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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or olph14@gmail.com New Parish website: uppervalleyparishes.org

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: Wendy Piper Tel: (802)-...

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

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

Prayer for the Sick: John Mackey, Barbara Hanson, Ryan Hall, John McDaniel, Cynthia, Gorge Vaillancourt, Bob Sheurich, Marilyn and Donald Dempsey, 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.



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



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.

NOVEMBER IN VERMONT IS A TIME OF REFLECTION AND TRANSIENCE. Yes, the description of November in Vermont as a time of reflection and transience is fitting, as the month transitions from the vibrant fall colors to the starkness of winter, creating a period of change and quietude. This transition involves the falling of leaves, shorter days, and colder weather, often referred to as "stick season," and can inspire a slower pace and time for indoor activities and reflection. November in Vermont is a time of transition—a subtle shift from the lively, bustling days of fall into the quiet serenity of winter. With the vibrant foliage fading into muted tones, the air crisp and sharp, and the landscape preparing for its winter rest, this is a perfect time to explore the Green Mountain state's more tranguil side. The crowds of leaf-peepers have left, and what remains is a peaceful stillness that settles over Vermont's forests, lakes, and towns. For those seeking solitude and natural beauty without the rush of summer or the spectacle of fall, November offers a chance to experience the state in a way that few others do. The back roads of Vermont, which are stunning year-round, take on a particularly quiet charm in November. Touring these winding routes allows travelers to see the last remnants of fall color, with the bright reds and oranges fading into soft yellows and browns. A drive along Route 100, Vermont's iconic north-to-south route, offers sweeping views of small farms, stone walls, and the occasional covered bridge, all set against the backdrop of a quietly fading landscape. As the mist rises from the valleys in the morning, the roads are empty, save for the occasional deer grazing along the edge, undisturbed by the usual influx of visitors. There's a sense of peace here, where time seems to slow down and the pace of life feels more in tune with nature. For those who prefer to get out of the car and onto the trails, Vermont's hiking paths are just as serene in November. Hiking in Vermont during November offers a rare opportunity to experience the state's natural beauty in its quietest, most contemplative form. The brisk air, the subtle scent of fallen leaves and gine needles, and the muted colors of the late fall landscape create a peaceful atmosphere that invites introspection and connection with the land. While the vibrant foliage of October has passed, the landscapes of November still offer plenty to marvel at, especially for those who appreciate the bare bones of nature: the jagged rock formations, the distant mountain peaks, and the serene quiet that settles over the trails once the busy autumn rush has subsided. The quieter trails of the Northeast Kingdom, like the trails surrounding Lake Willoughby, offer a unique experience in November. The lake, framed by mountains that rise sharply from its shores, glows under the low November light, reflecting the changing sky. Hiking here feels like stepping into another world, as the trail winds through wooded areas that are just beginning to reveal their winter shape—gnarled branches stretch above like twisted fingers, and the soft carpet of moss underfoot still retains its verdant hues despite the fading warmth.

OUR CHURCHES SUPPORT,

OLPH in Bradford: Our weekly need to meet expenses: \$1,600.00, Last Week's Collection: \$1,077.90; Annual Fuel Raffle; 25/26 – OLPH in Bradford Our need to meet expenses: \$20.000. We received total: \$19,102.00. THANK YOU SO MUCH. St. Francis of Assisi in Norwich: Our weekly need to meet expenses: \$700.00; Last Week's Collection: \$989.00. St. Eugene in Wells River: Our weekly need to meet expenses: \$500.00, Last Week's

Collection: \$264.00.

OLOL in South Strafford: Our weekly need to meet expenses: \$300.00, **Last Week's**

Collection: \$220.00.

2025: REJOICE IN HOPE \$2,113,944. raised of \$2,200,000.00 goal 96% Parish Progress report as of 10/22/25 St Eugene: 109%; OLOL:89%; OLPH:43%; St Francis A: 4%.

Nov 2. 25; All Souls Sunday

OFFERTORY COLLECTION – OCT. 26. 25. Sat, OLPH Bradford.; 5:30pm \$305.00, 2Coll \$.00. at 10am \$772.90, 2Coll \$.00. Church Donation B&G \$500.00 - Fuel Donate: \$620.00. Raffle Tickets: \$120.00 St. Eugene: Sat. at 4:00pm \$264.00. 2Coll. \$10.00.; St. Francis of Assisi: 9am \$989.00. 2Coll. \$.00.; OLOL: Sunday at 8:00am. \$220.00 Thank you Very much!

Mass Intention: Nov 1 St. E at 4pm +Charles Kent and Catherin Kent By Their Children. At 5:30pm +Carol Dziak By R. Dwyer. Nov 2 OL at 8:00am For All Parishioners, at 10:00am OLPH +Maryanne Kent and Charlie Kirk By Mary Kent. Nov 3 OLPH at 8:30am +Carol Dziak By R. Dwyer. Nov 4 OLPH at 8:30am +Carol Dziak By R. Dwyer. Nov 7 OLPH at 8:30am for All the sick R.D.N Nov 8 St E at 4pm For All deceased St Eugene parish, at 5:30pm OLPH +Carol Dziak By Ruth Dwyer. Nov 9 OL at 8:am +Paul and Bobbie Galleranie By Metayer Family, at 10:00am OLPH For Judith Smith By Friends. Nov 10 OLPH at 9:30am +Carol Dziak By R. Dwyer Nov 11 at 8:30am +Ruth Dwyer for Thanksgiving and a lot God blessing.

For Sep. - Fuel Raffle Tickets \$50.00 - won Mary Paterson - Congratulation!



ATTENTION OLPH &

Friends! Saturday, November 8th at 9am - 3pm! First time: Independent Vendors - 50/50 Raffle

An "All Souls Offering" refers to prayers, masses, and spiritual actions that Catholics undertake on All Souls' Day (November 2) to help souls in purgatory achieve purification and enter heaven. This tradition involves offering the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass for the departed, lighting candles, and making donations to support the Church's spiritual work. It is a tangible expression of the belief

that the living on Earth can assist the souls in purgatory through their prayers and sacrifices. In every church, there are envelopes asking for prayers for our deceased loved ones. Throughout the month of November, we pray for them in our churches. Monetary donations are optional. Thank you!





St. Eugene Church, Dinner Thursday, Oct. 23 at 5:00pm in Woodsville Shiloh's, Restaurant NH.





