



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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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.



PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION

April 9th, 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 **May 6th/7th, 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 April 10th - 16th 2017

Monday, 4/10/2017	
Readings: IS 42:1-7 PS 27:1,2,3,13-14 JN 12:1-11	Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Centering Prayer: 8:15am at Church at Community Room
Tuesday, 4/11/2017	
Readings: IS 49:1-6 PS 71:1-2,3-4A,5AB-6AB,15and17 JN 13:21-33,36-38	Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Morning Prayer 7:30am Daily Mass: 12:05pm Centering Prayer 7pm at Community room
Wednesday, 4/12/2017	
Readings: IS 50:4-9A PS 69:8-10,21-22,31 and33-34 MT 26:14-25	Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Morning Prayer 7:30am Daily Mass: 12:05pm Faith formation dinner at 5:30pm Faith Formation classes at 6:30pm
Thursday, 4/13/2017	
Readings: EX 12:1-8,11-14 PS 116:12-13,15-16BC, 17-18 COR 11:23-26 JN 13:1-15	Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Morning Prayer 7:30am Mass: 7pm Adoration from 9pm-midnight in Fireweed
Friday, 4/14/2017	
Readings: IS 52:13 - 53:12 PS 31:2,6,12-13,15-16, 17,25 HEB 4:14-16; 5:7-9 JN 18:1 - 19:42	Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Men's Group 6:30am-8am Morning Prayer 7:30am Walk around town Stations of the Cross, begin at noon at O'Neill Hall Traditional Stations of the Cross in church at 3pm Liturgy with Veneration of the Cross at 7pm
Saturday, 4/15/2017	
Readings: PLEASE SEE SIDEBAR FOR THE READINGS	Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cleaning and Decorating of Church begins at 8am Mass begins at 9pm
Sunday, 4/16/2017	
Readings: ACTS 10:34A,37-43 PS 118:1-2,16-17,22-23 COL 3:1-4 JN 20:1-9	Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mass at 10am followed by a Parish Breakfast and Easter Egg Hunt

April 10 th – April 16 th 2017	
Mops and Bucket Crew	Parish Family
Collection Counters	Kathy F. Connie G. April 16 th
Children's Liturgy of the Word	None this week

Saturday 9:00pm
April 15th 2017

Schedule for liturgical ministries/servers can be found on the bulletin board

Sunday 10:00 am
April 16th 2017

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Saturday, 4/15/2017
GN 1:1-2:2
PS 104:1-2,5-6,10,12,13-14,24,35
GN 22: 1-18
PS 16:5,8,9-10,11
EX 14:15-15:1
EX 15:1-2,3-4,5-6,17-18,
IS 54:5-14
PS 30:2,4,5-6,11-12,13
IS 55:1-11
IS 12:2-3,4,5-6
BAR 3:9-15,32-4:4
PS 19:8,9,10,11
EZ 36:16-17A,18-28
PS 42:3,5;43:3,4
ROM 6:3-11
PS 118:1-2,16-17,22-23
MT 28:1-10

THE MONTH AHEAD

April 12th - Towel Service for First Eucharist Students at 7pm

April 16th - Parish Easter Breakfast and Easter Egg Hunt after Mass

April 23rd - Place at the Table

April 25th - Ministries Appreciation evening: 5:30pm - 7:30pm in Fireweed

May 7th - Crowning of Blessed Mother. Parish Breakfast after Mass

UPCOMING LITURGICAL SERVICES

April 9th - Palm Sunday

April 13th - *Holy Thursday*: liturgy At 7pm followed by Adoration until midnight in Fireweed

April 14th - *Good Friday*: Stations Walk around Town beginning at noon from O'Neill Hall

Stations of the Cross at Church at 3pm

Liturgy at 7pm at church

April 15th - Saturday Easter Vigil Mass at 9pm. Dessert Buffet after Mass in Foyer

April 16th - Easter Sunday Mass at 10am followed by Brunch and Easter Egg Hunt hosted by Chatty Catholics

April 23rd - Children's led Mass

April 30th - First Eucharist at 10am

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Holy Thursday: Liturgy at 7pm Followed by Adoration from 9pm -to midnight.

Good Friday: Stations of the Cross walk around town Meet at O'Neill Hall at noon

Traditional Stations of the Cross at church at 3pm

7pm: Liturgy with Veneration of the Cross

Holy Saturday: Decorate and Clean church beginning at 8 am

Easter Vigil Liturgy begins at 9pm with lighting of the New Fire outside.

Followed by dessert potluck in foyer (Bring your favorite one to share)

Easter Sunday: Mass at 10am

Parish Easter Breakfast with Easter Egg Hunt



HOLY WEEK FOCUS

Last week, during the Proclamation of the Gospel, long-form, Fr. Roger asked everyone in the congregation to close their missals and be seated during the Gospel. The focus was to listen to the spoken Word and allow the Holy Spirit to assist you in hearing the Word.

During Holy Week beginning with Palm Sunday and ending with the Lord's Resurrection, we are again inviting everyone to listen without reading. Invite God's message into your and more fully experience the power of the word. Thank you. Liturgy Commission

UPCOMING EASTER EGG HUNT

Donations are needed of Easter eggs and small candies/toys to stuff them for the Easter Egg Hunt coming soon! Chatty Catholics want to collect these items and get them stuffed for the hunt.

Please bring to the foyer of the church to the marked box for collection by Sunday, **April 9th**.

Thank you in advance!

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR RCIA ELECT

There are three people in RCIA this year. It is a Mom and her two children. They attend Mass on Thursdays due to the Mom's work schedule. On **March 23** Amanda, Serena and Keegan celebrated the Rite of Election. They will be Baptized, Confirmed and receive the Eucharist on Holy Saturday at the Easter Vigil. We ask for prayers for this young family as they prepare to become members of our Church.

REMEMBRANCE FLOWERS

As we approach Easter, we are again given the opportunity to remember our loved ones during this holy season by a Easter Lily in the sanctuary. Please put your loved ones name, \$12/flower into basket on foyer table. Flowers need to be requested by Sunday, **April 9th**. Thank you in advance for your help.

PERPETUAL GARAGE SALE

Perpetual Garage Sale is starting up again for the summer months. If you are cleaning, disposing of, or downsizing and need a place for your treasures, the Redemptorist Hall will be open to receive donations for the summer sales beginning on **April 10th**. The doors will be unlocked Monday - Friday from 9am-5pm. We are also soliciting help for the perpetual garage sales. If you are interested in helping with the garage sale, please check with the office. Dates for the beginning of the Garage sales haven't been set yet, but will begin sometime middle of May.

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 9TH

Most of us know today as Palm Sunday, although officially in the Church it is called Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion, and to many Church leaders it is simply Passion Sunday, which comes from the Latin name for it, *Dominica Passionis*. We have reflected on this day previously how the liturgy begins with great joy and becomes more and more somber with the reading of the Passion.

During the procession of the palms Jesus arrives in Jerusalem to great tumult and rejoicing as the people cry out "Hosanna... blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, hosanna in the highest." As the Mass progresses we get an overview of what is to occur during this holiest of weeks, including the institution of the Eucharist, the passion and death of the Lord, the prediction of His Resurrection, and then His Resurrection itself.

Imagine the confusion of the Twelve Apostles. Jesus has been spending time with them in the recent weeks prior to the Passion trying to get them to understand that His time of suffering was near and approaching, and that is the reason He must go to Jerusalem. And here is the crowd welcoming and praising and laughing and celebrating His presence.

We are not much different in many ways, but now is the time for us to really embrace and understand the sacrifice the Lord made for each of us, and the incredible gift He has given us. In the coming days it is our final chance to truly rededicate ourselves to being His disciple.



ALMS FOR THE POOR

One key part of Lent is almsgiving, which means giving money or necessities to people who need them. You are challenged to bring alms (food for the Food Bank) in the remaining weeks of Lent until Holy Thursday, to the church foyer.

Please bring the Rice Bowls back to church by **April 30th**. Thank you for participating in this.

The word "alms" comes from the Greek word for "compassion." Showing compassion for people takes a lot of practice.

Can we start with this small step?

NEED OF GLASS

WE ARE IN NEED OF GLASS containers (baby food jars) for the dispersing of the new Holy Water on Holy Saturday. Can you help us with that?

Please bring to the foyer to the appropriate basket there. Thank you in advance.

FAITH FORMATION

Only three more classes left. Attendance is still very important. (**April 12th**, **April 19th** and **April 26th**.)

Please pray for our students who made their First Reconciliation on Saturday this week, that they may continue to come often to the sacrament.

They will continue preparation for First Eucharist which they will receive on Sunday, **April 30th**. They will have a Come to the Table retreat on Saturday, **April 29th** from 9-11am.

PROFESSIONAL PRINTS

St. Therese of Lisieux: Professional prints of "St. Therese of Lisieux", the patron saint of Alaska, by Byron Birdsall are available for purchase. Standard prints are available for \$100. These are limited to 100 and also signed and numbered by Byron. All proceeds help offset the cost of installation celebrations and transition expenses.

Please contact the Parish Office if interested.

Also, Alaska's Archdiocese: Faith in the Far North, a history of the Archdiocese is available for \$14.95.

Please see the office if interested.

MINISTRY APPRECIATION GATHERING

We appreciate the many, young and old, who are involved in the ministries which we, as parish, pursue to live out the Gospel. Some occur daily, some weekly, some monthly and others seasonally. We want to celebrate those gifts.

All who are involved in any of the various ministries are invited to Fireweed Fellowship Hall on Tuesday, **April 25th**, 5:30-7:30pm for Hors D'oeuvres, wine and conversation.

We request RSVP to Jackie at 262-3286 (leave a message) or kasilofriverretreat@yahoo.com by Sunday, **April 16th**.

