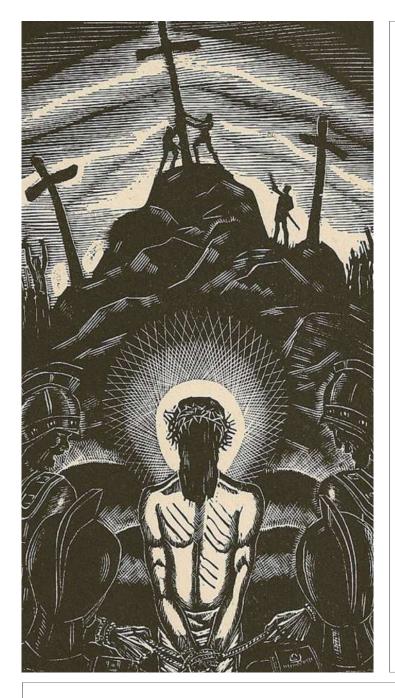
# The Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport

HOLY FAMILY PARISH · OUR LADY OF GOOD VOYAGE PARISH

A Community United in Prayer, Fellowship, and Service · All Are Welcome! Palm Sunday & Holy Week · Sunday, March 29, 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

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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### The Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport

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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**

#### OUR HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE: "Whoever Serves Me Must Follow Me..."

In last 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 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 calls 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.

Once again, in last 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

# **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!

# A Prayer for Holy Week

### By Blessed Charles de Foucauld

Father, I abandon myself into your hands. Do with me what you will.
Whatever you may do, I thank you.
I am ready for all; I accept all.
Let only your will be done in me and in all your creatures.
I wish no more than this, O Lord.
Into your hands, I commend my soul.
I offer it to you with all the love of my heart, for I love you, Lord, and so need to give myself, to surrender myself into your hands
without reservation and with boundless confidence, For you are my Father. Amen.

Blessed Charles de Foucauld (1858-1916) was born into French nobility and lived a reckless and worldly life until a conversion experience prompted him to seek ordination to the priesthood and to live a solitary life in French North Africa. He is remembered as the founder of the Little Brothers of Jesus and other religious congregations.

Blessed Charles de Foucauld was beatified by Pope Benedict XVI and is venerated as a martyr, and as an example of humility and gospel living in the face of much hardship, persecution, and poverty. Blessed Charles de Foucauld, pray for us!

### This Week's Message

### THE LAST PLACE

### By Cliff Garvey · Minister of Evangelization

Since childhood, I have been an avid (if not obsessive) reader. My parents would walk into my bedroom on school mornings to wake me up, but found me wide awake and reading with a flashlight. As an adult with a deep interest in Catholic prayer and spirituality, I am always hoping to discover new books and ways of praying that might help me to truly become the person that God has called me to be.

Recently, I was blessed to discover several books by or about Blessed Charles de Foucauld (1858-1916), a priest and hermit who was martyred in Algeria during the First World War. After a misspent youth, Blessed Charles journeyed first to the Holy Land and then into the deserts of North Africa in search of his own "Nazareth" where he could imitate the life of Jesus – carpenter, laborer, and teacher of Nazareth.

Blessed Charles did not seek to imitate the public ministry of Jesus. Instead, he sought to imitate the hidden life of Jesus — a solitary life of hard work, humility, and poverty. He sought to imitate the Jesus who took "the last place" in the world, who descended from the right hand of God to toil as a day laborer in a small town.

This weekend at Mass, we read from Saint Paul's Letter to the Philippians (2:6-11) in which we are reminded that Christ Jesus left heaven where he enjoyed equality with God to live and work among us as a tradesman; and to humble himself, suffer, and die for us through the horrific indignity of crucifixion. According to Blessed Charles, Christ took the very "last place" among all of God's creation. He writes: "Jesus had so taken the last place that no one else has ever been able to take it from him."

This truly incredible act of humility inspired Charles de Foucauld to abandon a life of pleasure, privilege, and riches. It inspired him to live a life dedicated to the simple gospel values of decency, hard work, and humility. It inspired him to cultivate and practice the virtue of spiritual poverty — the realization that everything we have is truly a gift from the God who loves each of us beyond measure.

By seeking his own "last place", Blessed Charles did not seek to become a martyr like Christ (even though he did ultimately die as one). That would not have been true to the spirit of his vocation. Rather, he sought to lovingly surrender his life and will to God, so that he might become the man who God called him to be; and so that God might work through him for the salvation of souls.

During this Holy Week and beyond, let us pray for the courage and grace to follow Blessed Charles de Foucauld to our own personal "last place" where we might encounter Christ Jesus through prayer, fellowship, and service to God's Church and to each other.

# Holy Week News

### THE LIGHT IS ON FOR YOU! Confessions & Eucharistic Adoration Wednesday, April 1st · 6:00pm-8:00pm

On Wednesday, April 1st from 6:00pm until 8:00pm at Our Lady of Good Voyage Church, all are invited to join the Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport for "The Light Is On For You!" This special evening of prayer begins with Evening Prayer from the Liturgy of the Hours, followed by two full hours of Eucharistic Adoration. Our program will conclude with Night Prayer and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

In addition, for those who feel called to participate, Father Jim will celebrate the Sacrament of Penance & Reconciliation (Confession) throughout the evening in the church sacristy. All are invited to experience God's endless love and mercy in preparation for Easter.

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 — for five minutes, fifteen minutes, thirty minutes, or for an entire evening of prayer! All are welcome! The light is on for you!

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. Thank you!

### THE ASSISI PROJECT Lent with Saint Francis & Saint Clare Holy Week: "Spiritual Poverty"

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 Holy Week, we will read from one of Saint Clare's classic letters to Agnes of Prague and reflect on the theme of "spiritual poverty." This reflection will challenge us to remember that all that we have, all that we are, and all that we may become are gifts from God, who gives us the greatest gift of all — Jesus Christ.

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!

# Youth Faith Formation Update

### **Upcoming Class Schedule**

In both Holy Family Parish and Our Lady of Good Voyage Parish, all parents, catechists, and students should take a moment to review our upcoming class schedule:

> Week of March 28th-29th Regular Class Schedule

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. For more information about youth faith formation at Our Lady of Good Voyage Parish, please contact Cheryl O'Brien at 978-283-8597 or ourladysschool@verizon.net. Thank you!

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

All parishioners and friends of the Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport are invited to join the children and parents of Holy Family Parish for the Live Stations of the Cross on Palm Sunday, March 29th at 6:30pm in Saint Ann Church. All are welcome to pray with us as a dedicated group of our youngest fellow parishioners re-enacts Christ's journey to the Holy Cross.

For more information about this wonderful annual tradition, please contact Susan Demetri at 978-282-5096 or sdemetri2000@yahoo.com. Please join us! Bring your family and friends! All are welcome!

### Holy Family Parish 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 young fellow parishioners 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 at Holy Family Parish, please contact Dawn Alves at 978-281-4820 or dalves@holyfamilycapeann.org.

### **Holy Family News**

### HOLY FAMILY WOMEN'S GUILD Tribute to Grandmothers Tuesday, April 7th · 7:00pm

Did you call her Nonni? Grammie? Memere? Nana? Vavó? Whatever you called your grandmother or greatgrandmother, the next meeting of the Holy Family Women's Guild is a special opportunity to share some great memories!

All women in the Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport are invited to join us on Tuesday, April 7th at 7:00pm for a "Tribute to Grandmothers" in Saint Ann Parish Hall. Please bring family photographs and mementos, jewelry passed down through the generations, your grandmother's favorite recipe, or a piece of china used during those Sunday dinners!

Susan Emerson, who writes a "My View" column for the Gloucester Daily Times will be our guest speaker. Susan is an award winning writer who began her career by keeping a personal journal. She loves learning about the "story behind the story" and will help us jog our memories about our family histories.

Refreshments will be served. All members and friends of the Holy Family Women's Guild are welcome! So, please join us! For more information, please call Jane Marshall at 978-283-5111.

### 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!

#### MORE NEWS ONLINE! Join us at ccgronline.com/events

# Our Lady of Good Voyage News

### WINTER FUEL & UTILITIES COLLECTION Our Goal: \$10,000 · Donations: \$8,515

Like any household or family business, the winter season posed a serious financial challenge to Our Lady of Good Voyage Parish. Each year, we pay tens of thousands of dollars in combined fuel & utilities costs for the church, rectory, hall, and school. And whether you own or rent your home, you know that utility bills have rose dramatically this winter!

This year, we ask all parishioners to give what they can to our Winter Fuel & Utilities Collection. Every contribution, whether it's \$1 or \$10 or \$100, goes directly to Our Lady of Good Voyage Parish. Our goal is to raise \$10,000! So far, we've raised \$8,515! Thank you! In a final effort to reach our goal before Easter Sunday, we will hold second collections during all of the Masses at Our Lady of Good Voyage Church during this Palm Sunday weekend (March 28th-March 29th). Please give generously!

For more information about the Winter Fuel & Utilities Collection at Our Lady of Good Voyage, please contact Father Jim at 978-281-4820 or frjim@ccgronline.com. Thank you for your generous support!

### OUR LADY OF GOOD VOYAGE REQUEST FOR PRAYERS Dr. Richard Anderson

As many of our fellow parishioners already know, Dr. Richard Anderson, the beloved and longtime music director at Our Lady of Good Voyage Church, fell at home and broke his ankle. After the fall, Richard's ankle required surgery. He has been released from the hospital and recovering slowly but steadily from this injury.

Richard is doing well and sends his best wishes to everyone in the Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport. We hope to see him again soon! Until then, please pray for Dr. Richard Anderson and for all who are taking care of him during this challenging time. Cards and letters can be sent to the following address:

> Dr. Richard Anderson 8 Auburn Road Beverly, Massachusetts 01915

For more information about Richard's road to recovery, please contact Father Jim at frjim@ccgronline.com or 978-281-4820. Get well soon, Richard! We miss you!

### PASTOR'S NOTE Weekly Bulletin Announcements

All are reminded that submissions to our weekly bulletin must be sent to Father Jim at frjim@ccgronline.com by Fridays at 12:00pm for inclusion in the following weekend's bulletin. Thanks for your cooperation!

### **Our Mass Intentions**

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

Saturday, March 28	Vigil · Palm Sunday		
4:00pm · Saint Ann	Margaret Trupiano		
4:00pm · OLGV	Captain 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		
	Holy Week		
Monday, March 30 8:30am · OLGV	Milton, Sylvia & Timothy Camille		
Tuesday, March 31 8:30am · OLGV	Mass for the People		
Wednesday, April 1 8:30am · OLGV	John Cecilio, Arlene Muise, and Joseph Cecilio		
Holy Thursday, April 2 8:30am · OLGV	Morning Prayer · No Morning Mass		
Good Friday, April 3 8:30am · OLGV	Morning Prayer · No Morning Mass		
Holy Saturday, April 4 8:30am · Saint Ann	Morning Prayer · No Morning Mass		
Saturday, April 4	Holy Saturday · Easter Vigil		
7:30pm · Saint Ann	Easter Vigil Celebration		
Sunday, April 5	Easter Sunday		
7:00am · OLGV	Mass for the People		
8:00am · Saint Ann	Mass for the People		
9:30am · Saint Joachim	Mass for the People		
10:00am · OLGV	Mass for the People		
10:45am · Saint Ann	Mass for the People		
	Mass for the People		
12:00pm · OLGV	Mass for the People		

# **Our Weekly Gifts**

Holy Family Parish Weekend of March 22nd-March 23rd

	Mass	Attendance	Collection	
4:00pm	Saint Ann	120	\$1,386.50	
8:00am	Saint Ann	122	\$1,493.00	
9:30am	Saint Joachim	148	\$1,264.75	
10:45am	Saint Ann	110	\$1,246.00	
5:00pm	Saint Ann	48	\$ 117.00	
	Weekly Totals:	606	\$5 <i>,</i> 507.25	
	Office Offertory:		\$ 2,187.00	
Electronic Donations 4 week avg.		\$ 957.46		
TOTAL		\$8,651.71		
Thank you for supporting				

Holy Family Parish!

# **Our Weekly Gifts**

#### Our Lady of Good Voyage Parish Weekend of March 22nd-March 23rd

	Mass	Attendance	Collection		
4:00pm	Our Lady's	N/A	\$1,211.00		
7:00am	Our Lady's	N/A	\$629.00		
10:00am	Our Lady's	N/A	\$572.00		
12:00pm	Our Lady's	N/A	\$625.04		
	Weekly Totals:	N/A	\$3,037.04		
	Office Offertory:	N/A	N/A		
Electronic Donations		N/A	N/A		
	TOTAL		\$3,037.04		
Thank you for supporting					

Our Lady of Good Voyage Parish!

### 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 until 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.

For more information about the Knights, please visit their website: kofc215.com. The drawing will be held on April 8th. Thank you for your support!





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