



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
2:30 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:

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262-4749, Option 3

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Fr. Tom Rush, OMI

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Fr. Ron Meyer, OMI

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PARISH LIFE COORDINATOR:

Marlys Verba

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SEXUAL ABUSE VICTIM

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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.



THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 30th, 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 **April 29th/30th, 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 May 1st - 7th 2017

Monday, 5/1/2017	
Readings:  ACTS 6:8-15  PS 119:23-24,26-27,29-30  JN 6:22-29	Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Centering Prayer: 8:15am at Church at Community Room
Tuesday, 5/2/2017	
Readings:  ACTS 7:51-8:1A  PS 31:3CD-4,6and7B and8A,17and21AB  JN 6:30-35	Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Morning Prayer 7:30am Daily Mass: 12:05pm Centering Prayer 7pm at Community room
Wednesday, 5/3/2017	
Readings:  1COR 15:1-8  PS 19:2-3,4-5  JN 14:6-14	Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Morning Prayer 7:30am Daily Mass: 12:05pm
Thursday, 5/4/2017	
Readings:  ACTS 8:26-40  PS 66:8-9,16-17,20  JN 6:44-51	Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Morning Prayer 7:30am Daily Mass: 12:05pm Followed with Adoration until Friday at noon Reconciliation available after Mass at 12:30pm
Friday, 5/5/2017	
Readings:  ACTS 9:1-20  PS 117:1BC,2  JN 6:52-59	Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Men's Group 6:30am-8am Morning Prayer 7:30am Daily Mass: 12:05pm
Saturday, 5/6/2017	
Readings:  ACTS 9:31-42  PS 116:12-13,14-15,16-17  JN 6:60-69	Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> First Eucharist Retreat/Breakfast in O'Neill Hall 9am-11am Marion procession/Potluck at St. Peter the Apostle, Ninilchik, 10am-2pm Hospitality Baking 10-2pm Reconciliation 4:15-4:45pm Mass at 5pm
Sunday, 5/7/2017	
Readings:  ACTS 2:14A,36-41  PS 23:1-3A,3B,4,5,6  1PT 2:20B-25  JN 10:1-10	Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mass at 10am First Eucharist/Parish breakfast after Mass Crowning of Blessed Mother after Mass

May 1 st - May 7 th 2017	
Mops and Bucket Crew	Bob Shassetz Family
Collection Counters	Karl K. Cindy K. May 7 th
Children's Liturgy of the Word	Anne B.

Saturday 5:00 pm
May 6th 2017

Lectors:
Jackie Swanson
Ruthann Truesdell

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

Servers:
Faith Glassmaker
Caleigh Glassmaker

Sunday 10:00 am
May 7th 2017

Lectors:
Melissa Thomson
Joseph Baninge

Eucharistic Ministers:
Terry Moxey
Jacquie Moxey
Gloria Sweeney
Jane Fellman
Jim Fellman
Krys Williams
Dr. McIntosh

Servers:
Erika Arthur
Kellie Arthur

THE MONTH AHEAD

May 6th - Marion Day presented by Fr. Ron at St Peter the Apostle Church, Ninilchik at 11-2pm

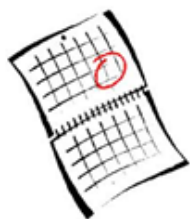
May 7th - First Eucharist celebration after Mass. Crowning of Blessed Mother. Parish Breakfast after Mass

May 19th - 20th - Relay for Life Garage Sale 9-4pm

May 21st - Celebration of our graduates with reception after Mass

May 28th - A Place at the Table 4-6pm

June 16th - Upcoming Quilt Bingo



The Month Ahead

UPCOMING LITURGICAL SERVICES

May 7th - First Eucharist at 10am Mass followed with crowning of the Blessed Mother and a breakfast

May 21st - Graduation Mass with celebration to follow May 21st at 10am Mass

MARY, MOTHER OF ALL PEOPLES

A celebration of Mary, Mother of all Peoples will be hosted at St. Peter the Apostle Church in Ninilchik, on Saturday, **May 6th**.

Set-up is at 10am with the gathering beginning at 11am, potluck at noon, presentation and ritual by Fr. Ron.

If you have any questions, please check with Fr. Ron.

GRADUATING SENIORS

We will be celebrating our graduating seniors at Sunday Mass on **May 21st** followed by a reception in Fireweed.

Our graduating seniors are: Austin Asp, Danielle Hills, Leah McCabe, Jackson Blackwell, Ava Gabler, Jenna Helminski.

If you are a senior and not listed, please contact the office.

PERPETUAL GARAGE SALE

Perpetual Garage Sale is coming back for our 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 **April 10th**.

The doors will be unlocked Monday - Friday from 9am-5pm.

If you would like to help with the set up, the crew is working on Wednesdays and Fridays starting at 10am. Show up and help as you can.

The opening date for the Perpetual Garage Sale is Friday and Saturday, **May 19th** and **20th** from 9am-4pm.

The proceeds from the first sale will go to "Relay for Life".

PENINSULA WIDE CATHOLIC MASS AND PICNIC

Please mark your calendars for the annual Peninsula Catholic gathering which is scheduled for Sunday, **June 11th** at Ninilchik Fairgrounds.

The event this year is hosted by Ninilchik, St. Peter the Apostle church and Homer, St. John the Baptist Catholic church. Mass will be celebrated at 11am followed by a potluck, as well as other activities. Information will be forthcoming.

Please note: There will only be a Saturday mass at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish that weekend so we may join in the concelebrated Mass at 11am.

We are hopeful that the Archbishop will join us.

Our parish has volunteered to handle the children's games.

If you would be able to help with that organizing, please see Marlys.

OBOB 2017

By now, you should have received a letter from Archbishop Etienne asking you to share your gift of treasure with the ministries of your local Church through the One Bread, One Body Annual Catholic Appeal. Please consider making a gift to support the ministries of our faith community. Help the Archdiocese Go Green! Pledge securely online at

www.archdioceseofanchorage.org/donate.



THE 2017 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 30TH

Today's Gospel Reading recounts Jesus' appearance to two disciples who were on the road to Emmaus. In various scriptural passages, there are 12 accounts of Jesus appearing in the flesh, a few times to just one person, but once to 500 people (1 Corinthians 15: 6). What is interesting about today's account is the two, although evidently familiar with the Lord, do not recognize Him ("...their eyes were prevented from recognizing him.").

This is a challenge for us today as well. St. Teresa of Calcutta (Mother Teresa) once wrote, "I see Jesus in every human being. I say to myself, this is hungry Jesus; I must feed him. This is sick Jesus. This one has leprosy or gangrene; I must wash him and tend to him. I serve because I love Jesus." That should be our motivation for serving, for being a disciple, for practicing stewardship.

Like the two disciples going to Emmaus we must be alert and prepared to see Jesus in places we least imagine Him. Stewardship is, of course, a two-sided perspective. Not only do we need to seek and search for Jesus in others and then serve, but also others need to see and recognize Jesus in us.

If we properly live out our faith, we, too, may experience the sense of joy and ecstasy the two disciples found in today's Gospel: "Were not our hearts burning within us while he spoke to us on the way and opened Scriptures to us?" Jesus speaks to us every day, but we must learn to listen.

The original Greek word for what we read as "throes of death" could also be translated as "the birth pains of death." Jesus' resurrection is as if He was in the womb, and being raised in this way He was born to new life. That is what we, too, can expect and hope for.

EARTH ANGELS

The ministry of Earth Angels will be cleaning our section of the Sterling Highway on Sunday **May 21st**. We'll be meeting at 1:00pm at the DOT parking lot which is just beyond Skyview Middle School on the left.

Please consider joining us. If you have any questions you can contact Theresa Carroll at: 398-9882.

FIRST EUCHARIST RECEPTION

We have set up an account at perfectpotluck.com;

Coordinator: *mccabe*

Password: *olph*

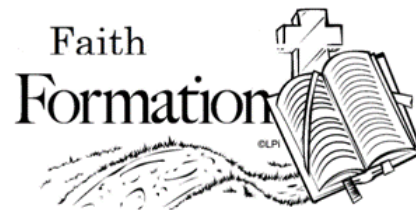
Please consider bringing your favorite breakfast casserole for the gathering after Mass next Sunday.

FAITH FORMATION

Faith Formation classes have ended for the school year. As a parish we are blessed by the very dedicated, generous catechists that have assisted this year. Our special thanks to Stephanie Cox, Michelle Yaeger, Rachel DeReave, Carlos and Lamay Valenzuela, Cori McCay, Michaeleen Gross, Sheilah-Margaret Pothast and Joe McElroy.

First Eucharist will be celebrated next weekend along with a parish breakfast to celebrate.

They will have a mini-retreat on Saturday, from 9am-11am.



ACYC 2017

The Alaska Catholic Youth Conference comes to Anchorage on **June 5 – 8, 2017**.

Now is the time to register online at www.archdioceseofanchorage.org and take advantage of the *Early Bird Special until May 1st*. This year's theme, He has done great things. ACYC will engage teens to look at where the greatness of the Lord has been present, magnificently pouring His love, grace, and mercy into our lives. The Lord is inviting youth to say "Yes" to live as today's disciples of Christ, following the example of Mary, who said "Yes" as a teen to the angel, Gabriel. Many will be present to challenge and guide the young people that come to ACYC including Archbishop Etienne, Meg Hunter-Kilmer, Jesse Manibusan, local parish leaders, and many others. The week will be packed with sacraments, prayer, music, inspiration, learning, food, games, and fun. Find The Alaska Catholic Youth Conference on Facebook, [acycconference](https://www.facebook.com/acycconference) on Instagram, and ACYC on Twitter to get all the latest updates as they become available. We look forward to seeing you at ACYC 2017!

For more information, please contact Bonnie Bezousek at 907-297-7732.

MINISTRY APPRECIATION GATHERING

We had a wonderful gathering on Tuesday for the Ministry Appreciation. In particular, we thank Jackie Swanson for her efforts in coordinating and facilitating the evening event. Next year's gathering is already on the planning horizon!