



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 8:00 am to
3:00 pm

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

Fr. Ron Meyer, OMI

262-4749, Option 3

PARISH LIFE COORDINATOR:

Marlys Verba

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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.



TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

August 20th, 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 **September 2nd/3rd, 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 August 21st - 27th 2017

Monday, 8/21/2017	
Readings:  JGS 2:11-19  PS 106:34-35,36-37,39-40,43ABand44  MT 19:16-22	Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Centering Prayer: 8:15am at Church at Community Room
Tuesday, 8/22/2017	
Readings:  JGS 6:11-24A  PS 85:9,11-12,13-14  MT 19:23-30	Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Morning Prayer 7:30am Daily Mass: 12:05pm Centering Prayer 7pm at Community room
Wednesday, 8/23/2017	
Readings:  JGS 9:6-15  PS 21:2-3,4-5,6-7  MT 20:1-16	Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Morning Prayer 7:30am Daily Mass: 12:05pm
Thursday, 8/24/2017	
Readings:  RV 21:9B-14  PS 145:10-11,12-13,17-18  JN 1:45-51	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, 8/25/2017	
Readings:  RU 1:1,3-6,14B-16,22  PS 146:5-6AB,6C-7,8-9A,9BC-10  MT 22:34-40	Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Men's Group 6:30am-8am Morning Prayer 7:30am Perpetual Garage Sale 9-4pm Daily Mass: 12:05pm
Saturday, 8/26/2017	
Readings:  RU 2:1-3,8-11; 4:13-17  PS 128:1B-2,3,4,5  MT 23:1-12	Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Perpetual Garage Sale 9-3pm for Church Sign Reconciliation 4:15-4:45pm Mass at 5pm Potluck Appreciation for Snowbird and summer visitors after Mass
Sunday, 8/27/2017	
Readings:  IS 22:19-23  PS 138:1-2,2-3,6,8  ROM 11:33-36  MT 16:13-20	Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mass at 10am

August 21 st – August 27 th 2017	
Mops and Bucket Crew	
Collection Counters	Bob E. Kathleen E. August 27 th
Children's Liturgy of the Word	Resumes in September

Saturday 5:00 pm
August 26th 2017

Lectors:
Dave Nelson
Judy Nelson

Eucharistic Ministers:
John Mark Pothast
John Pothast
Patrick Gross
Connor Gross
William Gross
Michaeleen Gross
Russ Gross

Servers:
Haley Buckbee
Zachary Buckbee

Sunday 10:00 am
August 27th 2017

Lectors:
Barb O'Lena
Kathleen Evenson

Eucharistic Ministers:
Cindy Glassmaker
Ron O'Lena
Terry Moxey
Jacquie Moxey
Thelma Antila
Bob Evenson
Deedee Garaske

Servers:
Isabella Valenzuela
Caleigh Glassmaker

THE MONTH AHEAD

August 20th - Blessing of the backpacks/students/teachers at 10 am Mass

August 28th - Work Day Cleaning Walls in Church: at 9am

August 22nd - School begins

August 27th - A Place at the Table 4-6pm in Fireweed

August 25th - 26th - Perpetual Garage Sale

August 26th - Potluck to honor snow birds and summer visitors after Mass at 6pm

September 6th - First Class for Second Year Confirmation students. Dinner at 6pm, class 6:30pm-8pm

September 8th - Imposition of the Pallium for Archbishop Etienne at Our Lady of Guadalupe, Anchorage at 6pm

September 12th - No daily Mass, Area Meetings

September 13th - RCIA Informational night 6:30-8:30pm

September 17th - Catechetical Sunday; Blessing of Catechists, Parish Breakfast

September 20th - First Faith Formation Class 5:30-6:30pm dinner with class beginning at 6:30pm



The
Month
Ahead

EARTH ANGELS

The ministry of Earth Angels will be cleaning our section of the Sterling Highway on Sunday

September 3rd. 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.

MINISTRY APPRECIATION POTLUCK FOR SNOWBIRDS/SUMMER VISITORS

We are so blessed as a parish for the many people who help with the various ministries offered within our parish. One of our many blessings is the people who each summer, come to visit or return for a large portion of the summer. Many step into ministries here at our parish, whether it is for a few weeks or all summer, as an ongoing ministry for them. We so appreciate this. Everyone is invited to a parish potluck to thank these many people who are an important part of our parish life.

THANK YOU!

2017 ST. FRANCIS STEWARDSHIP AWARDS

Time is running out to honor the outstanding steward who inspires you!!! Be sure to submit nominations for the 2017 St. Francis Stewardship Awards before THIS FRIDAY **August 25th** online at

<https://www.archdioceseofanchorage.org/st-francis-stewardship-awards>.

Winners will be announced at an awards banquet on October 5, 2017.

More details on the St. Francis Stewardship Awards Banquets coming soon!



SEMINARIAN DINNER

The 2017 Seminarian Night Dinner and Fundraiser was a success!!!

Thank you to the planning committee, volunteers, tables sponsors and all who attended the second annual Seminarian Night Dinner and Fundraiser. Please continue to keep the seminarians in your prayers!

INTRODUCTION TO CENTERING PRAYER WORKSHOP

September 23rd Saturday, 9:30 – 3 PM

Our Lady of the Angels Catholic Church
Old Log Church, Kenai

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.

The workshop is for those who are new to Centering Prayer and for those who wish to renew their practice.

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

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 20TH

Today's Gospel from the Book of Matthew describes what occurred in Tyre and Sidon when Jesus cured the daughter of a Gentile woman. Tyre and Sidon were Gentile cities. The Apostles faithfully followed the Lord wherever He went, just as we are called to do.

There was only one reason that the Lord made this trip (on foot, of course, as that was the only alternative at that time), and that was to cure the daughter of the Gentile woman. Making an effort like that is a sign of Christ's love, and His understanding of a need. He was also trying to teach His followers, which includes us, how important each individual and her or his faith is.

Jesus' Apostles found this situation, and perhaps even this entire trip, to be a fruitless and empty gesture, more of a bother than it was worth. They even plead with Jesus to ignore the woman and send her away. They said, "Send her away, for she keeps calling out after us." However, Jesus is teaching a lesson to each of us, actually two lessons. He does not "send her away" but finally responds, saying "O woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish."

The two lessons (messages) Jesus provides to us are easily summarized. First, we need to know and understand that Jesus loves us and He is aware of our needs. The second is that when we pray and appeal for help (all the woman finally said was "Lord, help me!") a key to answered prayers is persistence. She had it, and we need to have it.

RCIA SIGN UP TIME

If you are interested in learning about the Catholic Church or know someone who might be, now is the time to sign up for class. Orientation night will be Wednesday **September 13th** from 6:30 to 8:30 pm in the Church Community Room.

We will meet each Wednesday evening from that night on throughout the school year. Those adult Catholics who have never been Confirmed are also encouraged to take this class in preparation for Confirmation at Easter time.

Please call Shirley at 262-9654 or 252-5007 for more information or to sign up.



FAITH FORMATION NEWS

Our faith formation year is quickly approaching. We will begin classes in September. Registration will be available in the foyer of the church beginning on Sunday, **August 6th**. Please complete the registration forms and return to the foyer or mail to the office. Stay tuned for activities related to the faith formation year. An early registration is much appreciated for planning purposes.

We do need a Sunday Children's Liturgy of the Word Catechist, a commitment of one Sunday per month. If you are interested, please see Marlys.



Faith Formation
Registration

Sunday, **September 17th** is Catechetical Sunday. We will have a blessing of all the catechists at the 9am Mass followed by a parish breakfast, and an opportunity to meet the catechists who've committed to this important ministry of faith formation. Information regarding upcoming fall education opportunities will also be available. In addition, opportunities for adult education will be available to check out.

BACKPACK BLESSING

School starts on Tuesday, **August 22nd**. Students are encouraged to bring their backpacks to the Mass on Sunday, **August 20th**. To give our students an awareness of that daily presence of God with them during school time, we would like to bless their backpacks as well as the students themselves, preschool to college and teachers. Please join us.



A PLACE AT THE TABLE

We will serve again on Sunday, **August 27th**. Please find the food list for the meal posted on the bulletin board.