

The Burrillville Catholic Collaborative

Three Churches, One Faith Community

The Baptism of the Lord, January 12, 2025



Our Lady of Good Help

1063 Victory Highway, Mapleville

Weekend Masses:

Our Lady of Good Help- Sat. 4:30pm & 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- 3:30-4:15pm Saturdays

St. Theresa- Friday & Saturday following 8:30am 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.

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

Parish office: 401-568-8280

Parish Contact / Office Information.

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St. Theresa Rectory

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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

Office and Cemeteries: 401-568-5600

Sat., Jan. 11th *Vigil of the Baptism of the Lord*

4:00pm (St. Patrick) Pro Populo

4:30pm (OLGH) † Muriel & Roland Beauregard by Tina Fiske

Sun., Jan. 12th *The Baptism of the Lord*

8:00am (St. Theresa) † Norma Graham & Lisa Iasimone by their family

9:15am (St. Patrick) † Lisa Denton Pichie (3rd Ann.) by Katherine Pichie

10:30am (OLGH) † James Cosetta by his family

5:00pm (St. Theresa) St. Theresa Shrine Mass Association Members

Weekday Masses- 8:30am at St. Theresa Church

Mon., Jan. 13th *St. Hillary, Bishop & Doctor of the Church*

† Deceased members of the Pichie family, by Ron & Barbara Tessier

Tues., Jan 14th *Weekday*

† Albert & Rita Munyon by Dave & Beverly Munyon

Wed., Jan 15th *Weekday*

† Eileen Merchant by Nancy Faford

Thur., Jan. 16th *Weekday*

† Emery Jr. & Marsha Munyon by Dave & Beverly Munyon

Fri., Jan. 17th *St. Anthony, Abbot*

† Jane Jurkiewicz by her daughter, Bess

Sat., Jan. 18th *Week of Prayer for Christian Unity Begins*

8:30am (St. Theresa) For the women of St. Theresa Convent by Bess Fanning

Vigil of the Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00pm (St. Patrick) Pro Populo

4:30pm (OLGH) † Doris Marcoux (5th Ann.) by Joan Hopkins

Sun., Jan. 19th *The Second Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:00am (St. Theresa) Pro Populo

9:15am (St. Patrick) † Dolly Ross by Michelle Archer

10:30am (OLGH) † Veronica Cosetta by her family

5:00pm (St. Theresa) Clement J. Aldredge by his grandmother

Sunday, January 12, 2025

The Baptism of the Lord.

The Christmas season, celebrating the self-revelation of God in and through Jesus, comes to an end with the feast of the Baptism of Our Lord.

Christmas is the feast of God's Self-revelation to the Jews, and Epiphany celebrates God's Self-revelation to the Gentiles. The Baptism of the Lord Jesus is the great event celebrated by the Eastern Churches on the feast of Epiphany because it is the occasion of the first public revelation of all the Three Persons in the Holy Trinity - the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. It is also the official revelation of Jesus as the Son of God to the world by God the Father. In His testimony at the time of Jesus' baptism: God says "This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased." This event is described in all four Gospels, and it marks the beginning of Jesus' public ministry.

At His baptism in the Jordan, Christ reveals himself to repentant sinners. Though sinless, Jesus receives the baptism of repentance thus identifying himself with the sins of humanity. The Baptism of the Lord challenges us, his disciples, to be renewed in the Christian calling to be sinless.

A young man once described his experience of sinking into insanity. He was a very bright university student, but he had abandoned his studies in favor of nightclubs and pornography. One night he retired to a hotel room. As he lay in bed, the window appeared to expand until it reached the floor. He heard a mocking voice in his mind saying, "What if you threw yourself out of that window?" The young man wrote: "Now my life was dominated by something I had never known before: fear. It was humiliating, this strange self-conscious watchfulness. It was a humiliation I had deserved more than I knew. I had refused to pay attention to the moral laws upon which all vitality and sanity depend." This young man then did begin to pay attention to the moral law. He began to put his life in order - and to experience inner peace. He eventually entered the Catholic Church and went on to become one of the most famous monks of the twentieth century. His name is Thomas Merton.

As we celebrate the Baptism of our Lord, let's examine whether we are keeping our Baptismal promises and watchfully seek opportunities to attend to those moral obligations we may be neglecting.

God Bless you!

Rev. Jose Parathanal



It is never too late to receive the sacraments for the first time! If you are an adult who would like to be baptized or receive your first sacraments we encourage you to call the parish office and set up a time to meet with our pastor. 401-568-8280

“...‘And they shall all be taught of God.’
Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father, comes to Me.”
John 6:45



Please consider our parish in your will. A legacy donation to the parish can help to insure that your memory lives on in the work of our Churches. If you would like to make an appointment with Fr. Jose to discuss legacy giving, please call the parish office at 401-568-8280

Join Fr. Jose on a pilgrimage to the magnificent sights of Brazil, Argentina and Peru from October 16th—31st, 2025. Two wonders of the world are on the itinerary, Machu Pichu in Peru and the Christ the Redeemer Statue in Brazil. We'll also visit the Basilica and Maximus Convent 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).



Contact Bernadette Corpuz, tour coordinator, at (323)-547-6618 (cell) or by email at bcorp1114@gmail.com

About this bulletin:

The bulletin deadline is the Monday before publication, special (holiday) bulletins may have earlier deadlines. Contact silviaaldredge@gmail.com for questions, concerns, or complaints.



St. Theresa Shrine of the Little Flower



Warm wishes to Mrs. Millie LaFay who celebrated her 98th birthday on January 2nd, the birthday of St.

Therese. Millie has been a member of the parish since her wedding in 1946 and is well known for her contributions as a volunteer, a donor, and in her prayerful presence at Mass. We wish her many Happy returns of the day and abundant blessings.

Parishioners gathered to pray for and celebrate Fr. Jose' 34th Anniversary of Ordination on December 31st. Ordained in Kochi, Kerala India at Sacred Heart Monastery Church as one of 27 priests of his class. Father comes from a family including 17 priests, one bishop, and 35 religious sisters. He began his ministry in the United States in 2005. Congratulations Fr. Jose! We are so blessed to have you as our pastor.



Candle intentions at the Shrine can be made for the St. Therese candle, the St. Joseph and our Lady candles, the Sanctuary candle and the Divine Mercy Candle. Intentions are for 1 week and are published in the bulletin.

The recommended donation is \$10.

Unpublished candle intentions are \$3 and can simply be made in the church.

A Mass intention box for unpublished intentions through the Carmelites of Mary Immaculate is located at the entrance of the church. Suggested donation \$10.

St. Patrick's Church

Parish & Cemetery Manager:

Rev. Mr. Richard J. Lapierre Phone: 401-568-5600

Email: deaconrick@cox.net stpatrickri.org/

Administrator: Rev. Jose Parathanal CMI

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



January 2025 Food Pantry Openings are Mondays, January 13th and 27th from 4:30 – 6:30pm. Please see the website to download the

Food Pantry Calendar for 2025.

We are happy to accept gifts of food, market gift cards or monetary support. Food Donations can be left at the entrance of the Church or at the porch of the rectory during regular business hours.

May God bless you for your generosity!

For questions or more information regarding the blood drive, please contact Scott Blanchette at 401-323-5354

Rhode Island Blood Center **Blood Drive**

Celebrating National Blood Donor Month

Knights of Columbus Council 383
at St. Patrick's Catholic Church
Thursday, January 30
1:00pm-7:00pm

Parish Hall
45 Harrisville Main Street, Harrisville

800.283.8385 - ribc.org

Prepare to donate

- 1. Eat well and hydrate
- 2. Bring a photo ID
- 3. Feel good and symptom free
- 4. 17+ Must be 17+ or 16 with parental consent form
- 5. Meet minimum weight requirements

For full eligibility requirements and COVID-19 information, visit ribc.org/eligibility.

Sign up at ribc.org/drives and use sponsor code 0675

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Diocesan News and Events



Please join us for our next Emmaus Retreat that will take place on Friday, February 28th to Sunday, March 2nd, 2025, at LaSalette Retreat Center in

Attleboro, MA! Emmaus is a retreat for men and women (ages 20+) who seek to grow in their relationship with Jesus Christ, regardless of their present level of faith or practice. We want to invite you to join us on our next Emmaus weekend. You will be welcomed by a loving community, spend time in personal and communal prayer, and celebrate the sacraments. For more information or to apply online, email us

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In partnership with the Immaculate Conception Center, a new training cohort will be launching in January 2027 in Putnam, Connecticut.

Join us at 7:00pm on January 30, 2025 at the address below to learn more!

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To RSVP please call or email:
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Weekly Collection

Weekly Giving

Our Lady of Good Help/ St. Theresa Shrine

	12.29.24	1.05.25
Collection	\$5,006	\$4,295
E-giving	\$1,177	\$1,096
Christmas	\$3,217	
Fuel		\$1,048

St. Patrick Church

Collection	\$1,416	\$1,803
E-giving	\$ 360	\$ 249
Christmas	\$ 2,357	
New Year		\$ 422
Maintenance		\$ 566

Thank you for your generosity!

Additional January 2nd Collections are as follows:
January 19th– Catholic University of America,
and January 26th– the Church in Latin America

Religious Education



Religious Education classes continue this week:

Sunday, January 12th, 2025.
Grades 1-6 at Our Lady of Good Help School
building from 9:15-10:15a and
Monday, January 13th, 2025 Grades 7-9 at St.
Theresa Church from 6:00-7:00pm

There are no classes next week, January 19th
& 20th for the Dr. Martin Luther
King Jr. Day Holiday.

For the full 2024-25 Academic year schedule
scroll down on our webpage at:
burrillvillecatholic.org/religious-education



Baby bottle banks for this
years **Baby Bottle Boomerang**
will be distributed in all our
parish churches this weekend
January 11th and 12th. This
fundraiser supports assistance
and services to expecting and
new mothers including
ultrasounds and pregnancy
testing, and supplies like
diapers and formula. Your
spare change can do a great
deal of good for moms in
need. Please prayerfully consider participating
in this fundraiser.

The parish offers
prayers and a warm
welcome to
Camden Shawn
Bailey-Gates and
his parents, Brian
Shawn and Emily
on his baptism into
the life of Christ.



The parish
recommends that
children be
baptized as soon as possible following their birth.
To schedule a baptism or to learn more contact the
office at 401-568-8280



As we enter the new year, the parish is happy to welcome new lectors, ushers, church cleaners as well as Altar Servers and Eucharistic Ministers. Contact the parish office at 401-568-8280 to learn more about volunteer opportunities and training for specific ministries. May God Bless you for your support of the parish!

Join the parish.

Scroll down to the link on our homepage to download the registration form at: burrillvillecatholic.org Forms can be returned to the office in person or by post.

We encourage you to re-register if family demographics or contact information has changed.

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