

Our Lady of Good Help & Saint Theresa of the Child Jesus Roman Catholic Parishes.

Continuing the Tradition of Faith, Service and Community.

OLGH: 1063 Victory Highway, Mapleville, RI 02839/ St. Theresa: 35 Dion Drive, Harrisville, RI 02830.



Parish Clergy

Rev. Michael J. McMahon, Pastor.

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

Trustees

(OLGH): Roger Ducharme & Michael Cosetta.

(St. Theresa): Normand Dalpe & Richard Lachapelle.

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 Coordinator: Mark Garrepy.

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

Inter-parish & Cemetery Office

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

Cindy Manning, Administrative Secretary.
(Office located at St. Theresa's Rectory)



Liturgical Schedule & Sacramental Life

Our Lady of Good Help: **Saturday Vigil:** 4:30 PM.

Sunday: 10:00 AM.

St. Theresa: **Sunday:** 8:00 AM & 11:30 AM.

Daily Mass: 8:30 AM: **Monday & Thursday** @ OLGH.

Tuesday & Wednesday @ St. Theresa.

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

BAPTISM: Baptisms are celebrated monthly. Please contact Father McMahon 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.



**First Sunday of Lent.
March 10, 2019**

Our Lady of Good Help

Monday, March 11, 2019

Lenten Weekday

8:30 AM + Royce Medeiros — 43 rd Anniversary

Req. by the Family

Thursday, March 14, 2019

Lenten Weekday

8:30 AM +

Saturday, March 16, 2019

The Vigil for the Second Sunday of Lent

4:30 PM + Viola Faford Req. by The Family

Sunday, March 17, 2019

The Second Sunday of Lent

10:00 AM + Normand Lapierre

Req. by Denise & David Lamontagne

St. Theresa

Tuesday, March 12, 2019

Lenten Weekday

8:30 AM + Gertrude Nardolillo Req. by Marie Magill

11:00 AM: Mass at Bayberry Commons.

Wednesday, March 13, 2019

Lenten Weekday

8:30 AM + Pauline L'Heureux

Req. by Cheryl & Rick Champagne

Sunday, March 17, 2019

The Second Sunday of Lent

8:00 AM + Sotiris Xiarhos Req. by Marie & Tom Xiarhos

11:30 AM + Philippe Robidoux Req. by His Wife, Minn

Due to the publication deadline, the financial information for March 2/3 will be published next weekend.

The weekly goal needed to meet expenses at each parish is \$3,500. The second collection this week is for maintenance. Sign up for "on-line giving" on the inter-parish website (under the donate menu).

No Second Collection Next Weekend (Mar. 17th).

Weekly Mass Attendance Tracker: (Mar. 2/3)

4:30 PM (OLGH): 143

8:00 AM (St. Theresa): 96

10:00 AM (OLGH): 283

11:30 AM (St. Theresa): 103

Weekend Total: 625.

OLGH Capacity: 375/ St. Theresa Capacity: 250.

**From the
Pastor**

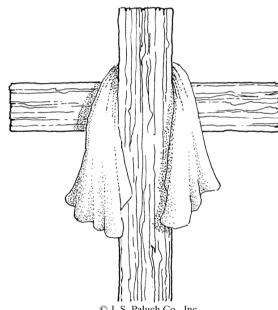
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Dear Parishioners,

Welcome to Lent! We are now embarking on a sacred 40 day journey of prayer and penance. As is the usual pious custom, many of us sacrifice something we enjoy for Lent. This is a traditional spiritual practice that assist us in battling the inclination towards sin. However, we should not only consider "giving up" something but also "giving back" to the Lord. Perhaps giving Him a few extra minutes a day in prayer or attending daily Mass? Praying the Stations of the Cross is also a spiritually enriching way to enter into this season.

Lent is above all a time of prayer. A time to deepen our daily practice of prayer. We are invited by the Church to follow the custom of fasting. Fasting first from meats on Fridays, but also fasting from those pleasures and comforts we might enjoy too much! Such fasting should also be accompanied by an increase of almsgiving for the needs of the poor. St. Augustine, in a sermon on Lent, teaches that: "*Through humility and charity, fasting and almsgiving, abstaining and forgiving, avoiding evil and doing good, our prayer seeks peace and achieves it.*" (Sermon 206)

In the spirit of almsgiving, the Diocese of Providence conducts the "Catholic Charity Appeal" every Lent. Each parish in the diocese is required to conduct the "in-pew" solicitation for the 2019 Catholic Charity Fund Appeal. Simply, for those wishing to contribute, envelopes will be available in the pews and can be either dropped in the collection basket or mailed directly to the diocese. Please indicate which parish to credit. The 2019 goal for each parish is \$20,000. Any money raised that exceeds the goal remains in the parish. On behalf of Bishop Tobin, thank you for your generous support.



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God bless,

Fr. McMahan

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

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Ps 19:8-10, 15;
Mt 25:31-46
Tuesday: Is 55:10-11; Ps 34:4-7, 16-19; Mt 6:7-15
Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19;
Lk 11:29-32
Thursday: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Ps 138:1-3, 7c-8;
Mt 7:7-12
Friday: 1 Pt 5:1-4; Ps 23:1-3a, 4-6; Mt 16:13-19
Saturday: Dt 26:16-19; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8; Mt 5:43-48
Sunday: Gn 15:5-12, 17-18; Ps 27:1, 7-9, 13-14;
Phil 3:17 — 4:1 [3:20 — 4:1]; Lk 9:28b-36

"INTER-PARISH & DIOCESEAN NEWS"



Tabernacle Candles (St. Theresa):

Lataille & Sparrow Family, living & deceased.

Req. by Lorraine Sparrow.

Sanctuary candle In honor of Blessed Virgin Mary

(St. Theresa): In Memory of Viola Faford Req. by The Family

Sanctuary Lamp (St. Theresa):

In memory of Mrs. Connie Sak Req. by Josette Lizotte

"2019 Operation Rice Bowl"

The annual Rice Bowl campaign is a Lenten program of prayer, fasting and almsgiving sponsored by Catholic Relief Services. Leaflets and "Rice Bowls" may be found in the back tables of both churches. These may be used throughout your Lenten journey. In collecting money, instead of turning in loose change, please make checks payable to either parish with "Rice bowl" in the memo.



LENT

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- **Stations of The Cross: Friday Evenings in St. Theresa Church at 7PM. Beginning this Friday, March 8th through April 12th.**
- **Friday Lenten Fish & Chips: St. Theresa Parish Hall beginning this Friday, March 8th from 12PM until 7 PM through Friday, April 12th.**
- **Lenten Inter-parish Penance Service: Monday, April 1st @ 6:30PM, St. Theresa Church.**
- **Women's Day of Recollection: Saturday, March 16th @ St. Theresa Hall, 10 AM until 3 PM. Register at www.burrillvillecatholic.org.**
- **Men's Day of Recollection: Saturday, March 30th, 10 AM until 3 PM, @ St. Theresa Hall. Register at www.burrillvillecatholic.org.**
- **Lenten Movie Night "With the Saints:" Sundays in Lent, March 10- April 14th, 7 PM @ St. Theresa Hall.**

All are welcome !!

- **2019 CATHOLIC CHARITY FUND APPEAL:** The Diocese has already sent out letters for this year's Fund Appeal. **These letters and follow-ups originate from the diocese and not the parish.** 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.** Be assured that either OLGH or St. Theresa's is receiving credit for all donations. In-pew envelopes are now available at both churches. **The 2019 goal for each parish is \$20,000.**
- **A SIGN OF PEACE:** This season, the flu is once again particularly serious and widespread. With that in mind, the exchange of peace will be omitted at **ALL MASSES** for the remainder of the winter months. Thank you for your cooperation!
- **40 Days for Life Lenten Campaign:** The Office of Life and Family Ministry and Rhode Island Right to Life are co-sponsoring the Lenten campaign beginning on Ash Wednesday, **March 6 through Palm Sunday, April 13.** We are requesting parishes to adopt a day or an hour, and for individuals to adopt an hour for a peaceful prayer vigil at Planned Parenthood, 175 Broad Street, Providence, during this 40 day period from 7am to 7pm. Please contact Carol Owens, Office of Life and Family Ministry, covens@dioceseofprovidence.org.
- **OLGH/SVDP Food Pantry:** Donations for the Food Pantry are to be made in the bins located at either church or by calling 762-1834 to make arrangements. Donations should **not** be left outside either church. Also, items that are especially needed at this time include cereals, bottled juice, water, peanut butter sauces, and hygiene products.



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Reminder: Students in First Communion & Confirmation Preparation are required to **sign in** at weekend Mass every week, regardless of the class schedule.

Mandatory First Communion Parent Meeting is scheduled for Sunday, March 31st at 9 AM in OLGH Church. The meeting will be conducted by coordinator, Pat Ducharme.

Grade 8 Confirmation Retreat: Sunday, March 24th from 12:15 PM until 4 PM, St. Theresa Hall. The retreat presenter is Deacon Greg Albanese from LaSalle Academy.

Important Dates in 2019

Confirmation: Tuesday, May 7, 2019 @ 6:30 PM in Our Lady of Good Help Church with Bishop Robert Evans.

First Communion: Sunday, May 5, 2019 @ 10 AM, Our Lady of Good Help Church.

Information page

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