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The 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time, November 16, 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.

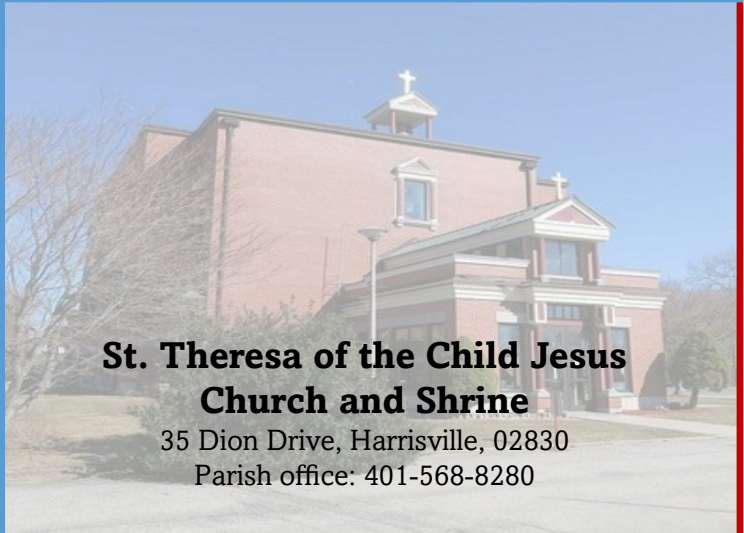
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Rev. Cyriac Kalampatt, C.M.I.

Deacon Assistant:

Rev. Mr. Richard J. Lapierre



St. Theresa of the Child Jesus Church and Shrine

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St. Theresa Rectory

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St Patrick Church

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Office and Cemeteries: 401-568-5600

Sat. Nov 15th *Vigil of the 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time*
4:00pm (St. Patrick) † Robert Remieglio (4th Ann.) by his wife and family

4:00pm (OLGH) † George Ringer by his wife, Nancy

Sun. Nov 16th *The 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time*
8:00am (St. Theresa) † Ed Magill (14th Ann.) by his wife, Marie

9:15am (St. Patrick) † Tim & Mike Smith by their family

10:30am (OLGH) † Anna Ziegler by her family

5:00pm (St. Theresa) † Veronica Cosetta by her husband, Mike.

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

Mon. Nov 17th *St. Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious*

† Living & deceased members of the Bussell family, by Bess Fanning

Tues. Nov 18th *St. Rose Philippine Duchesne, Virgin*

† Jeannine Audette by Dave & Beverly Munyon

Wed. Nov 19th *Weekday in Ordinary Time*

† Edward Magill by Ed & Joanne Baiyates

Thur. Nov 20th *Weekday in Ordinary Time*

† Malissa Lennon by Dave & Beverly Munyon

Fri. Nov 21st *The Presentation of the B.V.M.*

† Those Holy Souls in Purgatory

Sat. Nov 22nd *St. Cecilia, Virgin & Martyr*

8:30am (St. Theresa) † Ivan & Cheryl Ramirez by Robert Lee

*Vigil of the Solemnity of Our Lord, Jesus Christ,
 King of the Universe*

4:00pm (St. Patrick) † Angelo Ramirez by his family

4:00pm (OLGH) † Tony Socci by his wife and family

Sun. Nov 23rd *The Solemnity of Our Lord, Jesus Christ,
 King of the Universe*

8:00am (St. Theresa) † All deceased musicians of our parish by Peter & the Choir

9:15am (St. Patrick) † Timothy & Michael Smith by their family

10:30am (OLGH) † MaryLou Lapierre by Mike Cosetta

5:00pm (St. Theresa) † Lucille Chartier by Nancy Faford

Sunday, November 16, 2025— The 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

We now approach the end of the Liturgical Year. And on this penultimate Sunday, we have for our reflection Luke's version of "the apocalyptic discourse." Early Christian apocalyptic writings were symbolic in nature, meant to give more of the sensibility of future events rather than actual predictions. One purpose of apocalyptic literature is to encourage dispirited people by proclaiming that God is in control of history, and that punishment of the wicked will come about by God's doing. As Luke's community had experienced much persecution, Jesus' words would have given them a cheering reminder: "Don't give up because God is always with us!"

Our Lord's promise of the protective power of a providing God was meant to encourage His disciples to persevere in their Faith and its practice. Another purpose is to encourage believers to remain faithful through the coming ordeals. The third purpose is to inspire believers to derive all the spiritual good God offers them through life's inevitable suffering.

The apocalyptic writers encouraged their readers to interpret their sufferings as sharing in the birth-pangs of the "end." Believers were assured that if they remained constant in their Faith, they could welcome the end of all things and the beginning of eternity with confidence and joy rather than with fear and dread. Jesus spoke to His disciples and followers gathered in the Temple for the Passover demanding tenacity of Faith and Hope of them in spite of their sufferings. In the liturgical context, the Church aptly places the first part of St. Luke's account of Jesus' end time predictions at the end of the Church year. The rest of Luke's account (vv 20-36), includes Jesus' prophecy of the destruction of the Temple of Jerusalem in A.D. 70 with His predictions of the end of the world.

Hence, the central theme of today's readings is "The Day of the Lord" or the "Second Coming" of Jesus in glory, as Judge, at the end of the world. The readings warn us about the final days of the world, our own death, and the final judgment.

However, Jesus tells us not to try to predict the end, but to live loyally and lovingly in situations which, in many cases, will be hostile to the Gospel. Instead of destroying us, persecution and suffering will gain us eternal life. Jesus gives us the assurance, "Not a hair from your head will perish"(21:18). God's saving purpose will certainly triumph, because, contrary to appearances, He remains firmly in control. Let's us remember that the way to glory is traveled more often through day-by-day endurance, rather than through isolated acts of heroic virtue.

God Bless,
 Rev. Jose Parathanal



The **Wonder of Christmas Bazaar and Crafts Fair** takes place on Friday, November 21st from Noon-7p and Saturday, November 22nd from 9a-6p.



Our Mystery Wine Raffle is in need of wine donations. This raffle is one of our most popular ones and sells out each year. Donations can be brought to the parish office.



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!



Thanks to all who have returned raffle tickets so far, we are off to a great start!



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



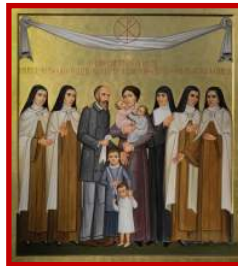
Please pray for babies Paris Anne, daughter of Philip and Rachel O'Driscoll-Khan and for Sophia Brook, daughter of Alexander and Sarah Ronci, both of whom were baptized into the life of Christ at the Shrine this past month.

The church recommends that babies be Baptized as soon as is

feasible following their birth. To arrange your child's baptism, simply call the parish office and we will be happy to assist you with this wonderful milestone in your child's life.



St. Theresa Shrine of the Little Flower



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.

Visit our Shrine Bookstore table at the Wonder of Christmas for Books, Advent supplies and Great Gifts! See you there!



The book of Remembrance is available in the entrance of our churches for those of you who wish to enter the names of your departed loved ones so that we may all pray for them during the month of November.

The 50-week club banquet will be this Saturday, November 15th at 5:30p.

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 parish will again sponsor the Giving Tree together with the St. Vincent DePaul Society. Trees will be located in the vestibule of each church. Please choose a tag, and return a wrapped gift with the tag attached, to the church no later than Saturday, December 6th.

Thank you for your generosity to your neighbors in need!

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.

Thanksgiving baskets will be distributed on Saturday, November 22nd at 9:00a.



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.



We have two new lectors who have stepped forward beginning next month, Mark St.Pierre and Denise Kinsley. Also Betty Kenney has taken over the sacristan duties at the 4:00pm Saturday Mass. We are still in need of someone to take care of the sacristan duties at the 9:15am Mass, so don't be shy and give [Deacon Rick](#) a call if you can help out. Thank you all for your dedication to our parish

St. Patrick's Christmas Bazaar takes place

Thursday and Friday, December 4th from 4:00p-7:00p
and on Saturday, December 5th from
9:00a – 5:00p.

We are in need of bottles of wine for the wine raffle and baked goods for the bake table, along with gently used or new flea-market items.

Marie Roderick and her crew will be setting up for the bazaar. 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!



The next
November
Food Bank
Opening is
this Monday

the 17th from 4:30-6:30p.

Register for Thanksgiving
baskets by calling the parish.
Thanksgiving basket giveaway
takes place on Saturday, Nov.

22nd from 9:30-11:00a.

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

REMEMBERING OUR VETERANS AT CHRISTMAS

2025 OPERATION ROVAC GIFT DRIVE

The Knights of Columbus Council # 383 and the Rhode Island State
Knights of Columbus are proud to partner with
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As part of OPERATION ROVAC, Council #383 is collecting BRAND
NEW items to be distributed to the men and women at the R. I.
Veterans Home in Bristol.

For many RI Veterans, their gift from Operation ROVAC is the only
Christmas Gift they will receive this year. Please consider donating
generously to this great cause!

For lists of much-needed items, contact the parish office or Grand
Knight Scott Blanchette at 323-5354

FINAL ROVAC 2025 Collection Day is
Sunday, December 7, 2025

Merry Christmas and may God Bless You
for your generosity to our veterans!



BRAND NEW CLOTHING NEEDED INCLUDING:

Winter hats, gloves, and scarves
Men's pants - khakis & jeans (Sz. 34 and up)
Sizes Medium to 4XL

- Long sleeve flannel shirts
- Men's flannel button down pajamas
- Cotton boxers and short legged underwear
- Under shirts
- Sweat pants and flannel pants
- Button down sweaters, fleece & vests
- Winter jackets

Handkerchiefs / Belts / Suspenders

Shoes/sneakers (Velcro or slip-on) Sizes 8 through 12.5

Men's slippers (Shoe type) w/ backs & rubber bottoms.

NEW CLOTHING ITEMS ONLY, NO USED CLOTHING.



TOILETRIES NEEDED INCLUDE:

Dove Soap / Irish Spring soap
Body wash / Shampoo
Men's stick deodorant
Shaving cream
Men's cologne / Ladies' perfume
Toothpaste / Toothbrushes

PLEASE, NEW, UNOPENED, FULL SIZE ITEMS ONLY, NO TRIAL SIZES.

GIFT ITEMS NEEDED INCLUDING:

New Word/find search books (Large print ONLY)

New puzzles / New decks of playing cards

New DVD movies

New Music CD's / Headphones

2025 Calendars / Magnifiers with lights

NO BOOKS AND NO FOOD ITEMS, PLEASE.

Please contact Grand Knight Scott Blanchette @ 323-5354, for more
information or with any questions.



Pope Leo XIV invites the faithful to join in praying for the prevention of suicide each day during
the month of November.

The Holy Father asks us to pray for those struggling with suicidal ideation that they may find
peace and comfort in their homes and communities and draw closer to seeing the beauty of life.

Weekly Collection

Weekly Giving 11.09.25

Our Lady of Good Help/ St. Theresa Shrine

Collection	\$3,268
E-giving	*n/a at time of publication
Maintenance	\$1,125

St. Patrick

Collection	\$1,697
E-giving	\$ 526
Cemetery Collection	\$ 511

Thank you for your generosity!

November 2nd Collections will include:

Nov 16th– Fuel

Nov 23rd– Catholic Campaign for Human Development



On the Weekend of November 23rd, parishes across the nation will take up the collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD). Nearly

38million people in the United States live in poverty. CCHD supports those living in poverty by funding programs to empower local communities to respond to the needs of their people. 25% of funds collected remain in our diocese to assist in local anti-poverty initiatives. Please prayerfully consider your support level for this year's annual collection.

Parish Bible Study meets on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 7:00p in the St. Theresa Church Hall. Our next meeting is November 19th. Email deaconrick@cox.net to sign up!

Our **Women's Prayer Group** meets each month for prayer, study and fellowship on the 3rd Saturday following the 8:30a Mass at St. Theresa. Meetings are held in the convent. Our next meeting is this Saturday, November 15th.



Next Classes November 16th & 17th

Grades 1-6 (9:15-10:15a) Sundays, OLGH School

Grades 7-9 (6:00-7:00p) Mondays, St. Theresa Church

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.

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. If you are interested in learning more, register for RCIA through the parish office at 401-568-8280. Classes forming soon!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CHRISTMAS CONCERT

takes place on Sunday, December 14th following the 5:00p Mass at St. Theresa. Reception immediately following in the Church Hall.



Please consider joining our parish choir to sing the Christmas Masses. The Choir meets Tuesdays from 6:30-8:00p in the St. Theresa Church Hall.

Youth Choir rehearsals take place immediately after the 10:30a Mass at OLGH.

Newcomers are always welcome!

We are happy to accommodate your schedule! Call Peter at 401-568-8280 for more info.

Mass intentions can be made through the parish offices or the drop box in St. Theresa Church for masses said by the Carmelites of Mary Immaculate, Fr. Jose & Fr. Cyriac's Religious Order. The suggested donation is \$10

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