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HOLY FAMILY PARISH & OUR LADY OF GOOD VOYAGE PARISH

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ADULT FAITH FORMATION

Fall Day of Prayer & Reflection

JOY & SUFFERING WITH PADRE PIO
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 6TH · BEGINS AT 8:00AM

Earlier this year, Pope Francis visited the House for the Relief of Suffering, a hospital founded by Saint Padre Pio. Afterwards, Pope Francis celebrated Mass at the Shrine of Saint Pio of Pietrelcina, Italy. In his homily, the Holy Father preached about the call to suffer and the three words that summarize the life of a saint: humility, prayer, and wisdom. The pope said: "All of theology is contained here! If you have a problem, if you are sad, if you are sick, abandon yourself into the arms of Jesus!"

The Roman Catholic Church celebrates the Feast of Saint Pio of Pietrelcina on September 23rd and the Feast of Saint Francis of Assisi on October 4th. In commemoration of these two great saints, and as part of the Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport's "Year of Discernment", all fellow parishioners and friends are invited to join Father Jim, Cliff Garvey, the Legion of Mary, and the Assisi Project for a Fall Day of Prayer & Reflection: "Joy & Suffering with Saint Pio" on Saturday, October 6th at Saint Anthony Chapel.

During this four-hour mini-retreat, we will explore the life, ministry, and patronage of Saint Pio of Pietrelcina and his special meaning for those who are called to suffer. This special morning of prayer and reflection will proceed according to the following schedule: Celebration of Holy Mass at 8:00am; First Reflection & Faith Sharing at 9:00am; Eucharistic Adoration & Rosary at 10:00am; Second Reflection & Faith Sharing at 11:00am; Angelus & Closing Prayers at 12:00pm.

Throughout the morning, there will be scheduled breaks and time for faith sharing, fellowship, and refreshments. Coffee, tea, and bottled water will be available throughout the morning. After our closing prayers, all are invited to remain for picnic lunch. During Mass, a collection will be taken in support of our adult faith formation ministry. If you would like to join us for our Fall Day of Prayer & Reflection in honor of Saint Pio and Saint Francis, please contact Cliff at 978-281-4820 or cgarvey@ccgonline.com. Please join us! Bring a friend! Bring your family! All are invited! All are welcome!

Pastor's Note

SPECIAL MESSAGE OF THANKS

Last week, more than seventy-five parishioners joined us for all or part of the Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport's Fifth Annual Summer Retreat: "Everyone's Vocation to Everyday Holiness." During this five-night evening retreat, parishioners and friends ranging in age from 16 to 94 prayed together, studied together, and shared personal insights about the struggle for holiness in today's world. Everyone who participated in our retreat is deeply grateful to Cliff Garvey, who directed our retreat after months of prayer and preparation. Cliff's dedication and hard work often goes unnoticed and unappreciated. But this week, I wish to thank him for all that he does to help us live the Gospel, share God's love, and rebuild the Church. Thank you, my friend, for a job very well done! Peace and blessings to all! — Father Jim

OUR PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Our Lady of Good Voyage Parish Annual Financial Report

BY FATHER JIM

Just over four years ago, the Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport was founded as a collaborative of two historic parishes: Holy Family Parish and Our Lady of Good Voyage Parish. Although our parishes share one pastor and pastoral team, each parish remains fully independent; has its own finance council; maintains its own accounting procedures; pays its own bills; and maintains its own buildings. The collaboration between our faith communities was not easy at first. But more and more, parishioners at both Holy Family Parish and Our Lady of Good Voyage Parish are praying together, working together, and helping each other live the Gospel, share God's love, and rebuild the Church in a true spirit of prayer, fellowship, and service.

During the past year, Our Lady of Good Voyage Parish has been blessed in so many ways. Attendance at our weekend Masses is good. More young adults and young families seem to be joining us, too. Parishioners offer very positive feedback about our adult and youth faith formation programs. Special events like the penny sales, seasonal fairs, and the Crowning Feast of the Holy Spirit are successful both by raising funds and by building and strengthening the bonds of community in our parish. And last year, we met and surpassed our goal for the Grand Annual Collection. We hoped to raise \$45,000, but thanks to you, we collected \$46,359. Overall, since 2016, overall contributions to this all-important fundraising campaign have risen by more than 47%. Thank you!

Best of all, I am very happy to report that for the first time in recent memory, our annual parish budget is balanced! In fact, we ran a net income of \$631 which was deposited in our parish savings account. Although our budget surplus is small, our balanced budget is a very big accomplishment and marks a turning point in our efforts to ensure the long-term financial stability of our parish. Although we will face challenges ahead related to increasing costs of heating, insuring, maintaining, and repairing our church buildings, I am confident that working together as a family of disciples, we can face any and every challenge with confidence and determination. Needless to say, your support makes all the difference. So, please join me in praying that each of us, according to our means, will continue to give generously to our parish. As you can see, every contribution makes a real difference!

Finally, please join me in thanking the members of the Our Lady of Good Voyage Parish Finance Council for their dedicated service, good advice, and wise counsel: Patricia Bertero, Jean Madruga, and Ann Marie Noble. Their commitment and good work throughout the year ensures that we are always focused on making the best use of our limited financial resources. Finally, my deepest thanks go to our parishioners for their ongoing prayers and support. Your generosity makes possible all that we do to make Our Lady of Good Voyage Parish a spirit-filled and vibrant faith community. And your kindness and encouragement humbles me and sustains me in my ministry. Please know that you and your family are always in my prayers. Thank you again for your ongoing support of Our Lady of Good Voyage Parish! Peace and blessings to all!

PRAYER, FELLOWSHIP, AND SERVICE

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS Tuesday, September 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 Holy Family Parish, Our Lady of Good Voyage Parish, and beyond. If you have twenty-four hours to volunteer this year, we can transform that commitment into meaningful results for you, your family, and our community. Our next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 11th at 7:00pm in the parish located (located at 74 Pleasant Street in Gloucester). For more information about the Knights of Columbus and their good work in our parishes, please visit their website at kofc215.com; or contact Mark Natti at 978-281-4820 or grandknight@kofc215.com. Please join us! We always welcome new members!

HOLY FAMILY PARISH CHRISTMAS FAIR PLANNING MEETING Monday, August 20th at 6:00pm

Even though it is still summer, the Holy Family Christmas Fair is coming soon! Mark your calendars for Saturday, November 17th! 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 Monday, August 20th at 6:00pm in Saint Ann Church Hall, the Holy Family Women's Guild will hold its first Christmas Fair Planning Meeting. Everyone has a unique gift or talent! Let yours shine at the Christmas Fair! All parishioners are invited to join us in making this year's fair our best ever! We are gratefully accepting donations of prizes for our auction, basket wheel, and raffles; cookies, crafts, and jewelry for our sale tables; and volunteers for set-up and clean-up! For more information, please contact Lydia Bertolino at 978-281-4279 or bertolino4@msn.com. Please join us! All are invited! All are welcome!

PASTOR'S NOTE Newsletter Submissions

All submissions to our weekly newsletter are due by noon on Fridays, one full week before the following Sunday's publication. Submissions that announce parish programs and events are always given first priority; and must include date, time, location, and contact information (name, phone, and e-mail address). All requested submissions (both from Holy Family Parish and Our Lady of Good Voyage Parish) may be edited for content and style; and should be sent directly to Father Jim (no exceptions). For more information, please contact Father Jim at 978-281-4820 or frjim@ccgronline.com. Thanks for your ongoing cooperation! Peace and blessings to all!

SHARING GOD'S LOVE

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION GRADE 2 SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION Registration Now Underway!

The Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport offers a creative and innovative way for children to prepare for the Sacraments of Penance & Reconciliation (Confession) and First Holy Communion. Our program is designed to prepare both children and their parents for these sacraments; to encourage lifelong relationships with Jesus Christ and the Church; and to help families grow together in prayer, fellowship, and service.

Our program is simple and family-friendly! First, our top priority is to invite all families to attend one of our seven weekend Masses on a regular basis. Second, all second grade students and their parents, grandparents, or guardians are asked to attend two 90 minute workshops during the fall season and three 90 minute workshops during the winter-spring seasons. Each of these "Faith & Family Workshops" is offered at three different times so that each family can choose which option works best for them.

Our program begins during the weekend of October 12th-13th! Calendars and registration forms are available on our website: ccgronline.com/formation. Forms can be returned by mail or hand-delivered to our parish offices (which are located at 74 Pleasant Street in Gloucester). If you have questions or need more information about youth faith formation in the Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport, please contact Betsy Works at 978-281-4820 or bworks@ccgronline.com. Please join us! All are invited! All are welcome!

YOUTH FAITH FORMATION YOUTH CHOIR & MUSIC MINISTRY Begins Tuesday, September 11th at 5:00pm

Beginning on Tuesday, September 11th at 5:00pm in Saint Ann Church, the Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport's Youth Choir & Music Ministry will begin its weekly meetings for fellowship and rehearsal. Our Youth Choir & Music Ministry welcomes new members, ranging in age from kindergarten through high school.

Young musicians are also welcome to join us! Being a part of this ministry is a great way to make new friends! And it is a great way to participate more fully in the life of our parishes and to learn more about the teachings and traditions of the Catholic Church. For more information, please contact Patty Natti at pnatti@comcast.net or 978-281-4820. Please join us! All are invited! All are welcome!

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SHARING GOD'S LOVE

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.

Every 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 experiences, and participate in a period of formation under the guidance of their spiritual directors. For more information about the Legion of Mary and its good work in the Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport, please contact Sue Demetri at sdemetri2000@yahoo.com or leave a message at 978-281-4820. The Legion of Mary warmly welcomes new members! 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 these items:

Canned Fruits & Vegetables
Canned Ham, Tuna & Beef Stew
Tuna & Chicken Helper
Chef Boyardee, Pasta & Sauce
Pancake Mix & Syrup
Hot & Cold Cereal · Hot Chocolate Mix
Crackers, Jelly, Mayonnaise
Boxed Macaroni & Cheese and Ramen Noodles

Donation envelopes are located at the entrances of our churches. Donations 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 4:00pm in Our Lady's Hall. The Saint Vincent de Paul Society warmly welcomes new members and volunteers! For more information, please contact Harry Miller at 978-281-2701 or Barbara Frontiero at Barbara.Frontiero@gortons.com. If you or your family needs assistance, please contact us at 978-281-8672. Thank you for your generous support!

PRAYER, FELLOWSHIP, AND SERVICE

OUR LADY OF GOOD VOYAGE PARISH HOLY NAME SOCIETY

Sunday, September 9th at 6:30pm

The Holy Name Society at Our Lady of Good Voyage Parish is a service organization of men that was founded to support the parish through volunteering and fundraising. The first meeting of the new fall season is scheduled for Sunday, September 9th at 6:30pm in Our Lady's Hall. Dinner will be prepared and served by the officers. Annual dues of \$20 per person will be collected. For more information about the Holy Name Society and its good work in our parish, please contact Matt Parisi at 978-281-4820 or mparisis101@gmail.com. Please join us! We always welcome new members!

OUR LADY OF GOOD VOYAGE PARISH OUR LADY'S GUILD

Monday, September 10th at 6:30pm

Since 1944, Our Lady's Guild has worked to build community among women of all ages in Our Lady of Good Voyage Parish through fundraising, good works, prayer, and social events. The Guild's first meeting of the new fall season is scheduled for Monday, September 10th at 6:30pm in Our Lady's Hall. Dinner will be prepared and served by the officers. The requested offering is \$10 per person. For more information about Our Lady's Guild and its good work in our parish, please contact Beth Fosbery at 978-281-4820 or jcbf33@yahoo.com. Please join us! We always welcome new members!

OUR LADY OF GOOD VOYAGE PARISH OUR LADY'S GUILD PENNY SALE

Monday, September 24th at 7:00pm

All parishioners, friends, and guests of the Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport are invited to join Our Lady's Guild for a "Penny Sale" on Monday, September 24th at 7:00pm in Our Lady's Hall. As always, the Penny Sale will feature great prizes, a 50-50 raffle, our famous homemade sweet bread, along with other delicious homemade foods and snacks. Donations will be accepted at our parish offices (located at 74 Pleasant Street in Gloucester) until the day of the Penny Sale. All proceeds of the Penny Sale benefit Our Lady of Good Voyage Parish. For more information, please contact Julia Garcia at 978-281-2678 or Beth Fosberry at jcbf33@yahoo.com. Please join us! Bring your friends and family! All are invited! All are welcome!

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OUR MASS INTENTIONS**SEPTEMBER 8 – SEPTEMBER 16, 2018**

Saturday, September 8	Vigil · 23rd Sunday
4:00pm · Saint Ann	Bessie Tortorici
6:00pm · OLGV	Lorenzo & Jennie Scola
Sunday, September 9	23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:00am · OLGV	The Mistretta Family
8:15am · Saint Ann	Salvatore Storniolo
10:00am · Saint Joachim	Gerard F. Boyle
11:45am · OLGV	Sebastião & Rosaria Lima
5:00pm · Saint Ann	The Vitale Family
	23rd Week in Ordinary Time
Monday, September 10 8:00am · OLGV	Captain Antonino Romeo
Tuesday, September 11 8:00am · Saint Joachim	Colleen Handley
Wednesday, September 12 8:00am · OLGV	Graziella Palazzolo
Thursday, September 13 8:00am · Saint Joachim	Mary & Charles Works
Friday, September 14 8:00am · OLGV	Allerio Brancaleone
Saturday, September 15 8:00am · Saint Ann	Alfred B. Chianciola
Saturday, September 15	Vigil · 24th Sunday
4:00pm · Saint Ann	Anty & Gus Piscitello
6:00pm · OLGV	Giuseppe & Rosaria Cambria
Sunday, September 16	24th Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:00am · OLGV	John Orlando
8:15am · Saint Ann	Donald Mullen
10:00am · Saint Joachim	Angelina Loiacano Strescino
11:45am · OLGV	Jose & Julia Goulart & Sons
5:00pm · Saint Ann	For All Victims of Abuse

OUR WEEKLY GIFTS**HOLY FAMILY PARISH****Weekend of September 1st – September 2nd**

Weekly Offerings	\$7,164.00
Electronic Donations	\$878.00
Total Offerings	\$8,042.00
Second Collection	N/A

Thank you for your generous support
of Holy Family Parish!

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

Weekly Offerings	\$2,933.00
Electronic Donations	\$80.00
Total Offerings	\$3,013.00
Second Collection (Maintenance)	\$2,381.00

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 Carol Doyle Orlando
Sanctuary Candle · Saint Ann Church

In Memory of Alfred B. Chianciola
Sanctuary Candle · Saint Joachim Church

In Memory of Antonio Viviano
Sanctuary Candle · Saint Anthony Chapel

In Memory of Myles & Elva Goulart Doyle
Sanctuary Candle · Our Lady of Good Voyage Church

For more information about donating sanctuary candles, sanctuary flowers, or sanctuary 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 for your ongoing and generous support of the Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport!

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