

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**

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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: **Brenda Blair**

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**

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 Katherine Thibault, Rose Duffy, John Kucer, Healing for a cancer patient, Jared List, Carol Matayer, Jean Dean, Margaret Smith, 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.**



YOU ARE ALWAYS WELCOME IN OUR CHURCHES

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.

No One Knows That Day and Hour...

"Concerning that day and exact hour, no one knows when it will arrive, not even the angels of heaven—only the Father knows. For it will be like it was in the days of Noah when the Son of Man appears. Before the flood, people lived their lives eating, drinking, marrying, and having children. They didn't realize the end was near until Noah entered the ark, and then suddenly, the flood came and took them all away in judgment. It will happen the same way when the Son of Man appears. At that time, two men will be working on the farm; one will be taken away in judgment, the other left. Two women will be grinding grain; one will be taken away in judgment, the other left. This is why you must stay alert: because no one knows the day your Lord will come. "But realize this: If a homeowner had known what time of night the burglar would come to rob his house, he would have been alert and ready, and not let his house be robbed. So always be ready, alert, and prepared, because at an hour when you're not expecting him, the Son of Man will come." "What would qualify a servant to manage his master's house?"

He would be a wise servant who is both faithful and dependable. The master would commission him to oversee others, for he would lead them well and give them food at the right time. What joy and blessing will come to that faithful servant when the master comes home to find him serving with excellence! I can promise you, the master will raise him up and put him in charge of all that he owns. "But the evil servant says in his heart, 'My master delays his coming, and who knows when he will return?' And because of the delay, the servant mistreats those in his master's household. Instead of caring for the ones he was appointed to serve, he abuses the other servants and begins to party with drunkards. Let me tell you what will happen to him. His master will suddenly return unexpectedly, and he will remove the abusive, selfish servant from his position of trust. And the master will cut him in two and assign him to the place of great sorrow and anguish along with all the other hypocrites."

Reflection: Matthew 24:36-51 emphasizes the uncertainty of Jesus's return and the importance of being prepared. It highlights that no one knows the exact day or hour, not even the angels or Jesus himself, only the Father. The passage uses the analogy of the days of Noah to illustrate how people will be caught off guard, and the thief coming at an unexpected hour to stress the need for constant vigilance. It also includes the parable of the faithful and unfaithful servants, emphasizing the rewards for those who diligently serve their master and the consequences for those who are negligent and evil.

The Coming of the Messiah

MATTHEW

24:36-51



OUR CHURCHES SUPPORT, OLPH in

Bradford: Our weekly need to meet expenses: \$1,600.00, **Last Week's Collection: \$1,291.00; Annual Fuel Raffle; 25/26 – OLPH in Bradford** Our need to meet expenses: \$20,000. **We received total: \$13,862.00. THANK YOU SO MUCH.**
St. Francis of Assisi in Norwich: Our weekly need to meet expenses: \$700.00; **Last Week's Collection: \$1,142.00.**
St. Eugene in Wells River: Our weekly need to meet expenses: \$500.00, **Last Week's Collection: \$468.00.**
OLOL in South Strafford: Our weekly need to meet expenses: \$300.00, **Last Week's Collection: \$181.00.**

Bishop's Annual Appeal 2025

- Rejoice in Hope - is starting.
Envelopes are available in every church to make a payment. Thank you for your support. Diocese of Burlington

2025: REJOICE IN HOPE

\$1,737,048.48 raised of \$2,200,000.00 goal 79% [Parish Progress report as of 7/22/25](#)

Give to the 2025 Bishop's Annual Appeal! One-time gifts and pledge payments are accepted through June 30, 2026. You can also help us save resources by reducing our mailings if you become a sustaining donor in the Saint Francis Circle and your gift will rollover each year.

July 27, 2025 **Seventeenth** Sunday in Ordinary Time C

OFFERTORY COLLECTION – JUL. 20, 25. Sat, OLPH Bradford.; 5:30pm \$277.00, 2Coll \$.00. at 10am \$814.00, 2Coll \$.00. Church Donation \$200.00 - Fuel Donate: \$200.00. Raffle Tickets: \$.00 **St. Eugene:** Sat. at 4:00pm \$468.00.2Coll.\$0.00.; **St. Francis of Assisi: 9am \$1,142.00. 2Coll. 0.00.; OLOL: Sunday at 8:00am. \$181.00**
Thank you!

Mass Intension: Jul 26 St E.at 4pm +Keff and Teo, OLPH at 5:30pm+Fred List By Ethel List. Jul 27 OL at 8:00am For Agnes and Nap Pietryka 75 Annu. At 10:00am +Catherin and Wedell Pelkey By K. Grange Jul 28 OLPH at 8:30am +Gary Adamski By K. Grange, Jul 29 OLPH at 8:30am +Gary Adamski By K. Grange. **Aug 1 at 8:30am F/Friday For All the sick.** Aug 2 St E. at 4pm +Catherin and Wendell Pelkey By Kathy Grange. OLPH At 5:30pm +Fred List By E. List, Aug 3 OL +Gary Adamski. OLPH at 10am +Fred List By E. List Aug 4 OLPH at 8:30am special intension Aug 5 OLPH at 8:30am special intension. *Thank you so much for your Mass intension*

For June - Fuel Raffle Tickets \$50.00 To Gwen Lacount – Congratulation!

O Virgin Mary, Mother who never refuses to come to the help of your children in need, Mother whose hands never stop working for the welfare of your children, moved as they are by the loving mercy and kindness that exists in your Immaculate Heart, cast your compassionate and merciful eyes on me and see the snarl of knots that exists in my life. Oh Mother! You know the difficulties, sorrow and pain that I've had because of them. O loving Mother, I place the ribbon of my life and this knot into your loving hands, hands which can undo even the most difficult knot. Most holy Mother, come to my aid and intercede for me before God with your prayers. **I cast this knot into your hands The Ch. 11 Reorganization for the Diocese of Burlington,** and beg you to undo it, in the name of your son, Jesus Christ, and for the glory of God, once and for all. Our Lady, Undoer of Knots, pray for us!

My dear family in Christ, Now that the date has passed for bringing a claim against the Diocese of Burlington in our Ch. 11 reorganization process, I ask that you join me in praying for healing in the lives of all the men and women who came forward with claims of past abuse. While I am not able to share specific information, I can inform you that over 100 individuals have filed claims. As these claims are reviewed and the next phase of the reorganization process begins, I pray we reach a just resolution in a timely fashion for all parties concerned. Assuring you of my prayers for every member of our diocese, and asking your good prayers for me, and with the conviction that God alone suffices, I remain, + *John J. McDermott Bishop of Burlington*



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PENETRATE INTO YOUR
HEART ... DO NOT BE
TROUBLED OR WEIGHED
DOWN WITH GRIEF ...
AM I NOT YOUR
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PROTECTION?"

Our Lady of Guadalupe to St. Juan Diego