

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: Saturday Vigil: 4:30 PM.
Sunday: 10:00 AM.

St. Theresa: Sunday: 8:00 AM & 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 @ OLGH.

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.*



Second Sunday of Advent.
December 9, 2018

"The winding roads shall be made straight, and the rough ways made smooth" (Luke 3:1-6).

Our Lady of Good Help

Monday, December 10, 2018

Advent Weekday

8:30 AM + Rose Goudreau—47th Anniversary

Req. by Bob and Chris Goudreau

Thursday, December 13, 2018

Saint Lucy, Virgin & Martyr

8:30 AM : Special Intention

Saturday, December 15, 2018

The Vigil Mass for Third Sunday of Advent

4:30 PM + Richard Rouleau *Req. by Bill & Di*

Sunday, December 16, 2018

Third Sunday of Advent

10:00 AM + Debbie Schabowski *Req. by Poirier Family*

St. Theresa

Tuesday, December 11, 2018

Advent Weekday

8:30 AM + Yvette Pelleter *Req. by the Family*

Wednesday, December 12, 2018

Our Lady of Guadalupe

8:30 AM + Daniel & Mollie Carchia

Req. by Rick & Cheryl Champagne

Sunday, December 16, 2018

Third Sunday of Advent

8:00 AM +

11:30 AM: Pro populo

December 1/2, 2018

OLGH

Sunday Collection.....\$3,682.65

Fuel & Utilities Collection.....\$1,097.00

St. Theresa

Sunday Collection.....\$2,358.00

Fuel & Utilities Collection.....\$800.00

SVDP (Both Parishes).....\$279.00

*A sincere thank you for your generous support! The second collection this weekend is for religious retirement. The weekly goal needed to meet expenses at each parish is \$3,500. Sign up for "on-line giving" on the inter-parish website (under the donate menu). ***

No Second Collection Next Weekend (Dec. 16).

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,

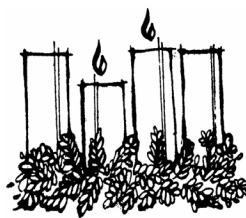
A profound **thank you** is in order to **all** who organized and participated in last weekend's "Inter-Parish Wonder of Christmas Bazaar and Crafts Fair" at St. Theresa Hall. No doubt, this first ever joint parish bazaar venture was a tremendous success on so many fronts! Chairperson Lorraine O'Rourke, Assistant Chairperson Donna Ducharme, Kitchen Coordinator Ron Faford, Parish Secretary Cindy Manning and the dozens of bazaar committee volunteers **sacrificed** many hours and days in order to carefully coordinate and be present at this event. Needless to say, without their efforts, it would not have been possible!

Although the bazaar was financially successful (*as of the writing of this column the exact totals are not known*), what was particularly edifying was the "coming together" of parishioners from both parishes, lending their time and talents blending as one community. What defines a Catholic community is not merely brick and mortar buildings, but authentic fellowship untied as baptized members of Christ's Mystical Body. To me, this cooperative spirit was very evident last weekend! May this good will continue to overflow as we move forward as a parish family in the year ahead.

Switching gears, with the celebration of Christmas weeks away, there is no better spiritual preparation for the soul than to receive God's mercy! Please come to the Penance Service this Monday beginning at 6:30 PM in St. Theresa Church. Several priests will be available to hear Confessions. Also, please be advised of the Christmas Liturgical Schedule. There will be combined, four opportunities to attend Christmas Mass: **At OLGH, the Christmas Vigil Mass on Christmas Eve will be offered at 4:30PM. On Christmas morning, there will be Mass at 10:30 AM. At St. Theresa's, a 4 PM Vigil Mass will be offered on Christmas Eve, as well as 8:30 AM on Christmas Day.** Due to the overwhelming popularity of the earlier Christmas Eve Mass, it is hoped that offering two early vigils will adequately serve the needs of both parishes. We are fortunate to have another priest available to offer this "extra" Mass this year on Christmas Eve. (*Please note, this should not be the expectation every year!*)

God bless,

Fr. McMahan



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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Is 35:1-10; Ps 85:9-14; Lk 5:17-26
Tuesday: Is 40:1-11; Ps 96:1-3, 10ac, 11-13;
Mt 18:12-14
Wednesday: Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab;
Jdt 13:18bcde, 19; Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-
47, or any readings from the Common of
the Blessed Virgin Mary, nos. 707-712
Thursday: Is 41:13-20; Ps 145:1, 9-13ab; Mt 11:11-15
Friday: Is 48:17-19; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Mt 11:16-19
Saturday: Sir 48:1-4, 9-11; Ps 80: 2ac, 3b, 15-16,
18-19; Mt 17:9a, 10-13
Sunday: Zep 3:14-18a; Is 12:2-6; Phil 4:4-7;
Lk 3:10-18

"INTER-PARISH & DIOCESEAN NEWS"



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

Sanctuary Candle (OLGH): *In Memory of Victor Dan-*
sereau (Birthday Remembrance) Req. by David Dansereau
& family.

- **Inter-parish Advent Penance Service** will be offered **next Monday, December 10th at 6:30 PM at St. Theresa Church.** Several priest confessors will be available to hear confessions. ***Come receive the gift of God's Mercy!***
- **Winter Weather Policy:** If Burrillville cancels school, the 8:30 AM daily morning Mass is canceled. **If there is a delayed opening on Monday through Wednesday, Mass will be offered at Noon at St. Theresa Convent Chapel.** On Mondays, Religious Education is automatically canceled when Burrillville cancels school or evening events. Weekend Masses are never canceled, however, when a winter storm warning issued for a Sunday Morning, all Masses will be offered at OLGH in Mapleville (which provides easier access during a winter event). ***Safety First!***
- **Our Lady of Good Help "12 Days of Christmas Raffle" is underway!** Enter once for 12 chances to win cash prizes with drawings beginning on Christmas Day. This is a great opportunity to win for holiday cash, and an even better Christmas gift for family and friends.
- **2018 "50 Week Club" & "Bazaar Raffle" Winners:** Due to bulletin space limitations, a full listing of all winners is posted on the inter-parish website, www.burrillvillecatholic.org. ***Congratulations to the winners!***

Weekly Mass Attendance Count: (Dec. 1/2)

4:30 PM (OLGH): 172
8:00 AM (St. Theresa): 101
10:00 AM (OLGH): 186
11:30 AM (St. Theresa): 114

Weekend Total: 573.

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



Christmas Eve.

Monday, December 24, 2018

4:00 PM: Vigil Mass @ St. Theresa. (Father Marcello)

4:30 PM: Vigil Mass @ Our Lady of Good Help.

(No Midnight Mass)

Christmas Day.

Tuesday, December 25, 2018

8:30 AM: @ St. Theresa.

10:30 AM: @ Our Lady of Good Help.

SVDP SOCIETY & FOOD PANTRY NEWS.



CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE: *November 17*
through December 9th.

**** Gifts should be wrapped and re-**
turned by today Sunday, December

9th with the tag attached. Thank you for supporting needy
children & families!! **

SVDP GIFT BASKETS: Both parishes will be coordinating Christmas baskets for local families in need. Please be so kind to help supplement these food baskets with coffee, cranberry sauce, gravy, stuffing mix, & vegetables. **Gifts Cards from local stores such as Dino's & IGA accepted. Christmas Baskets will be distributed on Saturday, December 15th @ 9 AM at the OLGH Food Pantry (in the school building basement).**

Congratulations to

Edwin Thomas Takita

Baptized in November at Our Lady of Good Help Church.
Welcome to God's Family, the Church!!!



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SCHEDULE: Last dates for classes (before Christmas break): Grades 1-5, Sunday, Dec. 16th & Grades 6-10, Monday, Dec. 10th. Classes resume January 6/7, 2019.

Grade 2 First Penance: This Sunday, December 9th @ 1PM at Our Lady of Good Help Church.

Reminder: Students in First Communion & Confirmation Preparation are required to ***sign in*** at weekend Mass every week, regardless of the class schedule.

Confirmation Date: Tuesday, May 7, 2019 at 6:30 PM in Our Lady of Good Help Church with Bishop Robert Evans.

Information page

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