

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. Lapiere, 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.*



The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph
December 30, 2018

"Blessed are they who dwell in your house, O Lord" (Psalm 84).

Our Lady of Good Help

Monday, December 31, 2018

Seventh Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord
8:30 AM + Carol Ann Rahl *Req. by Deacon Richard Lapierre*

Tuesday, January 1, 2019 **Holy Day of Obligation******

The Solemnity of Mary the Mother of God
10:30 AM: Pro populo

Thursday, January 3, 2019

Christmas Weekday
8:30 AM + Matthew Rosol—20th Anniversary
Req. by Chris & Bob Goudreau

Saturday, January 5, 2019

Vigil for The Epiphany of the Lord
4:30 PM: Pro populo

Sunday, January 6, 2019

The Epiphany of the Lord
10:00 AM + Richard Rouleau *Req. by The Family*

St. Theresa

Monday, December 31, 2018 ** Holy Day of Obligation******

The Vigil Mass for the Solemnity of Mary the Mother of God
4:30 PM + Jeanette Voas *Req. by St. Theresa Parish*

Wednesday, January 2, 2019

Saints Basil the Great & Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops
8:30 AM + Gert Nardolillo *Req. by St. Theresa Parish*

Sunday, January 6, 2019

The Epiphany of the Lord
8:00 AM + Gerard & Rita Rousseau *Req. by Lynn & Gary*
11:30 AM: Confraternity members of the Little Flower Shrine, living & deceased.

December 15/16, 2018

OLGH

Sunday Collection.....\$3,454.00

St. Theresa

Sunday Collection.....\$2,056.00

SVDP (Both Parishes).....\$258.00

*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 week is for maintenance. Sign up for "on-line giving " on the inter-parish website (under the donate menu). **** The financial information for Dec. 23rd & Christmas will be posted next week.*****

Second Collection Next Weekend (Jan. 6).

Both Parishes: Fuel & Utilities.

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,

Happy New Year! Hard to believe that we are now in the final days of 2018. *(Where has the time gone?)* It is my prayer that 2019 will be a year of blessings and peace for our parishes, families, nation and world! Please join us for Holy Mass on New Years. The Mass schedule is posted on the opposite page. There is no better way to begin the new calendar year by prayerfully asking God's blessings!

A profound thank you for all the kind Christmas greetings, cards and gifts I received from so many of you! Your generosity and kindness is greatly appreciated! Also, a word of gratitude to all who participated in the Christmas Masses at OLGH & St. Theresa Parishes! The decorators, servers, liturgical ministers and music ministry all contributed to enhance our solemn celebrations! In particular, I am grateful to our organist and choir director, Mr. Peter LaMoria, for his dedication in organizing the liturgical music this season. As always, a job well done!

Continuing the theme of gratitude, I received a beautiful e-mail in response to your generosity: "I wanted to send a heartfelt thank you to Father McMahon and the parish Our Lady of Good Help for the wonderful gift of Christmas gifts for my grandchildren this year. The last 3 years have been so very trying for our family from battling an almost 2 year cancer fight myself and then my husband immediately after my final treatment found that he had skin cancer and just last year 4 days before Christmas my daughter's newborn baby girl passed away 17 hours after her birth then her husband left her and her other 3 children and her home was sold and now she is starting over here in RI. The healing has been slow and very difficult for her as well as the rest of our family and just 2 weeks ago she was told her father has terminal cancer and not long left to live. It was an act of such kindness today that truly renewed my faith because honestly I have been questioning so many things about life. Today you and the church not only brought a Christmas to my grandchildren it helped me want to get back to all my original beliefs. Thank you so very much! I am sure your church made many families so happy with the Christmas gift program but I truly have no words to describe for what it did for me. Thank you again!"

Your generosity not only made a material difference this Christmas, but brought a family back to the Lord! Isn't that what it's all about?



God bless,

Fr. McMahon

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Jn 2:18-21; Ps 96:1-2, 11-13; Jn 1:1-18
Tuesday: Nm 6:22-27; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Gal 4:4-7;
Lk 2:16-21
Wednesday: 1 Jn 2:22-28; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 1:19-28
Thursday: 1 Jn 2:29 — 3:6; Ps 98:1, 3cd-6; Jn 1:29-34
Friday: 1 Jn 3:7-10; Ps 98:1, 7-9; Jn 1:35-42
Saturday: 1 Jn 3:11-21; Ps 100:1b-5; Jn 1:43-51
Sunday: Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13;
Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12



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

"INTER-PARISH & DIOCESEAN NEWS"

- **Shrine Event — "Honoring the Epiphany" next Sunday, January 6, 2019, (St. Theresa's Church & Hall)** with the Mass for the Solemnity of the Epiphany at 11:30 AM, followed by 12:30 PM lunch (free will offering). 1:15 PM Presentation/concluding with 2:15 PM Holy Hour and Benediction. Bring a friend and enjoy the afternoon with prayer and fellowship.
- **THANK YOU!!!** *The OLGH Chapter of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul* would like to offer sincere thanks to St. Theresa's and Our Lady of Good Help parishioners who provided gifts to our families in need. **With your incredible generosity, we have provided gifts to 44 children in 18 households!**

A Catholic Prayer for the New Year, 2019.

O sacred and adorable Trinity, hear our prayers on behalf of our holy Father the Pope, our Bishops, our clergy, and for all that are in authority over us. Bless, we beseech Thee, during the coming year, the whole Catholic Church; convert unbelievers; soften the hearts of sinners so that they may return to Thy friendship; give prosperity to our country and peace among the nations of the world; pour down Thy blessings upon our friends, relatives, and acquaintances, and upon our enemies, if we have any; assist the poor and the sick; have pity on the souls of those whom this year has taken from us; and do Thou be merciful to those who during the coming year will be summoned before Thy judgment seat.

May all our actions be preceded by Thy inspirations and carried on by Thy assistance, so that all our prayers and works, having been begun in Thee, may likewise be ended through Thee. Amen.

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

4:30 PM (OLGH): 158
8:00 AM (St. Theresa): 103
10:00 AM (OLGH): 232
11:30 AM (St. Theresa): 105

Weekend Total: 598.

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

Monday, December 31st & Tuesday, January 1st, 2019
Solemnity of Mary the Mother of God.

**** Holy Day of Obligation. ****

Mary, Mother of God



Vigil Mass: Monday, December 31st.
4:30 PM @ St. Theresa (Nasonville).

Tuesday, January 1st.
10:30 AM @ OLGH (Mapleville).

****No 8:30 AM Mass on Tuesday, Jan. 1st. ****

- **The 2020 Mass Book is now available: Mass Offerings: Weekend or holy day Mass is \$25. Weekday Mass is \$15. Weekly memorial candles is \$10. Unannounced spiritual bouquets is \$10.** The offerings are in accordance with diocesan guidelines. Please contact Cindy during office hours (568-8280) to schedule Masses at either church.
- **"2019 Parish Calendars"** will be available this weekend at **both parishes**. As a courtesy, please only **one** calendar per family (due to limited supply). Thank you and Happy New Year!!
- **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 for easier access during a winter event). Safety First!**



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SCHEDULE: Classes resume for all grades **next week, January 6/7, 2019.**

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

Important Dates: Confirmation: Tuesday, May 7, 2019 @ 6:30 PM in Our Lady of Good Help Church with Bishop Robert Evans. **First Communion: Sunday, May 5, 2018 @ 10 AM,** Our Lady of Good Help Church.

Information page

Church name: Our Lady of Good Help

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Special Instructions: