

MOST PRECIOUS BLOOD & ST. THERESA OF LISIEUX PARISHES

MARCH 8, 2026



3RD SUNDAY OF LENT

Jesus answered and said to her, "If you knew the gift of God and who is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him and he would have given you living water." - Jn 4:10

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CLERGY Rev. Bill Robinson, Pastor
Deacon Tim Donohue
Deacon Dan Nelson

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

Saturday 4:00 pm | STP
5:30 pm | MPB

Sunday 9:00 am | MPB
10:45 am | STP

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Tuesday/Thursday | 9:00 am | STP
Monday (prayer service) | 9:00 am | MPB
Wednesday/Friday | 9:00 am | MPB

Don't Forget:
DAYLIGHT
SAVING TIME!

NEW

SACRAMENTS AND DEVOTIONS

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Every Friday during Lent | 3 pm | STP

RECONCILIATION

Saturday | 3:15 - 4:15 pm | STP

ADORATION AND CONFESSIONS

Monday | Adoration w/ Benediction | 6:30 pm | STP
First Thursdays 9:30-10:00 am at STP
First Fridays 9:30-10:00 am at MPB

WEEKLY ROSARY

Thursdays 8:30 am | STP

BAPTISM/FUNERAL/ANNOINTING

Contact the parish office.

MARRIAGE

Contact the parish office at least six 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.

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FROM THE PASTOR

REFLECTION

The story of the woman at the well is well-known because it reveals a genuine conversation between Jesus and a woman carrying heavy burdens. What stands out most is His mercy, love, and reassurance. She speaks honestly about her life, including her struggles. And how does Jesus respond? Not with judgment or dismissal, but with compassion. In offering her “living water”, His very self, He opens the door for her to a new beginning.

The same is true for us. Jesus meets us exactly where we are, as we are. As we continue our Lenten journey, let’s take time for an honest conversation with Jesus in prayer. When we do, we will experience the depth of His gentleness and hope.

PARISH NEWS

We are pleased to announce our upcoming Lenten Retreat Nights this week. All are warmly invited to join us for an evening of reflection and renewal.

-Fr. Bill



FINANCIAL CORNER



This weekend, the 2026 Catholic Appeal launches across the Archdiocese of Boston. This year’s theme, Together We Are One, is a reminder of our communion in the Lord Christ and our call to be united as the Body of Christ. Our diverse and complex Archdiocese is a family of faith with a shared mission to spread the Gospel. One of the most meaningful ways that we deepen the impact of our Archdiocese’s schools, parishes, and ministries is by supporting the Catholic Appeal. Your partnership and participation carry Christ’s love into our communities and spread hope.

We are hoping to have **100% participation** from both parishes - *every gift matters!* When we reach our Appeals goals, we will receive funds back to support our local programs and ministries. Our goals for this year are:

Most Precious Blood: \$55,000

St. Theresa of Lisieux: \$24,270

Please enter into solidarity with our brothers and sisters in need and spread hope by making a gift today.

Thank you for your support!



DESSERT AND PHILOSOPHY WITH FR. BILL

Thursday, March 26 | 7 pm | MPB

Join Fr. Bill and fellow parishioners for a new monthly series, “Dessert and Philosophy,” held monthly on Thursday evenings at Most Precious Blood Parish.

Each session will feature a delicious dessert and tea as we explore the life and thought of a Christian philosopher and the ways their ideas have shaped Christianity.

Our first gathering will be **Thursday, March 26th at 7pm**, and our philosopher of the evening will be Plato.



DONATE ONLINE

Donating online is easy! Just aim your phone camera at the QR Code to the right and follow the link. Or visit the Giving Tab on our website.



PRAYER AND READINGS

MASS INTENTIONS MARCH 7 - MARCH 15

MOST PRECIOUS BLOOD

Saturday 5:30pm John Scott Hines
Sunday 9:00am For the people of the Parish
Wednesday 9:00am All the Holy Souls in Purgatory
Friday 9:00am Nancy Jean Wright
Saturday 5:30pm
Sunday 9:00am Dr. Francis Boudreau

ST. THERESA OF LISIEUX

Saturday 4:00pm John and Julieanna Perekslis
Sunday 10:45am Captain & Crew of the Lily Jean
Tuesday 9:00am
Thursday 9:00am For the people of the Parish
Saturday 4:00pm
Sunday 10:45am Mike Kickham

If you would like to reserve a Mass for a deceased loved one or for a special intention, please contact the parish office.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please keep the following people in your prayers:

Brendan R., Marie, AM, John, Anna, Larry, NS, Tom M, Marie K, Edgar, Jane, Susan, Lisa B, Bill, Kevin, Katie, Brooke, Brian Murphy, Ellie, Sarah, Michael, and Meghan and Christopher.

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 Joyce Gillis at Joyce@mpb-stp.org or call the parish office.

EASTER FLOWERS

Contributions toward the purchase of flowers to beautify our churches for Easter are greatly appreciated.



If you wish to donate in memory or in honor of your loved ones, please go to our website, www.mpb-stp.org, or use the envelopes provided at the entrances of the churches.

All intentions will be prayed for during the Easter season.

Those received by Tuesday, March 31 will be published in the Easter Sunday bulletin.

LENTEN PRAYER INTENTIONS

Throughout Lent, we invite parishioners to offer their Lenten Prayer Intentions. There are baskets at the back of both churches with purple ribbons and black markers. Write your prayer intention on a ribbon and place it in the designated basket. The prayer ribbons will be placed on the white crosses in the front of both churches.

PRAYER GROUPS

Consider joining one of our prayer groups to strengthen your prayer life this Lent.

The **Women's Prayer Group** meets Wednesdays at 7pm 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 or Liz Ham at lizbeham@gmail.com.

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

Contact Gene Ham at hamgene50@gmail.com.



WEEKLY READINGS

Week of March 8, 2026

Sunday: Ex 17:3-7/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9/Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42
Monday: 2 Kgs 5:1-15ab/Ps 42:2, 3; 42:3, 4/Lk 4:24-30
Tuesday: Dn 3:25, 34-43/Ps 25:4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9/Mt 18:21-35
Wednesday: Dt 4:1, 5-9/Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20/Mt 5:17-19
Thursday: Jer 7:23-28/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 11:14-23
Friday: Hos 14:2-10/Ps 81:6c-8a, 8bc-9, 10-11ab, 14 and 17/Mk 12:28-34
Saturday: Hos 6:1-6/Ps 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab/Lk 18:9-14

FAITH FORMATION/YOUTH

FAITH FORMATION CLASS SCHEDULE

Sunday, March 8

Grades 1-5 9:15 - 10:30 am | STP
 Grades 7-8 | 4 - 5:15 pm | MPB
 High School Confirmation | 5:30 - 6:30 pm | MPB

Monday, March 9

Grade 6 6:15-7:30 pm MPB

Tuesday, March 10

Grades 1-5 3:15-4:30 pm MPB

For our full schedule, visit the Faith Formation tab on our website.



YOUTH MINISTRY

Follow us on Instagram:
 @ds.catholicyouthministry



Upcoming Youth Ministry Dates

Middle School Youth Group

Wednesday, March 18 | 6:00-7:30pm | MPB

High School Youth Group

Sunday, March 29 @ 6-8 pm | MPB

Parent Chaperones Needed

We've gained a lot of traction with our High School Youth Group! In order to maintain that momentum we need just one parent chaperone to attend each youth group. You can be as involved as you would like! If you would like to help run a game, help with food, pick up the pizza, help with the discussion I'd love to have you do that! If you want to just sit and get some work done - awesome!

Use this SignUp Genius to find the upcoming Youth Groups - sign up for one or many!



Calling all parents!

THE PARENT'S EYE: A SPIRITUALITY OF PARENTING WORKSHOP

Saturday, March 21 | 10-11:30am

St. Rose of Lima Church, 12 Park Street Topsfield

This workshop is designed to help you grow closer to God through your experience of parenthood. Presentations, guided reflection, and prayer will help participants explore how to cultivate an everyday spirituality of parenting. By reflecting on their own parenting experiences, participants will grow in awareness of the perfect love that God, our Divine Parent, has for them and for all people.

Light refreshments and childcare provided.

For more information and registration, visit bit.ly/ParentsEyeWorkshop.

ATTENTION ALL VOLUNTEERS CORI renewal time



Pursuant to the General Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, the Archdiocese of Boston requires all volunteers in our parishes to submit a CORI form on a yearly basis. This is a process the Church uses to secure the safety of our children, youth, elderly and the disabled.

Please watch your email for a notice from a staff member or ministry chairperson with a link to the form. Copies of the form are also available at both parishes.

Completed forms must be returned in person and a photo ID is required to be shown. Forms may be returned to your ministry head or brought to either parish during office hours (see page 1 for office hours).

If you have questions, or need a form, please contact Dianna@mpb-stp.org.

PUZZLE

Unscramble words from today's Gospel:

Sychar	well	truth
woman	worship	faith
drink	Father	Savior

Scyhra S y c h a r

wroshpi _____

fatih _____

wmoan _____

Fethar _____

Svairo _____

wlel _____

turth _____

dirkn _____

MISSION

Ask God to open your heart so that you will be friends with other kids, no matter what they look like.

COLLABORATIVE HAPPENINGS



Please Join us for our
Lenten Retreat Evenings



"The Lenten Wilderness"

with Fr. William Woody, SJ

Tuesday, March 10 | 7pm | STP

OR

Wednesday, March 11 | 7pm | MPB

Followed by light refreshments in the Parish Hall

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MONDAY PRAYER SERVICE

Monday | 9:00 am | MPB

hosted by Deacon Dan

Beginning this **Monday, March 9**, join us weekly at 9 am at Most Precious Blood for a prayer service and Communion with Deacon Dan Nelson.

St. Theresa of Lisieux Parish
Invites all to



ADORATION
with
BENEDICTION

hosted by Deacon Tim

Mondays

6:30 - 8:00 pm

NEXT SUNDAY: PANCAKE BREAKFAST!

A graphic for St. Patrick's Day Pancake Breakfast featuring a stack of pancakes, a leprechaun hat, and a shamrock. The text reads: "You're Invited! ST. PATRICK'S DAY PANCAKE BREAKFAST Sunday, March 15 11:30 AM at St. Theresa of Lisieux (immediately following 10:45 am Mass) Cost: \$5 per person/maximum \$20 per family Includes a full breakfast and performance by students from Greene-O'Leary School of Irish Dance".

You're Invited!

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(immediately following 10:45 am Mass)
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BIBLE & BAGELS *A Bible Study with Fr. Bill*

FRIDAYS 9:45 - 10:45 AM | MPB



Join us on the 2nd, 3rd, & 4th Fridays following 9 am Mass in the Parish Hall at Most Precious Blood Church for our weekly bible study with Fr. Bill. We just completed a series on "The Descendants." We begin a series on the Golden Age of Isreal this week.

Refreshments and Bibles are provided.

Contact Fr. Bill at wrobinson19@bostonclergy.org

FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS

Boston Healthcare for the Homeless

Non-perishable food and grocery gift cards are greatly appreciated! Our next delivery will be

THIS Tuesday, March 10.

Contact Carol Coakley at cacoakley@gmail.com or Dianne Polizzi at dij05@verizon.net.



Local Food Pantries

Your donations of toiletries, non-perishable food, and paper goods are greatly appreciated. Our volunteers bring the collected items to the pantries regularly.

Contact Joe Meaney at (508) 298-8655 with any questions.



Lenten Schedule

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STATIONS OF THE CROSS | FRIDAYS | 3 PM | STP

SUNDAY, MARCH 29 - PALM SUNDAY

Regular Mass schedule.

Procession of palms at Sunday Masses

THURS., APRIL 2 - HOLY THURSDAY | 7:30 PM | STP

FRIDAY, APRIL 3 - GOOD FRIDAY

3:00 pm | Children's Stations of the Cross | MPB

7:30 pm | Passion of the Lord | MPB

SATURDAY, APRIL 4 - EASTER VIGIL

7:30 pm at Most Precious Blood

SUNDAY, APRIL 5 - EASTER SUNDAY

9 am at both parishes

11 am at both parishes



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