

UPPER VALLEY PARISHES – BULLETIN

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish, 113 Upper Plain, Bradford, VT 05033

Parish Office Hours: **Monday and Tuesday: 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM**

Administrator and Parish Office **Rev. Andrew Bednarowicz**

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MASS SCHEDULE: Weekend: **Saturday 5:30 PM, Sunday 10:00 AM**

Weekday: Monday & Tuesday: 8:30 AM

Organist: **Irene Drew**, Tel: **603-960-0350**

Violin: **John Kucer**, Tel: **802-295-3484**

PPC: DRE: **Ginny Flynn**, Tel: **603-348-5909**

PFC:

Missionary Churches: St. Eugene Church

10 center St. Wells River, VT 05081

Weekend Mass: **Saturday: 4:00 PM**

PPC:, Sacristan: **William O'Malley**, Tel: **802-757-2870**

EM: Lector: **Maggie Carr**, Tel: **603-989-0087**

PFC: **Daniel Leonard**, Tel: **802-584-3887**

Our Lady of Light Chapel

203 Rt.132 South Strafford, VT 05070

Weekend Mass: **Sunday: 8:00 AM**

PPC:, Sacristan: **Siobhan Lopez**, Tel: **802-765-4387**

PFC: **Thomas Essex**, Tel: **802-765-4118**

St. Francis of Assisi Church

70 Beaver Meadow Rd. Norwich, VT 05055, P.O. Box 1216

Weekend: **Sunday: 9:00 AM**; Parish Assistant: DRE: **Fran De Gasta**,

Tel: **(802)-649-3533**; PPC: **Joe Ciambra** Tel: **(802)-558-0622**

PFC: **Carla Vincent** Tel: **(802)-649-8333**, MUSIC: **Lisa Kutolowski**

SACRAMENTS: RECONCILIATION - BEFORE MASS and First Friday or appointment; Baptism: Contact One month in advance; **Marriage:** Contact the Parish Office Bradford Only at least Six month in advance.



We collect food for poor families in OLPH Church in Bradford.
Contact: **Judy Smith**



PAUL J. GALLERANI 1937 - 2025

Bradford, VT - **Paul Joseph Gallerani passed away peacefully** at Dartmouth Hitchcock Hospital from influenza and pneumonia on March 10, 2025, with family by his side. His beloved wife of 66 years, Roberta Gallerani (Bobbie), predeceased him on February 4, 2022, and though he was devastated, he had faith he would be joining her soon. Paul is survived by his children, Peter Gallerani and Carol Metayer; his grandchildren, Paul Metayer, Shelby Metayer, and Nicholas Gallerani; his daughter-in-law, Jeanne Gallerani; his son-in-law, Skip Metayer; his granddaughter-in-law, Johana Gallerani; and his great grandsons, Broderick Casey and Matteo Gallerani. He is also survived by his sister Irene; seven nieces and nephews, cousins, and many dear friends. Paul was born on October 18th, 1937, in Somerville, MA to Peter and Mary Gallerani. His family moved to Vermont when he was three, where his father had started the successful livestock business, Peter Gallerani & Sons, in East Corinth. He was raised in East Corinth and Bradford, VT and graduated from Bradford Academy in 1955. Paul never went to college but was mathematically gifted and could multiply and divide six figure numbers in his head. Paul loved his family and friends deeply and will be greatly missed by his family and his many friends. Paul had a rare gift of becoming instant friends with almost everybody he met. And many of these casual friendships developed into deep friendships. He was unusual in that, at an age when his old friends were passing, he continued to cherish the company of new friends that were often much younger than him, and that helped to keep him young-at-heart until the end. Paul was a devoted Catholic and a member of 74 years of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church in Bradford where he and Bobbie were generous contributors of time and money. Paul was also one of the first Alter Boys in the church just after its construction in 1950. **Thank you Paul** for your beautiful life, Rest in Peace. Amen. *Fr. Andrew*, administrator OLPH Church in Bradford, May 4th 2025

Prayer for the Sick: John Mackey, Barbara Hanson, Ryan Hall, John McDaniel, Cynthia, Gorge Vaillancourt, Bob Sheurich, Marilyn and Donald Dempsey, Gisela O'Brien, Dot Elliott, Andre Thibault, **ROSE DUFFY**, John Kucer, Healing for a cancer patient, Jared List, Carol Matayer, Bill Richter, **Darcy O'Connell**. **Father**, your only Son took upon himself the sufferings and weakness of the whole human race; through his passion and cross he taught us how good can be brought out of suffering. Look upon our **brothers** and **sisters** who are ill, whom we now re-member in a special way. In the midst of illness and pain, may they be united with Christ, who heals both body and soul. We ask this through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



OLPH Bradford, **Every First Friday** of the month there is a Holy Mass at 8:30 AM, followed by exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and adoration until 10:00 A.M. **We invite all willing.**

At OLPH Bradford Church, **Every First Sunday** of the month at 11:00 AM Social Time all parishioners and guests meet for coffee, drinks, cookies and talks. We invite you.

OUR CHURCHES SUPPORT, OLPH in

Bradford: Our weekly need to meet expenses: \$1,600.00, **Last Week's Collection: \$.973.00; Annual Fuel Raffle; 24/25 – OLPH in Bradford** Our need to meet expenses: \$20.000. **We received total: \$22,695.00. THANK YOU SO MUCH.**
St. Francis of Assisi in Norwich: Our weekly need to meet expenses: \$700.00; **Last Week's Collection: \$480.00.**
St. Eugene in Wells River: Our weekly need to meet expenses: \$500.00, **Last Week's Collection: \$361.00.**
OLOL in South Strafford: Our weekly need to meet expenses: \$300.00, **Last Week's Collection: \$110.00.**

Dear members of the Parish of all Churches OLPH Bradford,

Since 2017, the Diocese has been providing support services for benefits administration, accounting and finance to certain Parishes. As you are aware, the compensation under the agreement is based on 6.5% of ordinary income and has not been adjusted since 2017.

As we work through the details of the Chapter 11 reorganization, we have had to analyze our operations and our resources. With the increasing labor costs and the decreasing offertories at the Parishes, the current compensation model for Accounting Services has become unsustainable. Considering current costs and offertories, effective July 1, 2025, we need to increase the compensation to 15% of ordinary income. We understand that your budget may not be able to absorb this increase, and you may want to consider other options for your accounting services.

We will work with you to support a smooth transition if that is the right direction for your Parish. If you have any questions or want to discuss any details, please contact
Lorei Dawson at

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Most Reverend John J. McDermott Bishop of Burlington

May 4, 2025 – Third Sunday of Easter C

OFFERTORY COLLECTION – APRIL 27, 25. Sat, OLPH Bradford.; 5:30pm \$265.00, 2Coll \$20.00 at 10am \$708.00, 2Coll \$147. Church Donation \$00. Fuel Donate 25/26 \$420.00 **St. Eugene:** Sat. at 4:00pm \$361.00. 2Coll \$60.00.; **St. Francis of Assisi: 9am** \$480 2Coll. \$124.00; **OLOL: Sunday** at 8:00am. \$110.00. **Thank you so much!**

MASS INTENSION: May 3 St E. at 4pm For Bill O'Malley By Parish. OLPH at 5:30pm +Paul and Bobbie Gallerani. **May 4** OL at 8am For All Donators OL Church. OLPH at 10am +Paul and Bobbie Gallerani By Family, **OLPH at 3pm Funeral Mass for +Paul Gallerani.** May 5 OLPH at 8:30am Rose Picone By Family. May 6 OLPH at 8:30am Maria Panarielo By Family. May 10 St Eugene at 4pm Doug for healing By Maggie Carr. At 5:30pm +Paul and Bobbie Gallerani By Family. May 11 OLOL at 8am +Msgr Reid Mayo. At 10:00am +Paul and Bobbie Gallerani By Skipt and Carol Metayer. May 12 OLPH at 8:30am +Fred Russell. May 13 at 8:30am +Jane Russell.

Annual Fuel Raffle in OLPH Church; 20. 25/2026 Start at May 1th.

Will be new prize for 4th Category: 1. \$550, 2. \$450. 3. \$350. 4. \$250.

Thank you to all donors for participating in this assistance program for the purchase of oil 2024/2025. At the same time, we invite you to participate in a new support program in the heating season 2025/2026. May God bless you all.

Thank you very much. Fr. Andrew

OUR LADY OF LIGHT CHAPEL SOUTH STRAFFORD, VERMONT – March 1, 2025

Dear Parishioners St. Eugene,

Thank you for your recent donations of \$ **550.00** to Our Lady of Light Chapel in support of the **2024** roof project. Your generosity is much appreciated.

Your donation was combined with many others to make it possible to complete the new roof last October. It will protect the church for many years. **Sincerely yours, OUR LADY OF LIGHT CHAPEL - Father Andrew Bednarewicz and Thomas Essex and Siobhan Linehan**

DEUS SANCTE, SUB CURA TUA NOS CUSTODY,

NEW FINANCIAL BURDENS OF OUR 4TH CHURCHES -2025/26

My Dear Members of the Parish of all Churches OLPH Bradford, Every OLPH parish church must have an Attorney, this is a requirement of the Bankruptcy process of the Catholic Diocese of Burlington in Vermont starting in April 2025. This engagement agreement is made by and between **CLEARY SHAHI & AICHER, PC**, hereinafter called "Attorney" and OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP PARISH, hereinafter called "Client." Attorney is retained to provide legal advice and representation relative to the goals set forth in the "Agreement for the Protection of Our Parishes." The Client agrees to provide a retainer payment of **\$3,000** to be held in Attorney's trust account and used for payment of fee statements as work is performed and statements are generated. The Client understands that the retainer may need to be replenished from time to time as may be warranted in due course of the representation.

Cleary Shahi & Archer, Rutland, VT, Apr 14, 2025