

# MOST PRECIOUS BLOOD & SAINT THERESA OF LISIEUX PARISHES

## OCTOBER 5, 2025



### 27<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith." The Lord replied, "If you have faith the size of a mustard seed, you would say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you." - Lk 17:5-6

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### *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, please consider registering as a parishioner and signing up to receive our emails. You may register through our website, or fill out a card at the back of either church and drop it in the basket.

### PASTOR

Fr. Bill Robinson

### MASS TIMES

#### SATURDAY VIGIL

4:00 pm at St. Theresa

5:30 pm at Most Precious Blood

#### SUNDAY

8:45 am at Most Precious Blood

10:45 am at St. Theresa

#### DAILY MASS

Tuesday/Thursday 9:00 am at St. Theresa

Wednesday/Friday 9:00 am at Most Precious Blood

### SACRAMENTS AND DEVOTIONS

#### CONFESSION

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

#### CONFESSION & ADORATION

First Thursdays 9:30-10:00 am at St. Theresa

First Fridays 9:30-10:00 am at Most Precious Blood

#### WEEKLY ROSARY

Thursdays 8:30 am

before 9:00 am Mass at St. Theresa

#### BAPTISM/FUNERAL/ANOINTING

Contact Roseann@mpb-stp.org

#### MARRIAGE

Contact the Parish at least 6 months prior

#### COMMUNION FOR HOMEBOUND

If you or someone you know is homebound and would like to receive the Eucharist, please contact the parish office, CircleofFriends@mpb-stp.org or Kathy Donohue at (508) 934-9366.

### MOST PRECIOUS BLOOD PARISH

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OFFICE HOURS: WEDNESDAY & FRIDAY 8:30AM—3PM



Online: [www.mpb-stp.org](http://www.mpb-stp.org)



[DoverSherbornCatholic](https://www.facebook.com/DoverSherbornCatholic)

### SAINT THERESA OF LISIEUX PARISH

35 S. Main Street

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(508) 653-6253

OFFICE HOURS: TUESDAY & THURSDAY 8:30AM—3PM

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## MASS INTENTIONS

Most Precious Blood October 4 - October 12		Saint Theresa of Lisieux October 4 - October 12	
Saturday 5:30 pm	John Scott Hines	Saturday 4:00pm	Thomas Johnson
Sunday 9:00am	Fred Sam	Sunday 10:30am	Peg Connelly
Wednesday 9:00am	Larry Boudreau (special intention)	Tuesday 9:00am	Mary Gorman
Friday 9:00am	M. Anne Cummings	Thursday 9:00am	Peter Calcasi
Saturday 5:30pm	Lori and Joseph Garvey	Saturday 4:00pm	For the people of the parish
Sunday 8:45am	Marijane Dossall	Sunday 10:45am	Breedge Greene



### OCTOBER, THE MONTH OF THE ROSARY

Pope Leo has invited us to pray the Rosary every day this month for **peace**

*"Dear brothers and sisters, the month of October is now approaching, and in the Church it is dedicated in a special way to the Holy Rosary." Therefore, I invite everyone, every day of the coming month, to pray the Rosary for peace: personally, in the family, in the community."* Pope Leo XIV.



**Chris and Nancy Jennison, NS, Tom M, Marie K, Lisa B, Michael, Ellie, Sarah, Bob Keller, Lisa H, Noreen D, John, Brooke, Meghan and Christopher, Jane, Susan, Larry, Bill, Kevin, Katie, and Rosemary**

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](mailto:Roseann@mpb-stp.org).



### THE SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND SUPPORTS THE HOLY FATHER & APOSTOLIC WORKS

This week's second collection will support the Holy Father's "Peter's Pence" collection that provides funds for emergency and disaster relief. This collection provides support to The Catholic University of America that educates priests and lay people for ministry and supports the Inner-City Parishes of the Archdiocese of Boston. Your generosity and prayers will assist the Holy Father and the various Apostolic works at home and abroad. For information on these Collections, go to: 1 ) [www.usccb.org/national-collection/peters-pence](http://www.usccb.org/national-collection/peters-pence), 2) [www.cua.edu](http://www.cua.edu) 3) [www.BostonCatholic.org](http://www.BostonCatholic.org)

### CELEBRATING THE RETIREMENT OF ROSEANN FURBUSH



After many years of dedicated service to our parishes, our Pastoral Associate, Roseann Furbush, is retiring.

To honor Roseann and express our gratitude for all she has given to our faith

community, we invite you to a Retirement Reception following the 10:45 am Mass at St. Theresa Parish on Sunday, October 19th.

Please join us as we come together in fellowship to celebrate ministry and thank her for her good and faithful service.

### THE CIRCLE OF FRIENDS

The Circle of Friends is our Collaborative's women's group. Our mission is to provide a gesture of kindness to those individuals and families who are weathering an illness, have suffered a loss and/or are celebrating a birth. We also host fun social events. If you would like more information or are interested in joining, email

[CircleofFriends@mpb-stp.org](mailto:CircleofFriends@mpb-stp.org).



### WEEKLY SCRIPTURE FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 5

Sunday:	Hb 1:2-3; 2:2-4/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 (8)/2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14/Lk 17:5-10
Monday:	Jon 1:1—2:2, 11/Jon 2:3, 4, 5, 8/Lk 10:25-37
Tuesday:	Jon 3:1-10/Ps 130:1b-2, 3-4ab, 7-8/Lk 10:38-42
Wednesday:	Jon 4:1-11/Ps 86:3-4, 5-6, 9-10/Lk 11:1-4
Thursday:	Mal 3:13-20b/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 11:5-13
Friday:	Jl 1:13-15; 2:1-2/Ps 9:2-3, 6 and 16, 8-9/Lk 11:15-26
Saturday:	Jl 4:12-21/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12/Lk 11:27-28

## FROM THE PASTOR

**Reflection:**

This weekend we celebrate the Blessing of the Animals. As many of you know, I have a special love for animals—especially cats! I imagine many of you share that same liking.

It's worth remembering that animals have always held a meaningful place in salvation history. From the beauty of Creation, to Noah's Ark and its message of second chances, to Jesus riding a donkey into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday, animals appear again and again as part of God's story. Jesus often used them in His parables and teachings, and they are woven throughout the words of the prophets.

Animals are more than companions; they are signs of God's love, mercy, and peace. Each one was created by God to Him give glory, and they serve not only as reminders of His love but also as instruments through which Jesus' grace interacts in our lives.

As we bless our pets this weekend, may we also be reminded to care for all of God's creation with gratitude and reverence, seeing in every creature a reflection of His goodness.

**Parish News:**

A heartfelt thank you to all who have returned their Pledge Forms for our Increased Offertory Campaign. Your generosity sustains the many good works of our Faith Community. If you have not yet had the chance to send yours in, I invite you to prayerfully consider doing so. Thank you so ever much!

-Fr. Bill

**BIBLE AND BAGELS**

Our Friday morning Bible study group continues to meet on the 2nd, 3rd, & 4th Fridays following the 9 am Mass at Most Precious Blood Church. Refreshments and Bibles are provided. Our current theme is animals in the Bible.

*Come & bring a friend!*

Contact Fr. Bill at [wrobinson19@bostonclergy.org](mailto:wrobinson19@bostonclergy.org).

**FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS****Boston Healthcare for the Homeless**

Thank you to all who so generously donate to the Family Team Clinic's food pantry at Boston Health Care for the Homeless. The clinic serves a clientele across a broad ethnic spectrum mostly families with young children. The items that "move off the shelf" are those most familiar to them, which include: peanut butter, jelly, crackers, boxed milk, cereal, dry beans, packs of rice, oatmeal, juice packs, coffee, teabags, canned refried beans, ramen noodles, mac & cheese, pasta, sauces, pancake mix, syrup, snacks, canned tuna or canned chicken. For the next few months, there is little need for infant formula and baby foods. Less likely to be taken are canned beans, chili, and soups. As always, gift cards to a supermarket are always appreciated. Food pantry donation bins are in the back of both churches. **Our next delivery is October 14.** Donation areas are in the back of both churches.

Contact Carol Coakley at [cacoakley@gmail.com](mailto:cacoakley@gmail.com) or Dianne Polizzi at [dij05@verizon.net](mailto:dij05@verizon.net).

**Local Food Pantry (A Place to Turn and St. Bridget's)** collection bins are located in the back of St. Theresa. Contact Joe Meaney at (508) 298-8655 with any questions.

*Your continued generosity is greatly appreciated!*

**ANNUAL WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS - OCTOBER 26**

All couples celebrating their 10th, 25th, or 50th wedding anniversaries or another special milestone are invited to a celebratory Mass on Sunday, Oct. 26th at 3:00 PM at the Cathedral of the Holy Cross, Boston. Couples will renew their marriage commitment and receive a special blessing. Family and friends are invited to attend. To register, visit <https://bit.ly/WeddingAnniversaryMass2025>. For more information, please email Emily Elliot at [marriageprep@rcab.org](mailto:marriageprep@rcab.org) or call 617-746-5756.

**IS GOD CALLING YOU, OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW, TO BE A DEACON?**

The Archdiocese of Boston is beginning its Fall 2025 Inquirer Program for men interested in becoming deacons with meetings across the Archdiocese. For more information, please go to <https://bit.ly/BostonDeacon2025>



**BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS**  
**Sunday, October 5 at 2 pm**  
**at Most Precious Blood**

**ST. THERESA 100TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION/FALL SOCIAL**  
**Friday, October 17 at 6 pm**  
**at Sherborn 1858 Townhouse**



**ROSEANN'S RETIREMENT CELEBRATION**  
**Sunday, October 19 following the 10:45 am Mass**  
**at St. Theresa**



## FAITH FORMATION

### FAITH FORMATION CLASSES BEGIN THIS WEEK

Grades 1-5	STP	Sunday, October 5	9:15-10:30 am
	MPB	Tuesday, October 7	3:15-4:30 pm
Grade 6	STP	Monday, October 6	6:15-7:30 pm
Grades 7-8	STP	Sunday, October 5	4:00-5:45 pm (Including Youth Mass)

There are no classes October 12, 13, 14 due to the holiday weekend.

If you would like to enroll your child for Faith Formation but haven't yet done so, please contact:

Graceanne Bowe (gr. 1-6), [Graceanne@mpb-stp.org](mailto:Graceanne@mpb-stp.org) or  
Zach Morris (gr. 7-8), [Zach@mpb-stp.org](mailto:Zach@mpb-stp.org).

## YOUTH MASSES

Youth Masses will be held on select Sundays at 5 pm as follows:

St. Theresa: 10/5, 11/2 and 12/14

Most Precious Blood: 1/4, 2/1, 3/1, 5/3 and 6/7

## AREA CATHOLIC SCHOOL OPEN HOUSES

*"Community is at the heart of all Catholic education, not simply as a concept to be taught, but as a reality to be lived."* St. John Paul II

### Catholic Memorial School, West Roxbury, Boys Grades 7-12

October 5: Middle School: 9:30 and 10:30am; High School: 11:30 and 12:30pm

October 6: Middle School: 5:30pm; High School: 6:30pm

[www.catholicmemorial.org](http://www.catholicmemorial.org)

### St. Sebastian School, Needham, Boys Grades 7-12, [www.stsebs.org](http://www.stsebs.org)

Thursday, October 9 at 5:30pm

### St. Benedict Classical Academy, Natick, Co-ed Early Learning - Grade 8

Saturday, October 18 12:30-3:30pm, [www.stbca.org](http://www.stbca.org)

### St. John School, Wellesley, Co-ed Grades K-8, [www.saintjohnschool.net](http://www.saintjohnschool.net)

Sunday, October 19 10-11:30am

### Montrose School, Medfield, Girls Grades 6-12, [www.montroseschool.org](http://www.montroseschool.org)

Sunday, October 19 at 1pm

### Sparhawk Academy, Millis, Boys Grades 3-8, [www.sparhawkacademy.org](http://www.sparhawkacademy.org)

Saturday, October 25 11am-1pm

### Boston College High School, Boston, Boys Grades 7-12, [www.bchigh.edu](http://www.bchigh.edu)

Saturday, October 25 or Sunday, December 7 10am - 1pm

### Ursuline Academy, Dedham, Girls Grades 7-12, [www.ursulineacademy.net](http://www.ursulineacademy.net)

Sunday, October 26 11am - 2pm

### Xaverian Brothers High School, Westwood, Boys Grades 7-12

Sunday, October 26 9am - 12pm, [www.xbhs.com](http://www.xbhs.com)

## WELCOME BACK PANCAKE BREAKFAST

This past Sunday, a lively crowd gathered after Mass at Most Precious Blood to enjoy delicious pancakes, sausages, fruit and fellowship! Thank you to the Circle of Friends for bringing back this cherished tradition and thank you to the chefs: John Gillespie, Andy Thompson and Rick Charron.





## COLLABORATIVE CALENDAR

### Saturday, October 4 - 2nd Collection for the Holy Father & Apostolic Works

8:00 am Men's Prayer Group at St. Theresa  
3:15-3:45 pm Confessions at St. Theresa  
4:00 pm Mass at St. Theresa  
5:30 pm Mass at Most Precious Blood

### Sunday, October 5 - 2nd Collection for the Holy Father & Apostolic Works

8:45 am Mass at Most Precious Blood followed by  
Coffee and Donuts  
9:15 am Grades 1-5 Faith Formation at STP  
10:45 am Mass at St. Theresa followed by  
Coffee and Donuts

### 2:00 pm Blessing of the Animals at MPB

4:00 pm Grades 7-8 Confirmation Class at STP  
5:00 pm Youth Mass at STP  
6:00 pm High School Youth Ministry at STP

### Monday, October 6

6:15-7:30 pm 6th Grade Faith Formation at STP

### Tuesday, October 7

9:00 am Mass at St. Theresa  
3:15-4:30 pm Grades 1-5 Faith Formation at MPB

### Wednesday, October 8

9:00 am Mass at Most Precious Blood  
6:00-7:30 pm Middle School Youth Group at STP  
7:00 pm Women's Prayer Group

### Thursday, October 9

8:30 am Weekly Rosary  
9:00 am Mass at St. Theresa

### Friday, October 10

9:00 am Mass at Most Precious Blood  
9:45 am Bible & Bagels at Most Precious Blood

### Saturday, October 11

8:00 am Men's Prayer Group at St. Theresa  
3:15-3:45 pm Confessions at St. Theresa  
4:00 pm Mass at St. Theresa  
5:30 pm Mass at Most Precious Blood

### Sunday, October 12

8:45 am Mass at Most Precious Blood followed by  
Coffee & Donuts  
10:45 am Mass at St. Theresa followed by  
Coffee & Donuts



### SUNDAY COFFEES NEED YOUR HELP

Our Sunday coffees are a great time to connect with fellow parishioners. Help us keep them going by volunteering to pick up the coffee and donuts on your way to Mass. The coffee and donuts are PREORDERED AND PREPAID.

Sign up boards are located in the back of both churches as well as in the Parish Hall or you can contact:

MPB: Jim Hennessey at [jhennessey@bidmc.harvard.edu](mailto:jhennessey@bidmc.harvard.edu)

STP: Martha Chouinard at [ticamar58@aol.com](mailto:ticamar58@aol.com)



## OCTOBER BABY SHOWER

To benefit moms and babies served by the Pregnancy Help Ministry of the Archdiocese of Boston  
[www.pregnancyhelpboston.org](http://www.pregnancyhelpboston.org)

Items Needed: (All items MUST be NEW)

Onesies- Sizes: Newborn; 0-3; 3-6; 6-9 months  
Sleep N Plays- Sizes: Newborn; 0-3; 3-6; 6-9 months  
Outfits- Sizes: Newborn; 0-3; 3-6; 6-9 months  
Receiving Blankets  
Crib Blankets  
Hooded Towels  
Diaper Bags  
Baby Wash/Baby Lotion  
Bottles (4oz/8oz)  
Pacifiers  
Socks  
Thermometers  
Hairbrushes  
Nail Clippers  
Toys (no plastic eyes-safe for newborns)  
Checks made payable to "Fund for The Unborn"  
Please place your donations in the bassinets in the back of either church.

## Savory Bake Sale

Hungry for a home cooked meal or do you need one for the holidays and don't have time to cook? We have your solution!

We will be taking orders for home cooked meals ready for immediate consumption or frozen for later use.

Order by Sunday, October 19 for pick up the weekend of October 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>.

Envelopes with entrée choices will be at the back of both churches. Please include payment\* in the envelope when ordering.

Phone or text

Michelle Murphy at 508-254-5672 with any questions.



Choice of Meals: (Serve 4-6 adults)

Chicken pot pie \$42.  
Lasagne with meat sauce \$40.  
Lasagne with cheese sauce \$35.  
Lasagne, gluten-free \$45  
Meatballs, 6 large \$30.  
Shepherd's pie \$38.



\*Please make checks payable to St. Theresa of Lisieux. All proceeds go to benefit the Parish.