



1063 Victory Highway, Mapleville, RI

## Our Lady of Good Help Parish & Saint Theresa Shrine.

*A Roman Catholic Parish in the Diocese of Providence.*

**Rev. Michael J. McMahon, Pastor**

**Deacon Richard J. Lapierre, Deacon Assistant**



35 Dion Drive, Nasonville, RI

**Parish Website:** [www.burrillvillecatholic.org](http://www.burrillvillecatholic.org)

*Both churches are handicap accessible.*

### Liturgical Schedule & Sacramental Life

*(Nov. 1st through May)*

**Saturday Vigil:** 4:30 PM (OLGH).

**Sunday:** 8:30 AM (St. Theresa).

10:30 AM (OLGH).

**Daily Mass:** Monday through Thursday 8:30 AM.

**At St. Theresa Church.** No Mass on Fridays.

**Legal Holidays:** 9:00 AM @ St. Theresa.

**Confessions:** Saturday 3:30-4:15 PM @ OLGH.

**Holy Days of Obligation:** As Announced.

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:** Tuesday's 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM. (St. Theresa's Church).

**BAPTISM:** Baptisms are celebrated monthly. Please contact Father McMahon or the parish office to arrange.

**MARRIAGE:** Engaged couples are asked to contact Father McMahon at least one year prior to the ceremony.

### **SACRAMENT OF THE SICK & HOLY**

**COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND:** Please contact the parish office to arrange a visit by the clergy or Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion.

### Parish Contact / Office Information

**Parish Office:** (401) 568-8280 *(For parish business)*

**Rectory/Pastor:** (401) 568-5272 *(OLGH Rectory)*

**E-Mail:** [burrillvillecatholic@gmail.com](mailto:burrillvillecatholic@gmail.com)

**Office hours:** Monday – Thursday 9AM until 2PM.  
(Closed Fridays)

**Office location/Mailing Address:** 35 Dion Drive,  
Harrisville, RI 02830 (St. Theresa's Rectory Bldg).

**St. Theresa Cemetery:** 88 Ledoux Drive, Nasonville.

**Cemetery hours:** 7 AM until 7 PM; (Nov. – April) 5 PM.



*St. Theresa is home to the first shrine dedicated in honor of the "Little Flower", St. Theresa of the Child Jesus, established in 1923. Grounds open daily from sunrise to sunset. Church is open daily for prayer 8 AM until 5 PM. "Like us" on Facebook & YouTube: @Shrine of the Little Flower.*

## FOURTH SUNDAY

OF  
*Advent*

Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord.  
May it be done to me  
according to your word.

Luke 1:38



### Parish Staff & Officers

**Trustees:** Normand Dalpe & Michael Cosetta.

**Auditors:** Lorraine O'Rourke & Andrew McClure.

**Office Coordinators & Bookkeepers:** Cindy Manning, Peter Lamoria, & Nancy Latendresse.

**Religious Education:** Patricia Ducharme (Grades 1-5), Janet Badzmierowski (Grades 6-9) & Irma Rodriguez, SPRED Coordinator.

**Organist & Choir Director:** Peter Lamoria.

**Buildings & Grounds / Cemetery:** Kenneth Garrepy.

**Shrine Coordinator:** Mark Garrepy.

**St. Theresa Convent:** Sister Grace Coffey.

### Society of Saint Vincent de Paul

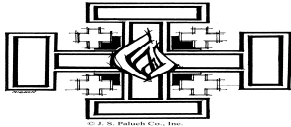
**SVDP President (OLGH Chapter):** Michelle Poirier.

**SVDP Hotline:** (401) 762-1834.

**OLGH Food Pantry:** Bob & Kari Wilson.

## MASSSES for the WEEK

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### All Weekday Masses at St. Theresa Church.

**Monday, December 21, 2020 ~ Late Advent Weekday**  
8:30 AM: Pro Populo

**Tuesday, December 22, 2020 ~ Late Advent Weekday**  
8:30 AM + Antonio Socci *Req. by His wife, Joanne*

**Wednesday, December 23, 2020 ~ Late Advent Weekday**  
8:30 AM + Theresa O'Connor *Req. by Family & Friends*

**Thursday, December 24, 2020 NOTE: \*No 8:30 AM Mass**  
~ Vigil Masses for the Nativity of the Lord (Christmas)

**3:00 PM (OLGH) + Deceased Parishioners of OLGH & St. Theresa Shrine.**

**4:00 PM (St. T.) + Sister Bertha, Lucien & Irene**  
*Lamoureux Req. by Lucien Lamoureux*

**5:00 PM (OLGH): Pro Populo**

**Friday, December 25, 2020 ~ Nativity of the Lord (Christmas)**  
**8:30 AM (St. T.) + Leah Ann (Brown) Normandin**  
*Req. by Family*

**10:30 AM (OLGH): Pro Populo**

**Saturday, December 26, 2020 ~ The Vigil of The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, & Joseph**  
**4:30 PM (OLGH) + Norman & Pauline Breault**  
*Req. by Lorraine O'Rourke*

**Sunday, December 27, 2020 ~ Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, & Joseph**  
**8:30 AM (St. T.) + Jeanette Voas**  
*Req. by Albert Alba, Her sister, Rose, Her husband, & son, Albert*

**10:30 AM (OLGH) + Rita Glaude *Req. by Connie Richardson***  
**& + Noel Lapierre (Birthday Remembrance)**

### Weekly Offering



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Due to the early publication deadline, last weekend's financial information is unavailable.

Thank you for your continued devotion and support, as your generosity makes a difference!!! \*\*The target goal to meet weekly expenses is \$6,500.\*\* *If you are unable to attend Mass at this time, please consider mailing your budget envelopes to the parish office or try online giving, with the link found on our website, [www.burrillvillecatholic.org](http://www.burrillvillecatholic.org).*

**Second Collection (Dec. 27):**  
**Maintenance.**

**Memorial Donation: Please remember Our Lady of Good Help & St. Theresa Shrine in your Will & Estate.**

## From the Pastor

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Dear Parishioners,

On behalf of Deacon Richard Lapierre and the entire dedicated staff of Our Lady of Good Help Parish and St. Theresa Shrine, I wish to extend to you and your loved ones a very Merry and Blessed Christmas! Although we will be celebrating Christmas quite differently this year, it remains my prayer that this season will truly be a time of joy, as we reflect on the great mystery of the Incarnation, the Word made Flesh. 2020 cannot prevent us from experiencing the true meaning of Christmas!

As I write this column, we are preparing for our Christmas Masses, which will be very different in this pandemic year. We are still accepting reservations for Christmas Eve Masses through this Wednesday. The capacity limits in church remain the same at this time. I invite you, even if you are unable or uneasy about attending public worship, to view our online Masses on the parish website and Shrine YouTube pages. It is one way for us remain connected as a parish despite the reality of the Covid pandemic. Hopefully by Christmas 2021, this all will be a distant memory!

Lastly, if you are looking for a safe and enjoyable way to celebrate the Christmas season, consider making a visit to the Shrine grounds for peace and prayerful serenity? Although we may not be quite La Salette, there are some areas of the shrine adorned with lights to celebrate the season.

May God grant each of us, and those we love, the gift of welcoming Jesus Christ, Our Savior, into our hearts this holy Christmas Season and all throughout the coming year 2021! Be safe and healthy with your family and friends!



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God bless,

Fr. McMahon

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a; Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21; Lk 1:39-45  
 Tuesday: 1 Sm 1:24-28; 1 Sm 2:1, 4-8abcd; Lk 1:46-56  
 Wednesday: Mal 3:1-4, 23-34; Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-10, 14; Lk 1:57-66  
 Thursday: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16; Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29; Lk 1:67-79  
 Friday: Vigil: Is 62:1-5; Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29; Acts 13:16-17, 22-25; Mt 1:1-25 [18-25]  
Night: Is 9:1-6; Ps 96:1-3, 11-13; Ti 2:11-14; Lk 2:1-14  
Dawn: Is 62:11-12; Ps 97:1, 6, 11-12; Ti 3:4-7; Lk 2:15-20  
Day: Is 52:7-10; Ps 98:1-6; Heb 1:1-6; Jn 1:1-18 [1-5, 9-14]  
 Saturday: Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59; Ps 31:3cd-4, 6, 8ab, 16bc, 17; Mt 10:1-7-22  
 Sunday: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or Gn 15:1-6; 21:1-3; Ps 128:1-5 or Ps 105:1-6, 8-9; Col 3:12-21 [12-17]

### Parish & Diocesan News



**Christmas Eve: (Thursday, December 24, 2020)**  
Reservations required for all Christmas Eve Masses. To reserve, please contact the parish office (568-8280) or email [burrillvillecatholic@gmail.com](mailto:burrillvillecatholic@gmail.com).

**\*\* Accepting through Wed. Dec. 23rd. \*\***

3:00 PM (OLGH) - Fr. McMahon (Max. capacity 150)  
 4:00 PM (St. Theresa) - Fr. Marcello (Max. capacity 130)  
 5:00 PM (OLGH) - Fr. McMahon (Max. capacity 150)

**\*\*5 PM Mass will be recorded and made available for viewing on our website and YouTube Channel)**

**Christmas Day: (Friday, December 25, 2020)**

8:30 AM (St. Theresa) - Fr. Friedrichs  
 10:30 AM (OLGH) - Fr. McMahon

**\*\*First come first serve on AM. \*\* Social Distancing/ safety regulations to be followed at all Masses.**



### Tabernacle Candles (St. Theresa)

**Lataille & Sparrow Family, living & deceased.**

Req. by Lorraine Sparrow.

### SVDP OLGH CONFERENCE ANNOUNCEMENTS.

The OLGH SVDP Food Pantry is now on **first Saturday of each month, from 9 AM until 10 AM at OLGH School Building.** We will have the distribution outside the building - bringing packages, prepared prior to opening, out to families.

**50 Week Club News:** A listing of the final weekly and Grand Prize Winners is posted on the parish website. **Congratulations to all the lucky winners! Informational sheets for the "2021 50 Week Club" will be made available in the back of either church and on our parish website.**



**Christmas Season Activities at St. Theresa Shrine in Nasonville**  
 (Pandemic regulations observed)

Parts of the outdoor shrine will be illuminated during the Christmas Season. All are welcome to safely enjoy our shrine grounds.

**Sunday, Dec. 27th. "Christmas Theology on Fire", Adoration & outdoor "socially distant" caroling. Beginning at 3 PM, caroling at 5:30 PM.**

**Monday, Dec. 28th, the Shrine is sponsoring "Lullaby for the Unborn" on Feast of the Holy Innocents at the RI State House in Providence beginning at 7 PM. All are welcome!!**

**For more information on shrine events, email the shrine coordinator, Mark Garrepy: [burrillvillecatholic@gmail.com](mailto:burrillvillecatholic@gmail.com).**



**Religious Education**

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Due to the ongoing pandemic, all classes will begin the year with a "take home" curriculum. First Communion (Grade 2) will participate in "Zoom" classes, arranged by our teachers. We hope to resume in-person classes by January, 2021.

**(All contingent on the pandemic, more information to come.) Determination on how we proceed will be made by the 1st of the New Year.**

**Young Adult Sacramental Preparation Program:** For various reasons in recent years, many baptized young adults (Age 18-35) have not received their First Communion and/or Confirmation. OLGH Parish will offer a "user friendly" young adult sacramental class program. Class dates and times TBD. E-mail [ourladyofgoodhelp@gmail.com](mailto:ourladyofgoodhelp@gmail.com) if interested.

- **Missalettes Available:** With the Covid Restrictions in place, churches are advised not to maintain in-pew missals. Some have requested that "take home" missals be made available for parishioners to purchase. We ordered several dozen "St. Joseph" Missals, which are now available at the parish office. **Suggested Donation is \$5.** If interested, please contact the parish office during regular business hours (or leave a message) at 568-8280 to arrange.

## Information page

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