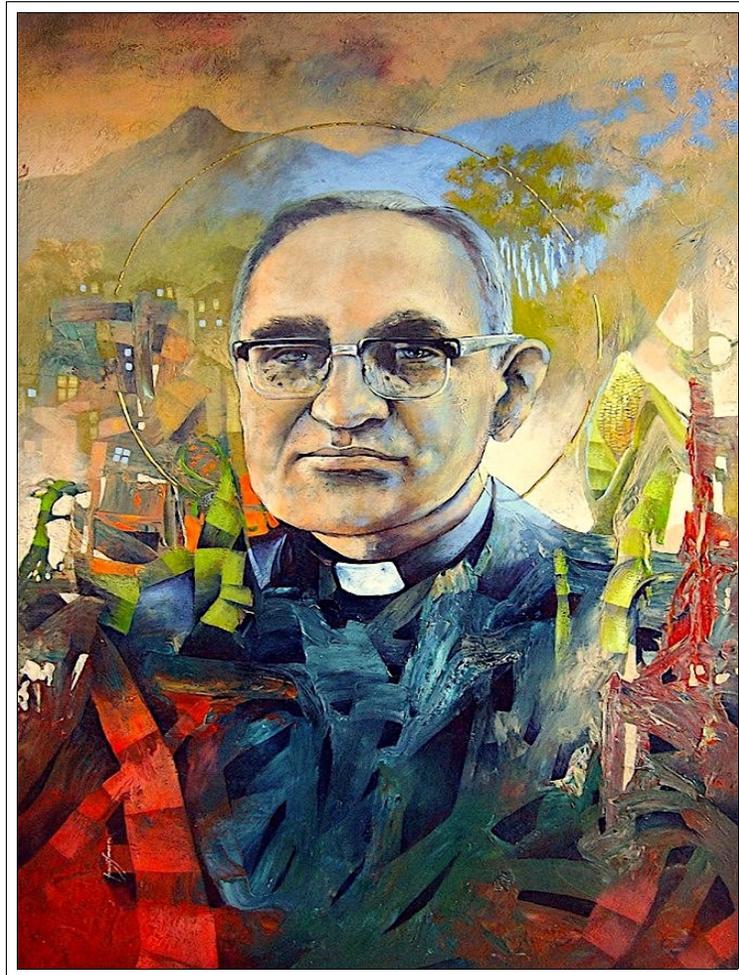


The Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport

HOLY FAMILY PARISH & OUR LADY OF GOOD VOYAGE PARISH

A Community United in Prayer, Fellowship, and Service
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SAINT OSCAR ROMERO, PRAY FOR US!

A STEP ALONG THE WAY

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ADULT FAITH FORMATION



Light & Darkness

A WORKSHOP ON SPIRITUAL COMBAT, VIGILANCE & DISCERNMENT
OCTOBER 24TH THROUGH OCTOBER 26TH AT 7:00PM

During the last week of August, a large group of parishioners gathered at Saint Anthony Chapel for the Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport's Fifth Annual Summer Retreat: "Everyone's Vocation to Everyday Holiness." During this intense five-night retreat, parishioners and friends ranging in age from 16 to 94 read and reflected on Pope Francis's Apostolic Exhortation: "Rejoice and Be Glad: On the Call to Holiness in Today's World." Without question, the most compelling evening of the retreat focused on the Holy Father's advice and guidance about spiritual combat, vigilance, and discernment. He writes: "The Christian life is a constant battle. We need strength and courage to withstand the temptations of the devil and to proclaim the Gospel. This battle is sweet, for it allows us to rejoice each time the Lord triumphs in our lives."

In this spirit, all parishioners, friends, and guests of the Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport are invited to join Father Jim and Cliff Garvey for "Light & Darkness: A Workshop on Spiritual Combat, Vigilance & Discernment" from Wednesday, October 24th through Friday, October 26th in Our Lady of Good Voyage Church. During this three-night mini-course, we will read and reflect together on the sacred scriptures, the wisdom of the saints, and the writings of Pope Francis. Overall, our goal will be to learn about how darkness works in our world and how we can work against that darkness with the help of our Lord Jesus Christ who is the Light of the World.

Each evening of this special adult faith formation program will begin at 7:00pm with Evening Prayer from the Liturgy of the Hours. After this time of shared prayer, Father Jim and Cliff will lead our community in a period of reflection, discussion, and faith sharing. Each evening will conclude by 8:30pm with Night Prayer. If you would like to join us for all or even part of this special workshop on spiritual combat, vigilance, and discernment, please be sure to contact Cliff Garvey at 978-281-4820 or cgarvey@ccgronline.com by Sunday, October 21st. A donation of \$30 is requested from those who can afford it in support of our adult faith formation ministries. All reading materials will be provided. Please join us! Bring a friend! All are invited! All are welcome!

*The devil does not need to possess us.
He poisons us with the venom of hatred, desolation, envy, and vice.
When we let down our guard, he takes advantage of it
to destroy our lives, our families, and our communities.*

Pope Francis · Rejoice and Be Glad (161)

THIS WEEK'S MESSAGE

A Step Along the Way

THE SAINT OSCAR ROMERO PRAYER

It helps, now and then, to step back and take the long view.
 The Kingdom of God is not only beyond our efforts,
 it is even beyond our vision.
 We accomplish in our lifetime only a tiny fraction
 of the magnificent enterprise that is God's work.
 Nothing we do is complete,
 which is a way of saying that
 the Kingdom always lies beyond us.
 No statement says all that could be said.
 No prayer fully expresses our faith.
 No confession brings perfection.
 No pastoral visit brings wholeness.
 No program accomplishes the Church's mission.
 No set of goals and objectives includes everything.
 This is what we are all about.
 We plant the seeds that one day will grow.
 We water seeds already planted,
 knowing that they hold future promise.
 We lay foundations that will need further development.
 We provide yeast that produces far beyond our capabilities.
 We cannot do everything,
 and there is a sense of liberation in realizing that.
 This enables us to do something, and to do it very well.
 It may be incomplete, but it is a beginning, a step along the way,
 an opportunity for the Lord's grace to enter and do the rest.
 We may never see the end results,
 but that is the difference between the master builder and the worker.
 We are workers, not master builders; ministers, not messiahs.
 We are prophets of a future not our own.
 Glory to the Father, to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,
 as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Saint Oscar Romero, Bishop & Martyr, pray for us!

Saint Oscar Romero (1917-1980) served as the fourth Archbishop of San Salvador. On March 24, 1980, Archbishop Romero was assassinated by a right-wing death squad while celebrating the Holy Mass in a small hospital chapel. His murderers have never been brought to justice. He is remembered as an ardent defender of the Church, a true friend of the poor, and an outspoken opponent of hatred, inequality, violence, and social injustice. This Sunday, October 14th, Pope Francis will canonize Archbishop Romero and Pope Paul VI in Saint Peter's Square. Saint Oscar Romero, Bishop and Martyr, is venerated as a patron of El Salvador, as well as patron of both persecuted Christians and the Americas.

PRAYER, FELLOWSHIP, AND SERVICE

OUR LADY'S GUILD BAKED BEAN SUPPER with MIKE DUTRA'S STRICTLY SINATRA Friday, October 19th · Begins at 5:30pm

All parishioners, friends, and guests of the Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport are invited to join Our Lady's Guild for its Annual Baked Bean Supper on Friday, October 19th from 5:30pm until 8:00pm in Our Lady's Hall. Our menu will include hot dogs, linguica, baked beans, coffee, soft drinks, and homemade desserts.

Our evening's entertainment will be provided by Mike Dutra who will sing your favorite songs by Frank Sinatra! A donation of \$15 is requested for each adult; and \$10 for each child (age 10 and under). Tickets will be available at the door. For more information about this special evening of good food, fellowship, and song, please contact Beth Fosberry at 978-790-0196 or jcbf33@yahoo.com. Please join us! All are invited! All are welcome!

HOLY FAMILY WOMEN'S GUILD CHRISTMAS FAIR BASKET WHEEL Now Accepting Donations!

The Basket Wheel is the biggest "money maker" at our Christmas Fair, which is scheduled for Saturday, November 17th and is the biggest fundraiser of the year at Holy Family Parish. The great success of the Basket Wheel depends on donations from our fellow parishioners and friends! So, all are encouraged to create and donate a \$25 theme basket for crafts, kids, family nights, movie nights, snowy days, holiday gift wrap, or summer barbecues!

Creating a basket can be both fun and inexpensive when families, friends, and neighbors work together in support of our parish! Last year, more than 120 baskets were donated and won at the Basket Wheel! Donations are now being accepted! Help us keep the Basket Wheel spinning! Help us make this year's Christmas Fair a record-breaking success! For more information, please contact Lydia Bertolino at 978-281-4279 or bertolino4@msn.com. Please join us! All are invited! All are welcome!

OUR WEEKLY NEWSLETTER Keep it. Share it. Rebuild the Church.

Each week, we work hard to create a newsletter that informs, inspires, and instructs readers about some aspect of the Christian life and about what's happening in the Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport. However, we notice that some parishioners leave church without a newsletter! Take your copy home! Keep it! Share it with a friend or neighbor! Leave it at your barbershop, doctor's office, or favorite coffee shop! By doing so, you help us rebuild the Church! Thank you! May God bless you!

ALL SAINTS & ALL SOULS

SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS A HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION Thursday, November 1st

Since late antiquity, the People of God have honored the holy men and women who have been canonized as saints in the Roman Catholic Church. The Solemnity of All Saints honors all saints, known and unknown, who have gone before us in faith, hope, and love; and who now pray for the salvation of souls. In commemoration of this Holy Day of Obligation, on Thursday, November 1st, the Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport will celebrate Masses according to the following schedule:

Wednesday, October 31st · Vigil Mass
Saint Ann Church at 4:00pm

Thursday, November 1st · Holy Day Masses
Saint Joachim Church at 8:00am
Our Lady of Good Voyage Church at 12:00pm
Our Lady of Good Voyage Church at 7:00pm

MONTH OF ALL SOULS MASSES OF REMEMBRANCE For Families, Friends & Fellow Parishioners

During November, the Month of All Souls, the Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport will celebrate three Masses of Remembrance for those whose funerals were celebrated in our churches and have thus journeyed home to the Lord during the past year. These Masses will be celebrated according to the following schedule:

Mass of Remembrance I
Saturday, November 3rd at 4:00pm
Saint Ann Church

Mass of Remembrance II
Sunday, November 4th at 11:45am
Our Lady of Good Voyage Church

Mass of Remembrance III
Sunday, November 18th at 10:00am
Saint Joachim Church

At each Mass of Remembrance, the names of our dearly departed loved ones, friends, and fellow parishioners will be read aloud. During the month of all souls, let us unite our hearts and voices in prayer for those we have lost. For more information about the Month of All Souls, please contact Father Jim at frjim@ccgronline.com or 978-281-4820. Please join us! All are invited! All are welcome!

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HEALING GOD'S FAMILY

SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS VIGIL FOR THE HEALING OF GOD'S FAMILY Thursday, November 1st

The Holy Father recently issued a special request for prayers to Catholics around the world. It said: "Pope Francis has decided to invite all the faithful, of the entire world, to pray the Holy Rosary everyday during the Marian month of October and to join together in prayer and penance, as the people of God, in asking the Mother of God and Saint Michael the Archangel to protect the church from the devil, that always aims to divide us from God and among ourselves."

In response to the Holy Father's unprecedented request, the Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport will continue to pray the Rosary every morning after Mass for the healing and protection of the church throughout the world. For the rest of this month, we will also conclude all daily and weekend Masses with this powerful prayer for the intercession of Saint Michael the Archangel:

Saint Michael the Archangel,
defend us in battle,
be our defense against the wickedness
and snares of the devil.
May God rebuke him, we humbly pray;
and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host,
by the power of God, thrust into hell
Satan and the other evil spirits
who prowl about the world
for the ruin of souls. Amen.

In addition to these powerful prayers for the protection of the church, I believe that concrete steps must be taken by church leaders to protect God's family (children and adults alike) from the horrors of sexual abuse and harassment and from the conspiracies to conceal these crimes from law enforcement authorities. I also believe that we must come together as neighbors, friends, and fellow parishioners to heal God's family by rededicating ourselves to living the Gospel, sharing God's love, and rebuilding our wounded Church.

In this spirit, all parishioners, friends, and guests of the Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport are invited to join me on Thursday, November 1st, the Solemnity of All Saints for a Vigil for the Healing of God's Family. This vigil will begin with Mass at 12:00pm in Our Lady of Good Voyage Church, followed by Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. At 3:00pm, we will pray the Rosary for the healing of God's Family. We will conclude at 6:30pm with Evening Prayer and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. Please join us! All are welcome! Peace and blessings! — Father Jim

PRAYER, FELLOWSHIP, AND SERVICE

THE ASSISI PROJECT SATURDAY MORNING *with* SAINT FRANCIS Saturday, October 27th at 8:00am

Founded in 2007 by Father Jim and Cliff Garvey after their first pilgrimage to Assisi and Rome, the Assisi Project is a Fellowship of Franciscans in Spirit with friends and followers in the United States, Canada, Africa, and Europe. Our mission is to help adults of all ages more faithfully live the Gospel of Christ and grow closer to the Church through the inspiration and intercession of Saint Francis and Saint Clare of Assisi.

The Assisi Project meets on the last Saturday of every month in Saint Ann Church for Mass, formation, fellowship, and faith sharing. Our next "Saturday Morning with Saint Francis" is October 27th beginning at 8:00am. This month, we will continue our reading and reflection on the saints, including Saint Padre Pio and Saint Pope John XXIII. All fellow parishioners are invited to join the Assisi Project! You do not need to travel with us to Assisi to be a member of the Assisi Project!

Members of our fellowship all around the world, who range in age from 16 to 93, also pray for those who ask for our prayers. If you would like to join us or if you would like us to pray for your special intention, please contact Cliff at 978-281-4820 or cgarvey@ccgonline.com. Saint Francis of Assisi, pray for us! Saint Clare of Assisi, pray for us! Our Lady of Angels, pray for us! All are invited! All are welcome! May the Lord give you peace!

PASTOR'S NOTE ABOUT THIS WEEK'S MESSAGE

This Sunday, October 14th, Pope Francis will celebrate a Solemn Mass in Saint Peter's Square for the canonization of Saint Oscar Romero, Martyr (1917-1980), the Archbishop of San Salvador who was murdered while celebrating Mass because he stood courageously against the forces of darkness in his home country.

This week's message (see page three) is a prayer attributed to Saint Oscar Romero, but was really written by Bishop Kenneth Untener (1937-2004). It was originally part of a homily for the funeral Mass of a deceased priest, but Bishop Untener believed that the words were inspired by the life and times of Archbishop Romero.

During our own turbulent times, it is important for us, as God's family, to remain vigilant in prayer and focused on what really counts: Christ's message of love and mercy and welcome. Saint Oscar Romero once said: "Let us never tire of preaching love. It is the force that will overcome the world." Amen! Peace and blessings! — Father Jim

OUR MASS INTENTIONS

OCTOBER 13 – OCTOBER 21, 2018

Saturday, October 13	Vigil · 28th Sunday
4:00pm · Saint Ann	Francis Noyes
6:00pm · OLGV	Josephine & Capt. Salvatore Santuccio
Sunday, October 14	28th Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:00am · OLGV	George C. Grace
8:15am · Saint Ann	Paul Frontiero III
10:00am · Saint Joachim	Jim Contri & Family
11:45am · OLGV	Corey McCollum
5:00pm · Saint Ann	For the Healing of God’s Family
	28th Week in Ordinary Time
Monday, October 15 8:00am · OLGV	Communion Service
Tuesday, October 16 8:00am · Saint Joachim	Stephanie Mary Hannon
Wednesday, October 17 8:00am · OLGV	Carmela Brancaleone
Thursday, October 18 8:00am · Saint Joachim	Gabriele & Orsola Ferrante
Friday, October 19 8:00am · OLGV	Kaci Keffer-Ahmuty
Saturday, October 20 8:00am · OLGV	Mary Beth Sheldon
Saturday, October 20	Vigil · 29th Sunday
4:00pm · Saint Ann	Joseph Barbagallo
6:00pm · OLGV	Girolamo “Mimo” Lentini
Sunday, October 21	29th Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:00am · OLGV	John Borges
8:15am · Saint Ann	Grace Ciolino
10:00am · Saint Joachim	Martha Jane Coulbourn
11:45am · OLGV	Donald & Renee Gove
5:00pm · Saint Ann	For the Healing of God’s Family

OUR WEEKLY GIFTS

HOLY FAMILY PARISH
Weekend of October 6th – October 7th

Weekly Offerings	\$5,774.00
Electronic Donations	\$878.00
Total Offerings	\$6,652.00
Second Collection (Maintenance)	\$2,563.00

Thank you for your generous support of Holy Family Parish!

OUR LADY OF GOOD VOYAGE PARISH
Weekend of October 6th – October 7th

Weekly Offerings	\$2,729.00
Electronic Donations	\$80.00
Total Offerings	\$2,809.00
Second Collection (Maintenance)	\$1,474.00

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 Jane Murphy
Sanctuary Candle · Saint Ann Church

In Memory of Jim & Mary Contri
Sanctuary Candle · Saint Joachim Church

In Memory of Corey McCollum
Sanctuary Candle · Our Lady of Good Voyage Church

In Memory of Fitz Lufkin
Sanctuary Flowers · 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 generous support!

ADVENT MISSION & RETREAT
with SISTER ELIZABETH WAGNER

December 5th – December 7th at 7:00pm

More Information Coming Soon!

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