

The Burrillville Catholic Collaborative

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The 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time, September 20, 2026



Our Lady of Good Help

1063 Victory Highway, Mapleville, 02839

Weekend Masses:

Our Lady of Good Help– Sun. 8:00am, 10:30am

St. Theresa Church– Sat. 4:00pm, Sun. 5:00pm

St. Patrick Church– Sat. 4:00pm, Sun. 9:15am

Holy Days of Obligation: As announced

Daily Mass: *St. Theresa Church*- 8:30am Mon. to Sat.

Confessions: *St. Theresa Church*

3:00-3:45pm Saturdays

Friday & Saturday following 8:30am Mass (contact priest after Mass).

By appointment– please call the parish office.

Novena of the Miraculous Medal and Benediction:

St. Patrick– 9:00am, Tuesdays

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:

St. Theresa Church– 9:00am to 5:00pm, Fridays

Clergy:

Pastor:

Rev. Jose Parathanal, C.M.I.

pastorolghsp@gmail.com

Associate Pastor:

Rev. Cyriac Kalampatt, C.M.I.

Deacon Assistant:

Rev. Mr. Richard J. Lapierre



St. Theresa of the Child Jesus Church and Shrine

35 Dion Drive, Harrisville, 02830

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St. Patrick's Church

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St Patrick Church

45 Harrisville Main Street, Harrisville, 02830

Office and Cemeteries: 401-568-5600

Sat Sept 19th *Vigil of the 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

4:00pm (St. Theresa) † Howard Laporte by Fran

4:00pm (St. Patrick) † Pat Ducharme by friends

Sun Sept 20th *The 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:00am (OLGH) † Irene Frechette by the SVdP Society

9:15am (St. Patrick) † Pro Populo

10:30am (OLGH) † Robert Lee by Mike Cosetta

5:00pm (St. Theresa) † Gail Warren by Bob & Gail Brodeur

Daily Mass— 8:30a St. Theresa Shrine Church

Mon Sept 21st *St. Matthew, Apostle & Evangelist*

† Fr. Neil Lynch by Dave & Beverly Munyon

Between Tuesday, September 22nd and Wednesday September 30th the 8:30am daily Mass at the Shrine is a novena of Masses offered for all parishioners and pilgrim visitors to the Shrine of the Little Flower.

Tues Sept 22nd *Weekday in Ordinary Time*

Wed Sept 23rd *St. Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest*

Thurs Sept 24th *Weekday in Ordinary Time*

6:00pm For parishioners and pilgrim visitors to grow in holiness through the intercession of Bl. Fulton J. Sheen on his beatification day.

Fri Sept 25th *Weekday in Ordinary Time*

Sat Sept 26th *St.s Cosmas & Damian, Martyrs*

Vigil of the 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00pm (St. Theresa) † Pat Ducharme by Denise Ethier

4:00pm (St. Patrick) † Paul Frayne (3rd Ann.) by Linda Montminy

Sun Sept 27th *The 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:00am (OLGH) † Claire Micucci by Mike Cosetta

9:15am (St. Patrick) † Alma Moore by Diane

10:30am (OLGH) † Jean Colangelo by her family

5:00pm (St. Theresa) Novena

Sunday, September 20th, 2026— The 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time.

The Gospels tell many stories revealing different aspects of the Heavenly Kingdom and of God who is merciful, kind and compassionate, who is Love itself. One of such beautiful story we find in the parable of a landowner who hired laborers at five different times during the course of one day to work in his vineyard.

As most of the parables, this one too may seem so strange because the landowner hired the laborers at different times of the day starting from the morning hours to the end of the day when there was only one hour left to work, but he paid the same living wage for a full day's work to all of them. The focus of the parable is on our sense of justice against the extravagant nature of a merciful God. While God is both just and merciful, God's mercy often seems, in our view, to override His justice, as God pardons us unconditionally and rewards us generously by opening Heaven for the Gentiles and the Jews. Hence, the parables demonstrate the difference between God's perspective and human perspective. On the one hand, God's generous and limitless provisions for us will never run out, and on the other hand, when we share our blessings with others, we tap into the inexhaustible supply of Divine love.

God personally calls each of us to our life in this world and shows us His care by giving us His grace and eternal salvation.

Just like the workers coming at the last hour and receiving full pay, we see many stories of conversions at the point of death or later stages of life. The first recorded deathbed conversion appears in the Gospel of Luke where the good thief, crucified beside Jesus, repents and expresses belief in Christ. Jesus accepts his conversion, saying "Today you shall be with me in Paradise."

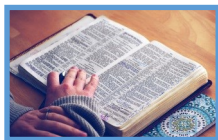
Our call to His vineyard is a free gift from God for which we can never be sufficiently thankful. All our talents and blessings are freely given to us by God. Hence, we should express our gratitude to God by rendering loving service to others, by sharing our blessings with them, and by living in constant relationship with God doing His will. At the same time, we are all in need of God's grace and forgiveness. Our justification comes from the grace of God. Grace is a favor, the free and undeserved help that God gives us to enable us to respond to His call to become His adopted children, partakers of the Divine Nature and of eternal life. God Bless! -Rev. Jose Parathanal



Between October 1st - and October 9th, the feast of Our Lady of Champion (Our Lady of Good Help). A novena of Masses will be offered for the intentions of our parish, and for a fruitful year of religious education for our students and teachers.

The Our Lady of Good Help Conference of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul will participate in the Annual Friends of the Poor Walk on Sunday, September 27th at Prout School. Members of the conference will be present after all of the masses on the weekend of September 19-20 to assist with sign-ups.

Please consider contributing to our conference Walkers OR you can also sign up to walk yourself and get donors to donate to our conference. All information will be provided to those who are interested in walking. Thank you in advance for your continued support.



Parish Bible Study will begin its new term this Wednesday, September 16th at 7pm in the St. Theresa Church Hall.

Join us as we explore familiar writings and stories and work to deepen our faith in a casual, comfortable and social atmosphere.

Bible study meets on the 3rd Wednesday of each month.

All are welcome to join us!

Email Deacon Rick at deaconrick@cox.net to sign up for readings in advance.

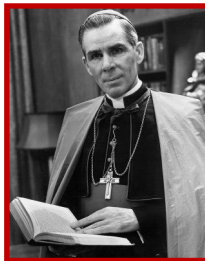


The Shrine was pleased to welcome the community from St. Basil's Church in Lincoln, RI to visit with us for a day of prayer, spiritual talks and a luncheon.

We are happy to assist your parish in arranging a day or 1/2 day visit. Simply contact our office at 401-568-8280 to reserve your date today.



St. Theresa Shrine of the Little Flower



Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen Beatification Celebration. Thursday, September 24, 2026.

3-4pm Eucharistic Holy Hour (in the church).

4-5pm Stations of the Cross

Outdoors (weather permitting)

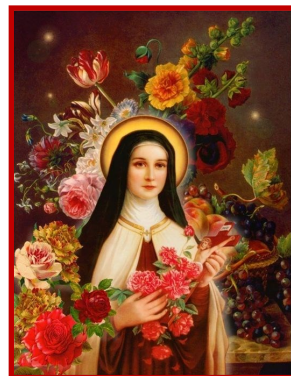
5-6pm Bp Sheen's World Missions

Rosary. Outdoors (weather permitting)

6pm Mass (in the church).

The Shrine and parish will celebrate the Feast of St. Therese of Lisieux on Thursday, October 1st. Parish Daily Mass will take place at 8:30a

We are expecting well over 100 guests on this day, so if you are able to volunteer with our hospitality ministry to host them, please contact the office at 401-568-8280



A novena of Masses for all pilgrim visitors and parishioners of the Shrine will be offered between Tuesday Sept 22nd and Wednesday, Sept. 30th



During the month of September, the Divine Mercy Candle burns in memory of Jane Jurkiewicz by her daughter, Bess.

Candle intentions at the Shrine can be made for the St. Therese, St. Joseph, Our Lady or the Sanctuary Candle.

The suggested donation is \$10/ week. Intentions are published in this bulletin.

The recommended offering for votive candles at the St. Therese Statue or the Divine Mercy image is \$4 and can be made in the Church.

The outdoor Shrine and church are open from sunrise to sunset, 365 days of the year.

Our outdoor picnic area is open, and the hall is available to our guests for restrooms and a place to dine in the event of inclement weather.

Hope to see you at the Shrine!

St. Patrick's Church

Parish & Cemetery Manager: Rev. Mr. Richard J. Lapierre

Phone: 401-568-5600

Email: deaconrick@cox.net

Web: stpatrickri.org/

Administrator: Rev. Jose Parathanal CMI

Pastor Emeritus: Rev. Bernard O'Reilly, Ph.D.



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The next September Food Pantry opening is Monday the 21st from 4:30-6:30pm. The full 2026 St. Patrick Food Pantry Schedule is available on our website:

stpatrickri.org/food-pantry/

Hunger is not seasonal, your donations make a huge difference to the wellbeing of your neighbors.

For students who may need volunteer hours, the Food Pantry is happy to have you. Simply show up about 30 minutes before our scheduled distribution day

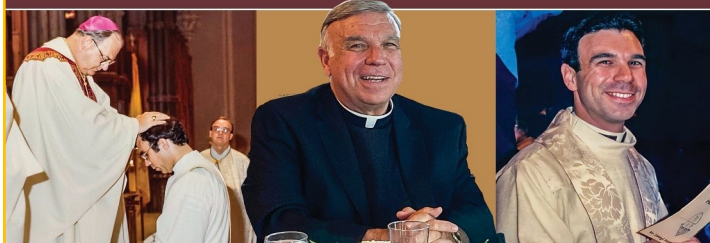
to offer your help.

Please consider a donation today!

Fresh food is always welcome, if you have extra garden produce, yes! even zucchini, share it with your neighbors! The Food Pantry offers its warm thanks to Navigant Credit Union for their grant of \$7,500

Diocesan News and Events

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The Holy Father, Pope Leo XIV's intention for the month of September is for the care of water. He asks us to pray for the just and sustainable management of water, a vital resource, so that everyone may have equal access to it.

A poster for a Vigil Prayer Service. At the top is the Diocese of Providence logo and the text "World Day of Migrants and Refugees 27-28-2026". The main title "Vigil Prayer Service" is in a large, elegant script. Below it is a yellow banner with the text "112TH WORLD DAY OF MIGRANTS AND REFUGEES". The date "FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 25TH" is in bold. Below that is the time and location: "6:30 PM CANDLELIGHT VIGIL PRAYER SERVICE (MUSIC, PRAYER & TESTIMONIALS)" and "ST. PATRICK CHURCH PARKING LOT 244 SMITH ST, PROVIDENCE, RI 02908". The background features a close-up of a person's face in profile, looking down.

Weekly Collection

Weekly Giving

Our Lady of Good Help/ St. Theresa Shrine

	9.6.26	9.13.26
Collection	\$3,404	\$4,169
E-giving	\$ 815	\$1,846

St. Patrick Church

Collection	\$1,878	\$1,730
E-giving	\$ 370	\$ 764
Maintenance	\$ 588	

September 2nd Collections:

20th- Priest's Retirement Fund, 27th- Fuel
Thank you for your generosity!



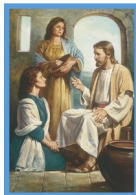
The parish uses Online Giving through the OSVhub for Electronic Giving.

Electronic giving is a safe, simple way to make donations. It saves us and you money & time and allows you to easily track your contributions to the parish.

Regular or one-time donations can be set up easily and securely at:

www.osvhub.com/our-lady-of-good-help-church/giving/funds

The parish Women's Prayer Group meets on the 3rd Saturday of each month following the 8:30a Mass. All women of the parish are invited to join us as we seek to deepen our faith through prayer, study and fellowship.



The Wonder of Christmas Bazaar and Crafts Fair.

This year's fair takes place on Friday and Saturday, November 20th & 21st.

If you are interested in joining our amazing group of volunteers, now is the time to get in touch! There are lots of things you can help with!

Call the office and let us know your interest and ideas for this year's fair. Watch this space for details!



Religious Education

There is still time to REGISTER FOR CCD!

Find registration forms in our church vestibules or download the form from our website.

burrillvillecatholic.org/religious-education

Beginning October 4th, Grades 1-6 classes meet on Sundays at 9:15a in the Our Lady of Good Help School building.

Beginning on October 5th for Grades 7-9, classes meet on Mondays at 6:00p at St. Theresa church.

All CCD families are strongly encouraged to attend Mass. If Grade 1-6 students would like to attend the 10:30a Mass at OLGH, Mrs. Linh Tran, our 4th grade teacher, has generously volunteered to accompany and supervise students. Contact Mrs. Tran on the first day of classes for more information.



Make a joyful noise!

The parish choir begins Tuesday rehearsals starting on September 22nd at 6:30p in the St. Theresa Church Hall. All levels of musical experience can be accommodated.

Youth Choir Sunday rehearsals begin on October 4th at OLGH following the 10:30a Mass. Youth Choir is for students in Grades 3-12.

For questions or to learn more contact Peter Lamoria, our Music Minister in the office at 401-568-8280

Check out championshrine.org to learn more about Our Lady of Champion (Good Help) and the story of Servant-of-God Adele Brise.



Are you a Baptized Catholic who has not received their first sacraments? Are you a non-Catholic looking to learn more about Catholicism? Our parish offers OCRA (the Order of Christian Initiation for Adults) classes on a rolling basis. If you would like to learn more about OCRA and uniting your life with Christ's Church, please contact Fr. Jose at:

pastoratolghsp@gmail.com or call the office at 401-568-8280

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