

The Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport

HOLY FAMILY PARISH & OUR LADY OF GOOD VOYAGE PARISH

Live the Gospel. Share God's Love. Rebuild the Church.
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OUR FIFTH ANNIVERSARY

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PENTECOST SUNDAY



The Golden Sequence

A PRAYER FOR THE COMING OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

Come, Holy Spirit, come!
Send forth the heavenly radiance
of your light.

Come, father of the poor,
come, giver of gifts,
come, light of the heart.

Greatest comforter,
sweet guest of the soul,
sweet consolation.

In labor, rest,
in heat, temperance,
in tears, solace.

O most blessed light,
fill the inmost hearts
of your faithful people.

Without you,
there is nothing in us
that is not harmful.

Cleanse that which is unclean,
water that which is dry,
heal that which is wounded.

Bend that which is inflexible,
fire that which is chilled,
correct what goes astray.

Give to your faithful people,
those who trust in you,
your sevenfold gifts.

Grant the rewards of virtue,
grant the deliverance of salvation,
grant eternal joy forever and ever!

Amen! Alleluia!

OUR SUMMER RETREAT

Sharing the Wisdom of Time with Pope Francis

Monday, August 26th through Friday, August 30th

Begins at 7:00pm · Saint Anthony Chapel

Please join us! All are invited! All are welcome!

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OUR PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Our Fifth Anniversary

BY FATHER JIM

This weekend, the Roman Catholic Church throughout the world celebrates Pentecost Sunday. Here in the Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport, we also celebrate our fifth anniversary. It is hard to believe that it has been five years since Cardinal Sean asked the good people of Holy Family Parish and Our Lady of Good Voyage Parish to work together, in good faith, as a community united in prayer, fellowship, and service. During these years together, we have accomplished what some people thought would be impossible. For more than a century, our parishes stood apart — in different towns, at different ends of the same street, with different histories, identities, and ways of doing things. But because of your open hearts and open minds, we have made much progress in bringing people together for one bold mission to live the Gospel, share God's love, and rebuild the Church in one small corner of our troubled world.

As your pastor and the only full-time priest in our parishes, these have been the most blessed and most challenging years of my life. Not a day passes without some small miracle of love. Not a week passes without some small moment of mercy. Not a month passes without some small sign that the Holy Spirit is hard at work in the hearts and souls of our fellow parishioners. In the end, wherever life leads me, whether my life's journey is long or not-so-long, this beautiful place at the end of the line and its truly good and generous people have touched my heart and enriched me in ways beyond all expectation.

At the same time, my hair is turning gray faster than it's falling out. The circles around my eyes are growing ever deeper and darker. By the end of a typical week, I am sometimes tired and weary to the point of foolishness. And yet, I am determined not to complain. It doesn't do any good anyway. It was not the way that I was raised by my mom and dad whom I love so much. It is not who I have grown to be as a man. And it is not consistent with my understanding of what it means to be a good priest. After all, the scriptures teach us that Jesus ministered to the people from sunrise until sunset and sometimes beyond. He was often awake as his disciples slept. He offered his whole life as a gift to others: day by day, always present to God's family, always ready with a kind word, gesture of concern, and warm welcome.

Needless to say, there are better men than me. There are better pastors than me. One day, I pray that one of them will come here to pray with you and your family. Until then, let us resolve to continue our journey together. Let us walk always as brothers and sisters, neighbors and friends, every one of us as a beloved child of God. Let us serve the Lord and each other without counting the cost. Let us set aside differences. Let us make amends. Let us be peacemakers. Let us build bridges, never walls. Let us open wide the doors of our churches once and for all so that every person feels welcome — no matter who they are, no matter whom they love, no matter where they're from, no matter what they've done.

During this time of crisis, our church bleeds from many wounds. The worst of these wounds are deep, infected, and self-inflicted. There are no simple solutions. But together, we can make a difference. We can build a better church. We can build a stronger church. We can build parishes that cherish every child, support every family, and welcome every newcomer. Right here and right now. Our tools must never be guilt or judgment or exclusion. Our tools must always be love and mercy and hospitality. My fervent prayer is that our parishes and parishioners will be known both near and far for their love, kindness, generosity, and sincere dedication to the gospel life. My brothers and sisters, from my heart, thank you for your prayers. Thank you for all you do for Jesus, for me, and for each other. May God bless you and your families! May God bless all who live, work, and worship in the Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport! Happy Anniversary! Come, Holy Spirit! Amen! Alleluia!

SHARING GOD'S LOVE



SUMMER CATHOLIC KIDS CAMP THE HOLY LAND: FOOTSTEPS OF JESUS BEGINS TUESDAY, JUNE 25TH 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: "The Holy Land: Footsteps of Jesus" from Tuesday, June 25th through Friday, June 28th from 8:00am until 12:00pm in Our Lady of Good Voyage Church.

During this exciting week of prayer, fun, and fellowship, our children will learn about the places where Jesus walked in the Holy Land through active and engaged participation in games, music, skits, videos, and craft projects. Here's our schedule for the week:

Day I: Tuesday, June 25th
Jesus in Nazareth

Day II: Wednesday, June 26th
Jesus at the Sea of Galilee

Day III: Thursday, June 27th
Jesus on the Mountains

Day IV: Friday, June 28th
Jesus in Jerusalem

Each day of our first Catholic Kids Camp of the summer season will begin with Mass at 8:00am in Our Lady of Good Voyage Church. All parents, grandparents, and godparents are invited and encouraged to join us! After Mass, Betsy Works and a team of dedicated volunteers will lead the children to Our Lady's School for a faith-filled and fun-filled morning of activities, hands-on 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 \$30 per child for the entire week! Scholarships are available for those families who cannot afford tuition. Also, adults and children (ages 12 and up) are welcome to join us as volunteers! Your help will be much appreciated! For more information this special youth faith formation program, please contact Betsy Works at 978-281-4820 or bworks@ccgonline.com. Registration forms are available on our website: ccgonline.com/formation. Please join us! Spread the word! Bring a friend! All are invited! All are welcome!

PRAYER, FELLOWSHIP, AND SERVICE

PASTOR'S CHALLENGE GRAND ANNUAL COLLECTIONS Every Donation Makes a Difference!

Last year, thanks to your generous support, both Holy Family Parish and Our Lady of Good Voyage Parish were able to balance their respective budgets. One big reason for this accomplishment is the success of our Grand Annual Collections. In each of our parishes, the Grand Annual Collection bridges the gap between our weekly gifts and our financial obligations. The Grand Annual Collections also enable us to maintain and restore our historic, but aging, church and parish buildings.

The current budget year ends in just three weeks! In order for each of our parishes to balance its budget and ensure long-term financial stability, we simply must meet our goals! At Holy Family Parish, we are working hard to raise \$75,000 by June 30th. So far, we have raised \$69,819 (or 93% of our goal). At Our Lady of Good Voyage Parish, we are equally working hard to raise \$45,000 by June 30th. So far, we have raised \$34,180 (or 76% of our goal).

These Grand Annual Collections are essential and vitally important components of our annual parish budgets! Their importance to the financial health of our parishes cannot be overstated. So every year, we ask all parishioners to contribute what they can afford to our Grand Annual Collections. Every gift, large or small, whether it's \$100 or \$10 or \$1, helps us to achieve our goals and balance our parish budgets.

Although we have made great progress toward reaching our goals during the last few weeks, I still need your help! If every person who attends Mass this weekend can somehow manage to give \$20 over the course of this month to our Grand Annual Collections, we will reach our goals, balance our budgets, and lay a strong financial foundation for the new fiscal year.

Offertory envelopes for the Grand Annual Collections are located at the doors of our churches. Please place your donation in the collection basket, give it to me or a member of our pastoral team before or after Mass, or mail it directly to our parish offices. Your generous support empowers us to more fully live the Gospel, share God's love, and rebuild our Church! Thank you for your ongoing support of Holy Family Parish and Our Lady of Good Voyage Parish! Peace and blessings! — Father Jim

HELP US HELP OTHERS!

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PRAYER, FELLOWSHIP, AND SERVICE

A SPECIAL MESSAGE OF THANKS TO SOME VERY SPECIAL PEOPLE

Saint Anthony once said: "Charity is the soul of faith. It gives it life. Without love, faith dies." As we celebrate our fifth anniversary as a community united in prayer, fellowship, and service, the virtues of faith, hope, and love are very much alive here in the Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport! Our Lady of Good Voyage recently celebrated the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost with a truly inspirational Crowning Feast. The Assisi Project continues to offer its spring icon raffle to benefit Our Lady's Grand Annual Collection. The Holy Family Women's Guild hosted a very successful spring fair. And the Legion of Mary and Saint Vincent de Paul Society continue their hard work in sharing God's love with our friends and neighbors in need.

Needless to say, it is impossible to personally thank everyone who made these events so special! So, let us pray in thanksgiving for the Assisi Project, Holy Name Society, Our Lady's Guild, Holy Family Women's Guild, Knights of Columbus, Legion of Mary, and Saint Vincent de Paul Society for their ongoing dedication and support of our two parishes. Let us pray in thanksgiving for our pastoral team and their hard work for all of us. And let us pray for each and every one of our fellow parishioners who enrich our lives each day with a kind word or helping hand. May God bless all who live, work, and worship in the Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport! Thank you! Peace and blessings to all for a very safe and happy summer season! — Father Jim

MASS INTENTIONS BOOK

Thursday, June 20th · 11:00am – 1:00pm

The Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport's Mass Intentions Book (July 2019 through December 2019) will be opened on Thursday, June 20th from 11:00am until 1:00pm in our parish office (located at 74 Pleasant Street in Gloucester). On that day, all parishioners are welcome to book one Sunday Mass and one weekday Mass at Saint Ann Church, Saint Joachim Church, and Our Lady of Good Voyage Church.

Please note that on Thursday, June 20th, all Mass intentions must be booked in person. No email, fax, text, or phone requests will be accepted. No exceptions. Any remaining daily and weekend Masses can be booked on or after Tuesday, June 25th. For more information, please contact Father Jim at frjim@ccgrounline.com or 978-281-4820. Thank you in advance for your cooperation and ongoing support of Holy Family Parish and Our Lady of Good Voyage Parish. Peace and blessings to all for a great summer! — Father Jim

REBUILDING OUR CHURCH



HEALING GOD'S FAMILY & REBUILDING OUR CHURCH MORNING OF PRAYER with SAINT ANTHONY THURSDAY, JUNE 13TH - BEGINS AT 8:00AM

More than eight centuries ago, the Crucified Christ called out to the young man who would become Saint Francis of Assisi: "Go! Rebuild my church which as you can see is falling into ruin!" Francis took the Lord's command literally and set out to repair small chapels in and around his hometown. Over the years, however, Francis came to understand more fully that his personal vocation to live the Gospel and share God's love was vital to rebuilding the Church throughout the world.

In this spirit and in appreciation for the crisis facing the Roman Catholic Church in our own time, the Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport is gathering throughout the year in commemoration of important feast days and praying for the healing of God's family and for the courage to rebuild our wounded church. In addition, we are asking the saints to pray for us and guide us in the hard work of discipleship during these difficult times.

All are invited to join us for a Morning of Prayer on Thursday, June 13th in honor of Saint Anthony of Padua (1195-1231), who is venerated as a patron saint of fishermen and mariners, elderly people and poor people, and lost things and lost souls. This special morning of prayer will begin at 8:00am with Mass in Saint Anthony Chapel. Following Mass, we will celebrate Morning Prayer and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. At 9:30am, we will pray the Holy Rosary for the healing of God's family. And finally, we will conclude at 10:00am with Daytime Prayer and Benediction.

During Morning Prayer, Father Jim will offer a reflection on the life and legacy of Saint Anthony, who has much to teach us about living the Gospel, sharing God's love, and rebuilding our Church. We hope and pray that you and your family will be able to join us for all or even just part of this special morning of prayer, reflection, and devotion. For more information, please contact Father Jim at 978-281-4820 or frjim@ccgrounline.com. Please join us! Spread the word! Bring a friend! All are invited! All are welcome!

THE LIFE OF SAINT ANTHONY

Watch an 11 minute video on our website!

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OUR MASS INTENTIONS**JUNE 8 – JUNE 16, 2019**

Saturday, June 8	Vigil · Pentecost Sunday
4:00pm · Saint Ann	Frances & James Piraino
6:00pm · OLGV	Anthony Piraino
Sunday, June 9	Pentecost Sunday
7:00am · OLGV	Herman J. Surrette
8:15am · Saint Ann	The Parisi Family
10:00am · Saint Joachim	Salvatore Loiacano
11:45am · OLGV	Crowning Mass
5:00pm · Saint Ann	Karl Mikolka
	10th Week in Ordinary Time
Monday, June 10 8:00am · OLGV	Communion Service
Tuesday, June 11 8:00am · Saint Joachim	Marie E. (Camusi) Nazzaro
Wednesday, June 12 8:00am · OLGV	Ted Costa
Thursday, June 13 8:00am · Saint Anthony	Special Intention
Friday, June 14 8:00am · OLGV	Joseph Barbagallo
Saturday, June 15 8:00am · OLGV	Linda Burns
Saturday, June 15	Vigil · Most Holy Trinity
4:00pm · Saint Ann	For Our Fathers
6:00pm · OLGV	For Our Fathers
Sunday, June 16	Most Holy Trinity
7:00am · OLGV	For Our Fathers
8:15am · Saint Ann	For Our Fathers
10:00am · Saint Joachim	For Our Fathers
11:45am · OLGV	For Our Fathers
5:00pm · Saint Ann	For Our Fathers

OUR WEEKLY GIFTS**HOLY FAMILY PARISH**
Weekend of June 2nd & June 3rd

Weekly Offerings	\$6,253.00
Electronic Offerings	\$878.00
Total Offerings	\$7,131.00
Second Collection	N/A
Grand Annual Collection (93% of Goal)	\$69,819.00

Thank you for your generous support
of Holy Family Parish!

OUR LADY OF GOOD VOYAGE PARISH
Weekend of June 2nd & June 3rd

Weekly Offerings	\$2,946.00
Electronic Offerings	\$80.00
Total Offerings	\$3,026.00
Second Collection	N/A
Grand Annual Collection (76% of Goal)	\$34,180.00

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. The requested donation for a sanctuary candle is \$25. This week, donations were offered for the following intentions:

In Memory of Thomas Higgins
Sanctuary Candle · Saint Ann Church

In Memory of Josephine Shallow
Sanctuary Candle · Saint Joachim Church

In Memory of Salvatore & Grace Parisi
Sanctuary Candle · Saint Anthony Chapel

In Memory of Pearl Parisi
Sanctuary Candle · Our Lady of Good Voyage Church

For more information about donating sanctuary candles, flowers, or gifts in memory of a deceased family member, friend, or loved one, please contact Melissa Unis at office@ccgronline.com or 978-281-4820. Thank you!

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