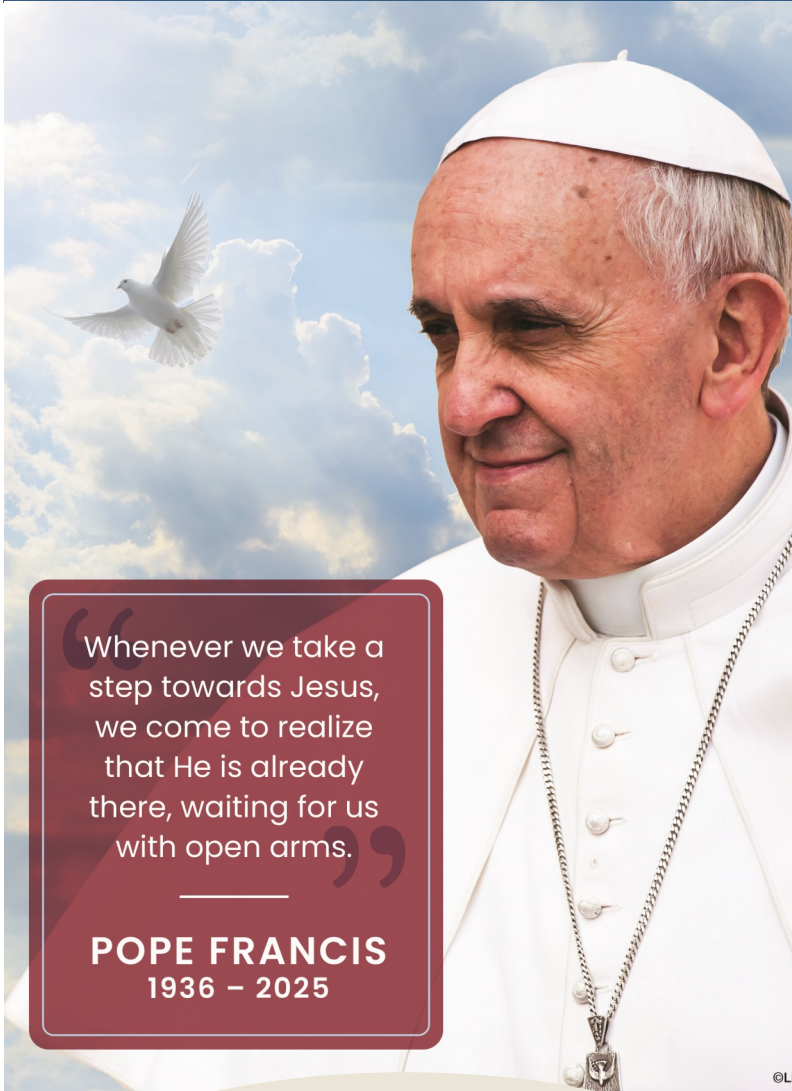


MOST PRECIOUS BLOOD & SAINT THERESA OF LISIEUX PARISHES

APRIL 27, 2025



“Whenever we take a step towards Jesus, we come to realize that He is already there, waiting for us with open arms.”

POPE FRANCIS
1936 – 2025

Welcome!

We extend a warm welcome to all who are visiting or are here for the first time! If you attend Mass at Most Precious Blood or St. Theresa's regularly, we'd love it if you registered as a parishioner! You may register online or stop by either parish office to fill out a registration card.



PASTOR

Fr. Bill Robinson

MASS TIMES

SATURDAY VIGIL

4:00pm at St. Theresa
5:30pm at Most Precious Blood

SUNDAY

9:00am at Most Precious Blood
10:30am at St. Theresa
5:30pm Youth Mass (as announced)

DAILY MASS

Tuesday/Thursday 9:00am at St. Theresa
Wednesday/Friday 9:00am at Most Precious Blood

SACRAMENTS AND DEVOTIONS

CONFESSION

Saturday 3:15-3:45pm at St. Theresa

CONFESSION & ADORATION

First Thursdays 9:30-10:00am at St. Theresa
First Fridays 9:30-10:00am at Most Precious Blood

ROSARY

Thursdays 8:30am
before 9:00am Mass at St. Theresa

Baptism/Funeral/Anointing: Contact the Parish
Marriage: Contact the Parish at least 6 months prior

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MOST PRECIOUS BLOOD & ST. THERESA OF LISIEUX PARISHES

MASS INTENTIONS

Most Precious Blood April 26— May 4		Saint Theresa of Lisieux April 26— May 4	
Saturday 5:30pm	Lori and Joseph Garvey	Saturday 4:00pm	Pope Francis
Sunday 9:00am	Carmel Rooney	Sunday 10:30am	Fr. Bill Brown (Special Intention)
Wednesday 9:00am	Marion Luttazi	Tuesday 9:00am	
Friday 9:00am	Esther & Giuseppe Ferrante	Thursday 9:00am	Donna Manion
Saturday 5:30pm	Sheila O'Connor	Saturday 4:00pm	For the people of the Parish
Sunday 9:00am	Tom Hamilton	Sunday 10:30am	



We pray for the repose of the soul of
Marion Luttazi
whose funeral Mass was held at
Most Precious Blood last week.



YOUTH MASSES: SELECT SUNDAYS AT 5:30PM

Although the music and homily are geared toward our younger parishioners, all ages are welcome!

Upcoming Mass dates at **Most Precious Blood** are May 4 & 18.

MASS INTENTIONS

To reserve a Mass for a deceased loved one or a Special Intention for a living family member or friend, please contact the parish office.

SANCTUARY CANDLE

The Sanctuary Candle at either church may be memorialized for a special intention or in memory of a departed loved one. Please call the parish office for more information.



Pope Francis, Bob Keller, Lisa, H, Neil, Cathy, Noreen D, Miranda, Brooke, Pamela C, Harry S, Joannie D, Meghan and Christopher, Jim, Jane, Susan, Grace Noell, Dean, Rick, Toni, Larry, Andrew, Bill, Kevin, Katie and Marion Luttazi

If you would like to add someone to the prayer request list or if you would like to be a part of the prayer line, contact Roseann Furbush at Roseann@mpb-stp.org or call either parish office.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS

Boston Healthcare for the Homeless food pantry donation bins are in the back of both churches. Our next delivery will be May 13.

Local Food Pantry (A Place to Turn and St. Bridget's) collection bins are located in the back of St. Theresa.

Your continued generosity is greatly appreciated!

DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE IN NEED OF SUPPORT?

The Circle of Friends invites all parishioners to contact us with private requests or knowledge of a family or individual in need of outreach of any kind, be it a cheerful note, a visit, a meal, etc.

Help us be the eyes and ears of our Collaborative so that we may care for each other.

Please email us at CircleOfFriends@mpb-stp.org.



**JOIN OUR WALKING TEAM at
Family Promise Metrowest's
Walk to End Homelessness**

Saturday, May 4, 12pm at Natick High School

Did you know St. Theresa's is one of the founding Congregations for this organization?

Join our team by visiting www.familypromisemetrowest.org, clicking on the Walk Logo, click on "Learn More," then "Just Giving," then find "Fundraisers" and look for our team: "St. Theresa's Walkers" or use this QR code to go directly to our team page.



Please reach out to Joe Meaney at jmeaneyjr@comcast.net or 508-298-8655 with any questions.





FROM THE PASTOR

Reflection:

Thank you once again to all those who contributed to the Easter Flower Funds at both churches. I want to thank Roseann Furbush, the Collaborative Staff, our amazing musicians, and all of our volunteers who worked so diligently behind the scenes - and without fanfare - to make our churches look and feel so beautiful for the celebration of the Resurrection of Our Lord.

News:

I join Archbishop Henning in his statement on the passing of the Holy Father:

"I was deeply saddened by the news of the passing of Pope Francis. His legacy as Holy Father is broad and deep. In his ministry and across his writings he has continuously called us to deeper faith and to a more generous participation in the boundless compassion of God. He has challenged us to turn away from selfish impulses and towards communion with others and respect for God's creation. I am personally grateful that he called me to the Episcopacy and entrusted me with the pastoral care of the Church of Boston. His example remains a guiding light to the Universal Church. Through the intercession of Our Blessed Mother and Saint Joseph, may he rest in peace."

-Fr. Bill

This Week's Schedule of Events**Sunday, April 27**

9:00am Mass at Most Precious Blood followed by Sunday Coffee
 10:30am Mass at St. Theresa followed by Sunday Coffee
 6:30-8:00pm High School Youth Group at MPB

Tuesday, April 29

9:00am Mass at St. Theresa
 6:30-7:15pm 1st Communion Rehearsal at MPB

Wednesday, April 30

9:00am Mass at Most Precious Blood
 7:00pm Women's Prayer Group via Zoom

Thursday, May 1

8:30am Weekly Rosary
 9:00am Mass at St. Theresa followed by Adoration and Confessions

Friday, May 2

9:00am Mass at Most Precious Blood followed by Adoration and Confessions

Saturday, May 3

10:30am 1st Communion at Most Precious Blood
 3:15-3:45pm Confessions at St. Theresa
 4:00pm Mass at St. Theresa
 5:30pm Mass at Most Precious Blood

Sunday, May 4

9:00am Mass at Most Precious Blood followed by Sunday Coffee
 10:30am Mass at St. Theresa followed by Mary Crowning Ceremony & Sunday Coffee
 11:45am-12:30pm 1st Communion Rehearsal at STP
 5:30pm Youth Mass at MPB
 6:30-8:00pm High School Youth Group at MPB

**DoverSherbornCatholic****GOSPEL REFLECTION**

The scene in today's gospel takes place in a room where the apostles are locked in fear, unclear about what has just happened to Jesus and worried about their lives and future. Upon entering the room, Jesus allays their fears and commissions the disciples, and us, with these words: "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you."

The responsibility is clear, we are to go forth from our places of fear with the confidence that are not alone and to invite people into relationship with Jesus. Remember the words we heard last week, "we are witnesses . . . commissioned to preach." We are being sent to be his instruments of mercy and peace.

MARCH OFFERTORY UPDATE**MOST PRECIOUS BLOOD**

\$17,163 (Offertory) + \$4,245 (Online Giving) = \$21,408
 Budgeted needed meet expenses \$19,992 (surplus of \$1,416)

ST. THERESA

\$10,444 (Offertory) + \$5,582 (Online Giving) = \$16,026
 Budgeted needed to meet expenses: \$21,500 (shortfall of \$5,474)

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 27, 2025

Sunday: Acts 5:12-16/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 (1)/
 Rv 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19/Jn 20:19-31
 Monday: Acts 4:23-31/Ps 2:1-3, 4-7a, 7b-9/Jn 3:1-8
 Tuesday: Acts 4:32-37/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5/Jn 3:7b-15
 Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jn 3:16-21
 Thursday: Acts 5:27-33/Ps 34:2 and 9, 17-18, 19-20/
 Jn 3:31-36
 Friday: Acts 5:34-42/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Jn 6:1-15
 Saturday: 1 Cor 15:1-8/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Jn 14:6-14

FAITH FORMATION NEWS



FIRST HOLY COMMUNIONS AT DSCC

Please pray for our students who will receive the Sacrament of Holy Communion for the first time.

Church of the Most Precious Blood

Rehearsal Tuesday, April 29, 6:30-7:15pm

1st Communion Mass Saturday, May 3 at 10:30am

St. Theresa of Lisieux

Rehearsal Sunday, May 4, 11:45am-12:30pm

1st Communion Mass Saturday, May 10 at 1:00pm



MAY PROCESSION AND MARY CROWNING CEREMONY

Join us for this beloved tradition in honor of the Blessed Mother. Children are invited to carry flowers to Mary and to place the crown on the statue.

Processions take place as follows:

Sunday, May 4 at Church of the Most Precious Blood

(immediately following the 9am Mass)

Sunday, May 11 at St. Theresa of Lisieux Parish

(immediately following the 10:30 am Mass)



CONFIRMATION AT DSCC

Rehearsal: Thursday, May 8 7-7:45pm at MPB

Confirmation: Friday, May 9, 6:30pm at Most Precious Blood

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP

Sunday Nights
6:30-8:00 @ MPB

March 9, March 23
April 6, April 13, April 27
May 4, May 18
Summer Dates: TBD

Middle School Youth Group

**CAPTURE
THE FLAG**

Friday, May 2nd @ 6:30-8:00
Most Precious Blood, Dover

BAPTISM NEWS

We had a double blessing on Palm Sunday as Fr. Bill celebrated the baptism of William and Lily Shores. What a joyful day celebrating their baptism! Our hearts are full.



Welcome William and Lily!

**Congratulations to Lindsay & Dan Shores &
big sister Audrey!**

"Holy Baptism is the basis of the whole Christian life, the gateway to life in the Spirit... and the door which gives access to the other sacraments."

Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC) 1213

We would love to help you welcome your child into the Church! Baptisms are scheduled for 12:30 pm one Sunday each month at both parishes. If you would like to schedule a baptism, please contact our Pastoral Associate, Roseann Furbush, at

Roseann@mpb-stp.org or call the parish offices.

FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE

April is National Child Abuse Prevention Month

Did You Know...Child abuse can occur in every culture and every socio-economic demographic. Peer reviewed research also indicates that the vast majority of child abuse occurs at the hands of someone known to the victim. You can protect children by respecting the safe environment protocols established at youth serving organizations. More importantly, you can implement many of these protocols in your home and be ever observant and vigilant in all public and private settings.

For particular help you may call: The Office of Pastoral Support & Child Protection Pastoral Center of the Archdiocese of Boston Vivian Soper, Director: 617-746-5995 vsoper@rcab.org



Question:

Where did the feast of Divine Mercy come from?

Answer:

If you were born well before the year 2000, you know the feast of Divine Mercy has not always been celebrated in the Church. In the early 1900s, a young Polish nun began receiving private revelations. Jesus appeared to her during her times of prayer, speaking a message of mercy and love for the world. She received a set of prayers — the Divine Mercy Chaplet — and the request to have a feast day established to remind the Church of the mercy of God. St. Faustina died in 1938, on the cusp of war and in the midst of one of the most violent centuries in the history of the world.

Her story and her diaries began circulating in Poland and beyond. It quickly became apparent that this was a holy young woman, and the cause for her canonization opened. In the year 2000, she was canonized by the first-ever Polish pope, St. John Paul II. On her canonization day, he established the second Sunday of Easter as Divine Mercy Sunday, “a perennial invitation to the Christian world to face, with confidence in divine benevolence, the difficulties and trials that mankind will experience in the years to come.” ©LPI

PRAYER OF DIVINE MERCY

O Blood and Water that redeems and saves, have mercy on us!
O Blood and Water that heals and restores, have mercy on us!
O Blood and Water that strengthens and renews, have mercy on us!

Amen.

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JUBILEE YEAR 2025: PILGRIMS OF HOPE

Why do we as Christians hope?

“God sent his Son as Redeemer and Savior. In his Son and through him, he invites men to become, in the Holy Spirit, his adopted children and thus heirs of his blessed life” (Catechism of the Catholic Church, 1). We rejoice that God has made us his adopted children. Our hope lies in his infinite love and mercy and promise of eternal life.

“This hope, which transcends life’s fleeting pleasures and the achievement of our immediate goals, makes us rise above our trials and difficulties, and inspires us to keep pressing forward, never losing sight of the grandeur of the heavenly goal to which we have been called” (Spes Non Confundit, 25).

COLLABORATIVE NEWS



Congratulations to parishioners Catherine and Eleanor Galveo on their teams’ recent 1st and 2nd place wins at the World Irish Dancing Championships in Dublin, Ireland!



The Circle of Friends Invites all Women of the Collaborative to a Women’s Pizza & Wine Night

Wednesday, May 7

6:30 - 8:00pm

at Most Precious Blood Parish Hall

RSVP appreciated: email CircleofFriends@mpb-stp.org

or call (508) 785-0305

or come unannounced if your schedule allows.



PRAYER GROUPS

The Women’s Prayer Group meets once a week to share our faith and spirituality with each other. We study the upcoming Sunday Gospel using the Lectio Divina method of prayer. We end each meeting praying for special intentions and for those who have asked for our prayers. At this time we are meeting by Zoom. New members are always welcome.

Contact Kathy Donohue at (508) 934-9366.

The Men’s Prayer Group meets Saturday mornings at 8:00 am in the parish hall at St. Theresa’s to read and discuss scripture, ending with prayer around 9:00 am. We also retain a Zoom link for those who wish to participate.

Contact Gene Ham at hamgene50@gmail.com.

WISH LIST

Want to help improve the lighting at St. Theresa’s and help the parish save on electricity costs at the same time? The parish recently completed an assessment through the Eversource Mass Save program to replace the lighting throughout the church with energy efficient LED lighting. 70% of the cost for the upgrades is subsidized through the program, with the parish responsible for the remaining 30%, which is approximately \$3,500. These upgrades are estimated to save St. Theresa’s \$800 every year in electricity at current rates.

If you would like to contribute to this effort, you can send a check with “Lighting Upgrade” in the memo field to the parish office.

Contact Roseann@mpb-stp.org with any questions.