

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SEXUAL ABUSE VICTIM ASSISTANCE COORDINATOR:

Marlys Verba: contact info above

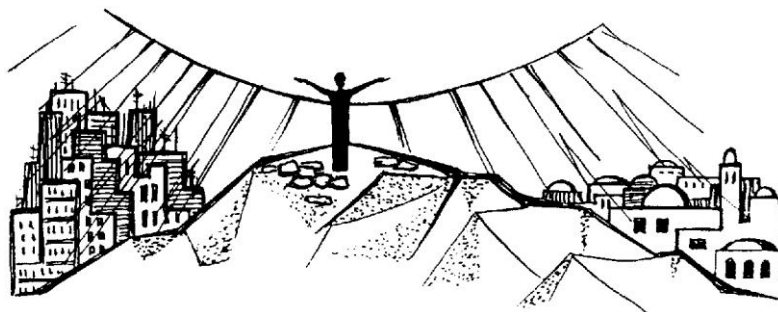
PRAYER CHAIN:

tairtrvl@gmail.com

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 LENT

March 5th, 2017

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 **March 4th/5th, 2017** 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 March 6th - 12th 2017

Monday, 3/6/2017	
Readings:  LV 19:1-2,11-18  PS 19:8,9,10,15  MT 25:31-46	Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Centering Prayer: 8:15am at Church at Community Room
Tuesday, 3/7/2017	
Readings:  IS 55:10-11  PS 34:4-5,6-7,16-17,18-19  MT 6:7-15	Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Morning Prayer 7:30am Daily Mass: 12:05pm Renew meeting at 1pm in O'Neill Hall
Wednesday, 3/8/2017	
Readings:  JON 3:1-10  PS 51:3-4,12-13, 18-19  LK 11:29-32	Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Morning Prayer 7:30am No Daily Mass Mass at 6pm. Archbishop Etienne visits with us followed by reception in Fireweed Hall
Thursday, 3/9/2017	
Readings:  EST C:12,14-16,23-25  PS 138:1-2AB,2CDE-3,7C-8  MT 7:7-12	Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Morning Prayer 7:30am Quilting Ministry in Fireweed 10am-3pm Daily Mass: 12:05pm
Friday, 3/10/2017	
Readings:  EZ 18:21-28  PS 130:1-2,3-4,5-7A,7BC-8  MT 5:20-26	Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Men's Group 6:30am-8am Morning Prayer 7:30am Adoration until noon Daily Mass: 12:05pm Soup Supper at 5:30pm Stations of the Cross at 6:30pm
Saturday, 3/11/2017	
Readings:  DT 26:16-19  PS 119:1-2,4-5,7-8  MT 5:43-48	Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reconciliation 4:15-4:45pm Mass at 5pm
Sunday, 3/12/2017	
Readings:  GN 12:1-4A  PS 33:4-5,18-19,20,22  ROM 5:12-19  MT 4:1-11	Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mass at Conversion series in the Community Room after Mass

March 6 th - March 12 th 2017	
Mops and Bucket Crew	George Carpenter family
Collection Counters	Kathryn D. Cathy H. March 12 th
Children's Liturgy of the Word	Ruthann T.

Saturday 5:00pm
March 11th 2017

Lectors:
Linda Houglum
Carlos Valenzuela

Eucharistic Ministers:
Rick Dukowitz
Susan Dukowitz
Holly West
Sean McGuire
MaryLou Nushart

Servers:
Faith Glassmaker
Caleigh Glassmaker

Sunday 10:00 am
March 12th 2017

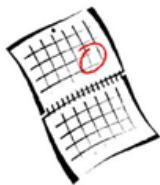
Lectors:
Anne McCabe
Martha Rodrigues

Eucharistic Ministers:
Joe Bazan
Ron O'Lena
Sharon Shassetz
Thelma Antila
Meg Zerbino
Gloria Sweeney
Dr. McIntosh

Servers:
Haley Buckbee
Zachary Buckbee

THE MONTH AHEAD

March 5th - 12th - Conversion: adult ED continues in Community room after Mass
March 8th - Archbishop Etienne's visit to the parish
March 12th - Kitchen Shower for Freedom House 2-4pm
March 18th - 19th - Second Collection for Aid to church in Central and Eastern Europe and Russia
March 24th - 26th - Women's Retreat at Girdwood: "Care of the Soul"
March 26th - A Place at the Table: 4-6pm in Fireweed
March 26th and April 2nd - Seven Deadly Sins: Seven Lively Virtues: Community Room after Mass
April 2nd - Panoramic Egg production after Mass



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UPCOMING LITURGICAL SERVICES

March 8th - No Faith Formation
March 8th - Archbishop Etienne's visit: No noon Mass. Mass at 6pm, followed by a potluck reception
March 10th - Soup Supper in Fireweed 5:30-6:30pm. Stations of the Cross at 6:30pm, speaker following
March 11th - First Reconciliation 10am
March 14th - 16th - OMI's Gone for Convocation. Word/Communion Service on this week. Adoration is usual.
March 26th and April 23rd - Children's led Mass
April 6th - Chrism Mass at Our Lady of Guadalupe at 7pm
April 7th - Lenten Reconciliation and Station of the Cross at 6:30pm
April 9th - Palm Sunday
April 16th - Easter Sunday
April 30th - First Eucharist at 10am

FRED MEYER COMMUNITY REWARD

Do you shop at Fred Meyer's? If so, please visit: <https://www.fredmeyer.com/topic/community-rewards-4> to register your Fred Meyers rewards card so that Our Lady of Perpetual Help can earn rebates. It's super easy, just click the link above and then check "re-enroll" or link your rewards card now and then follow the steps to choose OLPH to start receiving community rewards. This does not affect your rebates.

LENT TIDBITS

Join us on the Fridays of Lent for a meatless soup supper at 5:30-6:30pm in Fireweed followed by the Stations of the Cross at 6:30pm and a presentation that will vary each week. This upcoming Friday, **March 10th** Pastor Corby Cross will be with us, speaking on Reconciliation/Joy.

Black books for daily meditations are available in the foyer. The Lenten bulletin board in the foyer will have many suggestions for this journey through Lent for all ages. One of the opportunities is choosing a slip of paper with Lenten actions on it, which are Corporal/Spiritual Works of Mercy to challenge you during the week. On Sunday, put that opportunity in writing in a hanging book and add to our Work of Mercy Tree. Choose another one for the current week. Hopefully, by Easter, our tree will be covered with those opportunities we've been given during these 40 days to come closer to the Lord. All ages are invited to participate.

The website for signup for the soup supper is: perfectpotluck.com/coordinator:verba/ / password:olph

The upcoming weeks will be facilitated by the following:

2nd Week **March 10th**: Stations/Presentation by Pastor Corby Cross on Reconciliation/Joy

3rd Week **March 17th**: Stations/Presentation by Jessica Kvorik, from Catholic Social Service Immigration Program

4th Week **March 24th**: Children's Stations presented by Chatty Catholics

5th Week **March 31st**: Stations of the Cross/ Presentation by Fr. Ron Meyer, OMI

6th Week **April 7th**: Stations/Reconciliation service

SEVEN DEADLY SINS; SEVEN LIVELY VIRTUES

This two part series will follow the Conversion series: Bishop Barron gives a presentation concerning the seven deadly sins, those spiritual blocks that inhibit our flourishing in relationship with God and others. Following Bishop Barron counters with seven antidotes for each sin. Join us on Sunday **March 26th and April 2nd** at 11:15am in the community room.

Questions; contact Shirley at 262-5954.

PARISH APP

As we begin this 40 day Lenten period of purification and enlightenment, our parish APP background has changed to the "Temptation of Christ by the Devil" by Felix Joseph Barrias. To see the new background, you may need to tap the three horizontal lines top left, tap "change parish" and select our parish again.

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 5TH

On this First Sunday of Lent, it seems appropriate that all the readings reflect in some way on the issue of temptation. We are familiar with perhaps the most common prayer, the *Our Father*, in which we ask God to "lead us not into temptation."

In the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, it is interesting to note that #2846 tells us "It is difficult to translate the Greek verb used for 'lead us' into a single English word. The original Greek word means both 'do not allow us to enter into temptation' and 'do not let us yield to temptation.' Sins come from consenting to temptation."

For our Lenten missions, the issue of "temptation" would seem to have numerous facets which should influence us. Clearly we need to pray, and often, for God's help as we try to avoid sin, and attempt to change our lives during this time. Also, we must consider the importance of recognizing and confessing our sins in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. These should be part of our Lenten plans; living lives of stewardship might help us continue these efforts beyond Lent and throughout our lives.

Archbishop Fulton Sheen, the late and great Catholic Evangelist and television personality, devoted entire programs to temptation. On one, as he considered Lent a time to seek truth as an endeavor to resist temptation, he said, "It is easy to find truth; it is hard to face it; and harder still to follow it."

MARTHA AND MARY WOMEN'S RETREAT

March 24th - 26th: Mark your calendars and come to the annual Martha and Mary Women's Retreat!

This year's theme is "Care for Your Soul" and will be a perfect Lenten retreat get-a-way. You will be nourished in prayer, refreshed in spirit and filled with peace as you care for your soul! This retreat will be directed by Maggie McCarty, PhD and held at Our Lady of Snows in Girdwood, Alaska.

The retreat cost \$75.00.

There are registration forms and information on the bulletin board in the foyer.

ARCHBISHOP VISIT

Archbishop Etienne will be at our parish on Wednesday, **March 8th**, 2017.

He will be presiding at a 6pm evening Mass, followed by a reception in Fireweed in which everyone will have an opportunity to greet him. There will be a liturgy signup sheet posted on the bulletin board if you would like to help with the Mass.

There will not be Mass at noon that day.

For the reception, an online site, perfectpotluck.com has been established for you to sign up to bring foods. The coordinator's name: *Fellman*; password: *olph*. After access, follow the instructions to choose what you would like to bring. Thank you in advance for your help with this event.

BENEFIT KITCHEN SHOWER FOR FREEDOM HOUSE

As a ministry to Freedom House OLPH has adopted outfitting their kitchen with pots, pans, utensils, etc. The shower will be held **March 12th** 2-4pm at the Freedom House Commons Room, 185 Shady Lane.

The gift registry site is www.perfectpotluck.com.

Select "FIND"

Name: *Harbaugh*

Password: *olph*

Review items listed in 6 categories. Select item(s)

X out name available and insert your name and info then click "update".

Your name will appear as buyer for that item.

Repeat for each item you select.

Coordinator is Sandy Harbaugh 580-504-6992 or twohappycubs@gmail.com.

Call Sandy if you are unable to shop, a personal shopper will do so on your behalf. No computer access? Call Sandy for assistance. Bring your unwrapped gift to the shower on **March 12** or drop it off on church foyer table.

THANK YOU

Dear OLPH Parish Family

The Kairos team: Joe McElroy, Ron Olena, Dennis Murray, Fr. Roger, Alex Zerbinos, Louie Katzenberger, Scott Earsley; would like to thank you for your support of Kairos #11 at Wildwood Correctional Complex.

Everyone that prayed and was a link in the prayer chain, the cookie bakers, the students that packed the cookies into the bags for all the residents of Wildwood, the people that purchased the meal tickets and supported us in our fundraising by donations, the makers of the place mats, the people that showed up to go inside for the Closing at Wildwood on Sunday and the families of the men who went inside were all gifts of grace to the participants both from the inside and the outside. We were blessed by your sacrifice of love. 35 men from inside Wildwood spent three days encountering the Good News that they are loved unconditionally and that forgiveness is theirs from our Father in heaven. Your gifts preached the Gospel and gave them the time and space to experience being loved. The church in Wildwood is growing through your intercession. Please remember that they still need to be remembered in your prayers. It is not easy walking as a follower of Jesus inside the fence and walls of Wildwood. We pray that God has blessed you and your families. Please feel free to ask any of us about our experience.

We look forward to being able to be your hands and feet to serve Jesus in our brothers at Wildwood.