

Church of the Most Precious Blood Saint Theresa of Lisieux Collaborative



When Simon Peter arrived after him, he went into the tomb and saw the burial cloths there, and the cloth that had covered his head, not with the burial cloths but rolled up in a separate place. –Jn20:5-7

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Anointing of the Sick: Contact the Parish
Baptism: Contact the Parish
Funeral: Contact the Parish
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Confession: By appointment contact the Parish

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COLLABORATIVE MASS SCHEDULE

Saint Theresa of Lisieux
Sunday 10:30AM
Sunday 5:30PM thru May 23
Thursday 9:00AM



Most Precious Blood
Saturday 4:30PM
Sunday 9:00AM
Mon, Wed, Fri 9:00AM

COLLABORATIVE NEWS

Watch Sunday Mass from our collaborative

View our weekly Mass posted on our website. If you do not have access to the web you can view the Mass on community television.

Sherborn TV station (Comcast Channel 8 & Verizon Channel 32)

Dover TV station (Comcast Channel 8 & Verizon Channel 45)

Sign up for Masses

Go to our website to sign up for weekend and Holy day Masses.

Emails

If you are not receiving our emails and would like to please call the parish office or email us.

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The **Women's Prayer Group** meets every Wednesday evening at 7 pm. During the COVID pandemic we have continued to meet in a ZOOM meeting. Each week we read and meditate on the upcoming Sunday Gospel using Lectio Divina, which is a method of prayer by which we read the gospel 4 times over to hear what the gospel is saying to us at this time. After prayerful reading we open up a discussion of what we heard in that piece of scripture. It always leads to a respectful, interesting conversation of thoughts and insights. Not everyone feels the need to share. There is never any pressure to share your own thoughts. We end the hour long meeting praying for people who have asked for prayers and other intentions. We are a small group of 12 in all, but usually between 6 and 8 attend each week. New members are most welcome! If interested please email

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Confirmation Retreat

On Sunday, March 21st, the 10th grade Confirmation students and their parents were able to come together virtually for a wonderful retreat experience. The retreat was directed by Catholic speaker and performing artist Sean Forrest. Sean speaks and performs before nearly 30,000 people annually, and is dedicated to boldly proclaiming God's eternal truth and love. Sean shared witness of his own faith journey beginning with his conversion to Catholicism. He encouraged the students to reflect on if they believed Jesus is the Son of God and why they wanted to get confirmed. Sean encouraged parents to continue the dialogue with their teens. Hopefully this experience will bring our young people closer to Christ and deepen their faith. Please pray for them as they continue to prepare for the Sacrament of Confirmation, taking place on May 1st.

Palm Sunday 2021 at our two beautiful churches.



SPECIAL COLLECTION

The Easter Collection supports the retirement, medical and financial needs of priests of the Archdiocese of Boston. These priests have given their lives to faithfully serve Christ, the Church, and you. Please be generous to this important collection. For more information, please visit www.clergytrust.org.

*“Death has been swallowed up in victory.”
(1 Corinthians 15: 54)*



I feel so blessed to be serving Saint Theresa of Lisieux and Most Precious Blood Parishes as we celebrate Easter together. What a *year* that we have all gone through!! Hasn't it felt like a *perennial* Lent?!?!? And remember last Easter? Our churches were empty then – like the tomb. It is hard to believe that that was our reality. Thank goodness we are moving forward!

Our Lord's Resurrection is also a historical reality, but more important it is the most significant sign we have that Jesus is who He had always said He is – God Himself, clothed in our human flesh. He was an apparent failure, condemned to death on false charges. He suffered the ridicule and the abuse heaped upon criminals, and He endured a shameful death by crucifixion, raised up on the Cross to which He was nailed between the criminals.

On the surface of things, Our Lord certainly looked like a fake and a failure, which was exactly how the religious leaders wanted to portray Him. He had preached and taught a lot of things they did not want to hear, and they succeeded in appealing to the lowest instincts of many people by killing Him. However, Our Lord's death on the Cross was the perfect Sacrifice. It brought us God's mercy and God's grace in this life and opens for us the way to eternal life.

Our Lord's death on the Cross, though, is not the end of the story. Jesus then rose from the dead so that we – though destined to die – shouldn't despair, worrying that with death life is completely finished. Our Lord's Resurrection doesn't simply signal a moment in history, but the beginning of a new reality!!

May God continue to heal you and your loved ones of the sorrows of this past year, and may this Easter bring you much joy, happiness and peace.

Father Blaney
Pastor

