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The 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time, October 26, 2025



Our Lady of Good Help

1063 Victory Highway, Mapleville, 02839

Weekend Masses:

Our Lady of Good Help– Sat. 4:00pm Sun. 10:30am

St. Theresa Church– Sun. 8:00am & 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:

OLGH– 3:00-3:45pm Saturdays

St. Theresa– 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 Noon, Fridays

Clergy:

Pastor:

Rev. Jose Parathanal, C.M.I.

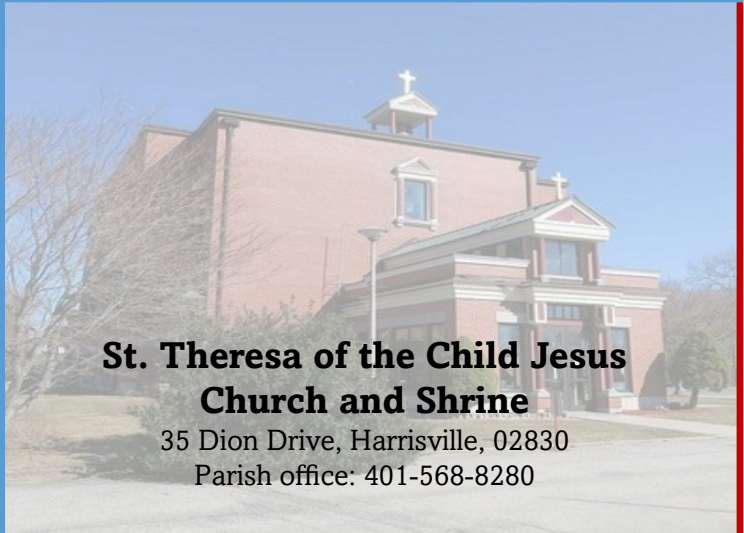
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Rev. Mr. Richard J. Lapierre



St. Theresa of the Child Jesus Church and Shrine

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St Patrick Church

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Office and Cemeteries: 401-568-5600

Sat. Oct 25th *Vigil of the 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time*
4:00pm (St. Patrick) † Tony Socci by his wife & family

4:00pm (OLGH) † Florence Cahill (17th Ann.) by her family

Sun., Oct 26th *The 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time*
8:00am (St. Theresa) † Emile LaFay, by his wife, Millie

9:15am (St. Patrick) † George Lough Jr. by his family

10:30am (OLGH) Pro Populo

5:00pm (St. Theresa) † Lorraine Dupuis (Birthday) by her family.

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

Mon. Oct 27th *Weekday in Ordinary Time*

8:30 † Theresa D'Ordine by Dave & Beverly Munyon

Tues. Oct 28th *St.s Simon and Jude, Apostles*
 Dave Fleming by Robert Lee

Wed. Oct 29th *Weekday in Ordinary Time*
 Kaitlyn Fleming by Robert Lee

Thur. Oct 30th *Weekday in Ordinary Time*
 Helena Fleming by Robert Lee

Fri. Oct 31th *Weekday in Ordinary Time*
 † Lorraine Dalpe by her husband, Normand

Sat. Nov 1st *Solemnity of All Saints*
8:30am (St. Theresa) Pro Populo

Vigil of All Soul's Day

4:00pm (St. Patrick) For the Faithful Departed

4:00pm (OLGH) For the Faithful Departed

Sun., Nov 2nd *All Soul's Day*
 All Mass intentions on All Souls Day are for the Faithful Departed

8:00am (St. Theresa)

9:15am (St. Patrick)

10:30am (OLGH)

5:00pm (St. Theresa)

Sunday, October 26, 2025- The 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

In the Bible, the Prophet declares, "the prayer of the lowly pierces the clouds to reach the unseen throne of God" (Sirach: 35: 17). Such prayers are heard because they come from the hearts of people who know how much they need God.

Rev. Dennis Keen in his book tells of a woman from a small town in Pennsylvania's coal region who would cry uncontrollably every time she took Communion. He asked other parishioners about this woman, and they said she had cried at Communion for as long as they could remember. One day, Pastor Keen asked her, "Why do you cry while kneeling at the altar every time you receive Holy Communion?" Her response surprised her pastor. "Every time I receive the Body and Blood, I can't help but think that Christ died for me," she said. "I feel that the only fitting response is crying. I cry when I remember what Christ did for me. I feel so sorry, so sad, so unworthy, to receive Him in Communion" (Rev. Dennis Keen, "Representing Christ").

In the Gospel, in the parable of the Pharisee and the tax collector, God did not hear the prayer of the Pharisee because he was exalting himself. His prayer was a prayer of arrogance that he was not as evil as other people. He announced to God his freedom from sin and detailed his fidelity in observing the prescribed fast and in giving tithes. He was all in praise for himself while completely despising everyone else. On the other hand, the tax collector prayed beating his chest, pouring out his tears of repentance in all humility. Pleading for God's mercy and forgiveness, he prayed, "O God, be merciful to me, a sinner", and his prayer was heard because of his repentant and humble heart that was pleasing God.

The parable of the Pharisee and the tax collector teaches us about the nature of prayer and the attitude we should have while we pray. Our personal prayers must include our request for pardon and forgiveness for our sins, our thanksgiving for the numerous blessings we receive daily from God, our praise and worship, the unconditional surrender of our life and all our activities fully to God, the acknowledgement of our weakness and total dependence on Him, and the presentation of our needs and petitions, asking that they be granted only to the extent that they are in accord with His Holy Will, accompanied by the fervent request for God's strengthening in our weakness and temptations through the daily anointing of His Holy Spirit.

Finally, all our prayers and petitions should be with a longing for the Glory of God, and the good and wellbeing of the whole humanity, whole creation. Let us lift up our hearts acknowledging God as the source of life and all blessings. God Bless,
 Rev. Jose Parathanal

Next Saturday, November 1st, is the Solemnity of All Saints and Sunday, November 2nd is the Commemoration of the Faithful Departed, All Souls Day.

This year, All Saint's is not a Holy Day of Obligation, however we strongly encourage everyone to attend Mass on this day.



St. Theresa Shrine of the Little Flower



The Wonder of Christmas Bazaar and Crafts Fair needs you!!

Volunteers are strongly encouraged to join us for an informational meeting on Tuesday, October 28th at 6pm in the St. Theresa Church Hall.



This year, the fair takes place on Friday, November 21st from Noon-7p and Saturday, November 22nd from 9a-6p.



We are in serious need of kitchen volunteers. The kitchen will be open both Friday and Saturday. Experienced fry and grill cooks are encouraged to get in touch if you can help us! Please call the office at 401-568-8280.

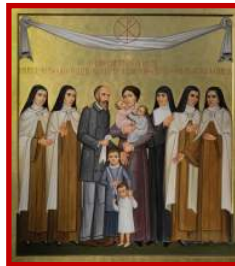


The parish is currently accepting donations of NEW items for the penny social, jewelry sales, and holiday décor. Items should be in unused condition. These can be brought to the parish office during our regular hours.



Consider making a contribution to our Sweets & Treats bake-sale table. Candies, cookies, pies and cakes are all great sellers. We run out every year, so everything you are able to donate helps us so much!

The Wonder of Christmas is one of our major annual fundraisers, but it does not happen without YOU!



The Shrine bookstore and gift shop is open! If we are unstaffed, just ring the bell and someone will come to help you. We carry a wide array of Catholic gifts, books and devotionals for your home.



Candle intentions at the Shrine are available, candles burn for one week and the suggested donation is \$10.

The Shrine and parish remind everyone that as we move into the winter months, the parish follows the town of Burrillville for closures. If Burrillville Schools are closed, then activities at the parish are cancelled.

Masses continue as scheduled unless it is too hazardous for our priests to walk to the Churches. Please use prudence when making weather related decisions to attend.



Please pray for Fr. Jose and the group of pilgrims he is leading in S. America over the next two weeks. Pilgrims will visit many important Catholic sights in Brazil, Argentina and Peru, including the Basilica of Nuestra Senora del Rosario, the final resting place for three important Peruvian saints (St. Juan Macias, St. Rose of Lima and St. Martin dePorres).

Pilgrimage trips are an amazing way to see the world and learn more about our Catholic (i.e. Universal) faith. 2026 tour information coming soon!

Knights of Columbus Harvest Dinner.

The Frehill Council Knights of Columbus will be hosting their annual Harvest Dinner on November 1st following the 4p at St. John the Evangelist in Slatersville, 63 Church St. N. Smithfield. Dinner includes appetizers, chicken parmesan, sausage with peppers and onions, pasta, rolls along with beverages and dessert. Tickets are \$25 for adults and \$10 for children 12 and under, For tickets call 401-762-0946 or email pop99@comcast.net. Tickets will also be available after this weekend's Masses at OLGH and St. Teresa.



The bulletin deadline is the Monday before publication. The pastor has final approval of all bulletin items. For special (holiday) bulletins, submissions may have earlier deadline. Send bulletin items or any corrections, questions or concerns to silviaaldredge@gmail.com

St. Patrick's Church

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stpatrickri.org/

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

November Food Bank
Openings will be Mondays
the 3rd and the 17th from
4:30-6:30p.

Please see our website to
[download the Food Pantry
Calendar for 2025](#) and for lists
of needed items.

Register for Thanksgiving
baskets by calling the parish.

Thanksgiving basket
giveaway takes place on Nov.
22nd from
9:30-11:00a.



We are
down two
lectors,
one from
each

weekend Mass, so if you
have ever thought that you
could read the Scriptures in
public, give Deacon Rick a
call.

Also, we haven't been able to
replace Wayne Rivet yet as
sacristan, so if you can help
with this Deacon Rick would
love to hear from you.

Our Blood Drive Chair, Scott
Blanchette is pleased to report
the following Blood Drive
results for the October 2nd
event.

45 donations were accepted
from regular donors. These
gifts of blood will positively
impact the lives of up to 135
people.

Watch this space for
information on future drives!

Warm thanks to
RIBC, Scott and
the volunteers for
their time, and
their blood!



Our Christmas bazaar is
only six weeks away and
we are in need of bottles
of wine for the wine raffle
and baked goods for the
bake table. Marie Roderick and her crew will
be setting up for the bazaar is just three
weeks from now. They would love to have
YOU helping them with this very worthwhile
endeavor. Funds raised help support the
parish but this is secondary to the
opportunity to come together and celebrate
our community and the season!

If you can help, please call Deacon Rick at
the rectory, 568-5600.

Thank you!

Diocesan News and Events



There is still time to participate in
the Jubilee Year of Hope and
receive the plenary indulgence.

† Visit the Jubilee Site-
Cathedral of Saints Peter and
Paul, Cathedral Square,
Providence, RI 02903

† Attend Adoration at your home church or at the
Cathedral held Sundays from 12 noon to 1p or
attend First Friday devotions of each month at
the cathedral beginning at 12:30p

† Go to Confession



Pope Leo XIV invites the faithful to join in praying the Rosary every day during the month
of October to invoke God's gift of peace, and announces a Rosary in St. Peter's Square on
October 11, as part of the Jubilee of Marian Spirituality.

The Holy Father encourages us all to pray for "to pray the Rosary for peace—personally, in
the family, and in community" and especially for those trapped in current political conflicts.

Weekly Collection

Weekly Giving 10.19.25

Our Lady of Good Help/ St. Theresa Shrine

Collection	\$2,790
E-giving	\$ 848
Mission Sunday	\$1,052

St. Patrick

Collection	\$1,647
E-giving	\$ 370
Annual Collection	\$ 870
Mission Sunday	\$ 361

Thank you for your generosity!

The next October 2nd Collections will take place on the 26th, for Fuel.



The 50-week club banquet will be on Saturday, November 15th at 5:30p. 50-Week Club members, call the office to reserve your dinner today! Non-member guests are \$15. This year, we could really use some help cleaning up the Church Hall following the banquet, Cleaning volunteers can meet in the hall on Sunday, November 16th after the 8a Mass or on Monday, November 17th beginning at 9a. Call the office to volunteer.

The SVDP Food Pantry is accepting donations for Thanksgiving baskets.

Food donations can be placed in the bins at either St. Theresa's or OLGH entryways. Turkey stuffing mixes, turkey gravy, olives, cranberry sauce, quick bread, coffee, tea and sugar are needed.

Market gift certificates are also gratefully accepted. These can be labeled and placed in the SVDP collection basket after all masses.

Our next Food Pantry opening is Saturday, November 1st at 5:00p. Thanksgiving baskets will be distributed on Saturday, November 22nd at 9:00a.



Registration forms and the schedule for the 2025-26 school year are available.

There is still time to register your students for Religious Education classes this fall. Find registration forms and the year's schedule on our website at:

burrillvillecatholic.org/religious-education

Classes continue October 26th– 27th

Grades 1-6 (9:15-10:15a) Sundays, OLGH School
Grades 7-9 (6:00-7:00p) Mondays, St. Theresa Church

If you have any concerns regarding payment for religious education classes, please call the office as soon as possible or email our pastor at:

Pastor@olghsp@gmail.com

The parish does not wish cost to ever be an impediment to students attending religious education classes.

Become a Catholic!

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) is the program of education and spiritual development for adults seeking to join the church. Classes begin in November. If you are interested in learning more, register for RCIA through the parish office at 401-568-8280



Parish Choir rehearsals have begun!

Adult Choir meets on Tuesdays at St. Theresa Church Hall from 6:30-8:00p

Youth Choir rehearsals are on Sundays following the 10:30am Mass at OLGH.

Join us in making a joyful noise for the Lord!



The women's prayer group meets on the 3rd Saturday of each month at the Shrine museum in the convent after the 8:30am Mass at St. Therasas. All women of the parish are invited to join us as we seek to deepen our faith through study and fellowship. The next meeting is Saturday, November 15.

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