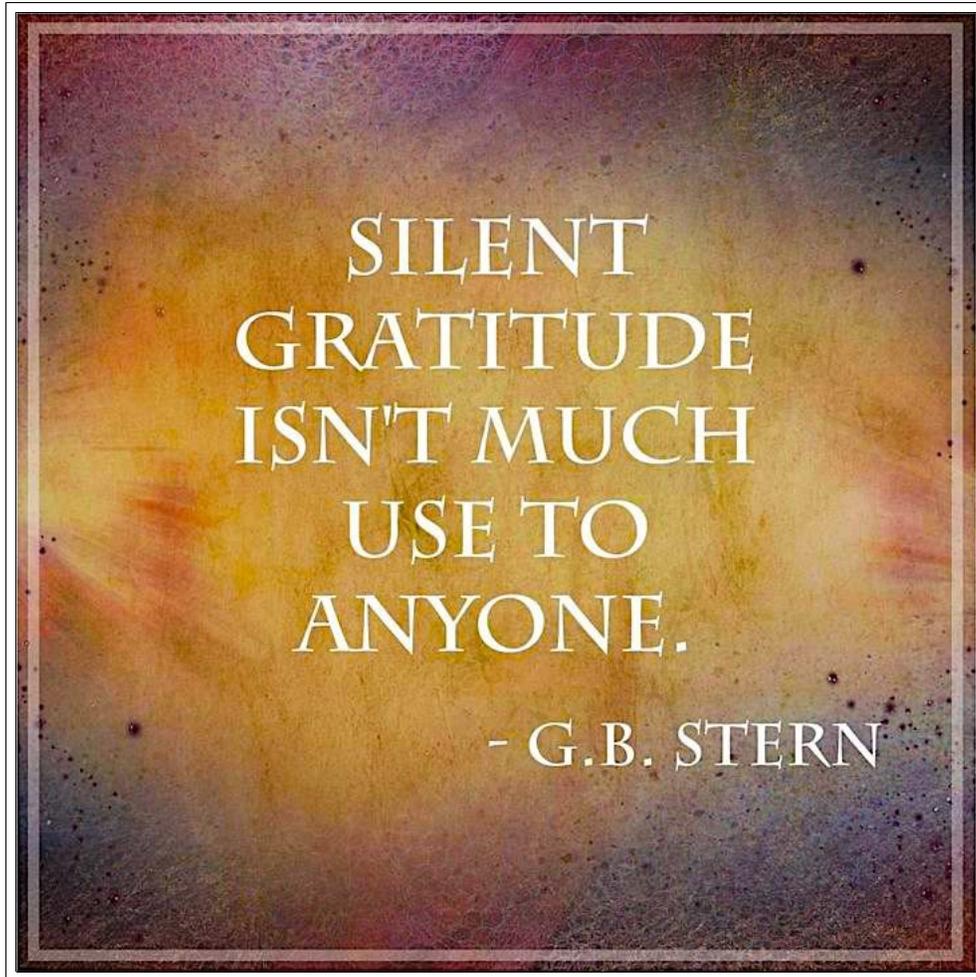


The Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport

HOLY FAMILY PARISH & OUR LADY OF GOOD VOYAGE PARISH

A Community United in Prayer, Fellowship, and Service
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A MESSAGE OF THANKS

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ADULT FAITH FORMATION

The Little Flowers

of Saint Francis & Pope Francis

**FOURTH ANNUAL SUMMER RETREAT
BEGINS MONDAY, AUGUST 7TH AT 7:00PM**

The summer season is a great time of year for stepping back from the business and busy-ness of daily life in order to focus on our personal relationship with Jesus Christ. Unfortunately, few among us are able to leave work, family, and friends behind for a real retreat from the world. For this reason, the Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport is pleased to announce our Fourth Annual Summer Retreat!

From Monday, August 7th through Friday, August 11th, all are invited to join Father Jim and Cliff Garvey for a unique opportunity to experience the spiritual peace and renewal of a week-long retreat without leaving home! Each evening of our summer retreat will begin at 7:00pm in Saint Anthony Chapel with Evening Prayer from the Liturgy of the Hours. After our shared prayer, Father Jim and Cliff will lead our community in a period of reflection, discussion, and faith sharing. Each evening will conclude at 8:30pm with Night Prayer. During each day of the retreat, the chapel will open at 12:00pm for silent personal prayer and reflection.

This year, we will explore “The Little Flowers” of Saint Francis and Pope Francis. After his death in 1226, nearly eight centuries ago, the early followers of Saint Francis of Assisi wrote a series of little stories about his life and the miracles that he performed. These “Little Flowers” serve now as the foundation of our knowledge and understanding of Saint Francis and his lasting impact on the Church. In our own time, Andrea Torielli, a journalist who covers the papacy, has assembled the so-called “Fioretti” or Little Flowers of Pope Francis, a heartwarming collection of stories about how the Holy Father lives the Gospel each and every day.

Between each night of the summer retreat, participants will be asked to read brief selections from both the “Little Flowers of Saint Francis” and the “Little Flowers of Pope Francis.” In this way, we will gain a better appreciation of these two holy men and their impact on the Church; and we will grow closer to Christ by learning from their good deeds and good works among God’s people. If you would like to join us for our Fourth Annual Summer Retreat, please be sure to contact Cliff Garvey at 978-281-4820 or cgarvey@ccgronline.com by Sunday, August 6th. A donation of \$30 is requested from those who can afford it. Copies of both books, along with cold drinks, will be provided. Please join us! All are invited! All are welcome!



OUR PASTOR'S MESSAGE

A Message of Thanks

Gladys Bronwyn Stern (1890-1973) was a British author who wrote biographies, memoirs, novels, plays, and short stories. She was a convert to Catholicism. But she is perhaps best remembered for once writing: "Silent gratitude isn't much use to anyone." In that spirit, I am writing this weekend to thank every parishioner, friend, and guest of the Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport who contributed to the Grand Annual Collections at Holy Family Parish and Our Lady of Good Voyage Parish. Because of your generosity and support, it now appears that both of our parish budgets will be balanced for the fiscal year that ended last week. But the success of these collections is not just about making ends meet or balancing budgets, it's about gratitude, perseverance, and miracles.

At Our Lady of Good Voyage Parish, our goal was to raise \$50,000 for the Grand Annual Collection. By June 30th, we raised almost 87% of our goal. But I am not at all disappointed. In fact, I am joyful! Shortly after becoming your pastor just over three years ago, I was informed that an anonymous donor, who contributed thousands of dollars each year to the parish, was no longer able or willing to help our parish. That news made our Grand Annual Collection more important than ever. In 2014, we raised \$30,271. In 2015, we raised \$31,426. In 2016, we raised \$31,474. And this year, we raised \$43,489! That's an increase of almost 40% over last year! So, to each and every parishioner who gave and gave again to Our Lady's Grand Annual Collection, please accept my deep and sincere thanks!

At Holy Family Parish, our goal was to raise \$75,000 for the Grand Annual Collection. In all honesty, I did not have any real expectation that we would reach our goal. After all, throughout the last fiscal year, we have been asking again and again for donations to the Saint Ann Church Restoration Fund. And so far, because of your generous support, we have raised \$221,272.00 to repair the tower and east wall of our beloved church. Facing this towering challenge, it did not seem possible that we could raise an additional \$75,000 for the Grand Annual Collection. In fact, because of the restoration project, we did not even begin this year's Grand Annual Collection until after Easter!

But then, miraculous things happened! Each week, more and more envelopes arrived in our parish office. Some were placed in the offertory basket during Mass. Some arrived by mail. Some were hand delivered by parishioners of all ages. Still, no one seriously believed that we would reach our goal. In an effort to close the gap before the end of the fiscal year, we made a final push and scheduled a second collection for last weekend. That second collection raised more than \$8,000! By Wednesday, June 28th, we had raised approximately \$74,115! Absolutely amazing!

Upon learning that we were that close to our goal and with just hours before last week's bulletin was due at the printer, two members of our pastoral team began working to raise \$885 so that we could share the good news with our parishioners. They called, emailed, and texted as many people as they could. At first, there was silence. And then, all of a sudden, a parishioner from Gloucester pledged \$200. Then a parishioner from Rockport pledged \$100. Then another \$100 and another and another! Then someone pledged \$50! Then someone pledged and hand-delivered a check for \$500! By noon, those two members of our pastoral team and some generous parishioners raised more than \$2,000! And when the mail was delivered that day, additional contributions arrived so that when all contributions were counted, our Grand Annual Collection raised \$77,373 in just three months!

Later this summer, I will share with you a more complete year-end financial report for both Holy Family Parish and Our Lady of Good Voyage Parish. Until then, as a new fiscal year begins, my deepest and heartfelt thanks go to all who contributed to these Grand Annual Collections, to all who help us help others with their gifts of time, talent, and treasure, and to all who pray for our parishes and our parishioners. May God bless all who live, work, and worship in the Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport! Thank you! Thank you! Thank you!

Peace and blessings to all,
Father Jim

LIVING THE GOSPEL

THE ASSISI PROJECT Need Prayers?

Founded in 2007 by Father Jim and Cliff Garvey, the Assisi Project is a fellowship of "Franciscans in Spirit" that seeks to live the Gospel of Christ through the inspiration of Saint Francis of Assisi. Members of the Assisi Project pray for those who ask for prayers. If you would like us to pray for you or your special intention, please contact Cliff at cgarvey@ccgronline.com or 978-281-4820. For more information about the Assisi Project, please visit our website: assisiproject.com. New members are very welcome!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS Tuesday, July 11th at 7:00pm

The Knights of Columbus (Council 215) is a fraternal and charitable organization of Catholic men that serves the Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport at both Holy Family Parish and Our Lady of Good Voyage Parish. Since 1897, our award-winning council has sponsored countless works of charity on Cape Ann, including annual events like our blood drive, food drive, golf tournament, and the Coats for Kids program; along with our ongoing support for the Saint Vincent de Paul Society and the Holy Family Women's Guild.

If you have twenty-four hours to volunteer for charity, we can transform that commitment into meaningful results for you, your family, and our communities. The Knights of Columbus (Council 215) meets on the second Tuesday of each month in the Parish Center (located at 74 Pleasant Street in Gloucester). Our next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, July 11th at 7:00pm. For more information, please visit our website at kofc215.com; or contact us at info@kofc215.com. New members are always welcome!

PARISH PAY Safe & Easy Electronic Giving

Electronic giving is available at both Holy Family Parish and Our Lady of Good Voyage Parish. It is easy, simple, and safe to make online donations to your home parish using a credit card, debit card, or electronic check. At parishpay.com, donations can be made on a one-time or ongoing basis. And it takes just a few minutes to create a secure personal account. For assistance or for more information about electronic giving in the Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport, please contact Clare Murphy at 978-281-4820 or cmurphy@ccgronline.com. Thank you for your generous support of Holy Family Parish and Our Lady of Good Voyage Parish! Peace and blessings to all!

MORE NEWS & INFORMATION ONLINE!

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HOLY FAMILY PARISH NEWS

HOLY FAMILY PARISH FEAST OF SAINTS ANN & JOACHIM Annual Crowning Ceremony · Sunday, July 23rd

In anticipation of the Feast of Saint Ann and Saint Joachim, all parishioners, friends, and guests of Holy Family Parish and the Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport are invited to join us for the Annual Crowning of Saint Ann and the Blessed Virgin Mary after our 8:15am Mass on Sunday, July 23rd. As a community of faith, let us unite our hearts and voices in prayer for the intercession of our patrons: Saint Ann, pray for us! Saint Joachim, pray for us! For more information about this special annual event, please contact Mary Rubino at 978-281-0009. Please join us! All are welcome!

HOLY FAMILY PARISH HOLY HOUR & BENEDICTION Saturday, July 29th at 3:00pm

In commemoration of the Feast of Saint Ann and Saint Joachim, all are welcome to join us on Saturday, July 29th for a period of prayer in adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in Saint Ann Church. This special holy hour will begin with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Day-time Prayer from the Liturgy of the Hours at 3:00pm. At 3:30pm, we will pray the Holy Rosary and conclude with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. All parishioners, friends, and guests of Holy Family Parish and the Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport are invited to join us for this special time of prayer. For more information, please contact Father Jim at frjim@ccgronline.com or 978-281-4820. Please join us! All are welcome!

HOLY FAMILY PARISH ANNUAL SUMMER BARBECUE & PICNIC Saturday, July 29th · Begins with Mass at 4:00pm

All parishioners, friends, and guests of the Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport are invited to join Holy Family Parish for our Annual Summer Barbecue & Picnic in celebration of the Feast of Saint Ann and Saint Joachim on Saturday, July 29th beginning with Mass at 4:00pm in Saint Ann Church. After Mass, our barbecue and picnic will be held in the courtyard behind the Parish Center and on the lawn of the Saint Ann House of Prayer.

The Knights of Columbus (Council 215) will cook hamburgers and hot dogs. Soft drinks will be provided. Parishioners are asked to bring lawn chairs and a side dish to share with the community (chips, baked beans, summer salads, and desserts). We will also have fun activities for kids! For more information, please contact Father Jim at 978-281-4820 or frjim@ccgronline.com. Bring your family! Bring a friend! All are invited! All are welcome!

CALLING YOUNG DISCIPLES!

YOUTH FAITH FORMATION CALL FOR YOUTH ALTAR SERVERS Help Father Jim Serve God's People!

Father Jim is full of energy and excitement, but as the only full-time priest assigned to the Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport, he sometimes needs our help! This summer, he is hoping to form a corps of youth altar servers to help him at Mass! All young disciples, ages 8 through 17, are invited to participate on a weekly or monthly basis. Training is available! Being an altar server is a great way to continue learning about the teachings and traditions of the Catholic Church! For more information, please contact Father Jim at 978-281-4820 or frjim@ccgrronline.com. All are invited! All are welcome!

YOUTH FAITH FORMATION FATHER JIM'S SUMMER ART CONTEST Through Sunday, September 3rd!

All young disciples, ages 5 through 12, are invited to participate in Father Jim's Second Annual Summer Art Contest by creating an original work of art based on the theme of "Our Blessed Mother Mary." Submissions should be no smaller than 8 by 11 inches and no larger than 18 by 24 inches; created, colored, drawn, or painted by hand; and depicting an image of Our Blessed Mother.

All original art projects are due by Sunday, September 3rd and will be judged by Father Jim and a committee of judges! The winning submission will be professionally framed and displayed prominently in our parish offices. For more information about our Second Annual Summer Art Contest for Children, please contact Father Jim at 978-281-4820 or frjim@ccgrronline.com. Calling young disciples! All are invited! All are welcome!

CAMPS: CHRIST AS MY PERSONAL SAVIOR CHRISTIAN CAMP EXPERIENCE July 31st through August 5th

CAMPS (Christ As My Personal Savior) is a summer camp experience for high school students that seeks to bring participants closer to our Risen Lord; to teach them that the Christian community is both formed and lived; and to continue faith formation and spiritual growth beyond sacramental preparation.

From July 31st through August 5th, more than 300 campers will gather at Lakeside Campsite in Pittsfield for campfires, games and sports, music, spiritual conferences, and faith sharing. CAMPS is an amazing experience for high school students! For more information, please visit campsministry.com or contact Al Mitchell at 978-879-3655 or albiemitchell@me.com. Scholarships are available! All are invited! All are welcome!

SHARING GOD'S LOVE

PENANCE & RECONCILIATION GOD'S SACRAMENT OF MERCY Saturdays at 3:00pm

As sinners, we acknowledge our faults and failures. We also believe deeply in God's boundless mercy and limitless love for us. The Sacrament of Penance & Reconciliation (Confession) offers each of us an opportunity to reconcile ourselves with God and the Church. The sacrament is comprised of four elements: sorrow for one's sins and confession of those sins to a priest; a prayer of personal contrition; absolution by a priest; and an act of penance.

The Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport celebrates the Sacrament of Penance & Reconciliation according to the following schedule: Saturdays from 3:00pm until 3:30pm in Saint Ann Church; and by appointment. For more information about the Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation, please contact Father Jim at 978-281-4820 or frjim@ccgrronline.com; or check out our "Guide to Making a Good Confession" at ccgrronline.com/sacraments. Please join us! All are invited! All are welcome!

CARE FOR THE SICK & HOMEBOUND GOD'S SACRAMENTS OF HEALING Available Upon Request

Is there anyone sick among you? This question, found in the New Testament's Letter of Saint James (James 5:14), serves as an invitation for the sick and their caregivers to call upon the priests of the Church to pray over them and to anoint them with oil in the Lord's name. All parishioners are welcome to ask for prayer and for the Sacrament of the Sick before surgery or when diagnosed with a serious illness. This sacrament should not be regarded as "Last Rites" but as a powerful instrument of the Lord's healing presence in our lives.

If you or someone you love would like to receive the Sacrament of the Sick or the Sacrament of Holy Communion at home or in hospital (due to age, illness, or disability), please contact Father Jim or Melissa Unis at 978-281-4820 or frjim@ccgrronline.com or office@ccgrronline.com. May God bless, comfort, and heal our aged, disabled, and homebound fellow parishioners. And may God bless, console, and strengthen all caregivers and all who grieve.

WORDS OF WISDOM FROM POPE FRANCIS

Pope Francis: "May the Church be the place of God's mercy and love, where everyone can feel themselves: welcomed, loved, forgiven, and encouraged to live according to the good life of the Gospel. And in order to make others feel welcomed, loved, forgiven, and encouraged, the Church must have open doors so that all might enter (Vatican City; 6-12-13)."

OUR MASS INTENTIONS

JULY 8 – JULY 16, 2017

Saturday, July 8	Vigil · 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time
4:00pm · Saint Ann	Isabella, Anton & Tom Moore
6:00pm · OLGV	Anthony “Tony” Testaverde
Sunday, July 9	14th Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:00am · OLGV	Margaret Goodnow
8:15am · Saint Ann	David J. Crowley
10:00am · Saint Joachim	Carla Marie Kenney
11:45am · OLGV	Aaron Heyer
5:00pm · Saint Ann	Mass for the People
	14th Week in Ordinary Time
Monday, July 10 8:00am · OLGV	Angelina Matos
Tuesday, July 11 8:00am · Saint Joachim	Marian “Gunner” Gorski
Wednesday, July 12 8:00am · OLGV	Communion Service
Thursday, July 13 8:00am · Saint Joachim	Jeffrey M. Burke
Friday, July 14 8:00am · OLGV	Edward “Butch” Sweeney
Saturday, July 15 8:00am · Saint Ann	Humberto Mota
Saturday, July 15	Vigil · 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time
4:00pm · Saint Ann	Antonio Vitale
6:00pm · OLGV	Rosalie Mocerì
Sunday, July 16	15th Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:00am · OLGV	Mary, Joseph & Densmore Flynn
8:15am · Saint Ann	Manuel & Maria Achadinha
10:00am · Saint Joachim	The Strescino Family
11:45am · OLGV	Humberto Mota
5:00pm · Saint Ann	Pamela Swartz

OUR WEEKLY OFFERINGS

HOLY FAMILY PARISH
Weekend of July 1st – July 2nd

Weekly Offerings	N/A
Electronic Donations	\$878.00
Total Offerings	N/A
Second Collection	N/A
Grand Annual Collection	\$77,373.00
Saint Ann Church Restoration	\$221,272.00

Thank you for your generous support
of Holy Family Parish!

OUR LADY OF GOOD VOYAGE PARISH
Weekend of July 1st – July 2nd

Weekly Offerings	N/A
Electronic Donations	\$60.00
Total Offerings	N/A
Second Collection	N/A
Grand Annual Collection	\$43,489.00

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

In Memory of Charles DeCoste
Sanctuary Candle · Saint Ann Church

For Patrick R. Garvey
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!

OUR VISION

Live the Gospel. Share God’s Love. Rebuild the Church.
All are invited! All are welcome! Always!
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