



# The Communities of



## St. Theresa Parish

158 Old West Hopkinton Road  
P.O. Box 729  
Henniker, NH 03242

## St. Mary Parish

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Hillsboro, NH 03244  
Mailing address same as St. Theresa

Email: [office@sttheresachurch.comcastbiz.net](mailto:office@sttheresachurch.comcastbiz.net)

### Mass Times

#### St. Theresa Parish

Monday & Wednesday  
8:30am  
Saturday 4:00pm  
Sunday 8:00 & 11:00am

#### Confessions:

Saturday 3:15-3:45pm

#### Adoration:

Wednesday  
9:00am–Noon  
Wednesday 6:00-7:00pm

#### St. Mary Parish

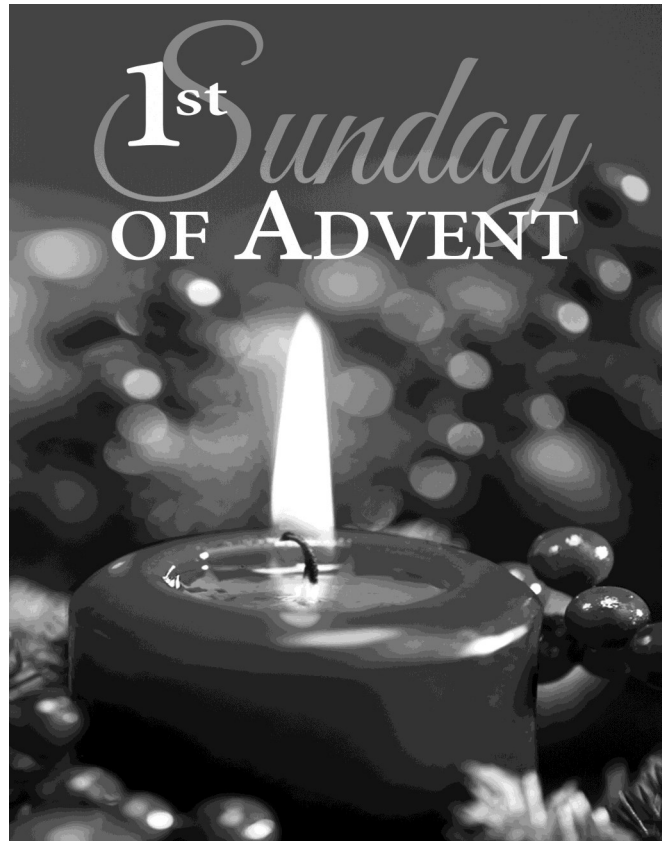
Tuesday & Thursday  
8:30am  
Sunday 9:30am

#### Confessions:

Wednesday 6:00-6:30pm

#### Adoration:

1st Thursday of the Month  
7:00-8:00pm



November 27, 2016

### Contact

#### Office Hours:

Monday—Wednesday  
9:00am—3:00pm  
Thursday 9:00—12:00noon

Phone: 603-428-3325

Fax: 603-428-4479

Email: See Above.

#### Parish Staff

##### Pastor:

Fr. Thomas Duston

##### Weekend Assistant:

Fr. Maurice Abasilim

##### Deacon:

Wayne Bolduc

##### St. Theresa Religious

##### Education Director:

Mary Corsetti

##### Parish Office:

Sarah Scalph and  
Dolly Megens

## Welcome!

If you are new to our parish please complete a registration form or contact the parish office. Visitors, we're glad you joined us today!

### Sacraments

**Baptism:** Performed on the first Sunday of the month. Please make arrangements in advance by contacting the parish office.

**Marriage Preparation:** Arrangements must be made at least six months in advance. Please contact the parish office prior to making other arrangements.

If you, or someone you know, would like more information about Catholicism, please contact the parish office.

[www.ShowerofRoses.org](http://www.ShowerofRoses.org)

Fr. Thom Duston's New Address

Rev. Thomas L. Duston  
St. Mary Parish  
71 Lowell St.  
Rochester, NH 03867



Bishop Libasci's Thanksgiving Message 2016

November 24, 2016

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ, Thanksgiving Day was inaugurated as, and remains, a secular national holiday that not only allows but expects us, as citizens, to bow our heads in prayer. This gesture of humility demonstrates our reliance on and gratitude for the gifts of Almighty God whose hand created and guides the unfolding course of life. Thanksgiving remains a day of national reverence on which we, as citizens, are not only allowed but expected to be generous to the poor and welcoming to the stranger among us. It is a day that not only allows but encourages us as citizens to respond to Jesus' two Great Commandments: to love God with all our heart, mind, soul and strength and to love our neighbor as ourselves.

At its heart our nation can be a holy nation; a people set apart. We can be the beacon that shines on a hill; indeed, many times we do stand as a shining example. We have the resources and the capacity to bow our heads with a nobility that reflects the very best of who we are and what we represent. Therefore we ought to take this Thanksgiving Day to commit ourselves to this image of our best selves as citizens.

My prayer for this cause is taken from a very beautiful Jewish prayer, a people who were directed by God to remember the poor and the alien by recalling that they too were once strangers in a foreign land:

*"Praised be Thou, Oh Lord, King of the universe, for you have brought us into being, given us life, and sustained us to this very hour. Amen."*

So let us give thanks in word, in thought, and most assuredly, in good, life-giving deeds.

Sincerely in Christ,

*Most Reverend Peter A. Libasci*

Bishop of Manchester

**Worldwide Marriage Encounter**

"Oh house of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the Lord!" As we begin the anticipation of Advent, let us walk together in the love of God by participating in a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend.

The next WWME Weekends are Dec 2-4, 2016 in Duxbury, MA and Jan 20-22, 2017 in Duxbury, MA.

For more information, call Stephen & Michelle O'Leary at 800-710-9963 or visit us at

[www.WWMEMA.org](http://www.WWMEMA.org).

**Centering/Contemplative Prayer Group**

A Centering/Contemplative Prayer Group for the Deanery meets on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month from 5-6:15pm in the Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish Center, 180 Loudon Rd. in Concord.

Info: Kate Rafferty Hall  
at [kraffertyhall@comcast.net](mailto:kraffertyhall@comcast.net)

**Advent Service of Nine Lessons and Carols at  
Northeast Catholic College**

The Faculty, Staff and Students of Northeast Catholic College cordially invite you to attend an Advent

Service of Nine Lessons and Carols on Sunday, December 4, 2016, 5:00 PM on campus at Our Lady Queen of Apostles Chapel, 511 Kearsarge Mountain Road, Warner, New Hampshire. The prayer service will be followed by a reception in the dining room. Light hors d'oeuvres and refreshments will be served. We hope that you will join us in this celebration of the Advent of Our Savior Jesus

Christ! Please RSVP to Ginger Iverson at [giverson@NortheastCatholic.edu](mailto:giverson@NortheastCatholic.edu) or call 603.456.2656. Also, please visit our website [www.NortheastCatholic.edu](http://www.NortheastCatholic.edu).

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**Building Debt**

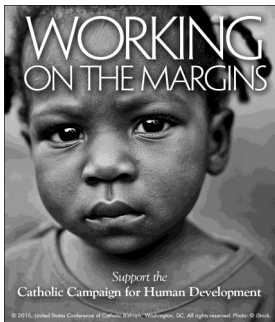
Building Debt (10/06/16)	\$ 517,000.00
Principal Payment (11/09/16)	\$ 6,749.99
4% Interest Payment (11/09/16)	\$ 1,729.17
Updated Building Debt (11/09/16)	\$ 512,000.00

**Pledges and Donations**

Total Debt Rec'd this month	\$ 3,340.79
Debt Reduction this week	\$ 1132.00
Building Fund Balance 11/13/16	\$ 1,101.35

The evening of Thursday December 1st @6:30pm  
 Kimball House at Capital Center for the Arts. "Helping Families Home: A Celebration of FPGC's first year".  
 Catered by Sally's Table (A Grace Capital parishioner and wonderful local business!)

**Be there and invite your friends to come celebrate!**  
 Should you have any questions about this, please contact Rita at [ritamurdough@mcttelecom.com](mailto:ritamurdough@mcttelecom.com) or 428-7735



Thank you for your contributions to the collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development! Your generous gift will help CCHD break the cycle of poverty in the United States through better education, improved housing, and economic development. Through CCHD and its beneficiaries, we demonstrate Catholic social teaching and carry out Jesus' mission to "bring glad tidings to the poor...to proclaim liberty to captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free." (Lk 4:18)

**Coming Events**

- Nov. 20-Dec. 18 Giving Tree
- Dec. 4 **Coffee and Donuts**  
 Religious Ed. 9:15-10:30  
 Edge/YM 6:15-8:00pm
- Dec. 11 Religious Ed. 9:15-10:30

**Men's Prayer Group**

1st & 3rd Wednesday of the month  
 7:00 - 8:00 pm in the library at St. Theresa's

PLEASE NOTE

There will be no daily masses or confessions until a new Pastor or administrator has been appointed.

**Mass Intentions**

- Sat Nov. 26 4:00 p.m.  
 † Sheila Taylor Munson by her parents
- † Timothy Griffen by Family
- Sun Nov. 27 8:00 a.m.  
 † Members of the Desjardins Family
- Sun Nov. 27 11:00 a.m.  
 † Artie Gendreau by Peg Gendreau
- Mon Nov. 28 NO MASS
- Wed Nov. 30 NO MASS
- Sat Dec. 3 4:00 p.m.  
 † Janice Moreland  
 by Pat and Fred Moreland
- † Edward Aucoin
- Sun Dec. 4 8:00 a.m.  
 ☼ Priests, Deacons, and Seminarians
- Sun Dec. 4 11:00 a.m.  
 † Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Sullivan,  
 and Lawrence Sullivan, Jr.  
 by Tom and Jayne Sullivan

**PLEASE NOTE:**

Bishop has decreed that for the seasons beginning with the First Sunday of Advent until Holy Thursday, Holy Communion is to be distributed only under the form of the Consecrated Host during Mass.

We will return to Holy Communion under both species on Holy Saturday.

**Q** *What significance does the Advent season have for our Christian faith journey?*

Advent is a season of joyful anticipation and expectation. But for what specifically? Certainly not for the birth of the Christ Child—that occurred more than two thousand years ago. This season links us with all those who lived in the era of longing for the coming of the Messiah. But he has come and lived among us.

Then what are we joyfully anticipating and expecting?

Some are joyfully anticipating the many gifts that they will buy and share with others, along with the many gifts they will receive in return. Others enter into the overblown commercialism—decorating, partying, writing cards, and all the endless customs that go with the season.

What if the anticipation and expectation were to focus on how we can continue to make present the living Christ in each and every moment of our daily lives? Yes, Jesus came among us two thousand years ago. But how do we continue to make that presence real in our world? Jesus himself set the agenda for us. We are to proclaim good news to the poor, liberty to captives, sight to the blind, provide food for the hungry, shelter for the homeless, freedom for those who are oppressed and abused. What would the Advent season look like if this, rather than materialism, was the main focus of our joyful anticipation and expectation? Try it and see what results. It may surprise all of us.

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**Sanctuary Lamp Memorial**



The sanctuary Lamp (the candle burning near the tabernacle) signals Jesus' Eucharistic presence in the tabernacle.

It burns constantly, 24 hours a day! If you would like to "sponsor" the burning of the Sanctuary Lamp in memory of a loved one, you are welcome to do so! Simply contact Sarah at the parish office. The offering is \$10 for any given week...from Sunday through Saturday.

This week it is burning for: Ray Jedrey

*Vocations Chalice*



If you are a registered parishioner of St. Theresa Parish and would like to take home the Vocations Chalice for a week of dedicated prayer for vocations, please sign-up on the Vocations table in the Narthex under the stained glass window of Mary.

This week: Rita Murdough  
will be praying each day for vocations.

**Bishop Brady High School**

11th Annual Christmas Craft Fair

Saturday, December 10th

9:00 am - 2:00 pm

Featuring 75 Artisans, 50/50, Raffles, Cookie walk, Food, and Christmas Shop for children 12 and under.

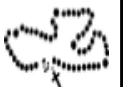
Free Admission

Where: 25 Columbus Ave., Concord, NH  
For more information, contact Paula Scrivens at  
224-7419.

*St. Theresa Parish Prayer Chain*



June Antle, Richard Aucoin, Robert Aucoin, Leonard Bienvenue, Amanda Brown, Emma Cook Bates, Susan Bullock, Claire Carty, Paul Crowley, Lisa DeLeon, Elizabeth D'Orazio, Robert Dugas, Lillian Fortier, Ann Hasbany, Lynda Hill, Ken Hudson, Peter and LisaMarie Lind, Norma Metzger, Brianna Murdough, Sheila Miller, Pam Monaghan, Katie Otterson, Joanne Palisi, Shawna Poisson, Peter Paul, Henry Rossander, Jonathan Ruiz, Susan Smith, Donald Le Talien, Sean and Robin Theodore





November 13, 2016

Parish Offertory	\$	1,693.00
Stipends	\$	10.00
Votive	\$	105.51
Sanctuary Lamp	\$	10.00

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**THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT**

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This week it is burning for: Deborah Jeanne Santos

**Mass Intentions**

- Sun Nov. 27 9:30 a.m.  
 † James Donaghue by Family  
 (intention moved from Thanksgiving day)
- † Cathleen Grimes  
 by Paul and Gloria Planchet
- Tue Nov. 2 8:30 a.m.  
 Readings of the day, rosary and  
 Divine Mercy chaplet.
- Thu Dec. 1 8:30 a.m.  
 Readings of the day and Chalice of  
 strength for priests.

***ST. MARY***

***Upcoming Meetings***

**Chaplet of Divine Mercy for the Mercy of God on ISIS**  
Every Tuesday morning after Mass

**Chalice of Strength Holy hour for Priests**  
Every Thursday after 8:30 Mass  
For more information contact Belinda @ 446-3484 or  
email: emcoast2013@yahoo.com

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament**  
First Thursday of the month 7:00 –8:00 p.m.

**Social Committee**  
Meets the 1st Wednesday of the month @ 9:00 a.m.  
in the rectory  
For more information contact Diana Downward @  
464-3199

**Knights of Columbus**  
Meets the 2nd Wednesday of the Month at 7:00 p.m.  
For information call Philip Womersley @ 428-3145

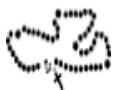
**Outreach Meeting**  
Last Monday of the Month at 1:00 p.m.

**Faith Sharing Meeting and Potluck**  
Next meeting Dec.14th at 10:00am  
for more info call Mary Plater at 464-4034

**Olde Fashioned Christmas 2016**  
Dec. 3rd, 9am-1pm

The Social Committee is collecting items for the "white elephant" sale table for Olde Fashioned Christmas, Dec. 3. If you have any "treasures" you'd like to donate, please leave them on a table in the back of the church hall (near the bathrooms).

There will be table space available, if you would like your own table for craft items you might like to sell. Please contact T. McClure at 478-3288.  
Calling all bakers, if you can bake a small batch of "something" (cookies, brownies, etc.) for the bake sale table, please contact Joan Burke at 529-2686.



*St. Mary Prayer Chain*



Vera Barone, Doris Borges, Maureen Burger, Christina Bryer, Louise Castner, Yvonne Chesna, Paul Crowley, Dick Cullen, Lori & Steven Carrington, Claire Carty, Bea Cusick, Norris Dozois, Juliette Dozois, Peter Dubuque, Jim and Wendy Dumais, Roberta Pletcher, Sandy F., Rudy G. Lucy Gaudet, 1st Lt. Brandon Gillett, Fran G. Richard Grimard, Marion Griffin, CJ, Travis Kocur, JL, Bonnie Lapointe, Denice & Ronnie Latouche, Alfred LeBouef, Janet LeBouef, Marlene LeBoeuf, Jordan Leishman, Joan McMinn, Roger Murphy, The Morin Family, Marsha Mills, Anne Morrissette, Brianna Murdough, Paige, Jon and Heather Plater, HM, Rosalie Mogavero, Regina Paquette, Fr. Jeff Paveglio, JR, Marlies Radermacher, RJ, Harold Sullivan, Michael Weber, CW, Kermit Kronholm