August 11<sup>th</sup> 2019 19<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time



Vigilance

Our Lady of Perpetual Help

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Catholic Church

# **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 diciples

### 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:**

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262-5542 / 262-4749 option 4 Cell Phone: 252-5954 marlys.verba@gmail.com Todays' gospel reading stresses the importance of being always vigilant against temptation and sin. Jesus tells us of the servant who is unprepared for his master's arrival and receives a severe punishment in return. In contrast, he tells us of the good servant who is prepared even though he doesn't know when it will happen. "At an hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come." We must take these words of Christ seriously. God withholds from us knowledge of when we will die. That information is therefore unimportant. We must be prepared for the coming of God for the long term or we will not be prepared at all. What do we do to keep vigilant? Daily prayer is an essential component of staying vigilant against sin. The more time and effort we pour into prayer, the better prepared we will be for the coming of God into our lives, and the more perfectly we will be configured to Christ. Without rigorous discipline in our prayer lives, we will be far more likely to be unprepared to meet God when our time comes. I preached earlier of the danger of acedia, which is spiritual complacency that leads to spiritual stagnation. This is a great danger that faces all of us, and one that we must address. It is not enough for us to practice our faith on a minimal level; we must strive for constant growth in faith. We grow in holiness slowly over the course of our lives. This process takes much time and effort, always with the assistance of and at the direction of God's grace. Jesus' words today are a call to greater readiness, readiness that can only come

Jesus' words today are a call to greater readiness, readiness that can only come through greater action and prayer. Let's heed Christ's warning and recommit ourselves to a disciplined daily prayer regimen.

- Fr. Patrick

#### Sacraments

RECONCILIATION: Thursday: 12:45 pm and Saturday 4:15 – 4:45 pm 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 MARRIAGE:

Please contact the parish office for preparation of marriage, allowing at least 6 months. ANOINTING OF THE SICK OR COMMUNION:

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.



## **Parish Calendar of Events**

<b>8/12/</b> 19	8/13/19	8/14/19	8/15/19	8/16/19	8/17/19	8/18/19
8:15am Centering Prayer	7:30am Morning Prayer 12:05pm Daily Mass 7pm Centering Prayer	7:30am Morning Prayer 12:05pm Daily Mass 5:30pm Facilities Meeting in Fireweed	7:00am Morning Prayer 12:05pm Daily Mass Adoration until Noon on Friday Holy Day of Obligation Mass at noon and 7pm	6:30am – 8:30am Men's Group Adoration continues 9:30 – 3:00pm Garage Sale 12:05pm Daily Mass 5:30pm Chatty Catholics	9:30 – 3:00pm Garage Sale 4:15pm- 4:45pm Reconciliation 5:00pm Mass (Blessing of the students/teacher s during mass)	<b>10:00am</b> Mass Mass (Blessing of the students/teach ers during mass)

### THE MONTH AHEAD

August 14<sup>th</sup> – Facilities Meeting at 5:30pm in Fireweed Hall

August 15<sup>th</sup> – Holy day of Obligation Solemnity of Assumption of Blessed Mother. Mass at noon and 7pm

August 16<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> - Garage Sale in Redemptorist Center: 9:30-3pm

August 16<sup>th</sup> – Chatty Catholics at 5:30pm in O'Neill Hall

August 17<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> – Blessings of all students/teachers at masses

August 20<sup>th</sup> – School starts

August 25th - A Place at the Table 4-6pm

September 15<sup>th</sup> – Catechetical Sunday. Parish Breakfast to honor Catechists after Mass in

Fireweed

**September 18<sup>th</sup>** - Faith Formation Classes start. Meal from 5:30-6pm; Classes 6-7:15pm

August 12 <sup>th</sup> – August 18 <sup>th</sup>			
Mops and Bucket Crew	Steve Mussman Family		
Collection Counters	Elaine W. Linda M. August 18 <sup>th</sup>		

### FAITH FORMATION

Registration forms will be emailed to those previously registered for completion. Those new to the program will find registration forms in the church foyer.

Please fill out and return by **August 18<sup>th</sup>**. Information is needed for doing final preparations for the class teachers and schedule.

Classes will begin on Wednesday, **September** 18<sup>th</sup>.

#### **ST. FRANCIS NOMINATIONS**

Who inspires you? Be sure to submit nominations for the outstanding stewards in your community for the 2019 St. Francis Stewardship Awards before August 15: online at <u>archdioceseofanchorage.org</u> under the "News & Events" tab (or pick up a paper form in the foyer). Winners will be announced at an awards banguet on **October 3, 2019**.

## **ADORATION**

Help is needed with the Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Friday morning from 6-7am. Are you able to try this hour? If so, please contact Jane at 262-9328.