



# 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  
3:30 pm

Wednesday 8:30 to 7:30pm

### Parish Office Phone: 262-5542

Website - [www.olph.cc](http://www.olph.cc)

Access to We Share

Email - [olph@alaska.net](mailto:olph@alaska.net)

### PASTORS:

**Fr. Roger Bergkamp, OMI**  
(Lead pastor)

262-4749, Option 3

[rgrbergkamp@gmail.com](mailto:rgrbergkamp@gmail.com)

**Fr. Tom Rush, OMI**

262-4749, Option 3

**Fr. Ron Meyer, OMI**

262-4749, Option 3

### PARISH LIFE COORDINATOR:

**Marlys Verba**

262-5542 / 262-4749 option 4

Cell Phone: 252-5954

[marlys.verba@gmail.com](mailto:marlys.verba@gmail.com)

### SEXUAL ABUSE VICTIM

### ASSISTANCE COORDINATOR:

**Marlys Verba:** contact info above

### PRAYER CHAIN:

[tairtrl@gmail.com](mailto:tairtrl@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.



FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

March 18<sup>th</sup>, 2018

## 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 12<sup>th</sup>/13<sup>th</sup>, 2018** 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](mailto:marlys.verba@gmail.com).

## Calendar for March 19<sup>th</sup> - 25<sup>th</sup> 2018

Monday, 3/19/2018	
<b>Readings:</b> 2SM 7:4-5A,12-14A,16 PS 89:2-3,4-5,27and29 ROM 4:13,16-18,22 MT 1:16,18-21,24A	<b>Events:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Centering Prayer: 8:15am at Church at Community Room</li> </ul>
Tuesday, 3/20/2018	
<b>Readings:</b> NM 21:4-9 PS 102:2-3,16-18,19-21 JN 8:21-30	<b>Events:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Morning Prayer 7:30am</li> <li>Daily Mass: 12:05pm</li> <li>Longing for the Holy Renew group 1-2:30pm in Community Room</li> <li>Centering Prayer 7pm at Community room</li> </ul>
Wednesday, 3/21/2018	
<b>Readings:</b> DN 3:14-20,91-92,95 DN 3:52,53,54,55,56 JN 8:31-42	<b>Events:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Student Morning Prayer: O'Neill at 7am-7:30am</li> <li>Daily Mass: 12:05pm</li> <li>Faith Formation dinner/class 5:30-7:30pm</li> <li>Confirmation class 6-8pm</li> </ul>
Thursday, 3/22/2018	
<b>Readings:</b> GN 17:3-9 PS 105:4-5,6-7,8-9 JN 8:51-59	<b>Events:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Morning Prayer 7:30am</li> <li>Daily Mass: 12:05pm</li> <li>Exposition of Blessed Sacrament after Mass-Friday noon</li> <li>Reconciliation available from 8:30am-7pm</li> <li>Theology of the Body class in Fireweed 6:30pm-8pm</li> </ul>
Friday, 3/23/2018	
<b>Readings:</b> JER 20:10-13 PS 18:2-3A,3BC-4,5-6,7 JN 10:31-42	<b>Events:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Men's Group 6:30am-8am</li> <li>Morning Prayer 7:30am</li> <li>Daily Mass: 12:05pm</li> <li>Soup Supper 5:30-6:30pm Fireweed Hall</li> <li>Stations of the Cross at 6:30pm</li> </ul>
Saturday, 3/24/2018	
<b>Readings:</b> EZ 37:21-28 JER 31:10,11-12ABCD,13 JN 11:45-56	<b>Events:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Reconciliation 4:15-4:45pm</li> <li>Mass at 5pm (Palm Sunday. Holy week begins)</li> </ul>
Sunday, 3/25/2018	
<b>Readings:</b> MK 11:1-10 PS 22:8-9,17-18,19-20,23-24 PHIL 2:6-11 MK 14:1 - 15:47	<b>Events:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mass at 10am (Palm Sunday. Holy week begins)</li> </ul>

March 19 <sup>th</sup> – March 25 <sup>th</sup> 2018	
<b>Mops and Bucket Crew</b>	Linda Houglum and Mary Ellen Johnson
<b>Collection Counters</b>	Kathryn D. Cathy H. March 25 <sup>th</sup>
<b>Children's Liturgy of the Word</b>	Gloria S. Kellie A.

### Saturday 5:00 pm March 24<sup>th</sup> 2018

**Lectors:**

**Eucharistic Ministers:**

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**Servers:**

Andrew Arthur  
Erika Arthur

### Sunday 10:00 am March 25<sup>th</sup> 2018

**Lectors:**

**Eucharistic Ministers:**

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**Servers:**

Quinn Cox  
Caleb Wohlers

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## THE MONTH AHEAD

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**March 21<sup>st</sup>** - Faith Formation Classes will meet. Reconciliation will be available for 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> graders and Confirmation classes

**March 25<sup>th</sup>** - Place at the table 4-6pm

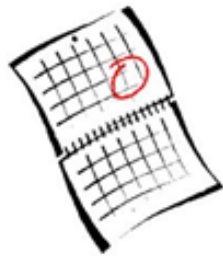
**April 1<sup>st</sup>** - Easter Parish Breakfast after Mass with Easter activities for the children in Fireweed

**April 3<sup>rd</sup>** - Pastoral Council Meeting at 5:30pm Fireweed

**April 10<sup>th</sup>** - Ministry Appreciation evening 5:30pm-8pm

**April 15<sup>th</sup>** - Parish breakfast with focus of Stewardship, Mission and Discipleship

**May 4<sup>th</sup>** - Listening Session with Archbishop at 7pm in Fireweed Hall



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## UPCOMING LITURGICAL SERVICES

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**March 21<sup>st</sup>** - Chrism Mass at Our Lady of Guadalupe, Anchorage at 7pm

**March 22<sup>nd</sup>** - All Day Reconciliation Offered by Fr. Ron from 8:30am-7pm

**March 23<sup>rd</sup>** - Stations of the Cross 6:30pm

**March 29<sup>th</sup>** - Holy Thursday: Liturgy at 7pm followed by Adoration of Blessed Sacrament until midnight in Fireweed

**March 30<sup>th</sup>** - Good Friday: Stations of the Cross walk around Town meet at noon at O'Neill Hall  
Stations of the Cross at church at 3pm  
Liturgy at 7pm

**March 31<sup>st</sup>** - Holy Saturday Easter Vigil: Mass begins at 8:30pm

**April 1<sup>st</sup>** - Easter Sunday: Mass at 10am followed by Parish Breakfast and Easter activities for Children

**May 6<sup>th</sup>** - First Eucharist at 10am

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## LENTEN FOOD DRIVE

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"If anyone gives so much as a cup of cold water to these little ones, he will most certainly not lose his reward." Mt. 10:42

The 7th and 8th grade Faith Formation students are sponsoring a Lenten food drive. There will be collection boxes at the back of church until Sunday, **March 25<sup>th</sup>**.

Please consider donations: cereal, beans, spaghetti sauce, tuna, peanut butter or other non-perishable food items. We thank you for your help with this.

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## MARTHA/MARY WOMEN'S RETREAT

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Time to register for the Annual Martha and Mary Women's retreat. This year's theme is "Women of Peace" directed by Liz Loeffler campus minister at Lumen Christi.

Cost for the retreat is \$75 plus Alyeska Hotel for the weekend of **April 6-8**, 2018. Archbishop Emeritus Schwietz will join us Saturday afternoon and preside over 5pm Mass.

There are rooms reserved for this retreat at Alyeska Prince Hotel for \$151/tax and add \$10 resort fee until Friday, **March 9<sup>th</sup>**. Rooms may be shared. Registration is accepted until **April 3<sup>rd</sup>** but no guarantee of room availability.

The rooms are reserved under archdiocese women's retreat.

Don't miss out. Gather your friends, family members and leave behind your daily routine and enter sacred space at Our Lady of the Snows Chapel for a weekend of praying, reflecting and laughing.

Register on line at [www.archdioceseofanchorage.org](http://www.archdioceseofanchorage.org) or contact Bonnie Bezousek at 907-297-7732.

Applications for the retreat may be found in the foyer by the bulletin board.

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## EASTER EGG HUNT

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The Easter Egg planning group would request, small treats to be used to fill the Easter eggs. Please bring to the basket in the foyer by Palm Sunday, **March 25<sup>th</sup>** to be used for that activity.

Anyone young or old who would also like to help with the activities, please check with Stephanie Cox.

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## STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 18<sup>TH</sup>

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Easter Sunday is but two weeks away (April 1). In our First Reading from the prophet Jeremiah, we hear God tell us, "I will forgive their evildoing and remember their sin no more." To affirm that forgiveness, St. Paul has this to say in the Second Reading: "He (Jesus) became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him." There is a connection between these two statements which present forgiveness as the way to salvation.

The Lenten season is one of penance, reflection, prayer, almsgiving, and fasting, perhaps even in that order, so we can better prepare ourselves for Easter Sunday and beyond. Lent reminds us that God is gracious and merciful. God's divine mercy is a central theme of Lent.

One might say that the priceless gift of God's mercy is highlighted and celebrated in the Church in the Sacrament of Reconciliation (confession). That should be a key part of our Lenten journey. As mentioned only two weeks remain on that journey so getting to reconciliation is important if we have not done so already.

Sacramental confession allows God's loving mercy and His grace-filled absolution to be confirmed to us through a priest. God sees us with love, mercy, and an abundance of forgiveness. Christ, through the priest, helps us to let go of anything that gets in the way of our relationship to God. St. Isidore wrote, "Confession heals, confession justifies, confession grants pardon of sin. All hope consists in confession. In confession there is a chance for mercy."

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## LITURGICAL MINISTERS NEEDED

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Please sign up for the many opportunities in Ministry on Palm Sunday, Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Easter vigil and Easter Sunday.

The sign-up sheet is located on the bulletin board in the foyer.

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## EASTER FLOWERS

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We have an opportunity to remember our loved ones during the Easter season with Easter flowers placed in the sanctuary during the Easter Season; The drop box for the envelopes with the loved ones name and \$12/plant can be found on the foyer table. This is available until **April 25<sup>th</sup>**.

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## LENT

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We have an opportunity to gather every Friday before Stations of the Cross at 6:30pm for a meatless soup supper.

If you would like to bring a soup please sign up on the bulletin board for that week.

Open reconciliation time will be available on Thursday, **March 22<sup>nd</sup>** with Reconciliation available from 12:30pm-7pm.



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## COLD AND FLU SEASON

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Effective Palm Sunday 2018 we will return to normal liturgical practices at Mass.

For your own health and other parish members its' recommended you not attend Sunday Mass if you are ill.

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## CCEE 2018 SPECIAL COLLECTION

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This week, our second collection will be for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe and for the Archdiocese of Anchorage Mission in Magadan. Your donation today helps restore the Church and build the future in over 25 countries still struggling to recover in the aftermath of communist rule. Funds from this collection help support reconstruction, education, formation, and poverty outreach.

For more information, please visit [www.usccb.org/ccee](http://www.usccb.org/ccee).

Thank you for your generosity.