

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 PASTOR'S MESSAGE
GIFT & RESPONSIBILITY

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COME, HOLY SPIRIT!



Sacrament of Confirmation

WELCOME BISHOP MARK O'CONNELL!
PRAY FOR OUR YOUNG DISCIPLES!

Along with Baptism and Holy Eucharist, Confirmation is one of the three Sacraments of Initiation in the Roman Catholic Church. The Sacrament of Confirmation completes the grace of Baptism through the outpouring of the Seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit: Courage, Knowledge, Reverence, Right Judgment, Understanding, Wisdom, and Wonder & Awe. These gifts seal or “confirm” the mystical union between the candidates and Christ; and they prepare them to actively participate in the prayer, worship, and apostolic ministry of the Catholic Church.

This year, sixty-five high school students from Holy Family Parish and Our Lady of Good Voyage Parish have successfully completed the requirements of our Confirmation Preparation Program. During the past two years, they attended Mass together, engaged in their formation, and prayed together as a community of young disciples. These students are now prepared to publicly renew their baptismal vows, profess their faith, and live as faithful and faith-filled Roman Catholics.

The Very Reverend Mark O'Connell, Auxiliary Bishop of Boston for the North Region will join us (weather permitting) as guest celebrant and homilist for our annual celebrations of the Sacrament of Confirmation on Sunday, February 6th at 10:00am in Saint Joachim Church; Sunday, February 6th at 11:45am in Our Lady of Good Voyage Church; and a blizzard make-up date to be announced sometime soon. Welcome, Bishop Mark!

As our celebrations begin, we give thanks for our pastoral team, parents, and sponsors. In a special way, we thank Betsy Works, Associate Minister for Youth Faith Formation, for her dedication, hard work, and creative spirit. Please pray for all of our candidates and for their parents, sponsors, and families. For more information about youth faith formation in the Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport, please contact Betsy at 978-281-4820 or bworks@ccgronline.com. Come, Holy Spirit! Peace, blessings, and congratulations to all!

YOUTH FAITH FORMATION
THE GOSPEL OF LUKE FOR CHILDREN
with BISHOP MARK O'CONNELL
New Resource for Families!
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OUR PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Gift & Responsibility

BY FATHER JIM

Perhaps the most challenging aspect of managing the collaborative of two historic parishes is the ongoing maintenance of our ten buildings – all of which are more than one hundred years old. In one way or another, all of the parish buildings in the Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport are in constant need of attention.

At Saint Ann Church in Holy Family Parish, we have completed the primary installation of new doors on the north and south sides of the church. A new emergency exit door was installed beside the altar of Saint Joseph; and another new door was installed beside the tabernacle. This second door will make our church more accessible to parishioners with disabilities because it is designed to open automatically. Unfortunately, the mechanism for the automatic door has been delayed due to supply chain issues, but it should be installed sometime soon. Everyone at Holy Family Parish is very grateful to Sal, JoAnn, and Liliana Testaverde, who donated these doors in loving memory of Captain Peter and Anna Scola. Thank you!

At Our Lady of Good Voyage Parish, several emergencies arose in recent months that forced us (with approval from our finance council) to spend down our parish savings account. First, repairs to the ovens that bake our famous sweet bread required an expenditure of approximately \$3,500. Second, the kitchen needed a new commercial refrigerator that cost \$4,500. And third, the kitchen also needs a new commercial dishwasher that will force us to spend approximately \$5,000.

In addition, the boiler that heats Our Lady's Hall could no longer be maintained or repaired because of its advanced age. After a new boiler was installed, it was determined that the heat return pipes (buried under the hall's hardwood floors) were leaking and needed replacement. The installation of the new boiler and new plumbing (that did not damage the floor) required an expenditure of approximately \$28,000. As you can imagine, our parish savings account is now all but depleted!

Finally, everyone remembers that the West Bell Tower of Our Lady of Good Voyage Church was severely damaged by a wind storm last year. This tower contains our historic carillon bells. With approval from our finance council and advice from archdiocesan engineers, we have contracted with American Steeple of Salem to repair the tower and replace the roof. It is our hope that this project will begin sometime this year. Although insurance will cover some of the costs, it is estimated that repairs to just one of our two towers will require our parish to raise approximately \$150,000.

It is vitally important to remember that we are solely responsible for our beloved and historic parish buildings and the financial stability of our parishes. It falls to us – you and me – to repair, restore, and maintain our buildings so that future generations can make their spiritual home here. Now more than ever, Holy Family Parish and Our Lady of Good Voyage Parish need your support! If you would like to learn more about how you and your family can help, please contact me as soon as possible. Peace, blessings, and sincere thanks to all for your ongoing generosity!

CELEBRATING CONFIRMATION



The Little Way

FOOD FOR THE JOURNEY

As we begin our annual celebrations of the Sacrament of Confirmation, we also mark the 61st anniversary of Father Ronald Gariboldi's ordination to the priesthood. Throughout his long life, Father Ron has maintained a deep devotion to Saint Therese of Lisieux (1873-1897) who is known throughout the world as the Little Flower.

Saint Therese believed that life is all about expressing our love for God through our actions, but she did not believe that greatness, celebrity, or heroism was necessarily the only way. Instead, she wrote: "Love is proven by deeds...The only way that I can prove my love is by scattering flowers and these flowers are every little sacrifice, every glance and word, and the doing of the least actions for love."

The Little Way of Saint Therese is not an abstract philosophy of life. It is a practical plan for doing good in a world that desperately needs a dose of truth, beauty, and goodness. It is a way of living rooted in love and self-giving, not in arrogance and self-interest. It is a little way that leads to big results. In this spirit, we pray in the words of Saint Therese:

Dear Lord,
 your heart is full of wisdom, truth, and love.
 You lead us to enjoy creation,
 to engage each day with love in our hearts.
 You teach us to live lives
 brimming with your love and goodness.
 We are so blessed to live in your care.
 Thank you for guiding us
 into true love and happiness by your gentle hand.
 We choose to give our lives to you each day.
 Amen.

As our young fellow parishioners are confirmed and sealed with the Gifts of the Holy Spirit, we pray that they will find their own little way that best serves their gifts and talents; and that they will be inspired to scatter little flowers of love in their lives with every thought, word, and deed. Through our humble prayers, may they grow closer to Christ, closer to the Church, and closer to each other. Through our good example, may these young men and women learn to live the Gospel, share God's love, and rebuild the Church. Peace, blessings, and congratulations to all!

PRAYER, FELLOWSHIP & SERVICE**Our Weekly Gifts**

WEEKEND OF JANUARY 29TH & 30TH

Holy Family Parish

Offertory	Blizzard!
Electronic	\$838
Total	\$838

Our Lady of Good Voyage Parish

Offertory	Blizzard!
Electronic	\$376
Total	\$376

Second Collection

Holy Family	N/A
OLGV	N/A

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

We Share!**PRAY FOR A BLIZZARD OF GIVING!**

Electronic giving has become an essential component of parish support in the Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport; and it is available in both Holy Family Parish and Our Lady of Good Voyage Parish. It is safe and easy to make online donations to your home parish using a credit card, debit card, or electronic check.

Donations can be made on a weekly, monthly, or one-time-only basis; and it takes just a few minutes to set up a secure personal account. In addition to the weekly offering, you can also give electronically to our church restoration funds which helps us plan for the repair and maintenance of our beloved and historic churches.

During these uncertain times, Holy Family Parish and Our Lady of Good Voyage Parish need your support more than ever before! Please prayerfully consider enrolling in our 'We Share!' electronic giving program!

For more information about setting up a new account or assistance with your existing account, please contact Father Jim at 978-281-4820 or frjim@ccgronline.com. Thank you for your generous support for our parishes! May God bless you and your family!

LIVING THE GOSPEL**Celebrating *with* Father Gariboldi****SIXTY-ONE YEARS OF FAITHFUL PRIESTHOOD**

Father Ronald Gariboldi, Senior Priest of the Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport, recently celebrated the 61st Anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood. In praise and thanksgiving of this remarkable milestone, Father Ron will concelebrate the 4:00pm Vigil Mass in Saint Ann Church this Saturday, February 5th.

As we join in celebration of this special event in the life of a very special priest, all friends and fellow parishioners are invited to pray for Father Ron, Father Jim, and for all good and faithful priests all around the world:

Loving God,
we thank you for the gift of our priests.
Through them, we experience
your presence in the sacraments.

Help our priests to be strong in their vocations.
Set their souls on fire with love for your people.
Grant them the wisdom, understanding, and strength
needed to follow in the footsteps of Jesus.
Inspire them with a vision of your kingdom.
Give them the words needed to share the Gospel.
Allow them to experience joy in their ministry.
Help them to become instruments of your peace.
We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
God for ever and ever. Amen.

If you would like to share your prayers and best wishes with Father Ron in celebration of his sixty-one years of faithful service and priestly ministry, please feel welcome to write to him at the following address:

Father Ron Gariboldi
74 Pleasant Street
Gloucester, Massachusetts 01930

Thank you, Father Ron, for your prayers, guidance, and support for all who live, work, and worship in the Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport! God bless you!

OUR MASS INTENTIONS

February 5th – February 13th

Saturday, February 5	Vigil · Fifth Sunday
4:00pm Saint Ann Church	Rosaria “Sara” Maniaci
6:00pm Our Lady’s Church	Jodi Wall
Sunday, February 6	Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:00am Our Lady’s Church	Michael LeBarge
8:15am Saint Ann Church	Reverend Stephen Boyle
10:00am Saint Joachim Church	Sacrament of Confirmation
11:45am Our Lady’s Church	Andrea Napoli
	Fifth Week in Ordinary Time
February 9 at 5:30pm Our Lady’s Church	Alex & Tina Borge
February 10 at 8:00am Our Lady’s Church	All Souls in Purgatory
February 11 at 8:00am Our Lady’s Church	Sebastian & Natalie Linquata
Saturday, February 12	Vigil · Sixth Sunday
4:00pm Saint Ann Church	The Giambanco Family
6:00pm Our Lady’s Church	John “Toot” Madruga, Jr.
Sunday, February 13	Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:00am Our Lady’s Church	Guy D’Ambrosio
8:15am Saint Ann Church	Priscilla White
10:00am Saint Joachim Church	Father Stephen Boyle
11:45am Our Lady’s Church	Alex & Tina Borge

OUR WEEKLY MEMORIALS

REMEMBERING OUR LOVED ONES
& SUPPORTING OUR HOME PARISHES

Sanctuary Candles & Gifts

At each of our churches in the Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport, sanctuary candles and sanctuary gifts (hosts and wine) can be donated for a special intention or in memory of a friend or loved one. The requested donation for both sanctuary gifts and candles is now \$25 per week. For the week of Sunday, February 6th, donations were offered for the following special intentions:

In Memory of William Toppan
Sanctuary Candle · Saint Ann Church

In Memory of Edward Cantillon
Sanctuary Gifts · Saint Ann Church

In Memory of Andrea Napoli
Sanctuary Candle · Our Lady of Good Voyage Church

In Memory of Andrea Napoli
Sanctuary Gifts · Our Lady of Good Voyage Church

In Memory of Andrea Napoli
Sanctuary Flowers · Our Lady of Good Voyage Church

In Memory of Richard Gibbs
Sanctuary Candle · Chapel of the Archangels

The Chapel of the Archangels, dedicated to Saint Michael, Saint Gabriel, and Saint Raphael, is located on the ground floor of the rectory. You can see the sanctuary candle from the street. In addition to their better-known patronages, Michael is also venerated as a patron of the sick and suffering; Raphael is a patron of medical professionals; and Gabriel is a patron of priests. We all need their prayers and protection like never before!

If you would like to donate a sanctuary candle, sanctuary gifts, or sanctuary flowers in memory of a loved one at either Saint Ann Church, Saint Joachim Church, Saint Anthony Chapel, Our Lady of Good Voyage Church, and/or the Chapel of the Archangels, please contact Father Jim at frjim@ccgrounline.com or 978-281-4820. Thank you for your generous support! May God bless you!

THE SYNODAL JOURNEY
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