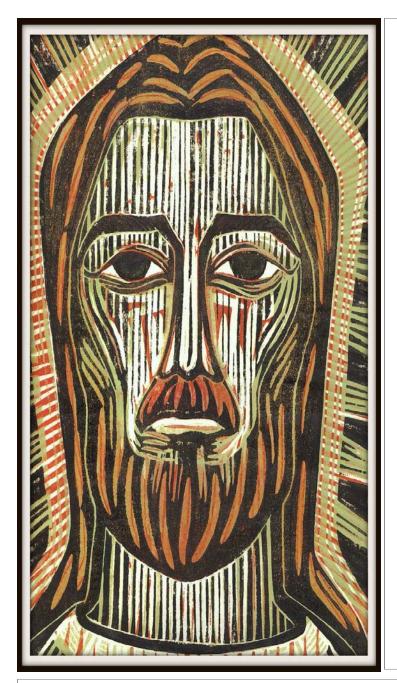
The Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport

HOLY FAMILY PARISH · OUR LADY OF GOOD VOYAGE PARISH

A Community United in Prayer, Fellowship, and Service · All Are Welcome! Fifth Sunday of Lent · Sunday, March 22, 2015



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 · 700am
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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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 Pastor's Message

FIFTH WEEK OF LENT: "WHOEVER SERVES ME MUST FOLLOW ME..."

In this weekend's gospel reading, Jesus says to some of his disciples: "Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there also will my servant be (John 12:26)." This passage reminds me of a memorable dinner that I was blessed to share recently with some of our fellow parishioners. All of them were born and raised on the island. All are longtime parishioners at either Holy Family Parish or Our Lady of Good Voyage Parish. And all of them have been close friends for many years. During our dinner, one parishioner, a lifelong member of Holy Family Parish, asked about our upcoming worship schedule for Holy Week. I answered by reciting the schedule that appears in our bulletin (see next page) and on our website (at ccgronline.com). Alas, I noticed a raised eyebrow and a disappointed shaking of heads as I talked about our plans for the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday and the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday.

So I explained that as the Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport, we will imitate the apostles on Holy Thursday and gather as one community of disciples at Saint Ann Church (the largest of our four churches) to celebrate together Christ's institution of both the ordained priesthood and the Holy Eucharist. After Mass on Holy Thursday, our community will process with the Blessed Sacrament from Saint Ann Church to Our Lady of Good Voyage Church. Beginning on Holy Thursday, Our Lady's Church will serve as the chapel of reposition for the Blessed Sacrament during the Holy Triduum and will remain open until midnight for silent personal prayer and veneration of Christ's real presence in the Holy Eucharist. I also explained that on Holy Saturday, our parishes will gather again as one community of faith for the Easter Vigil. Once again, we will imitate the disciples who gathered as one community of believers to celebrate the miracle of the Lord's glorious resurrection.

What happened next was a moment of pure grace. One of our fellow parishioners spoke emotionally about the many changes that she has experienced over the years as a parishioner at Saint Ann Church. She spoke about the merging of parishes, the closing of schools, the slow deterioration of parish buildings, and even the scheduling of some recent programs and special events at Our Lady of Good Voyage Church. She told me that all of these changes have challenged her faith, but that she remains both faith-filled and faithful to the church. She remains confident that Christ will never abandon his people on this island. She takes great comfort in Christ's abiding presence in the Eucharist in all of the churches in the Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport. And alluding to our procession from Saint Ann Church to Our Lady of Good Voyage Church on Holy Thursday, she said that wherever Christ goes, she will follow him, even if that means following him beyond Saint Ann Church to Saint Joachim Church, Saint Anthony Chapel, or Our Lady of Good Voyage Church. With tears in her eyes, she said: "Father Jim, wherever Jesus is, I will be there, no matter what. I promise you that." Such powerful words! Such an amazing grace! I remain awestruck by our fellow parishioner's deep and profound faith in Christ and his church.

I know how she feels. As many parishioners know, I was raised at Saint Anthony Church in Cambridge. I was baptized there, received First Holy Communion there, and made my Confirmation there. As a college student, I taught religious education classes there. Two of my beloved grandparents were buried from there. My sister was married there. Surrounded by my family and friends, I celebrated my first Mass there. And for nearly five years, I was truly blessed to serve as the parochial vicar at my family's home parish. Few priests are lucky enough to serve the people of their home parishes in this way. I dearly love my home parish. And I will always miss it and its good and faithful people.

But the Lord calls us to change, grow, and deepen our faith in unexpected ways. He call us to discipleship not just in a single church or parish, but to the universal church which is the Body of Christ. The Lord calls us to follow him in prayer, fellowship, and service — wherever he leads us. He challenges our comfort and complacency. And just as we depend on him for consolation and guidance, he depends on us to walk with him even when it hurts, even when the cross seems too heavy. During Lent, the Lord calls us to sacrifice and surrender our lives to his endless love and mercy. And during Holy Week, he calls us to gather as one people to commemorate together his passion and death, and ultimately to celebrate together his resurrection.

In this weekend's gospel reading, Jesus says: "Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there also will my servant be. The Father will honor whoever serves me (John 12:26)." Let us pray for the courage and strength to follow him, wherever he leads us. Let us pray for the humility and perseverance to serve him in whatever way he asks us. And let us pray that God will continue to bless and honor those who serve his church on this beautiful island and beyond.

Peace and blessings to all, Father Jim

New & Noteworthy

OUR HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE March 29th-April 5th

Palm Sunday, March 29th

Regular Mass Schedule (See Cover)

Monday, March 30th-Wednesday, April 1st Regular Mass Schedule (See Cover)

Holy Thursday, April 2nd

Mass of the Lord's Supper · 7:00pm · Saint Ann Church

Good Friday, April 3rd

Morning Prayer · 8:30am · Our Lady's Church Stations of the Cross · Noon · Saint Ann Church Good Friday Service · 3:00pm · Saint Joachim Church Good Friday Service · 7:00pm · Our Lady's Church

Holy Saturday, April 4th

Morning Prayer · 8:30am · Saint Ann Church Easter Vigil Mass · 7:30pm · Saint Ann Church Note: No Sunday Vigil Masses

Easter Sunday, April 5th

Regular Mass Schedule (See Cover)

For more information about Holy Week in the Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport, please contact Father Jim at 978-281-4820 or frjim@ccgronline.com. Please join us! All are welcome!

HOLY FAMILY WOMEN'S GUILD PALM SUNDAY CAKE SALE March 28th-March 29th · Saint Ann Church

After all weekend Masses on Saturday, March 28th and Sunday, March 29th, the Women's Guild at Holy Family Parish will sponsor their Third Annual Palm Sunday Cake Sale. This bake sale will feature Easter Cakes, along with our usual selection of delicious cookies and pastries. So, don't make a mess in your kitchen! Let the Holy Family Women's Guild bake for you!

All donations to our bake sale will be gratefully accepted. And all proceeds will go directly to Holy Family Parish. Fore more information, please contact Arlene Lesch at arlene.lesch@outlook.com or leave a message with the parish office by calling 978-281-4820. Please join us! All are welcome! Thanks for your ongoing support!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CATHOLIC COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP Applications Due April 3rd

The Massachusetts State Council of the Knights of Columbus is offering 5 \$1,000 scholarships to students who are planning to attend a Roman Catholic college or university. Any child or grandchild of a member of the Knights of Columbus is eligible to apply. For more information, please contact Peter Brau at grandknight@kofc215.com.

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 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.

Live Stations of the Cross Palm Sunday · March 29th at 6:30pm

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! All are welcome!

Rite of Christian Initiation for Children Easter Sunday · April 5th at 10:45am Mass

On Easter Sunday, April 5th at the 10:45am Mass in Saint Ann Church, the Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport at Holy Family Parish will welcome six children into our faith community through the Rite of Christian Initiation for Children (RCIC).

For the past year, these children have been preparing for the Sacraments of Initiation through prayer, fellowship, and classroom instruction. They are now ready to receive the Sacraments of Baptism, Holy Eucharist, and Confirmation in the Roman Catholic Church. It is with great joy that we will welcome them into Holy Family Parish and into the worldwide community of prayer, fellowship, and service!

As these children make final preparations for Easter Sunday, please pray for them, their parents, catechists, and sponsors! For more information about the Rite of Christian Initiation for Children, please contact Dawn Alves at 978-281-4820 or dalves@holyfamilycapeann.org.

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 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.

THE ASSISI PROJECT Lent with Saint Francis & Saint Clare Week V: Teachers & Lessons

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 Fifth Week of Lent, we will pray with the Prayer of Saint Francis and with a reflection about the "Teachers & Lessons." This reflection reminds us that for Saint Francis and hopefully for us, Christ Jesus is the ultimate teacher and role model who teaches us how to live, die, love, and rise to new life.

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!

Fellowship & Service

CATHOLIC CHARITIES NORTH Special Collection: Holy Thursday, April 2nd Help Us Help Others!

Help your neighbors on Cape Ann by supporting Catholic Charities North. We provide assistance for basic needs (food gift cards, utilities, and rent) during these challenging economic times. Funds are also available to help our fishing community families with food, utilities, and mortgage & rental costs.

During the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Thursday, April 2nd, a special collection will be taken to support Catholic Charities North. Please give generously! In addition, donations can be sent to:

Catholic Charities North Attention: Sarah Gindel 60 Prospect Street Gloucester, Massachusetts 01930

Please make checks payable to Catholic Charities North and write "basic needs" in your check's memo line. For more information or assistance, please contact Sarah Gindel at 978-283-3055 or sarah_gindel@ccab.org. Thank you for your ongoing generosity and support!

GRACE CENTER 'Glow with Grace' Annual Candlelight Walk Sunday, March 29th · Begins at 6:30pm

The Grace Center offers our homeless brothers and sisters a place to during the day to feel safe and work on their problems. On Sunday, March 29th, all are welcome to join the Grace Center for its Third Annual 'Glow with Grace' Awareness Walk, which begins at 6:30pm at Gloucester High School and ends at the Fisherman Statue. Your donations will support the Grace Center's mission of offering gifts of acceptance, hospitality, and opportunity to the homeless people of Cape Ann.

For more information about the Grace Center and its mission, please contact Christine Bobek at 978-675-6240 or visit their website at gracecenterinc.org. Please join us!

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 grand-knight@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 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 29	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			
	Fifth Week of Lent			
Monday, March 23 8:30am · OLGV	Maria & José Vinagre			
Tuesday, March 24 8:30am · OLGV	Joyce Ellersich & C.J. Malkovich			
Wednesday, March 25 8:30am · OLGV	Deceased Members of the Cecilio Family			
Thursday, March 26 8:30am · OLGV	All Souls in Purgatory			
Friday, March 27 8:30am · OLGV	Salvatore Albano			
Saturday, March 28 8:30am · Saint Ann	For the people			
Saturday, March 28	Vigil · Palm Sunday			
4:00pm · Saint Ann	Margaret Trupiano			
4:00pm · OLGV	Capt. Louis Aiello			
Sunday, March 29	Palm Sunday			
7:00am·OLGV	José & Isolina Matos			
8:00am · Saint Ann	Vito Asaro			
9:30am·Saint Joachim	William Scott Waddleton			
10:00am · OLGV	Paul LeBlanc			
10:45am · Saint Ann	John Cecilio, Arlene Muise, and Joseph Cecilio			
12:00pm·OLGV	Serafino & Mary Pallazola and Paul Mitchell			
5:00pm·Saint Ann	Brazilian Community Mass			

Upcoming Events

SATURDAY MORNING with SAINT FRANCIS Saturday, March 28th · Begins at 7:30am

More than 800 years ago, Saint Francis of Assisi encouraged a great devotion to the Crucified Christ. As a way of encouraging that same devotion in our own times, all are invited to join the Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport for 'Saturday Morning with Saint Francis' on Saturday, March 28th at Saint Ann Church.

Our program will begin at 7:30am with Morning Prayer from the Liturgy of the Hours and an hour of Eucharistic Adoration. At 8:30am, Father Jim will celebrate Mass. After Mass, Cliff Garvey will offer a brief reflection on Saint Francis of Assisi's devotion to the Crucified Christ. Our time of prayer and worship will conclude with the 'Franciscan Way of the Cross.'

After praying the 'Franciscan Way of the Cross', all are welcome to join us for fellowship and faith sharing at Saint Ann Rectory. Coffee, tea, and light refreshments will be served. For more information, please contact Cliff Garvey at cgarvey@ccgronline.com. Please join us! All are welcome! May the Lord give you peace!

THE ASSISI PROJECT "Saint Francis of Assisi: The Beginning" Sunday, March 29th · Begins with Mass at 12:00pm

Founded in 2007 by Father Jim and Cliff Garvey, the Assisi Project is an international fellowship of 'Franciscans in Spirit' that is dedicated to helping adults more faithfully live the Gospel of Christ in the spirit of Saints Francis and Clare of Assisi. We gather regularly for Mass, a community meal, and a period of faith formation and discussion.

Our first meeting of the year has been rescheduled for Sunday, March 29th beginning with Mass at 12:00pm in Our Lady of Good Voyage Church. After Mass, Cliff will offer a reflection entitled 'Saint Francis of Assisi: The Beginning' which will focus on the early life and times of the man who would become the world's most beloved and perhaps most misunderstood saint. We will then adjourn to Our Lady's Parish Hall for a light lunch. If you would like to join us, please contact Cliff Garvey at 978-281-4820 or cgarvey@ccgronline.com by March 25th. Please join us!

THE ASSISI PROJECT Eighth Annual Fall Pilgrimage Assisi · La Verna · Rieti Valley

Join Father Jim and Cliff Garvey for the Assisi Project's Fall Pilgrimage from October 30th through November 7th! Only five spaces remain for this extraordinary small group pilgrimage that traces the footsteps of Saint Francis. For more information, please see Father Jim or contact Cliff at 978-281-4820 or cgarvey@ccgronline.com.

OUR WEEKLY GIFTS Weekend of March 14th-March 15th

	Mass	Attendance	Collection
4:00pm	Saint Ann	145	\$1,532.00
8:00am	Saint Ann	115	\$1,333.41
9:30am	Saint Joachim	181	\$1,291.00
10:45am	Saint Ann	125	\$1,026.21
5:00pm	Saint Ann	40	\$ 185.00
Weekly Totals:		606	\$5,367.62
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SANCTUARY LAMPS

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 ON OUR WEBSITE "Bringing Home the Word"

Bringing Home the Word is a weekly lectionary-based resource for individual and family use that offers suggestions for prayer and reflection based on the Sunday Mass readings. The latest edition is available every Saturday morning on our website at ccgronline.com/news.

In addition, our latest parish bulletins are also available online at ccgronline.com/news. For more information about our website, please contact Cliff Garvey at 978-281-4820 or cgarvey@ccgronline.com. Please join us online! All are welcome!

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