

The Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport

HOLY FAMILY PARISH & OUR LADY OF GOOD VOYAGE PARISH

A Community United in Prayer, Fellowship, and Service
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A CALL TO PRAYER

A Prayer for Peace

O Lord our God,
in your mercy and kindness,
no thought of ours is left unnoticed,
no desire ignored.

You have proven that blessings abound
when we fall on our knees in prayer,
and so we turn to you in our hour of need.

Surrounded by violence and cries for justice,
we hear your voice telling us what is required:
'Only to do justice and to love goodness,
and to walk humbly with your God (Micah 6:8).'

Fill us with your mercy,
so that we, in turn, may be merciful to others.
Strip away pride and suspicion and racism
so that we may seek peace and justice in our communities.

Strengthen our hearts
so that they beat only to the rhythm of your holy will.
Flood our path with your light
as we walk humbly toward a future
filled with encounter and unity.

Be with us, O Lord, in our efforts,
for only by the power of your grace
can we progress toward justice and virtue.

We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ,
who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit,
one God for ever and ever. Amen.

Source: United States Conference of Catholic Bishops | usccb.org



OUR PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Charlottesville

I will hear what God proclaims;
 the Lord, for he proclaims peace.
 Near indeed is his salvation to those who fear him,
 glory dwelling in our land.
 Kindness and truth shall meet;
 justice and peace shall kiss.
 Truth shall spring out of the earth,
 and justice shall look down from heaven.
 The Lord himself will give his benefits;
 our land shall yield its increase.
 Justice shall walk before him,
 and prepare the way of his steps.
 (Psalm 85:9, 10, 11 – 12, 13 – 14)

Last weekend, in churches across our country and around the world, we heard the psalmist proclaim God's justice. We heard the psalmist proclaim God's truth. We heard the psalmist proclaim God's peace. But last weekend, we also heard another voice in Charlottesville, Virginia. We heard the voice of darkness, the voice of division, and the voice of violence. All around us, it seems, we hear too many of our fellow citizens trumpeting bigotry, hatred, and racism. We see too many of our leaders bullying, threatening, and acting more like warmongers than peacemakers. And sadly, we wonder why so many of our leaders, including some of our own pastors, remain silent in the face of these sins.

But not me. Not now. Not anymore. The teachings of the Gospel of Christ and the teachings of the Roman Catholic Church are clear: Racism is hateful. Racism is sinful. Racism is evil. In 1979, nearly forty years ago, the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) forcefully declared: "Racism is a radical evil that divides the human family and denies the creation of a redeemed world." And more recently, Pope Francis said: "Racism today is the ultimate evil in the world." Bigotry and hatred and racism and violence of any kind, toward anyone, anywhere, is completely and wholly inconsistent with the Gospel of Christ. Period. Bigotry and hatred and racism and violence of any kind, toward anyone, anywhere, is completely and wholly inconsistent with our shared vocation to live the Gospel, to share God's love and mercy, and to rebuild the Church.

In the gospels, Jesus teaches us that the entirety of God's law can be fulfilled by observing two great commandments: to love God and to love each other (see John 13:34-35). Clear. Concise. Undeniable. No exceptions. Not yesterday, not today, and not tomorrow. We are called to love God and to love our neighbor: no matter who they are; no matter where they are from; no matter what color they are; and no matter what they might have done. Despite the unfolding nightmare of racism in Charlottesville and elsewhere, we are encouraged by Saint Paul who writes: "Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good (Romans 12:21)."

Let us, then, as a community of disciples, renew our commitment to the Lord's commandment to love. Let us renew our determination to work for justice in our community, in our commonwealth, in our country, and in our world. Let us pray for the courage to speak out against racism. Let us pray for the courage to speak instead for goodwill between all peoples and nations. Let us pray for the grace to overcome the evil of racism with random acts of mercy, kindness, and understanding. Let us pray for the victims of bigotry, hatred, racism, and violence. And most of all, let us pray for peace in our troubled world.

Peace and blessings to all,
 Father Jim

PRAYER, FELLOWSHIP, AND SERVICE

SUMMER CARILLON RECITALS AN OUR LADY OF GOOD VOYAGE TRADITION Saturday Afternoons at 5:15pm

Our Summer Carillon Recitals, an annual tradition at Our Lady of Good Voyage Parish, continue this Saturday, August 19th at 5:15pm (rain or shine)! LuAnn Pallazola, our own very talented organist-keyboardist will perform programs that include classical works, sacred hymns, patriotic melodies, and even children's tunes! Installed in 1922, the bells at Our Lady's Church were the first set of toned carillon bells in the United States. Summer Carillon Recitals are also scheduled for the following Saturday afternoons at 5:15pm: August 26th & September 2nd. All recitals are free and open to the public! So, please join us for wonderful summer tradition at Our Lady of Good Voyage! In addition, all are invited to join us for Mass at 6:00pm! For more information, please contact LuAnn Pallazola at lpallazola@gmail.com or 978-281-4820. All are invited! All are welcome!

HOLY FAMILY WOMEN'S GUILD CHRISTMAS FAIR PLANNING MEETING Wednesday, August 23rd at 7:00pm

Although it's only August, the Holy Family Christmas Fair is coming soon! Mark your calendars for Saturday, November 18th! The Christmas Fair is Holy Family Parish's biggest fundraising event of the year! And there is much work ahead to ensure its success! On Wednesday, August 23rd at 7:00pm in Saint Ann Church Hall, the Holy Family Women's Guild will hold its first Christmas Fair Planning Meeting. Everyone has a special gift or talent! Let yours shine at the Christmas Fair! All parishioners are invited to help us make this year's fair our best ever! We are seeking donations of prizes for our basket wheel and raffles; books, cookies, crafts, and jewelry for our sale tables; and volunteers for set-up and clean-up. For more information, please contact Lydia Bertolino at 978-421-4279. Please join us! All are welcome!

THE ASSISI PROJECT SATURDAYS WITH SAINT FRANCIS Saturday, August 26th at 8:00am

The Assisi Project is a fellowship of "Franciscans in Spirit" with friends and followers around the world. Our mission is to help adults of all ages more faithfully live the Gospel of Christ in the spirit of Saint Francis of Assisi. The Assisi Project meets on the last Saturday of each month in Saint Ann Church for Mass, formation, and fellowship. Our next "Saturday Morning with Saint Francis" is scheduled for August 26th at 8:00am. For more information, please contact Cliff Garvey at cgarvey@ccgonline.com or 978-281-4820. All are invited! All are welcome!

YOUTH FAITH FORMATION



CATHOLIC KIDS CAMP MARY, THE MOTHER OF JESUS Begins Tuesday, August 22nd at 8:00am

The Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport is pleased to announce that all children (ages 5 through 11) are invited to participate in our next Catholic Kids Camp: Mary, the Mother of Jesus, from Tuesday, August 22nd through Friday, August 25th from 8:00am until 12:00pm at Our Lady of Good Voyage Church. During this exciting week of prayer and fellowship, children will learn about Mary, the Mother of Jesus, and the Joyful Mysteries of the Rosary through active and engaged participation in games, music, videos, hands-on learning, and craft projects. Here's the schedule for the week:

Day I: Tuesday, August 22nd
The Annunciation

Day II: Wednesday, August 23rd
The Visitation

Day III: Thursday, August 24th
The Nativity

Day IV: Friday, August 25th
The Finding of Jesus in the Temple

Each day of our Catholic Kids Camp will begin with Mass at 8:00am in Our Lady of Good Voyage Church. All parents, grandparents, and guardians are welcome to join us! After Mass, Betsy Works and our team of dedicated catechists will lead the children to Our Lady's School for a faith-filled and fun-filled morning of activities, learning, and good times with friends both old and new. Catholic Kids Camp is a fun, exciting, and educational program that your children and grandchildren will love!

The tuition for this innovative youth faith formation program is just \$25 per child for the entire week! Scholarships are generously available for those families who cannot afford tuition. Also, adults and older children (ages 12 through 17) are welcome to join us as volunteers and are much appreciated! For more information about our next Catholic Kids Camp, please contact Betsy Works at 978-281-4820 or bworks@ccgonline.com. Registration forms are available at ccgonline.com/formation. Please join us! All are invited! All are welcome!

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

THE WAY SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION FOR ADULTS BEGINNING THIS FALL!

I am the way, the truth, and the life (John 14:6).

The "Way" was the among the earliest names for followers of the Risen Christ. The Way appears as a scriptural reference to the earliest Christian communities in the Acts of the Apostles. In addition, both before and after his conversion, tradition holds that Saint Paul referred to the disciples of Christ as part of the "Way." More than two thousand years later, Catholic Christians are still part of the Way of Christ Jesus. But as we all know, a life of discipleship is not a hobby or pastime. It is a vocation, a way of life that lays claims to our whole heart, mind, and strength. As disciples, our lives should be focused on and inspired by our faith in Jesus Christ, who is our merciful redeemer, friend, and brother. And as disciples, we are called to reach out to those who need our help in growing closer to Christ and the Church.

If you are an adult (age 18 and over) and have not received all of the Sacraments of Initiation in the Roman Catholic Church (Baptism, Eucharist, and Confirmation), then please consider joining "The Way", a new adult faith formation program on Sunday mornings after our 8:15am Mass beginning on October 8th in Saint Ann House of Prayer. The Way (often called the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) is a seven month program that prepares adults to be received into the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil. As part of this same program, we will prepare adults for the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Our group will meet bi-weekly for fellowship, formation, and faith sharing. As a community of disciples, we will learn together about the basic beliefs, teachings, and traditions of the Church; and we will explore the methods of prayer and spirituality that have brought centuries of believers closer to Christ Jesus and to the Church. In addition, we will talk openly and honestly about the challenges of living an authentic life of faith, hope, and love in the modern world. If you would like to learn more about this journey of faith and become part of a unique fellowship in preparation for the sacraments of God's Church, then please contact Cliff Garvey at 978-281-4820 or cgarvey@ccgrronline.com. All are welcome!



PRAYER, FELLOWSHIP, AND SERVICE

THE LEGION OF MARY New Members Always Welcome!

Each week, members of the Legion of Mary from both Holy Family Parish and Our Lady of Good Voyage Parish reach out to our aged, disabled, homebound, and sick fellow parishioners. They visit people in their homes and apartments, hospitals, and nursing homes. They pray together, offer companionship, and share God's love and mercy with those who are so often lonely and forgotten. Last week, the Legion of Mary visited and prayed with sixty-nine fellow parishioners!

Each Wednesday afternoon at 4:00pm, the Legion of Mary meets in our parish center (located at 74 Pleasant Street in Gloucester) to pray the Rosary, share their faith experience, and participate in a period of formation under the guidance of their spiritual director. For more information about the Legion of Mary and its good work in our parish communities, please leave a message for Sue Demetri at 978-281-4820 or contact her at sdemetri2000@yahoo.com. The Legion of Mary warmly welcomes new members! All are invited! Please join us!

SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY New Members Always Welcome!

The Saint Vincent de Paul Society is an international organization dedicated to responding to any request from any person or family in need. Here on Cape Ann, we work from Holy Family Parish and Our Lady of Good Voyage Parish to serve the poor and needy. Our Clothes Closet is open on Saturdays from 10:00am until 1:00pm. And our Food Pantry is stocked with non-perishable foods. Donation baskets are located at the entrances of our churches. The Food Pantry needs the following items:

Canned Chicken, Ham, Stew, or Tuna
Crackers · Canned Juice · Chicken or Tuna Helper
Mayonnaise · Instant Potatoes · Hot & Cold Cereals
Pancake Mix & Maple Syrup · Chef Boyardee
Peanut Butter & Jelly · Jarred Pasta Sauce

Donation envelopes are located at the entrances of our churches and can be placed in the offertory basket or mailed to us. Checks should be made payable to the Saint Vincent de Paul Society. Meetings are held on the second Wednesday of each month at 6:00pm in Our Lady's Hall. New members and volunteers are always welcome! For more information, please contact Annette Kennedy at 978-283-1268 or Harry Miller at 978-281-2701. For assistance, please contact our Hotline at 978-281-8672. Thank you!

HOW CAN YOU HELP?

Find out! Join us: ccgrronline.com/fellowship/
Live the Gospel. Share God's love. Rebuild the Church.

OUR MASS INTENTIONS**AUGUST 19 – AUGUST 27, 2017**

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| Saturday, August 19 | Vigil · 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time |
| 4:00pm · Saint Ann | Robert & Dorothy Benham |
| 6:00pm · OLGV | Francis, Elizabeth & Peter Bruni |
| Sunday, August 20 | 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time |
| 7:00am · OLGV | Antonio, Angela & Salvatore Mistretta |
| 8:15am · Saint Ann | Giovanni Lo Iacono |
| 10:00am · Saint Joachim | George & Katy Warde |
| 11:45am · OLGV | Walter “Butch” Wilkins |
| 5:00pm · Saint Ann | Mass for the People |
| | 20th Week in Ordinary Time |
| Monday, August 21 8:00am · OLGV | Special Intention |
| Tuesday, August 22 8:00am · OLGV | Dominic & Catherine Ciolino |
| Wednesday, August 23 8:00am · OLGV | Communion Service |
| Thursday, August 24 8:00am · OLGV | The Brandt Family |
| Friday, August 25 8:00am · OLGV | Communion Service |
| Saturday, August 26 8:00am · Saint Ann | Intentions of the Assisi Project |
| Saturday, August 26 | Vigil · 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time |
| 4:00pm · Saint Ann | Pat Jenkins |
| 6:00pm · OLGV | Bessie Tortorici |
| Sunday, August 27 | 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time |
| 7:00am · OLGV | Special Intention |
| 8:15am · Saint Ann | Madeline & Michael Fontana |
| 10:00am · Saint Joachim | Francis, Antonia & Frank Kaminsky |
| 11:45am · OLGV | Alison Saren |
| 5:00pm · Saint Ann | Special Intention |

OUR WEEKLY OFFERINGS**HOLY FAMILY PARISH****Weekend of August 12th – August 13th**

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| Weekly Offerings | \$6,875.00 |
| Electronic Donations | \$878.00 |
| Total Offerings | \$7,753.00 |
| Second Collection (Maintenance) | \$3,023.00 |
| Saint Ann Church Restoration | \$223,158.00 |

Thank you for your generous support
of Holy Family Parish!

OUR LADY OF GOOD VOYAGE PARISH**Weekend of August 12th – August 13th**

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| Weekly Offerings | \$3,239.00 |
| Electronic Donations | \$60.00 |
| Total Offerings | \$3,298.00 |
| Second Collection | N/A |

Thank you for your generous support
of Our Lady of Good Voyage Parish!

SANCTUARY GIFTS

At each of the churches in the Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport, sanctuary flowers, sanctuary candles, and altar gifts (hosts & wine) can be donated for a special intention or in memory of a departed loved one. The requested donation for flowers is \$250. The requested donation for altar gifts is \$175. And the requested donation for a sanctuary candle is \$25. This week, donations were offered for the following intentions:

In Memory of Mildred Donaldson
Sanctuary Candle · Saint Anthony Chapel

In Memory of Louis F. Linquata
Sanctuary Candle · Saint Ann Church

In Memory of Deceased Members of the Balestraci Family
Sanctuary Candle · Saint Joachim Church

In Memory of Teresa Casimiro
Sanctuary Candle · Our Lady of Good Voyage Church

For more information about donating sanctuary candles, flowers, or gifts for a special intention or in memory of a deceased friend or loved one, please contact Melissa Unis at office@ccgrronline.com or 978-281-4820. Thank you for your generous support of the Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport at Holy Family Parish and Our Lady of Good Voyage Parish! May God bless you and your family – now and always!

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