

The Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport

HOLY FAMILY PARISH · OUR LADY OF GOOD VOYAGE PARISH

A Community United in Prayer, Fellowship, and Service · All Are Welcome!
Fourth Sunday of Lent · Sunday, March 15, 2015

FOR GOD
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JOHN 3:16

OUR WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil Masses

Our Lady of Good Voyage Church · 4:00pm
Saint Ann Church · 4:00pm

Sunday Masses

Our Lady of Good Voyage Church · 7:00am
Saint Ann Church · 8:00am
Saint Joachim Church · 9:30am
Our Lady of Good Voyage Church · 10:00am
Saint Ann Church · 10:45am
Our Lady of Good Voyage Church · 12:00pm
Saint Ann Church (Brazilian Community) · 5:00pm

Daily Masses

Our Lady of Good Voyage Church
Monday-Friday at 8:30am
Saint Ann Church
Saturday at 8:30am

Sacrament of Penance & Reconciliation · Saturdays

Saint Ann Church: 3:00pm-3:30pm
Our Lady of Good Voyage Church: 3:00pm-3:30pm
Also by Appointment

Eucharistic Adoration

Saint Joachim Church
Monday: 6:30pm-8:00pm
Tuesday: 9:00am-10:30am
Thursday: 9:00am-10:30am
Saint Ann Church
Thursday: 6:30pm-7:30pm

Rosary

The Rosary is prayed before all daily Masses in
the Catholic Community of Gloucester and Rockport.
Please join us! All are welcome!

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John 3:16

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Please Join Us! All Are Welcome!

We welcome new parishioners to Gloucester & Rockport!

Please introduce yourself and contact the parish center to register as a parishioner!

OUR PASTORAL TEAM

United in Prayer, Fellowship, and Service

Rev. James M. Achadinha	Pastor
Rev. Ronald Gariboldi, V.F.	Pastor Emeritus
Rev. Mr. Daniel A. Dunn	Permanent Deacon
Rev. Mr. William F.X. Kane	Permanent Deacon
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CONTACT US

On behalf of our parish communities, we welcome everyone to the Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport (CCGR). If you need any assistance, please feel welcome to contact a member of our pastoral team:

Phone: 978-281-4820

Email: hfp@holymfamilycapeann.org (Holy Family)

Email: olgv@comcast.net (Our Lady of Good Voyage)

LIVE STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Palm Sunday · March 29th at 6:30pm

Youth Participants & Adult Volunteers Needed!

All students (grades 4 and up) are invited to participate in our annual "Live Stations of the Cross" which will be presented on Palm Sunday, March 29th at 6:30pm in Saint Ann Church. All participants are expected to attend weekly rehearsals on Thursday afternoons from 4:30pm until 5:30pm in Saint Ann Church. Adult volunteers are also needed and most welcome!

If you or your child would like to participate in this special annual event that brings us closer to Christ Jesus as he carries the Holy Cross, please contact Susan Demetri at sdemetri2000@yahoo.com or 978-282-5096. Please join us!

WORDS of WISDOM from OUR HOLY FATHER

An Invitation to Encounter Jesus

"I invite all Christians, everywhere, at this very moment, to a renewed personal encounter with Jesus Christ, or at least an openness to letting him encounter them;

I ask all of you to do this unflinchingly each day.

No one should think that this invitation is not meant for him or her, since no one is excluded from the joy brought by the Lord."

+ POPE FRANCIS

"The Joy of the Gospel"

OUR PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Fourth Week of Lent:

"God so loved the world..."

Nicodemus appears three times in the Gospel of John. In chapter three, Nicodemus is a Pharisee or Jewish leader who recognizes that Jesus is a teacher sent from heaven. In chapter seven, Nicodemus advises the Pharisees to listen to Jesus before passing judgment on him. And in chapter nineteen, Nicodemus provides the aloes and myrrh to embalm Jesus after the crucifixion. After the resurrection, tradition holds that Nicodemus was one of the first Christians. In fact, Nicodemus is venerated as both a saint and martyr for the faith.

In this weekend's Gospel reading, even though Jesus predicts his passion, death, and resurrection, Nicodemus does not yet believe that Jesus is the Messiah. Then suddenly, the narrator offers what has become one of the most famous and recognizable passages in scripture: "For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but have eternal life (John 3:16)." One Christian commentator has written that this verse contains the whole "gospel in a nutshell."

Indeed, this famous passage contains essential truths about God and his relationship with us: God loves us; God sacrifices his Son for our sake; and God makes this sacrifice so that we might live with Him for all eternity. We know these things as basic components of our shared faith. But do we ever really pause and consider their momentous impact on our lives? Do we ever stop and think how much God loves us, how much God sacrifices for us, and how much God desires to be with us for all eternity?

If you are a parent or grandparent, then you know about the intense love that a parent feels for a child. And if you know how much a parent loves a child, then just imagine the intensity of God's divine and eternal love for Jesus. As human parents, we are imperfect, but God is truly perfect. As human children, we are imperfect, but Jesus is truly perfect. Because we are sinners, it is impossible for us to truly measure God's boundless love for his only Son. But wait, there's more!

Consider now the essential truth that God loves us (you and me) so much that he willingly sacrifices Jesus, his only Son, for our sake! Despite our brokenness, God surrenders Jesus to the world and its torments so that we (you and me) might one day join him in heaven! Through the life, death, and resurrection of Christ Jesus, God reaches down from the heavens and holds us (you and me) in an embrace that will last forever and ever.

As our Lenten journey continues, let us pray for the courage and grace to truly surrender ourselves to God's endless love and mercy. "For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but have eternal life." Amen!

Peace and blessings to all,
Father Jim

The Holy Season of Lent

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For more information about these and other programs and events during Lent, please visit our websites: [ccgronline](http://ccgronline.com) or twitter.com/ccgronline!

THE LIGHT IS ON FOR YOU! Confessions & Eucharistic Adoration Wednesday Evenings During Lent

During the Holy Season of Lent, all Catholics are invited to experience Christ's love and mercy through the Sacrament of Penance & Reconciliation (Confession). On four consecutive Wednesdays during Lent (February 25th through March 18th), at Our Lady of Good Voyage Church from 6:00pm until 8:00pm, all are invited to join us for "The Light Is On For You!" These special evenings of prayer will include Evening Prayer and Night Prayer from the Liturgy of the Hours; Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament; and two full hours of confessions for those who feel called to participate.

For some, this may be a time for sacramental reconciliation. For some it may be a time for silent prayer and reflection. And for some, it may be a time to begin or renew a life of faith. Wherever you are on your faith journey, please join us! All are welcome!

Please note that this program will be preempted on Wednesday, March 25th for our Lent Mission & Retreat. For more information about the Sacrament of Penance & Reconciliation (Confession) in the Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport, please visit our website: ccgronline.com or contact Father Jim at 978-281-4820 or frjim@ccgronline.com.

STATIONS of the CROSS Fridays During Lent

The Stations of the Cross are one of the most enduring and moving devotions of the Roman Catholic Church. By uniting our prayers with the sufferings of Christ through both word and imagery, we make a spiritual pilgrimage with Lord on his way to the Cross. During Lent, all are invited to join us in praying the Stations of the Cross on six consecutive Fridays (February 20th-March 27th):

Saint Ann Church
Fridays at 3:30pm

Our Lady of Good Voyage Church
Fridays at 7:00pm (with Mass)

Mass will be celebrated at 7:00pm before we pray the Stations of the Cross at Our Lady of Good Voyage. Also, please note that on Friday, March 27th, the Stations of the Cross at Our Lady of Good Voyage will be preempted by our Lent Mission & Retreat which will be held from Wednesday, March 25th through Friday, March 27th at 7:00pm at Our Lady of Good Voyage Church.

ASSISI PROJECT "Lent with Saint Francis & Saint Clare" Join us at assisiproject.com!

Each week during the Holy Season of Lent, all are invited to join the Assisi Project for a special online retreat based on the lives and writings of Saint Francis and Saint Clare of Assisi. Every Sunday during Lent, our website will be updated with a new prayer, reading, and reflection designed to bring us closer to Christ Jesus through the inspiration and intercession of Saint Francis and Saint Clare of Assisi. Please join us at assisiproject.com!

During the Fourth Week of Lent, we will read again from the "Admonitions" of Saint Francis of Assisi and pray with a reflection about the "Awesome Power of Simple Faith." This reflection reminds us that faith, no matter how incomplete or imperfect, has the ability to overcome and defeat the forces of darkness of despair and evil.

For more information about the Assisi Project, please visit our website, see Father Jim before or after Mass, or contact Cliff Garvey at cgarvey@ccgronline.com or 978-281-4820. May the Lord give you peace!

LENT MISSION & RETREAT "MERCY & DISCIPLESHIP" March 25th-March 27th

All are invited to join us for the Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport's Lent Mission & Retreat from Wednesday, March 25th through Friday, March 27th at Our Lady of Good Voyage Church.

Each evening will begin with Mass at 7:00pm, followed by a reflection based on the theme of "Mercy & Discipleship." In addition, the Sacrament of Penance & Reconciliation (Confession) will be celebrated from 6:00pm until 6:45pm during each evening of the retreat.

Our guest celebrant and homilist will be the Reverend Gary M. Gurtler, S.J. Father Gurtler is a member of the Society of Jesus, a graduate of Fordham University, and since 1992, he has served as an Associate Professor of Philosophy at Boston College. In addition, Father Gurtler serves as priest-chaplain for the Hispanic Community at Saint Charles Borromeo Church in Woburn.

The Lent Mission & Retreat is free but donations will be gratefully accepted at Mass during each evening of the retreat. For more information, please see Father Jim or contact Cliff Garvey at cgarvey@ccgronline.com or 978-281-4820. Please join us! Bring a friend or neighbor! All are welcome!

THE ASSISI PROJECT
Eighth Annual Fall Pilgrimage
October 30th-November 7th

In 2015, for the eighth consecutive year, Father Jim, Cliff Garvey, and the Assisi Project will lead a week-long, small-group pilgrimage and retreat to Assisi, Italy from October 30th through November 7th.

Last year, a group of sixteen pilgrims literally walked in the footsteps of Saint Francis and Saint Clare of Assisi. This year, we will journey back to some of the world's most compelling pilgrimage sites in Assisi, La Verna, and the Rieti Valley.

Each morning of our pilgrimage will begin with Morning Prayer and Mass. Our Masses will be celebrated at the Church of San Damiano, the Basilica of Saint Francis, the Basilica of Saint Clare, and the Porziuncola. Each afternoon, our pilgrims will have free time to explore the medieval city of Assisi at their own pace and to visit the countless churches, cafes, museums, and shops. Each evening, our group will gather for Evening Prayer, and a period of faith formation, discussion, and faith sharing.

As a fellowship of pilgrims, we will visit the historic basilicas of Saint Francis and Saint Clare, which contain the tombs of the saints, holy relics, and priceless works of art. But these basilicas are not museums. They are pilgrimage sites for prayer, meditation, and worship. We will visit the Basilica of Saint Rufino, where Saint Francis and Saint Clare were baptized. We will visit the Church of Saint Damian, where the famous crucifix spoke to Francis and hastened his conversion. And we will visit the chapel known as the Porziuncola or "Little Portion" which is the home church of the worldwide Franciscan family.

Finally, we will travel to La Verna, the mountain sanctuary in Tuscany, where Saint Francis received the Stigmata (the five wounds of the Crucified Christ). We will also journey to the Rieti Valley: to Greccio (where Saint Francis created the world's first Christmas crèche) and to Fonte Colombo (where Saint Francis wrote his Rule under the guidance and inspiration of an angel).

The cost of this extraordinary small-group pilgrimage is just \$3,299 and includes air fare and associated fees and taxes (from Boston's Logan Airport); guest house accommodations (single room) in Assisi; and ground transportation to and from the airport and to and from all scheduled pilgrimage sites in Italy. All meals are included. The price does not include the costs of highly recommended travel insurance (approximately \$250) or personal taxi services in and around the medieval city of Assisi.

For more information, please see Father Jim or contact Cliff Garvey at 978-281-4820 or cgarvey@ccgronline.com; or visit our website at assisiproject.com. Space is limited! As of February 11th, there are only seven spaces remaining! Please join us! May the Lord give you peace!

YOUTH FAITH FORMATION UPDATE
Upcoming Class Schedule

All parents, catechists, and students should take a moment to review our upcoming class schedule:

Week of March 14th-20th
 Regular Class Schedule

Week of March 21st-27th
 Regular Class Schedule

Week of March 28th-29th
 Regular Class Schedule

Last Days of Classes · Grades K-1, 3-8

Week of April 4th-5th
 No Classes

Please continue to pray for all of our students and their families, and for all of our catechists and volunteers. For more information about youth faith formation at Holy Family Parish, please contact Dawn Alves at 978-281-4820 or dalves@holyfamilycapeann.org.

First Holy Communion
Retreat & Parents Meeting · Saint Ann Church
Saturday, March 21st at 8:30am

All students who are preparing for their First Holy Communion and their parents are reminded that Holy Family Parish's First Holy Communion Retreat & Parents Meeting is scheduled for Saturday, March 21st beginning with Mass at 8:30am in Saint Ann Church.

After Mass and refreshments, our students will participate in a series of five "retreat stations" designed to further prepare them to receive the Eucharist for the first time. At these stations, students will make their own Rosary, an edible "prayer pretzel", a banner to be displayed at their First Holy Communion Mass, along with other activities related to prayer and the Eucharist.

At the conclusion of the retreat, we will have a parents meeting during which we will discuss our preparations for the First Holy Communion Masses at both Saint Ann Church and Saint Joachim Church. All parents are strongly encouraged to attend this important meeting. For more information about preparations for First Holy Communion at Holy Family Parish, please contact Dawn Alves at 978-281-4820 or dalves@holyfamilycapeann.org.

Winter Weather Cancellation Information

During these cold and snowy winter months, please visit our website at ccgronline.com or tune to local radio and television stations for cancellation announcements due to inclement weather. Announcements also will be made on WBZ1030 and cbsboston.com; Channel 7, and Fox 25. Also, please note that classes at Saint Joachim Church are cancelled when public schools are closed. For more information, please contact Dawn Alves at 978-281-4820 or dalves@holyfamilycapeann.org.

Fellowship & Service

HOLY FAMILY WOMEN'S GUILD Saint Joseph & Saint Patrick Bake Sale Weekend of March 14th-15th

After all weekend Masses on Saturday, March 14th and Sunday, March 15th, the Women's Guild at Holy Family Parish will sponsor a bake sale in celebration of the Feast Days of Saint Joseph and Saint Patrick. The bake sale will feature Irish Bread and Italian Cookies, along with the usual delicious baked goods from our dedicated parish bakers. All donations will be gratefully accepted. And all proceeds will go directly to Holy Family Parish.

For more information, please contact Arlene Lesch at arlene.lesch@outlook.com or leave a message with the parish office by calling 978-281-4820. All are welcome!

SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY Help Us Help Others!

The Saint Vincent De Paul Society provides food and financial assistance to parishioners and families in need throughout the Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport. Donation baskets for non-perishable food items are placed at the entrances of our churches. Our food pantry needs the following items:

- Macaroni & cheese · Jars of pasta sauce
- Tuna helper · Instant potatoes · Mayonnaise
- Canned ham · Snacks · Pork & beans · Juice
- Beef stew · Pancake mix & syrup
- Canned fruit · Unsweetened cereal
- Peanut butter & jelly · Chef Boyardee
- Canned chicken & canned tuna
- Clam chowder & vegetable soup

Donation envelopes are also available and can be placed in the offertory basket or mailed to the parish office. Checks should be made payable to the Saint Vincent De Paul Society. For more information, please contact Harry Miller at 978-281-2701. For assistance, please contact the Saint Vincent De Paul Society Hotline at 978-281-8672. As always, thank you for your generosity and support!

KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS 50-50 RAFFLE Tickets Available Until March 31st!

The Knights of Columbus (Council 215) of Gloucester & Rockport are sponsoring a 50-50 Raffle to support their charitable works, including Holy Family Parish. A donation of \$5.00 per ticket is requested. Tickets can be purchased now through March 31st from a Knight after Mass, by visiting our pastoral office during regular business hours, or by contacting Peter Brau at grandknight@kofc215.com or visit our website: kofc215.com. The drawing will be held on April 8th. Thank you for your support!

OUR MASS INTENTIONS

Unless otherwise noted,
all intentions are requested by members of the family.

Saturday, March 14	Vigil · Fourth Sunday of Lent
4:00pm · Saint Ann	Matteo & Santina LoGrande & Family
4:00pm · OLGV	Virginia, John & Russell Asaro
Sunday, March 15	Fourth Sunday of Lent
7:00am · OLGV	Mass for the People
8:00am · Saint Ann	Giovanni Battista Viviano
9:30am · Saint Joachim	Deacon Richard W. Gindel
10:00am · OLGV	Helen Korpi
10:45am · Saint Ann	Allerio & Filippa Loiacano & Children
12:00pm · OLGV	Michael & Lena Lovasco & Sebastian Lovasco
5:00pm · Saint Ann	Brazilian Community Mass
	Fourth Week of Lent
Monday, March 16 8:30am · OLGV	Elizabeth, Rammy & Neil Ramsden
Tuesday, March 17 8:30am · OLGV	Bertha Maksimowicz
Wednesday, March 18 8:30am · OLGV	Margaret Myrvold
Thursday, March 19 8:30am · OLGV	Maria, Sam & Sebastiano Ciolino
Friday, March 20 8:30am · OLGV	Special Intention
Saturday, March 21 8:30am · Saint Ann	All Souls in Purgatory
Saturday, March 21	Vigil · Fifth Sunday of Lent
4:00pm · Saint Ann	Capt. Salvatore & Josephine Santuccio Capt. Stefano & Catherine Demetri
4:00pm · OLGV	Agnes Sliwa
Sunday, March 22	Fifth Sunday of Lent
7:00am · OLGV	John Carrancho
8:00am · Saint Ann	Capt. Girolomo & Grace Lovasco
9:30am · Saint Joachim	Yolanda & Joseph Recchia
10:00am · OLGV	Antone & Matilda Santos
10:45am · Saint Ann	Lorenzo & Jennie Lee Scola & Jenny Lee Scola Grace
12:00pm · OLGV	Margaret & John Camille
5:00pm · Saint Ann	Brazilian Community Mass

Disciples in Mission Update

DISCIPLE MAKER INDEX CATHOLIC PARISH SURVEY

Take the Survey via ccgronline.com!

As all of us already know, “Disciples in Mission” is the title of the Archdiocesan Pastoral Planning Commission’s proposal that created the Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport, a collaborative of Holy Family Parish and Our Lady of Good Voyage Parish.

That pastoral plan states: “Disciples in Mission seeks to revitalize the Catholic Church in Boston by positioning our parishes more solidly for the task of evangelization, the work of reaching out to our brothers and sisters and drawing them more fully to Christ Jesus.”

Over the course of the past nine months, our two parishes have made good progress – praying and working together as a Catholic community united in prayer, fellowship, and service. But of course, much work remains to be done! Part of that work is an honest self-assessment of where we’ve been, where we are, and where we’re headed as communities of faith.

Beginning this week, all parishioners are strongly encouraged to participate in the “Disciple Maker Index”, a national study commissioned by the Archdiocese of Boston and conducted by the Catholic Leadership Institute.

The Disciple Maker Index is a comprehensive survey that poses a series of questions about your personal experience with our parish and your personal relationship with Christ and his Church. The survey can be completed in approximately ten minutes either online (at ccgronline.com) or by completing one of the printed surveys that are available in both our pastoral office and in the vestibules of our churches.

Led by Father Jim, our pastoral team is working hard to help you grow in faith and to nurture your personal relationship with Christ Jesus. Your honest feedback will be a great gift to both the Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport and to the Catholic Church throughout the world. So, please help us help you by completing the Disciple Maker Index as soon as possible.

If you have questions or would like more information about Disciples in Mission, the Disciple Maker Index, or the Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport, please contact Father Jim at frjim@ccgronline.com or 978-281-4820; or Cliff Garvey at c.garvey@ymail.com or 978-281-4820; or visit our website at ccgronline.com.

Thank you in advance for your time and assistance! Please pray for our pastor, for our pastoral team, for all of our volunteers, and for all who work and worship in the Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport. Peace and blessings to all!

OUR WEEKLY GIFTS Weekend of March 7th-March 8th

	Mass	Attendance	Collection
4:00pm	Saint Ann		N/A
8:00am	Saint Ann		N/A
9:30am	Saint Joachim		N/A
10:45am	Saint Ann		N/A
5:00pm	Saint Ann		N/A
Weekly Totals:			
Office Offertory:			
February EFT donations			4 week avg.
TOTAL			N/A
This week’s second collection is for Snow Removal & Utilities. Thank you for supporting Holy Family Parish!			

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For more information, please contact Linda Rogers at 978-281-4820 or hffinance@holymfamilycapeann.org.

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OUR SANCTUARY LAMPS

This week, the sanctuary lamp at Saint Ann Church was donated in memory of James Contri.

This week, the sanctuary lamp at Saint Joachim Church was donated in memory of Maureen Sullivan Powers.

The sanctuary lamp signifies the presence of the Blessed Sacrament in each of the churches in the Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport. These lamps can be donated in memory of departed loved ones. Unless otherwise noted, such donations are made by the family. The requested donation for a sanctuary lamp is \$25.00 per week. For more information, please visit our pastoral office or call us at 978-281-4820. Thank you!

NEW BULLETIN DEADLINE

Fridays at Noon

Submissions to our parish bulletin are now due by Fridays at Noon for publication in the following weekend’s bulletin. For example, if you or your parish group wishes to publicize an event in our bulletin on Sunday, March 29th, then your submission is due by Noon on Friday, March 20th. All submissions should be sent to Father Jim at frjim@ccgronline.com. Thank you for your cooperation! Peace and blessings!

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