

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 02830.

Parish Website: www.burrillvillecatholic.org

Both churches are handicap accessible.



Parish Clergy

Rev. Michael J. McMahon, Pastor.

Rev. Mr. Richard J. Lapierre, 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 or

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 sunrise to sunset.



Second Sunday of Lent.

March 8, 2020

*"Atop a high mountain, Jesus was transfigured before Peter, James, and John."
(Matthew 17:1-9).*

MASSSES for the WEEK



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

Monday, March 9, 2020 ~ Lenten Weekday

8:30 AM + Richard Champagne

Req. by Jean Davis & Millie Lafay

6:00 PM: Stations of the Cross @ St. Theresa Shrine.

Tuesday, March 10, 2020 ~ Lenten Weekday

8:30 AM + Marilyn Follett *Req. by Cheryl Champagne*

11:00 AM: Mass at Bayberry Commons.

Wednesday, March 11, 2020 ~ Lenten Weekday

8:30 AM + Raymond Champagne *Req. by Cheryl Champagne*

Thursday, March 12, 2020

8:30 AM + Richard Champagne

Req. by Claude & Jacqueline Carlier

Weekend Masses

Saturday, March 14, 2020 ~ Vigil Mass, Third Sunday of Lent

4:30 PM (OLGH) + Albert Trudeau (20th Ann.) &

Rita Trudeau (4th Ann.)

Req. by Nancy Morales

Sunday, March 15, 2020 ~ Third Sunday of Lent

8:00 AM (St. T) + Lucien Lamoureux *Req. by His son, Lucien*

10:00 AM (OLGH) + William Wright — 38th Anniversary &

Emmett Wright—1st Anniversary

Req. by Steve & Katie Wright

11:30 AM (St. T) + Robert Mitchell *Req. by Normand Dalpe*

Weekly Offering February 29/March 1, 2020



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Sunday Collection.....\$6,006.00

Fuel & Utilities Collection.....\$2,065.00

Ash Wednesday Collection (Feb. 26).....\$1,394.00

Online Giving\$325.00

SVDP Donations.....\$260.00

*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!!*

No Second Collection Next Weekend (Mar. 15)

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,

I hope your Lent is off to a good start! Please take full advantage of these next several weeks of spiritual preparation. Remember, *in order to fully appreciate and celebrate Easter, we must first enter into Lent!* The forty days of Lent, and the disciplines which accompany, are not meant as mere drudgery alone. Rather, the greater goal of Lent is to become spiritually strengthened and more alive in faith. Ultimately, we gain so much more than what we sacrifice!

Speaking of sacrifice, I would like to provide an update on our parish's participation in the "Grateful for God's Providence" Campaign from last Fall. As you may know, the Diocese achieved it's \$50 million dollar goal in pledges. The campaign is essentially over, with some pledges still trickling in. Thanks to the generous response by 72 families, our parish was able to raise \$127,970, with 40 % of that amount (\$51,188) staying here! Although, we only raised 46% of the target goal, I believe we did very well considering the present societal and economic climate we are in. I am grateful for all who were able to make a sacrificial commitment towards this goal!

As stated at the outset of the campaign, we will use our share of the money raised towards some of the projects mentioned in the case statement. However, since we raised only half of the goal, the scope of what can be done is limited. Nonetheless, the bathroom project at OLGH Church will be addressed in April (after Easter), as this is the most pressing project. The work to demolish and create a new handicap accessible and easy maintained single bathroom will begin then. Based on the bids, the estimated cost for this phase of the project will be around \$24,000 to complete. The cost of installing two new bathrooms is not economically feasible or necessary, since we did not reach our total goal. More information on what this project will entail as the work commences. The handicap accessibility at OLGH and shrine improvements will most likely be tackled over the course of the next year, as the funds come in.

God bless,

Fr. McMahon

P.S. Due to the severity of the flu season, and the concerns raised by the "Coronavirus", the diocese is requesting all parishes to suspend the sign of peace until further notice. Ask all parishioners to strictly follow this mandate! Thank you!!

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Dn 9:4b-10; Ps 79:8, 9, 11, 13; Lk 6:36-38
 Tuesday: Is 1:10, 16-20; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23;
 Mt 23:1-12
 Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20; Ps 31:5-6, 14-16; Mt 20:17-28
 Thursday: Jer 17:5-10; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 16:19-31
 Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a; 17b-28a; Ps 105:16-21;
 Mt 21:33-43, 45-46
 Saturday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Ps 103:1-4, 9-12;
 Lk 15:1-3, 11-32
 Sunday: Ex 17:3-7; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Rom 5:1-2, 5-8;
 Jn 4:5-42 [5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42]

"Parish & Diocesan News"



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

LENT



- **Stations of The Cross: Monday Evenings during Lent at St. Theresa Church @ 6PM.**
- **Friday Lenten Fish & Chips: St. Theresa hall, Friday's in Lent (Through April 3rd) from 12PM until 7 PM.**
- **Lenten Penance Service: Monday, March 30th @ 6:30PM, St. Theresa Church.**
- **Shrine Men's Day of Recollection: Saturday, March 28 @ St. Theresa hall, 10 AM until 3 PM.**
- **"Sunday with the Saints" Lenten Movie Night: Sunday evenings during the first four Sundays of Lent. This year we are featuring St. Ignatius Loyola on March 1st, St. Bernadette Soubirous on March 8th, St. Patrick on March 15th and St. Padre Pio on March 22, 2020. The movie begins at 7PM @ St. Theresa hall.**



The "2020 Lenten Rice Bowl" Campaign is a program of prayer, fasting and almsgiving sponsored by Catholic Relief Services. "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 OLGH parish with "Rice bowl" in the memo.

Weekly Mass Attendance Count: (Feb. 29/Mar.1)

4:30 PM (OLGH): 142
 8:00 AM (St. Theresa): 117
 10:00 AM (OLGH): 258
 11:30 AM (St. Theresa): 104
Weekend Total: 621.

"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 50th 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.

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 Bishop Tobin. The appeal kicks off in March, with in pew the weekend of March 22nd. **The 2020 goal is \$29,600. **ALL MAILINGS ORIGINATE FROM THE DIOCESE, NOT THE PARISH.****

DIOCESAN FAITH FORMATION CONVOCATION.

Saturday, March 14, 2020. Bryant University, Smithfield, RI. All adults are invited to be refreshed in their faith, enjoy fellowship with other Catholics, and be equipped to discuss their Catholic Faith with others. Dynamic speaker and author, Mike Aquilina, will present the Keynote Address "The Martyr's Cup" and a break-out session "Angels of God." Speakers from the McGrath Institute for Church Life will present a series of talks on Science and the Bible. Other topics include missionary discipleship, sharing the Faith with children and teens, the Church's teaching on gender theory and more. The day begins with Holy Mass at 8:30 AM celebrated by Bishop Thomas Tobin. The schedule runs 10:00 AM – 5:15 PM and includes informative breakout sessions with 20 speakers, lunch, Confessions, and Adoration and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. Advance ticket sales only.

Purchase tickets, view the full schedule and list of speakers and exhibitors at www.discovercatholicfaith.org. **For more info: Office of Faith Formation at 401-278-4646**



Religious Education

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.

Confirmation Date: Thursday, May 21, 2020 @ 6 PM, St. Joseph Church 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.

Planning ahead: The last Religious Education Classes for the year, April 26/27, 2020.

Information page

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Special Instructions: