

Our Lady of Good Help & Saint Theresa of the Child Jesus Roman Catholic Parishes.

Continuing the Tradition of Faith, Service and Community.

OLGH: 1063 Victory Highway, Mapleville, RI 02839/ St. Theresa: 35 Dion Drive, Harrisville, RI 02830.

Inter-parish Website: www.burrillvillecatholic.org

Both churches are handicap accessible.



Parish Clergy

Rev. Michael J. McMahon, Pastor.

Rev. Mr. Richard J. Lapierre, Deacon Assistant.

Trustees

(OLGH): Roger Ducharme & Michael Cosetta.

(St. Theresa): Normand Dalpe & Richard Lachapelle.

Religious Education:

Patricia Ducharme,
Janet Badzmierowski & Fr. McMahon, Coordinators.
Irma Rodriguez, SPRED Coordinator (401) 278-4578.

Organist & Choir Director: N. Peter LaMoria.

Buildings & Grounds: Kenneth Garrepy.

Shrine Coordinator: Mark Garrepy.

Society of Saint Vincent de Paul: Michelle Poirier,
President of OLGH Chapter. (401) 762-1834.

Inter-parish Office

Monday – Thursday 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM. (Closed Friday)
Cindy Manning, Administrative Secretary.
(Office located at St. Theresa's Rectory)

Contact Information

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Liturgical Schedule & Sacramental Life

Our Lady of Good Help: Sunday: 8:00 AM & 10:00 AM.

St. Theresa: Saturday Vigil: 4:30 PM. Sunday: 11:30 AM.

Daily Mass: 8:30 AM: Monday & Thursday @ OLGH.

Tuesday & Wednesday @ St. Theresa.

Legal Holidays: 9:00 AM @ St. Theresa.

Confessions: Saturday 3:30-4:15 PM @ St. Theresa.

Holy Days of Obligation: As Announced.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Tuesday's 9:00 AM -
7:00 PM. (St. Theresa's Convent Chapel)

BAPTISM: Baptisms are celebrated monthly. Please contact
Father McMahon to arrange.

MARRIAGE: Engaged couples are asked to contact Father
McMahon at least one year prior to the ceremony.

**SACRAMENT OF THE SICK & HOLY COMMUNION
TO THE HOMEBOUND:** Please contact the parish office
to arrange a visit by the clergy or Extraordinary Minister of
Holy Communion.

NEW PARISHONERS: Kindly introduce yourself to Fr.
McMahon after any Mass or by appointment to register.

*St. Theresa is home to the first shrine dedicated
in honor of the "Little Flower", St. Theresa of
the Child Jesus. Grounds open daily from sun-
rise to sunset.*



Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time.
September 23 2018

"The wisdom from above is full of mercy and good fruits" (James 3:16 – 4:3).

Our Lady of Good Help

Monday, September 24, 2018

Weekday

8:30 AM: Pro Populo

Thursday, September 27, 2018

Saint Vincent de Paul, Priest

8:30 AM: Special Intention.

Sunday, September 30, 2018

Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM + Elizabeth Kirkwood— 1st Anniversary

Req. by Daughter, Robin Kirkwood Auld

10:00 AM + Donald J. O’Gara, Sr. & Donald J. O’Gara, Jr.

Req. by Family

St. Theresa

Tuesday, September 25, 2018

Weekday

8:30 AM + Raymond Turcotte — Birthday Remembrance

Req. by His Wife, Sheila

Wednesday, September 26, 2018

Weekday

8:30 AM + Earl Davis— Birthday Remembrance

Req. by His Wife, Jeanne

Saturday, September 29, 2018

The Vigil Mass for the Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:30 PM + Marte & Joseph Santacroce *Req. by Nancy Ringer*

Sunday, September 30, 2018

Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

11:30 AM + Yvette Pelletier *Req. by the Family*

September 16/17, 2018

OLGH

Sunday Collection.....\$3,401.70

Priest Retirement Collection.....\$1,023.25

St. Theresa

Sunday Collection.....\$2,012.00

Priest Retirement Collection.....\$675.00

SVDP (Both Parishes) No collection due to Fundraiser.
*A sincere thank you for your generous support! The weekly goal needed to meet expenses at each parish is \$3,500. The Second Collection this weekend is the fuel & utilities collection. **Sign up for "on-line giving " on the inter-parish website (under the donate menu).***

No Second Collection Next Weekend (Sept. 30).

Memorial Donation: Please remember Our Lady of Good Help & St. Theresa Shrine in your Will & Estate.

From the Pastor

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Dear Parishioners,

The Religious Education School year began last weekend for Our Lady of Good Help & St. Theresa parishes. Since the parishes share one program, we now have nearly 175 children in Grades 1-10 enrolled! However, as is the case in most parishes, regular Mass attendance needs to improve among our young families. *(It seems like this is a reoccurring theme every year!)*

Parents are the first teachers and examples of the faith. The best spiritual example parents can give to their children is regular Mass attendance. I came across an article regarding this matter that explains how not regularly practicing the faith sends our children mixed message about the importance of God in their lives. Here are a few examples illustrated : (1.) *God is important, but not that important. "If I can fit God in, great, but only if it is convenient for me. Sports, sleeping in, and _____ (insert activity of choice) are more important than making an effort to be with God at Mass. "* (2.) *When things are difficult or boring, I don't have to do them. "If we don't go to Mass and we tell our kids it is because Mass is boring or we don't get anything out of it, our children learn that we only have to do things that are fun and exciting. This is simply not true regarding both our faith and our everyday life responsibilities. Many people don't find going to work as fun, but we must do what is necessary to provide for our needs and the needs of our families."* (3.) *To doubt the true, Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist and the spiritual graces that come from receiving him. "If you truly believe that Jesus is present in the Eucharist and that He comes to us each Sunday at Mass, what could you possibly want to do that would keep you from him? Why would you not want to receive the graces he bestows through this incredible gift?"*

With the daunting reality that only 20% of Catholics practice in the United States, the challenge for all of us is to reconsider our priorities. Faith and Family are the two pillars that keep our society grounded. The Lord established His Church to assist all of us in our daily life to encounter the Living God and receive His Grace. Ultimately, it is a privilege to worship God and gather as a community united in Faith. In these challenging times we now live (in the church and the world), all of us can agree that we need God to be the rock/ the foundation of our lives!

God bless,

Father McMahan

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Prv 3:27-34; Ps 15:2-5; Lk 8:16-18
Tuesday:	Prv 21:1-6, 10-13; Ps 119:1, 27, 30, 34, 35, 44; Lk 8:19-21
Wednesday:	Prv 30:5-9; Ps 119:29, 72, 89, 101, 104, 163; Lk 9:1-6
Thursday:	Eccl 1:2-11; Ps 90:3-6, 12-14, 17bc; Lk 9:7-9
Friday:	Eccl 3:1-11; Ps 144:1b, 2abc, 3-4; Lk 9:18-22
Saturday:	Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a; Ps 138:1-5; Jn 1:47-51
Sunday:	Nm 11:25-19; Ps 19:8, 10, 12-14; Jas 5:1-6; Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48



Tabernacle Candles (St. Theresa):
Lataille & Sparrow Family, living & deceased. Req. by Lorraine Sparrow.

Sanctuary Lamp (St. Theresa):

In Memory of Robert Allard Req. by Family and Friends

"INTER-PARISH & DIOCESEAN NEWS"

- **SVDP Food Pantry** is continuing to accept donations that can be placed in the **designated bins** at BOTH St. Theresa's and OLGH, in the entryways. (Please do not leave items in doorways or outside any building!) Items especially needed are: sauces, gravy, syrup, rice/pasta mixes and healthy snacks. In addition, personal hygiene items such as toothpaste, shampoo, bar soap etc. are being accepted and distributed at each opening. Any support from parishioners is greatly appreciated.
- **Pascoag K of C Council # 383** will be having their Harvest Dinner on Sunday, September 30th at St. Joseph, Pascoag, featuring their famous Chicken Pot Pie (cocktails @ 4:30 pm; dinner @ 5 pm). Tickets to the dinner are \$15.00 for adults; no charge for children 12 & under. For tickets call PSD Ron Parenteau or email rparenteau1@cox.net. No tickets will be sold at door!

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL ANNUAL "FRIENDS OF POOR WALK."

September 30, 2018, Garden City Center, Cranston.

Members of Our Lady of Good Help Conference will be available **after all Masses this weekend, September 22 & 23** to offer information on the charitable works of the Society within our own community and to solicit donations for this annual event. We also will have sign up sheets for anyone who is interested in participating in this year's walk. *Thank you in advance for your support!*

Weekly Mass Attendance Count: (Sep. 15/16)

4:30 PM (St. Theresa): 152
8:00 AM (OLGH): 126
10:00 AM (OLGH): 213
11:30 AM (St. Theresa): 112

Weekend Total: 603.

OLGH Capacity: 350 / St. Theresa Capacity: 250.

- **Planning Ahead:** The "Fall/Winter" Mass Schedule begins the **weekend of October 6 & 7th**. (*Slightly later than previous years.*) The 4:30 PM Mass & Confessions will be offered at OLGH & the 8:00 AM Sunday Mass returns to St. Theresa's, through the end of May, 2019. The 10 AM & 11:30 AM Masses remain at the same church year round.



Upcoming Inter-parish/ Shrine Event Fall 2018.

- Deacon Rick's Bible Study resumes this Thursday, September 20th @ 7 PM in St. Theresa Hall. (*Bible Study will meet on Third Thursdays of the month through May (unless otherwise announced.)*)
- "Celebrate the Feast of St. Theresa of Lisieux". **Sunday, Sept. 29th** beginning with 11:30 AM Mass at St. Theresa Church, followed by lunch, presentation, concluding with Benediction @ 3 PM. On Monday, Oct. 1st (Her actual Feast Day) the 8:30 AM will be offered at St. Theresa Church, followed by veneration of her relic.
- "Theology on Fire Young Adult Series", second Fridays of the month beginning at 7 PM at the outdoor shrine. October is the final meeting until Spring. Contact Mark Garrepy at the inter-parish office or via the inter-parish website e-mail for more info.
- "Baby Bottle Campaign": At the conclusion of Masses on October 6/7 & October 13/14, baby bottles will be distributed. Please bring one home and fill with coins and returned on October 21st. Proceeds go to support "Right to Life" Services.
- "The Wonder of Christmas Inter-Parish Bazaar." Friday, November 30— Sunday, December 2nd, St. Theresa Hall. (*This event replaces the "Autumn Leaves" Bazaar in October.*)



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REGISTRATION: If your family has yet to register, forms can be mailed, dropped off during office hours or placed in the collection basket. ****Registrations will be accepted no later than the second week of October.****

Schedule: Grades 1-5 meet 8:45 AM until 9:45 AM @ OLGH School. Grades 6-Confirmation meet Monday's 6:30 PM until 7:30 PM (7:45PM Confirmation II) @ St. Theresa.

Reminder: Students in First Communion & Confirmation Preparation are required to *sign in* at weekend Mass.

Information page

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Special Instructions: