

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

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

*Two Churches, One United Parish, Dedicated to Proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus Christ.*

OLGH Church: 1063 Victory Highway, Mapleville, RI 02839/ St. Theresa Shrine: 35 Dion Drive, Harrisville, RI 02880.  
Parish Website: [www.burrillvillecatholic.org](http://www.burrillvillecatholic.org) *Both churches are handicap accessible.*



## Parish Clergy

Rev. Michael J. McMahon, Pastor.

Rev. Mr. Richard J. Lapiere, Deacon Assistant.

## Trustees:

Normand Dalpe & Michael Cosetta.

Religious Education: Patricia Ducharme,

Janet Badzmierowski & Fr. McMahon, Coordinators.  
Irma Rodriguez, SPRED Coordinator (401) 278-4578.

Organist & Choir Director: N. Peter LaMoria.

Buildings & Grounds: Kenneth Garrepy.

Shrine of the Little Flower Coordinator: Mark Garrepy.

Society of Saint Vincent de Paul: Michelle Poirier,  
President of OLGH Chapter. (401) 762-1834.

*(The OLGH Food Pantry is open the **First Tuesday** each month.)*

## Parish & St. Theresa Cemetery Office

Monday – Thursday 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM. (Closed Friday)

Cindy Manning (Mondays) & Peter LaMoria (Tues- Thurs).

Office location/Mailing Address: 35 Dion Drive, Harrisville, RI 02880

St. Theresa Cemetery: 88 Ledoux Drive, Nasonville.

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

## Contact Information

Parish Office: (401) 568-8280

Rectory/Pastor: (401) 568-5272

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

## Liturgical Schedule & Sacramental Life

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

**Sunday:** 8:00 AM & 11:30 AM (St. Theresa).  
10:00 AM (OLGH).

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

*From December through April, Daily Mass is at St. Theresa Shrine.*  
No Mass on Fridays.

**Legal Monday 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 -  
7:00 PM. (St. Theresa's Convent Chapel)

**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.

**NEW PARISHONERS:** Kindly introduce yourself to Fr.  
McMahon after any Mass or by appointment to register.

*St. Theresa is home to the **first shrine** dedicated  
in honor of the "Little Flower", St. Theresa of  
the Child Jesus. Grounds open daily from sun-  
rise to sunset.*



Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time  
February 23, 2020

*"Offer no resistance; love your enemies" (Matthew 5:38-48)*

## MASSES for the WEEK



### Weekday Masses (\*\* ALL 8:30 Masses @ St. Theresa\*\*)

**Monday, February 24, 2020**

*Weekday*

**8:30 AM + Tony Socci** *Req. by His wife Joanne*

**Tuesday, February 25, 2020**

*Weekday*

**8:30 AM + Pauline Carpenter** *Req. by Irene Nolda*

**Wednesday, February 26, 2020**

*Ash Wednesday*

**8:30 AM (St T.) + Richard Champagne**

*Req. by Raymond & Patricia Sickinger*

**6:30 PM (OLGH): Pro Populo**

**Thursday, February 27, 2020**

*Thursday after Ash Wednesday*

**8:30 AM + Lawrence Pendergrast**

*Req. by nephew Jim Dotzler*

### Weekend Masses

**Saturday, February 29, 2020**

*Vigil First Sunday of Lent*

**4:30 PM (OLGH)+ Henry Picard**

*Req. by Bob & Chris Goudreau*

**Sunday, March 1, 2020**

*First Sunday in Lent*

**8:00 AM (St. T) +Gerard & Rita Rousseau** *Req. by Lynn & Gary*

**10:00 AM (OLGH) + Richard Duquette**

*Req. His wife & family*

**11:30 AM (St. T) + Sotiris Xiarhos** *Req. by family.*

### Weekly Offering



*Due to the publication deadline, the financial information for February 15/16 will be published next week.*

*A sincere thank you for your generous support! The goal needed to meet weekly expenses is \$6,500. The second collection is for maintenance. \*\*Sign up for "on-line giving" via the parish website. It's easy & secure!!*

**Second Collection Next Weekend (Mar. 1)**  
**Fuel & Utilities.**

**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,

The holy season of Lent begins this Wednesday, February 26th, Ash Wednesday. For the next 40 days, Catholics the world over prepare spiritually for the celebration of Easter. Traditionally, Lent is a time dedicated to prayer, fasting and almsgiving. These penitential practices help us focus more attentively on the Lord and assist in remedying personal sin. With that being said, now is a good time to review the Church's Lenten requirements.

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are universal days of fast & abstinence, which means that Catholics are to have only one full meal on each of those days, and the other two should be light meals. We also need to abstain from eating meat on those two days. This includes all types of animal flesh except for fish. All of the Fridays during Lent are also days of abstinence from meat. Dispensations from the fast are granted to those over the age of 65 and to those who cannot observe the fast due to health reasons.

How can you make this Lent 2020 more spiritually meaningful? Perhaps attend daily Mass or encounter the Lord's great mercy by receiving the Sacrament of Penance? Please be advised of the many spiritual opportunities at your parish! For instance, the Lenten Penance Service will be offered on March 30th and regular confessions are scheduled Saturday afternoons from 3:30-4:15 PM. We will be offering the Stations of the Cross, this year on Monday evenings at 6:30 PM at St. Theresa. As the tradition each year, all are welcome to attend the annual Fish & Chips at St. Theresa's Hall, with the kitchen open from Noon- 7 PM Fridays in Lent. Also, on Sunday evenings at 7 PM we are offering "Sunday with the Saints" movie night in St. Theresa Hall. The Shrine will be offering days of reflection for Women and Men on March 7 & March 28th again this Lent. Don't miss the opportunity to enter more deeply into this Lenten Season and grow in faith!!

God bless,

Fr. McMahon



As you know, our parish is actively participating in the GGP Campaign. Our parish goal is \$280,000. **40% of EVERY dollar raised from dollar one will be returned back to our parish for various projects!**

As of Feb. 18, \$127,970 has been pledged (46% of the target goal, with the parish share at \$51,188). Thank you for your very kind support!!!

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Jas 3:13-18; Ps 19:8-10, 15; Mk 9:14-29  
Tuesday: Jas 4:1-10; Ps 55:7-11a, 23; Mk 9:30-37  
Wednesday: Jl 2:12-18; Ps 51:3-6ab, 12-14, 17;  
2 Cor 5:20 — 6:2; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18  
Thursday: Dt 30:15-20; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 9:22-25  
Friday: Is 58:1-9a; Ps 51:3-6ab, 18-19; Mt 9:14-15  
Saturday: Is 58:9b-14; Ps 86:1-6; Lk 5:27-32  
Sunday: Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7; Ps 51:3-6, 12-13, 17;  
Rom 5:12-19 [12, 17-19]; Mt 4:1-11



**Tabernacle Candles (St. Theresa)**  
**Lataille & Sparrow Family, living & deceased.**  
Req. by Lorraine Sparrow.

**St. Theresa Sanctuary Lamp (St. Joseph Statue)**  
**In Memory of Richard Champagne**  
Req. by Diane & James Hagerty

### "Parish & Diocesan News"



**This Wednesday, February 26th. Holy Mass with the imposition of ashes: 8:30 AM (St. Theresa) & 6:30 PM (OLGH).**

- **Stations of The Cross: Monday Evenings at St. Theresa Church at 6PM. Beginning Monday, March 2nd.**
- **Friday Lenten Fish & Chips: St. Theresa Parish Hall beginning this Friday, February 28th from 12PM until 7 PM.**
- **Lenten Penance Service: Monday, March 30th @ 6:30PM, St. Theresa Church.**
- **Women's Day of Recollection: Saturday, March 7th @ St. Theresa Hall, 10 AM until 3 PM.**
- **Men's Day of Recollection: Saturday, March 28 @ St. Theresa Hall, 10 AM until 3 PM.**

**2020 CATHOLIC CHARITY FUND APPEAL:** The Diocese will be sending mailings to all parishioners regarding this year's Fund Appeal. All parishioners are encouraged to respond directly to any letter received from the Bishop. **There is no need to return those envelopes to the parish. The 2020 goal is \$29,500. \*\*ALL MAILINGS ORIGINATE FROM THE DIOCESE, NOT THE PARISH. \*\***

### **Weekly Mass Attendance Count: (Feb. 15/16)**

4:30 PM (OLGH): 146  
8:00 AM (St. Theresa): 94  
10:00 AM (OLGH): 185  
11:30 AM (St. Theresa): 107

**Weekend Total: 532.**

### **Parish Winter Weather Policy 2020!**

**On Weekdays:** If Burrillville cancels or delays school, the 8:30 AM daily morning Mass is canceled. **On Mondays, Religious Education is automatically canceled when Burrillville cancels school or evening events. Please check local media, as announcements will be posted there via RI Broadcasters Association.** The office will be closed as well. **Sundays:** When there is a moderate to significant winter event on a Sunday morning, the storm schedule is in effect, meaning **\*\*ONE Mass \*\***will be offered at OLGH in Mapleville @ 10 AM ONLY. **Religious Education & the 8 AM & 11:30 AM Masses are canceled.** (\*\*The 4:30 PM Vigil Mass will not be canceled). The judgment call varies from storm to storm, **so stay posted to local media. SAFETY & PRUDENCE FIRST!!!**

### **"50 WEEK CLUB"**

Now is the time to participate!! It is only \$50 per year and begins in February. **Payment must be current to be eligible to win.** You have a chance to win \$25, \$15 or \$10 per week. 147 chances to win!!! (Weekly winners!)

**The 50<sup>th</sup> week's winners are drawn at our closing banquet at Wright's Farm Restaurant.** These prizes will be determined by the number of members. The more participants the bigger the prizes! **The 50 Week Club dinner will be held at Wright's Farm Restaurant on November 13, 2020.** Fill out a registration form at either Church. Contact the Parish office at 568-8280 for more information.

### **"Sunday with the Saints Movie Night"**

Once again, we will be offering a "Sunday with the Saints" on **Sunday evenings during the first four Sundays of Lent.** This year we are featuring St. Ignatius Loyola on March 1<sup>st</sup>, St. Bernadette Soubirous on March 8<sup>th</sup>, St. Patrick on March 15<sup>th</sup> and St. Padre Pio on March 22, 2020. The movie begins at 7:00pm at St. Theresa's church hall and even features our delicious and Deacon Rick's hot homemade popcorn. **All are invited and there is no charge!!**



**Students in sacramental preparation (First Communion & Confirmation) are required to sign in each week for Sunday Mass. Sign in sheets are located in the back of both churches.**

**Grade 9 Confirmation Retreat: Next Saturday, Feb. 29th from 10:30 AM until 3 PM @ St. Theresa Hall & Shrine.**

**Confirmation Date: Thursday, May 21, 2020 @ St. Joseph in Pascoag.\*\* (We are participating in a regional ceremony this year with three other local parishes, which is determined by the Diocesan Office of Worship.)**

**First Communion Date: Sunday, May 3, 2020 @ 10 AM, Our Lady of Good Help Church.**

**Adult Sacramental Preparation:** Beginning in late February, an adult sacramental course will be offered (dates and times to be determined). Anyone who has not yet received the sacraments (Age 18 and up) are welcome. Please e-mail the parish (ourladyofgoodhelp@gmail.com) if interested.

Information page

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Special Instructions: