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The Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time, September 7, 2025



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- 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 – Noon, Fridays

Clergy:

Pastor:

Rev. Jose Parathanal, C.M.I.

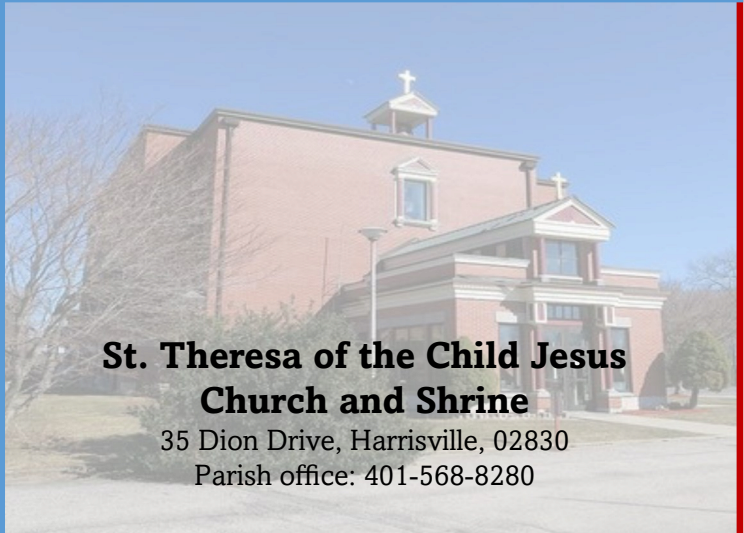
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Rev. Cyriac Kalampatt, C.M.I.

Deacon Assistant:

Rev. Mr. Richard J. Lapierre



St. Theresa of the Child Jesus Church and Shrine

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Our Lady of Good Help

Norman Dalpe & Michael Cosetta

St. Patrick's Church

Roger Johnson & George Lough



St Patrick Church

45 Harrisville Main Street, Harrisville, 02830

Office and Cemeteries: 401-568-5600

Sat. Sept 6th *Vigil of the 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time*

4:00pm (St. Patrick) Pastor's Intention

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

Sun. Sept 7th *The 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:00am (OLGH) † Theresa Danty by her family

9:15am (St. Patrick) Pro Populo

10:30am (OLGH) † Irene Houle by Mike Cosetta

5:00pm (St. Theresa) † Louis Montminy (6th Ann.) by his daughter, Linda

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

Mon. Sept 8th *Nativity of the B.V.M.*

† Al & Alice Issa by Dave & Beverly Munyon

Tues. Sept 9th *St. Peter Claver, Priest*

† Edward Magill by his wife, Marie

Wed. Sept 10th *Weekday in Ordinary Time*

† Emery Sr. & Carmella Munyon by Dave & Beverly Munyon

Thur. Sept 11th *Weekday in Ordinary Time*

† SDNY FD Chaplain Fr. Michael Judge by Mike Cosetta

Fri. Sept 12th *The Most Holy Name of Mary*

Priest's Intention

Sat. Sept 13th *St. John Chrysostom, Bishop & Doctor*

8:30am (St. Theresa) † Elizabeth F-P DiPippo (birthday) by her children

Vigil of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross

4:00pm (St. Patrick) † Louise Phelan by the St. Pat's Choir

4:00pm (St. Theresa) † Carolyn Menard (15th Ann.) by her family

Sun., Sept 14th *The Exaltation of the Holy Cross*

8:00am (OLGH) † Eldege Randeau by Mike Cosetta

9:15am (St. Patrick) Pro Populo

10:30am (OLGH) † Richard St. Sauveur (4th Ann.) by his family.

5:00pm (St. Theresa) Shrine Confraternity Mass Enrollees

Sunday, September 7, 2025

The 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

A true Christian follows the Master and Lord, who offered his life for us, committing our whole life to Christ. The cost of being a disciple and follower of Christ is very high. It requires one to "renounce" both earthly possessions and possessions of the heart, that is one's earthly relationships. In the Gospel of Luke (14:25–33), Jesus lays down four conditions for true Christian discipleship: I) Renounce too much attachment to family, giving priority to God and His commandments. II) Break off the excessive attachment to possessions by sharing one's blessings with others. III) Accept the hard consequences of discipleship which include daily sacrificial service done for others and even giving one's life for them. IV) Calculate the cost involved in following Jesus. Using two parables of the tower-builder and the king defending his country, Jesus asks us to think ahead, plan and commit fully to be his true disciples.

We have many beautiful examples "in counting the cost" for Jesus' discipleship, who really practiced what they believed. St. Thomas More is a great example of one who really understood the meaning of the cost of discipleship. He was the Lord Chancellor, when Henry VIII was the King of England. Thomas More was a successful lawyer, a great linguist and a renowned spiritual and political writer. More refused to take an oath supporting the evil design of the king against the teachings of Christ and the Church, and opposing the Pope, and was imprisoned in the Tower of London in the year 1534.

More could not, with any honesty, approve Henry's second marriage to Anne Boelyn, and he could not acknowledge the King as the supreme head of the Church of England. He spent fifteen lonely months imprisoned in the Tower of London – in poor health, isolated, deprived of all facilities and contact with his family. He was convicted of treason, sentenced to death and, on July 6, 1535, he was beheaded. On mounting the scaffold, Thomas More proclaimed that he was "the king's good servant, but God's first." St. Thomas More paid the price for his discipleship by loving God more than his wife, children, even his own life. Yes, Thomas More really understood the words of Jesus in the Sermon on the Mount: "No one can serve two masters; for he will either hate the one, and love the other, or be devoted to the one, and despise the other. You cannot serve, both, God and mammon" (Mt 6:24).

Let us keep St. Thomas More in mind as we accept the challenge of Christian discipleship to live a life of heroic commitment.

God Bless,

Rev. Jose Parathanal



Parish Youth Choir begins rehearsals on Sunday October 12th following the 10:30a Mass at Our Lady of Good Help. All students in grades 3—12 are encouraged to join us as we make a joyful noise! Call Peter Lamoria in the parish office at 401-568-8280.

Congratulations to our latest 50 week club winners!

8/3- Week 28	8/10- Week 29
Peter Lamoria	Christine McGrane
Lucille Auger	Kristy Dupuis
8/17- Week 30	8/24- Week 31
Sisters of Life	Lucas Fiske
Millie Lafay	Gary Moreau
8/31- Week 32	Make up- Week 33
Jane Stone-Tatro	Deacon Rick
George Boucher	Charitable donation

Our 2025 50-week club banquet will take place on Saturday, November 15th beginning at 5:30p in the St. Theresa Church Hall.



Our Parish Bible Study group will begin our fall term on Wednesday, September 17, 2025 at 7:00pm in the St. Theresa's church hall. Our group meets on the third Wednesday of each month. We'll continue our study of the Gospel of Luke, Chapter 15 which covers the parables of the Good Shepherd, the Lost Coin and the Prodigal Son.

To sign up for discussion questions, email

deaconrick@cox.net

We are looking forward to a productive and educational year of Bible Study.



St. Theresa Shrine of the Little Flower

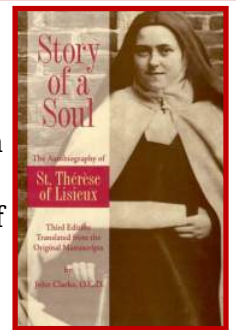


The Shrine of the Little Flower will celebrate the Feast of St. Therese of Lisieux on Wednesday, October 1 beginning at 8:00a with the Rosary

followed by Mass, a procession, coffee an', a talk and Holy Hour. Confession will be available during Holy Hour. The Shrine is pleased to welcome Fr. Jay Finelli, pastor of Holy Ghost Church in Tiverton, and son of Jerry & Shirley Finelli, the Shrine's First Coordinators, as our speaker. This year marks the 100th Anniversary of the Canonization of St. Therese.

Next time you visit the Shrine, be sure to stop by our bookstore and giftshop to check out the many changes and new items on offer. In addition to the writings of St.

Therese, we carry a wide variety of Catholic pamphlets, prayer cards and other items to help you live a Catholic life. The bookstore is open every day, if it isn't staffed, simply ring the bell for service.



During the month of September, the sanctuary candle at St. Theresa Shrine burns for repose of the soul of Jane Jurkiewicz by her daughter, Bess

The Shrine is in urgent need of the assistance of a mason. If you are a mason, or know of someone who may be able to assist, please contact Fr. Jose ASAP at pastorolghsp@gmail.com

St. Patrick's Church

Parish & Cemetery Manager:

Rev. Mr. Richard J. Lapierre

Email: deaconrick@cox.net

Administrator: Rev. Jose Parathanal CMI

Phone: 401-568-5600

stpatrickri.org/

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

September food pantry openings are from 4:30-6:30p Monday, September 8th & 22nd

Please see our website to [download the Food Pantry Calendar for 2025](#)

and for lists of needed items.

At this time of year, we are happy to accept garden produce, yes, including zucchini! If you have extra, please don't hesitate to share with your neighbors in need.

We are always ready to accept donations of food, market gift cards and monetary contributions.

Thank you for your generosity!



Purchasing a cemetery plot and planning your funeral before you actually need one is a step you can take today that can greatly ease the burden for your family following your death. The decisions following the death of a loved one can be overwhelming and difficult, especially when planning a funeral and burial in a short period of time or following an unexpected event.

Making pre-arrangements is a surprisingly simple and affordable gift you can give to your survivors to ease their burden in the midst of grief.

Contact Deacon Rick LaPierre, Cemetery Manager

Email: deaconrick@cox.net Tel. (401) 568-5600

Please review our pricing sheet to assist you in making this important plan.

stpatrickri.org/funerals/

Diocesan News and Events



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Wedding Anniversary Celebration

The Diocese of Providence cordially invites you and your spouse to celebrate your 25th, 40th, 50th or over 50 year Wedding Anniversary at the Cathedral of St.s Peter & Paul on Sunday, October 26, 2025 at 1:00p.

The Celebration includes Mass with Bishop Lewandowski, renewal of vows, a personalized certificate and a reception. There is no cost for this event. To register, call the parish office at 401-568-8280. Registration deadline is September 19th.

Weekly Collection

Weekly Giving 8.31.25

Our Lady of Good Help/ St. Theresa Shrine

Collection	\$3,827
E-giving	\$ 958

St. Patrick

Collection	\$1,607
E-giving	\$ 345
Assumption	\$ 90

Thank you for your generosity!

This Sunday's second collection will support maintenance. September 2nd collections will be: 9/21– Priests Retirement Fund, and 9/28– Fuel



The next St. Vincent dePaul Food Pantry will be held on Wednesday, September 17 at 5:00p. The food pantry is located in the OLGH School building.

Donations of food/personal care items can be placed in the designated bins at OLGH and St. Theresa Church.

Donations of area Supermarket gift certificates are gratefully accepted and can be placed in the SVDP collection baskets after all parish Masses.



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

There is still plenty of time to register your students for Religious Education classes this fall.

Find registration forms on our website:

burrillvillecatholic.org/religious-education

Classes Begin Sunday October 5th

Grades 1-6 (9:15-10:15a)

Sundays, OLGH School

Grades 7-9 (6:00-7:00p)

Mondays, St. Theresa Church

Classroom Cleanup Event

Saturday, September 20th at 10am

Students, teachers and families will meet at OLGH school to clean and prepare classrooms.

CCD Teachers Meeting

Sunday September 21 at 11:45am at OLGH school to meet and prepare for the new academic year.

If you have an 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 ed.



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. Theresas. 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 September 20th.

About this bulletin:

Materials for publication should be submitted by the Monday before the bulletin date. Special (holiday) bulletins may have earlier deadlines.

Contact the editor at

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