



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

1063 Victory Highway, Mapleville, RI



35 Dion Drive, Nasonville, RI

Parish Website: www.burrillvillecatholic.org

Both churches are handicap accessible.

Liturgical Schedule & Sacramental Life

Saturday Vigil: 4:30 PM (St. Theresa).

Sunday: 8:00 AM & 10:00 AM (OLGH).

11:30 AM (St. Theresa).

Daily Mass: Monday through Thursday 8:30 AM.

At St. Theresa Church. No Mass on Fridays.

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

Confessions: Saturday 3:30-4:15 PM @St. Theresa

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.

Parish Contact / Office Information

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

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

E-Mail: 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.



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Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time.

August 9, 2020

"As Jesus walked on the sea, the disciples were terrified" (Matthew 14:22-33).

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 Badzmirowski (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

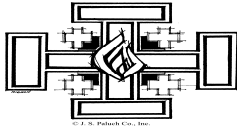
SVDP President (OLGH): Michelle Poirier.

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, August 10, 2020 ~ *St. Lawrence, Deacon & Martyr*
****Legal Holiday****

9:00 AM + Deacon Carlo Sabetti *Req. by Parish*

Tuesday, August 11, 2020 ~ *St. Clare, Virgin*
 8:30 AM + Leonard Champagne *Req. by Cheryl Champagne*

Wednesday, August 12, 2020 ~ *St. Jane Frances de Chantal*
 8:30 AM: Special Intention

Thursday, August 13, 2020 ~ *Sts. Pontian, Pope & Hippolytus,*
 8:30 AM + Pro Populo

Saturday, August 15, 2020 ~ *The Assumption of Mary*
 10:00 AM: First Communion Mass @ St. Theresa Shrine.

~ *The Vigil of the 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time*
 4:30 (St. T.) + William & Jamie Cole *Req. by Fran*

Sunday, August 16, 2020 ~ *20th Sunday in Ordinary Time*
 8:00 AM (OLGH) + Irene Lamoureux
Req. by her son, Lucien

10:00 AM (OLGH) + Richard Rouleau *Req. by The Family*

11:30 AM (St. T.) + William Lasorsa *Req. by Parishioners*

****11:30 AM Mass at outdoor shrine.****
(Weather permitting)

****The Assumption is not a Holy Day of Obligation this year.**

Weekly Offering

August 1/2, 2020



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| Sunday Collection..... | \$7,149.00 |
| Online Giving | \$1,235.00 |
| Peter's Pence Collection..... | \$480.00 |
| SVDP | \$591.00 |

Thank you for your continued devotion and support, as your generosity is making a difference!!! ****The target goal to meet weekly expenses is \$6,500.****

As all public Masses were cancelled from March 17 until May 30th, a significant financial burden has been placed on all parishes, including your own. If possible, please mail your budget envelopes to the parish office or use online giving, with the link found on our website, www.burrillvillecatholic.org.

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,

When will this Coronavirus (or Covid-19) come to pass? I am sure we all are asking this question! Since the pandemic began in late winter, daily life has changed and our routines altered. Although there has been a gradual return to some normalcy in recent months, the fear and uncertainty caused by the pandemic makes it hard to plan for the coming year. Add the political polarization to the mix, and the stress and anxiety levels has increased for all of us.

However, life at our parish has continued on through the pandemic, as we have been doing our best to navigate the situation. For example, there has been a gradual return of parishioners at Mass, First Communion will be celebrated next Saturday, Confirmation will be celebrated this Fall, some activities and meetings have resumed, and the Shrine is receiving more visitors, thanks in part to the Sunday outdoor Mass. Financially, we are holding our own and have yet to fall behind, thanks be to God for your generosity! However, the long term uncertainty caused by the pandemic is a concern for the future. For instance, some activities, including important fundraising events, have been or will most probably be canceled this year, which will have an adverse effect on our parish's fiscal health moving forward.

While I reserve judgment, the reality is many people will not be returning to regular worship anytime soon. It may be years before we are back to any "pre-Corona" participation (if it all). It's way too early to push the "panic button", but I would remised if I did not communicate that we (along with all parishes) must be ready for some significant adjustments in the months and years ahead. The pastoral challenges already in place pre- pandemic have been accelerated on many fronts. As mentioned, we will announce our approach to religious education this year shortly, as there are concern whether we will have in person sessions in the fall (TBD). I will also be making a determination regarding the weekend Mass schedule by October. The pandemic has accelerated the need to cut one weekend Mass, as simply not enough people are returning to warrant the current schedule. **The parish will also save significantly on "overhead" expenses.** Most likely, the 10 AM & 11:30 AM will be combined to form a new 10:30 AM Mass, seasonally split between our two churches. Keep in mind, **this is just a suggestion and not official.** As always, we will communicate any changes and receptive of feedback. In the meantime, let us trust the Holy Spirit for guidance and comfort during this time!

God Bless,

Fr. McMahon

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 2 Cor 9:6-10; Ps 112:1-2, 5-9; Jn 12:24-26
Tuesday: Ez 2:8 — 3:4; Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131; Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14
Wednesday: Ez 9:1-7; 10:18-22; Ps 113:1-6; Mt 18:15-20
Thursday: Ez 12:1-12; Ps 78:56-59, 61-62; Mt 18:21 — 19:1
Friday: Ez 16:1-15, 60, 63 [59-63]; Is 12:2-3, 4bcd-6; Mt 19:3-12
Saturday: Day: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; Ps 45:10-12, 16; 1 Cor 15:20-27; Lk 1:39-56
Sunday: Is 56:1, 6-7; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Rom 11:13-15, 29-32; Mt 15:21-28

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The Annual St. Theresa Shrine Feast Day scheduled for the third Sunday in August has been canceled for this year due to restrictions on public gatherings. **The 11:30 AM Sunday Mass will be held**

at the outdoor shrine (weather permitting) through Sunday, August 30th. *Please note, the outdoor Mass will be offered "ad orientem", due to the current configuration of the outdoor shrine. *****

- **"Theology on Fire" is back!** Theology on Fire is a Young Adults Group which meets the second Friday of every month from April to November at **St. Theresa Shrine**, coordinated by Mark Garrepy. Young adults ages 16-35 are welcome to join us for a lecture around a fire in the outdoor shrine. Following the lecture, adoration is held in the outdoor church. Directly afterwards, the group meets in the Church hall for pizza and community. The night closes with Night Prayer at 9:50 PM. Please consider joining us for our **next event, this Friday, August 14th. Social distancing norms are practiced!**

Reminders about reopening for public Mass.

(1.) We are now in Phase III: Attendance is up to 66% of fire code capacity at each church building.
(200 people outdoors)

(2.) The "six foot rule" is being implemented regarding seating and the reception of Holy Communion.

(3.) The obligation to attend Mass has been suspended. If you are vulnerable or uneasy about attending public Mass, you are advised **not** to come! If you are experiencing any symptoms of this illness, **you must not enter the building**. One Mass is streamed and made available for online viewing on our YouTube Channel, "Shrine of the Little Flower" every Sunday at 11:30 AM.

(4.) Anyone entering the church must sanitize their hands. Physical contact must not happen (hand shaking, etc.) Masks are highly encouraged to be worn, but not during the reception of Holy Communion. Thank you for your kind cooperation! **Trust God and practice common sense!!**



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

SVDP OLGH CONFERENCE ANNOUNCEMENTS.

The OLGH Food Pantry will move from the Tuesday openings to Saturday openings. **We will have the distribution outside the building - bringing packages, prepared prior to opening, out to families. Next openings: Saturday, September 5th.** The SVDP Food Pantry will continue to accept food and personal item donations in the designated bins at each church, however we will be unable to receive donations of plastic bags until further notice due to restrictions currently in place. Thank you for your continued support of this ministry!

TRADITIONAL CATHOLIC PRAYER IN TIMES OF EPIDEMICS

V. Deal not with us, Lord, according to our sins. **R.** And take not vengeance on us because of our misdeeds. **V.** Help us, O God, our Deliverer. **R.** And for thy name's sake, O Lord, free us. **V.** Remember not, O Lord, our sins of old. Hasten to us with thy compassion, for we are become exceeding poor. **V.** St. Sebastian, pray for us. **R.** That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ. **V.** O Lord, hear my prayer. And let my cry come unto thee. **V.** The Lord be with you. And with thy spirit.

Let us pray: Vouchsafe to hear us, O God, our only salvation! And through the intercession of the glorious and blessed Mary, Mother of God and ever Virgin, of thy blessed martyr, Sebastian and of all the saints, deliver thy people from the terrors of thy wrath, and restore their confidence by the outpouring of thy compassion. Be moved to pity, O Lord, at our earnest entreaties, and heal the illnesses of body and soul; so that experiencing thy forgiveness we may ever rejoice in thy blessing. We beseech thee, O Lord, grant us a hearing as we devoutly raise our petitions to thee, and graciously turn away the epidemic of plague which afflicts us; so that mortal hearts may recognize that these scourges proceed from thine indignation and cease only when thou art moved to mercy. Through our Lord Jesus Christ **R.** Amen.



We will be accepting registrations for next fall (2020-21). Letters to all participating families were mailed regarding this matter in May. Forms can also be downloaded from the parish website. **Decisions on how we will safely proceed will in the Fall will be determined by early September.**

First Communion Date: Saturday, August 15th @ 10 AM, St. Theresa Shrine. The First Communion teachers will be in contact with families regarding rehearsals, protocol etc. Social distancing and limits on number of attendees will be followed.

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