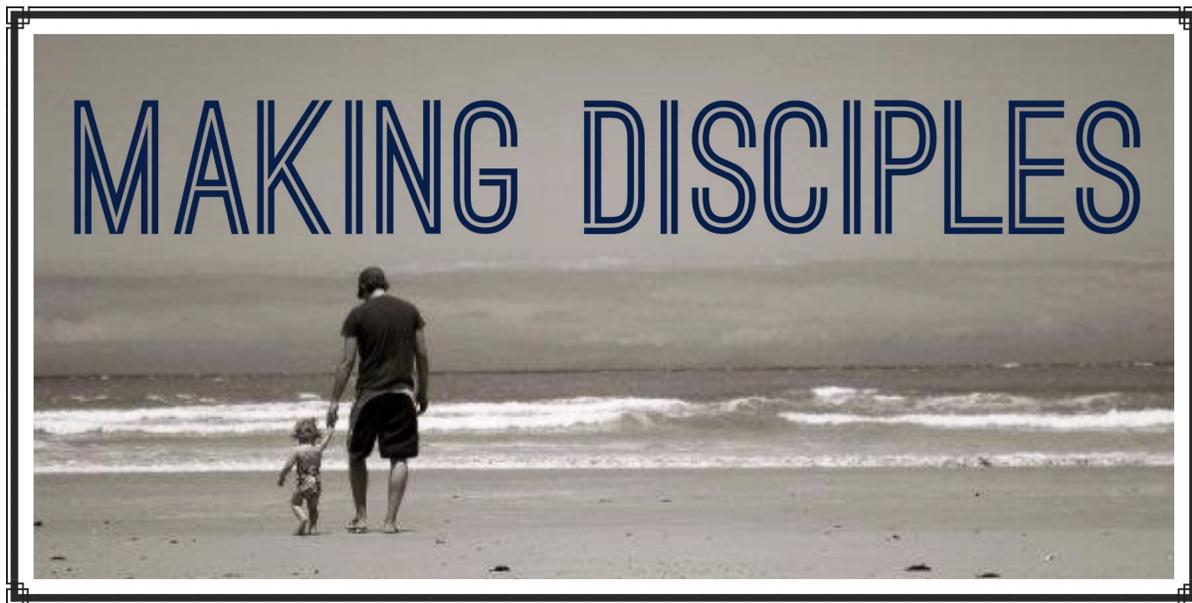


The Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport

HOLY FAMILY PARISH · OUR LADY OF GOOD VOYAGE PARISH

A Community United in Prayer, Fellowship, and Service · All Are Welcome!
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Please Join Us! All Are Welcome!

We welcome new parishioners to Gloucester & Rockport!

Please introduce yourself and contact the pastoral office to register as a parishioner!

Our Pastor's Message

MAKING DISCIPLES: THE FUTURE OF YOUTH FAITH FORMATION

Since becoming your pastor, I have been praying and thinking a great deal about youth faith formation, youth ministry, and sacramental preparation for children. In a bulletin message last month, I wrote about my research into how these ministries are accomplished in other collaboratives and parishes both in the Archdiocese of Boston and around the country. Since then, I have consulted with priests and pastors, experts in the field of youth faith formation and youth ministry, and fellow parishioners about the future of these programs in the Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport.

As a result of this research, I have reached two important conclusions about the future of children's catechesis. First, the traditional way of teaching our children and grandchildren about Christ and His Church (classroom model) may no longer be the best way of passing on our faith to the next generation. Second, a consensus is emerging in other collaboratives and large parishes that we should focus our energies and resources on sacramental preparation, good & family-friendly liturgies, lifelong faith formation, and by being bold, creative, and innovative about inviting and welcoming people of all ages and generations back to church.

After much prayer, consultation, and consideration, therefore, I have decided that beginning immediately, the Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport will embark on a groundbreaking journey to reimagine, rebuild, and restructure our youth faith formation programs in both parishes and at all grade levels. During the coming school year (which we should consider a transitional year), we will focus almost exclusively on preparing young children for First Penance & Reconciliation and First Holy Communion (Grades 1-2); and on preparing teenagers for Confirmation (Grades 9-10). In the next couple of weeks, the parents of children and teenagers at those grade levels will be contacted by me and invited to enroll their sons and daughters in our program. The parents of children at other grade levels will be contacted later (early fall) about upcoming opportunities for children to learn about the beliefs, teachings, and traditions of the Catholic Church. But please be assured that the Sacraments of First Penance, First Holy Communion, and Confirmation will be celebrated as planned during the coming year at both Holy Family Parish and Our Lady of Good Voyage Parish.

As you know, "Disciples in Mission" (the archdiocesan pastoral plan that created our collaborative) brought together our two historic parishes under the leadership of one pastor and one pastoral team. Here in the Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport, we now have one pastor, one pastoral office, one administrative assistant, one business manager, one facilities manager, one pastoral minister who coordinates care for the homebound and sick, one Associate Minister for Music, and one Associate Minister who assists me in countless ways and coordinates many of our adult faith formation programs. According to this plan, we should also have one lay minister to coordinate the youth faith formation programs in our two parishes. So again, after much prayer, consultation, and consideration, I have decided to restructure our youth faith formation programs and the leadership of those programs. Instead of having two programs and two directors of youth faith formation, we will have one collaborative program (for both parishes) and one Associate Minister for Youth Faith Formation.

Under the guidance and supervision of the pastor, the Associate Minister for Youth Faith Formation will be responsible for creating an innovative faith formation program that transcends the traditional classroom model and focuses on the following core components: sacramental preparation; catechetical programs for children in elementary and middle school; catechetical programs for parents and families; post-Confirmation youth ministry and service programs; and recruiting and training catechists and volunteers to share the faith with our young fellow parishioners. This position is now posted online at ccgonline.com/news; bostoncatholic.org; catholicjobs.com; and indeed.com. All qualified candidates from both within and beyond our parish communities are welcome to apply for this position.

In the Gospel of Matthew, Jesus gives his disciples the "Great Commission" and says to them: "Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age (Matthew 28:20)." Ever mindful of the Lord's promise, let us renew our dedication to fulfill the "Great Commission" by celebrating the sacraments, by teaching our children and grandchildren, and by creating new generations of disciples that will pass on the beliefs and traditions of God's Church until the end of the age. Change is never easy. I truly understand and appreciate that these decisions will be difficult for many of our fellow parishioners to accept. In my heart, however, I am convinced that these decisions are in the long-term, best interests of our parishes. Thank you in advance for your patience and continued support. Let us continue to pray for each other and for our parishes!

Peace and blessings to all,
Father Jim

Our Worship Schedule

**WELCOME SUMMER VISITORS!
PLEASE JOIN US! ALL ARE WELCOME!**

In Holy Family Parish and Our Lady of Good Voyage Parish, the celebration of Mass is the source and summit of our community's joy and the center of our life of prayer, fellowship, and service. Regardless of where we might worship, the Holy Eucharist brings God's consolation, love, and mercy into our midst; it brings the Real Presence of Jesus Christ into our lives and hearts!

All are welcome to join us for Mass and to participate in Holy Communion in accordance with their conscience and the teachings of Catholic Church. Each week, the Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport celebrates Mass according to the following schedule:

Saturday Vigil Masses

Saint Ann Church · 4:00pm
Our Lady of Good Voyage Church · 6:00pm

Sunday Masses

Our Lady of Good Voyage Church · 7:00am
Saint Ann Church · 8:15am
Saint Joachim Church · 10:00am
Our Lady of Good Voyage Church · 11:45am
Saint Ann Church · 5:00pm (English & Portuguese)

Weekday Masses

Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 8:00am
Our Lady of Good Voyage Church

Tuesday and Thursday at 8:00am
Saint Joachim Church

Saturday at 8:00am
Saint Ann Church

Sacrament of Penance & Reconciliation

Saturday at 3:00pm
Saint Ann Church
Also By Appointment

If you have questions about our worship schedule, please contact Father Jim at frjim@ccgronline.com or 978-281-4820. Please join us! All are welcome!

BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS

All submissions to our bulletin & website must be sent to Father Jim at frjim@ccgronline.com by Friday at 12:00pm for publication in the following week's bulletin. All submissions may be edited for content and must include clear and concise details about a program or event; date, time, and location; and contact information. Please note that not all requests can be honored. Priority is given to programs and events sponsored by the Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport. If you have questions or need more information, please contact Father Jim at frjim@ccgronline.com or 978-281-4820. Thank you!

In Case You Missed It...

**PASTOR'S NOTE
PASTORAL TEAM NEWS**

Two weeks ago, Dr. Richard Anderson informed me of his decision to retire from his position as Director of Music at Our Lady of Good Voyage Parish to focus full-time on recovering from a serious ankle injury suffered last winter. Please join me in continuing to pray for Richard's recovery and to thank God for his many years of dedicated service to Our Lady of Good Voyage Parish!

I am delighted to announce that Thomas Misuraca has accepted the position of Associate Minister for Music for the Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport. In this capacity, Tom will coordinate and direct all aspects of the music ministries at both Holy Family Parish and Our Lady of Good Voyage Parish.

Tom is a lifelong resident of Gloucester and a fellow graduate of Boston University. Tom and Donna have been married for 37 years. They have two grown sons and four grandchildren. For thirty-seven years, Tom taught English, History, and World Geography at the Beeman, Fuller, and O'Maley Schools in Gloucester. For three years, he served as Director of Music at Saint Ann Parish. And for the past eleven years, Tom has served with distinction as Director of Music at Holy Family Parish.

During my first year as your pastor, Tom has been a constant source of encouragement, good cheer, and honest wisdom. He has the heart and soul of a true minister. His passion for music is contagious; and his dedication to serving in God's vineyard is a true inspiration to all who have been touched by his good work over the years.

As Tom begins this challenging and important assignment, he has my full confidence and support. I am delighted that Tom has accepted this position and I look forward to working with him in the weeks, months, and years ahead. Please continue to pray for Tom and his family, for all of our music ministers, and for all who live, work, and worship in the Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport!

Peace and blessings to all,
Father Jim

PASTOR'S NOTE OF THANKS

On behalf of the Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport, Father Jim thanks all parishioners, friends, and guests who joined us last Saturday for the Holy Family Parish Picnic and our celebrations of the Feast of Saints Ann & Joachim. We especially thank the Knights of Columbus (Council 215) for their generosity and hard work and all who donated desserts, salads, side dishes, and drinks. Thanks for your prayers and support!

Saint Vincent de Paul Society News

SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTION

Weekend of August 8th-9th!

Saint Vincent de Paul Society Who Are We?

In the tradition of its founder and patron, the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul is a Roman Catholic lay organization that leads women and men to join together to grow spiritually by offering person-to-person service to those who are needy and suffering.

Saint Vincent de Paul Society Who Do We Serve?

Our brethren live among us on Cape Ann. Some are homeless. Others are mentally challenged adults, addicts, unemployed, shut-ins, disabled, victims of abuse, and the working poor. Members of the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul (who are called "Vincentians") assess their needs and provide help with food, clothing, and Christmas gifts; as well as assistance with rent, fuel, and utility bills.

In 2014, Vincentians responded to 1,966 phone calls; completed 794 home visits; and distributed 604 food vouchers. Overall, we assisted 1,019 children and 1,358 adults. Your gifts make our work possible!

Saint Vincent de Paul Society How Can You Help?

First, next weekend (August 8-9) throughout the Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport, a second collection will be taken that will support the work of the Saint Vincent de Paul Society on Cape Ann. All donations (100%) will go directly to those in need!

Second, all are encouraged to donate to our Food Pantry. Baskets can be found at the entrances to all of our churches and donations are welcome at the parish offices.

Third, all are encouraged to donate to the Clothes Closet. A drop-off bin is located at the front of the West Parish School (formerly Saint Ann School).

Fourth, your financial contributions are always welcome! Donation envelopes are located at all church entrances. All donations go directly to those in need!

Saint Vincent de Paul Society Monthly Meeting · Second Wednesday at 7:00pm

The Saint Vincent de Paul Society meets on the Second Wednesday of each month at 7:00pm in Saint Ann Church Hall. New members and volunteers are always welcome! For more information, please contact Harry Miller at 978-281-2701. If you or your family need assistance, please contact the Saint Vincent de Paul Society Hotline at 978-281-8672. Thank you for your ongoing support and generosity! May God bless you!

Faith Formation for Adults

ADULT FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION NOW UNDERWAY!

If you are an adult (age 18 and over) and have not received the Sacraments of Baptism, Penance & Reconciliation (Confession), Holy Eucharist, or Confirmation in the Roman Catholic Church, then please consider joining us for our adult faith formation program which will meet on Sunday mornings after our 8:15am Mass beginning on Sunday, September 27th in Saint Ann Parish House.

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) is a seven month program that prepares adults to be received into the Catholic Church at Easter. Our group meets bi-weekly to learn about the basic beliefs and teachings of the Catholic Church. As part of this same process, our Adult Confirmation Program prepares adults for the Sacrament of Confirmation and focuses on the challenges of living a life of faith in the modern world.

If you would like to join us for this journey of faith and become part of a unique fellowship in preparation for the sacraments of God's Church, please contact Cliff Garvey at cgarvey@ccgrounline.com or 978-281-4820. Please join us! All are welcome!

THE ASSISI PROJECT SUMMER BARBECUE & ROSARY

Feast of Our Lady of Angels · Sunday, August 2nd

All are welcome to join Father Jim and the Assisi Project for their Eighth Annual Summer Barbecue on Sunday, August 2nd beginning with Mass at 11:45am in Our Lady of Good Voyage Church. After Mass, we will adjourn to the parish hall for a traditional barbecue of hamburgers, hot dogs, soft drinks, summer salads, and desserts.

At 3:00pm, we will gather again in the church for Eucharistic Adoration, the Franciscan Rosary, and Evening Prayer in celebration of the Feast of Our Lady of the Angels, one of the most important feasts in the Franciscan calendar. All are invited to join us for all or just part of this special day of prayer and fellowship! Please join us! All are welcome!

For more information about the Assisi Project, please see Father Jim before or after Mass; contact Cliff Garvey at 978-281-4820 or cgarvey@ccgrounline.com; or visit our website at assisiproject.com.

ASSISI PROJECT ONLINE

All parishioners and friends are invited to pray with us online at assisiproject.com for "Becoming the Beloved of God: A Reflection on Fulfilling the Call to Love." Please join us! All are welcome! Saint Francis, pray for us! Saint Clare, pray for us! Our Lady of Angels, pray for us! May the Lord give you peace!

Prayer, Fellowship & Service

MOTHER OF GRACE CLUB THE HOLY ROSARY

August 3rd-August 15th at 1:00pm

In preparation for the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday, August 15th, the Mother of Grace Club (which is located at 48 Washington Street in Gloucester) invites all parishioners, friends, and guests of the Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport to join them in praying the Holy Rosary every day at 1:00pm. Please join us as we commemorate the assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary into heaven. All are welcome!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS · COUNCIL 215 Tuesday, August 11th at 7:00pm · Parish Center

The Knights of Columbus is an organization of men that remains true to its founding principles of charity, unity, and fraternity. Founded in 1882, the Knights remain an organization dedicated to the mutual assistance of members and their families, but also to serving the disabled, the poor, and the sick. In addition, the Knights sponsor educational, charitable, and religious programs.

Council 215 serves the Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport at Holy Family Parish and Our Lady of Good Voyage Parish. Our next meeting (which will include a First Degree Ceremony) is scheduled for Tuesday, August 11th at 7:00pm in the Holy Family Parish Center. For more information about joining the Knights of Columbus, please visit our website at kofc215.com or contact Peter Brau at grandknight@kofc215.com. Please join us! All are welcome!

CATHOLIC CHARITIES NORTH Help Us Help Others!

Catholic Charities North provides basic needs assistance (food gift cards, utilities, and mortgage & rent) to needy families during these challenging economic times. Funds are also available to help our fishing community families with food, utilities, mortgage, and rental costs. If you can help us help others, please send your donation to:

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

Please make all 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 & INFORMATION ONLINE
Joins us: ccgronline.com!

Sacrament of Baptism

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM Schedule for the Month of August

The Sacrament of Baptism is the first of the three Sacraments of Initiation of the Roman Catholic Church. The other Sacraments of Initiation are Holy Eucharist and Confirmation. According to the Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC): "Holy Baptism is the basis of the whole Christian life, the gateway to life in the Spirit, and the door which gives access to the other sacraments. Through Baptism, we are freed from sin and reborn as children of God; we become members of Christ, are incorporated into the Church, and made sharers in her mission (CCC 1213)."

During August, the Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport will celebrate the Sacrament of Baptism according to the following schedule:

Baptism Preparation Workshop
Sunday, August 2nd at 11:00am
Saint Ann Church

Sacrament of Baptism
Sunday, August 9th at 1:00pm
Saint Ann Church

Sacrament of Baptism
Sunday, August 16th at 1:00pm
Our Lady of Good Voyage Church

Sacrament of Baptism
Sunday, August 23rd at 11:00am
Saint Joachim Church

If you would like to have your child baptized, please contact Melissa Unis at office@ccgronline.com or 978-281-4820. If you are an adult who has not been baptized and would like to prepare for the Sacrament of Baptism in the Roman Catholic Church, please contact Cliff Garvey at cgarvey@ccgronline.com or 978-281-4820.

The following children recently received the Sacrament of Baptism here in the Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport:

Neo Brancaleone	Sebastian Brancaleone
Felicity Joy Dunn	Mackenzie Fogarty
Joseph Forte	Jasmine Garcia
Ryan Gardiner	Candace Kastanopolous
Azelia Oliva	Emma Patterson
Addison Plumb	Jacob Ribiero-Parsons
Destiny Smith	Nikolas George Souza
Maisie Jo Sutton	Clara Rose Sweet
Angela Tsiaousopolous	

Please pray for these recently baptized children, their parents, grandparents, and godparents! Thank you in advance for your prayers! May God bless you and your family!

Our Mass Intentions

AUGUST 1 – AUGUST 9, 2015

Saturday, August 1	Vigil · Eighteenth Sunday
4:00pm · Saint Ann	Phil, Ruth & Mike Carroll
6:00pm · OLGV	Manuel Jeremias & Maria Jose Matos
Sunday, August 2	Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:00am · OLGV	Richard Devlin
8:15am · Saint Ann	Gaetano Onorio
10:00am · Saint Joachim	Walter & Madeline O'Donnell
11:45am · OLGV	Antonio "Tony" & Mary Militello
5:00pm · Saint Ann	Mass for the People
	Eighteenth Week in Ordinary Time
Monday, August 3 8:00am · OLGV	Manuel Carreiro & Family
Tuesday, August 4 8:00am · Saint Joachim	Joseph Cappucci
Wednesday, August 5 8:00am · OLGV	Manuel Luis & Family
Thursday, August 6 8:00am · Saint Joachim	Roger Gelsomini
Friday, August 7 8:00am · OLGV	Winifred (Perry) Lamontagne
Saturday, August 8 8:00am · Saint Ann	Giovanni Taormina
Saturday, August 8	Vigil · Nineteenth Sunday
4:00pm · Saint Ann	Brien Kennedy & Louis Linquata
6:00pm · OLGV	Josephine Ferrara
Sunday, August 9	Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:00am · OLGV	Captain Joseph Parco
8:15am · Saint Ann	Antonia Ciolino
10:00am · Saint Joachim	Eugene & Marjorie Mondello
11:45am · OLGV	Mary & Pat Phillips
5:00pm · Saint Ann	Mass for the People

Our Weekly Gifts

HOLY FAMILY PARISH Weekend of July 25th & July 26th

Weekly Offerings at Mass:	\$7,725.00
Miscellaneous Gifts:	\$60.00
Electronic Donations:	\$945.00
Boiler Collection at Saint Joachim:	\$865.00
Total Offerings:	\$9,595.00

Thank you for your generous support
of Holy Family Parish!

OUR LADY OF GOOD VOYAGE PARISH Weekend of July 25th & July 26th

Weekly Offerings at Mass:	\$3,742.00
Grand Annual Collection:	\$5,086.00

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

PARISH PAY THE EASY WAY TO SUPPORT YOUR PARISH! Online Giving Program

Parish Pay is the largest, most experienced electronic giving provider in the United States, serving more than 6,000 parishes nationwide. Parish Pay is a simple, safe, and secure way to make online donations to your parish using a credit card, debit card, or electronic check. Each week, Holy Family Parish collects more than \$900 in electronic donations from parishioners through our Parish Pay program. Parish Pay is currently available to parishioners at Holy Family Parish, but will be available soon at Our Lady of Good Voyage Parish. For more information, please contact Linda Rogers at lrogers@ccgonline.com or 978-281-4820; or visit the website at parishpay.com.

SANCTUARY GIFTS

The sanctuary lamp signifies the presence of the Blessed Sacrament in the churches of the Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport. These lamps can be donated for special intentions or in memory of a departed loved one. This week, donations were offered for:

In Memory of Brien B. Kennedy
Sanctuary Lamp · Saint Ann Church

Healing of Cynthia Loiacano
Sanctuary Lamp · Saint Joachim Church

For more information about sanctuary gifts, please contact Melissa Unis at office@ccgonline.com or 978-281-4820. Thank you for your generous support!