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THIS WEEK'S MESSAGE

## **THE MIRROR OF ETERNITY**

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## CALL TO PRAYER

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### A Prayer for the Intercession of Saint Clare of Assisi

BY A POOR CLARE

O Saint Clare,  
ardent lover of Jesus  
in the Most Blessed Sacrament,  
help me to grow in love  
for Christ Jesus, our Redeemer.  
With your strong faith  
and unwavering hope,  
gather our wounded Church,  
our suffering world, and all people  
into your loving heart  
and lift us up to Jesus  
with absolute confidence  
in his merciful love.

O Saint Clare,  
help us to be like you:  
peaceful, kind, gentle,  
patient, and persevering  
in the face of all difficulties.  
Trusting in your powerful intercession,  
we confidently praise and thank God  
for the blessings we have received.  
Glory, praise, wisdom, and thanksgiving,  
honor, power, and might to our God,  
for ever and ever. Amen.

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.

## WORDS OF WISDOM

FROM SAINT CLARE OF ASSISI

We become what we love  
and who we love shapes what we become.  
If we love things, we become a thing.  
If we love nothing, we become nothing.  
Imitation is not a literal mimicking of Christ,  
rather it means becoming an image of the beloved,  
an image revealed through transformation.  
This means...that we are to become vessels  
of God's compassionate love for others.

## THIS WEEK'S MESSAGE

### The Mirror of Eternity

BY BROTHER PATRICK

On August 11th, Franciscans throughout the world celebrate the Feast of Saint Clare of Assisi (1194-1253). Saint Clare is venerated as patron of homemakers, television, good weather, eye diseases, and knitters and needle workers. Clare is perhaps best known, however, as the dearest friend and most devoted follower of Saint Francis of Assisi. More than eight centuries ago, she founded the "Poor Ladies of San Damiano" which is now better known as the Poor Clares. Perhaps more than any other Franciscan, Clare most faithfully lived the gospel life of prayer, fellowship, simplicity, and service.

Although Saint Clare lived almost all of her adult life within a cloister, she was a person of great courage and perseverance. When mercenary soldiers attempted to breach the walls of her convent, she confronted them with the Blessed Sacrament and they retreated. When a bishop asked her to compromise her principles and accept gifts of riches and property, Clare declined and said: "I must be absolved from my sins, but not from my obligation to follow the Poor Christ." And when the pope refused to approve her strict rule of life, she refused to die until the rule was approved. Just two days after it was finally given a papal blessing, she quietly and happily passed away.

The imagery of a mirror is prominent in the writings and spirituality of Saint Clare. Having dedicated their lives to the Gospel of Christ, Clare saw her small community (soon to spread around the world) as a mirror or reflection of the Lord's life, death, and resurrection. In this mirror, the Poor Clares could see and examine their own lives, but also the lives of Jesus and his disciples. Over and over again, Saint Clare urges her sisters, her spiritual children, and all of us to look into the mirror of Christ, pray about what we see, and then act on it.

In her *Testament*, Saint Clare reminds us that all believers are called to be mirrors of the Christ who lived, died, and rose again for the salvation of souls. She writes: "Place your mind before the mirror of eternity! Place your soul in the brilliance of glory! Transform your entire being into the image of God through your prayer!" Once we fall in love with the Lord and unite our lives with his life, we must then share ourselves with the world around us. Clare says: "We become what we love and who we love shapes what we become;" and "We are to become vessels of God's compassionate love for others." In this way, our prayers are not confined to a church. Our prayers are not just about us and what we think we need. Rather, our prayers come to life through our good works — loving our neighbor, serving the poor, caring for the sick, and welcoming the stranger.

For nearly two decades, Saint Clare of Assisi has been my spiritual friend, mother, and sister. She has taught me so much about courage, patience, and diligence in faith and discipleship. She has taught me so much about living the Gospel and sharing God's love. She has taught me so much about how to live in prayer, silence, solitude, and service. In the end, Saint Clare's teachings on the Christian life can be summed up in perhaps her clearest and simplest spiritual directive: "Love God. Serve God. It's all in that." May the powerful prayers of Saint Clare of Assisi bring us closer to Christ, closer to the Church, and closer to each other. May her prayers comfort us, empower us, and protect us. Saint Clare of Assisi, pray for us! Saint Clare of Assisi, pray for our suffering world!

**THE GIFT OF MARY**

**Call to Worship**  
**Solemnity of the Assumption**

**A HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION**

Since the fifth century, God's faithful people have believed in their hearts that upon her passing from this life, the Blessed Virgin Mary was raised body and soul into heaven. This ancient faith tradition, however, was not defined as a magisterial teaching of the Roman Catholic Church until 1950. In celebration of the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport will celebrate Holy Mass according to the following schedule:

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 14TH**

Our Lady of Good Voyage Church at 5:30pm

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 15TH**

Thursday, August 15th

Saint Joachim Church at 8:00am

Saint Ann Church at 12:00pm

Saint Anthony Chapel at 6:00pm

For more information about the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, please visit our website at [ccgronline.com](http://ccgronline.com); or contact Father Jim at [frjim@ccgronline.com](mailto:frjim@ccgronline.com) or 978-281-4820. Please join us! All are invited! All are welcome! Our Lady of the Assumption, pray for us and for our suffering world!

**The Holy Rosary****LET'S PRAY TOGETHER!**

All are invited to join us in praying the Holy Rosary before all Weekday Masses: Wednesdays at 5:00pm; Thursdays at 7:30am; and Fridays at 7:30am. We also pray the Rosary online at YouTube via [ccgronline.com/resources](http://ccgronline.com/resources) and [assisiproject.com/rosary](http://assisiproject.com/rosary). By praying the Rosary, we grow closer to our Jesus by meditating on the mysteries of his life, death, and resurrection; we grow closer to our Blessed Mother by begging her powerful intercession for ourselves, our parishes, and our world. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us and for our suffering world!

**PRAYER, FELLOWSHIP & SERVICE****Saint Vincent de Paul Society**

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The Saint Vincent de Paul Society is an international organization that is dedicated to responding to any request from any person or family in need. Here on Cape Ann, we work through Holy Family Parish and Our Lady of Good Voyage Parish to serve the poor and the needy. Help us help others! Donations can be pushed through the mail slot in the parish office, dropped in the collection basket at any Weekend Mass, or mailed to:

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 Gloucester, Massachusetts 01930

New members and volunteers are always welcome! For more information about the Saint Vincent de Paul Society and its good work in our parishes and hometowns, please contact Harry Miller at 978-281-8672 or Robert Weeks at [svdpmember1@gmail.com](mailto:svdpmember1@gmail.com). If you or someone you know needs our help, please call 978-281-8672. Thank you for your generous support for the Saint Vincent de Paul Society! May God bless you!

**Saint Vincent de Paul Society**

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The all-new Saint Vincent de Paul Clothes Closet is now open for business in Saint Ann Church Hall on the second, third, and fourth Saturdays of every month from 9:00am until 12:00pm. All friends, neighbors, and fellow parishioners are welcome to drop by and check out the All New Clothes Closet by entering through the Pleasant Street doors of Saint Ann Church Hall.

Donations of gently worn clothing and shoes are now gratefully accepted during our regular hours and in the bin located in the Saint Ann School parking lot. Please note that we cannot accept donations of books, toys, or household items. For more information about the Saint Vincent de Paul Clothes Closet, please contact Bridget Nelligan at 781-572-4752 or Cathy Kyrouz at 978-290-1756. Thank you for your generous support

## PRAYER, FELLOWSHIP & SERVICE

### Our Weekly Gifts

WEEKEND OF AUGUST 3RD & 4TH

#### Holy Family Parish

|            |         |
|------------|---------|
| Offertory  | \$5,858 |
| Electronic | \$503   |
| Total      | \$6,361 |

#### Our Lady of Good Voyage Parish

|            |         |
|------------|---------|
| Offertory  | \$3,988 |
| Electronic | \$554   |
| Total      | \$4,542 |

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

### We Share!

OUR LABOR HERE IS BRIEF BUT THE REWARD IS ETERNAL  
SAINT CLARE OF ASSISI

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.

Holy Family Parish and Our Lady of Good Voyage Parish always need your generous support! Please prayerfully consider enrolling in our electronic giving program! For more information about creating a new account or assistance with an existing account, please contact Father Jim at 978-281-4820 or frjim@ccgronline.com. Peace, blessings, and sincerest thanks to all!

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## THE GIFT OF MUSIC



### Our Lady of Good Voyage Summer Carillon Concerts

FRIDAY, AUGUST 16TH AT 6:30PM

A much-loved summer tradition has returned to Our Lady of Good Voyage Parish and the Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport! Our Summer Carillon Concerts continue on Friday, August 16th at 6:30pm!

This year, Luann Pallazola, Cynthia Cafasso, and Thomas Dort have prepared programs that include familiar classical and international music, popular hymns and songs, patriotic melodies, and selections especially for children!

Installed in 1922, the carillon bells at Our Lady of Good Voyage Church are the first tone set ever in the United States. The carillon's thirty-one bronze bells hang from a steel beam within the bell-shaped west tower. Our bells range in weight from 16 pounds to 3,000 pounds.

The carillon bells at Our Lady of Good Voyage were forged by the Taylor Foundry in Loughboro, England. In order to avoid import taxes upon their arrival in Gloucester, the church was declared a bonded warehouse by the Collector of Customs in Boston, who happened to be a friend of the local congressman. Soon after, a bill declaring them "works of art" was passed by Congress and signed into law by President Warren G. Harding.

Although the bells can be heard from blocks away, the sound is always best near our church. Once again this year, Our Lady's Guild will be selling cold drinks, snacks, and raffle tickets to support the parish.

Our Summer Carillon Concerts are an awesome opportunity for the whole family to gather with friends, neighbors, and fellow parishioners to enjoy the gift of music. Additional concerts are scheduled for Friday, August 23rd at 6:30pm; and Friday, August 30th at 6:30pm. For more information about these special events, please contact Luann Pallazola at 978-281-4820 or lpallazola@gmail.com. Save the dates! Spread the word! Bring a friend! Please join us! All are invited! All are welcome!

## OUR MASS INTENTIONS

### August 10th – August 18th

| Saturday, August 10                         | Vigil · 19th Sunday          |
|---------------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| 4:00pm<br>Saint Ann Church                  | Fishermen's Memorial Mass    |
| 6:00pm<br>Our Lady's Church                 | Manuel Neves                 |
| Sunday, August 11                           | 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time |
| 7:00am<br>Our Lady's Church                 | Teresa & Kellyanne Casimiro  |
| 8:15am<br>Saint Ann Church                  | Vincenzo Terranova           |
| 10:00am<br>Saint Joachim Church             | Francis Griffin              |
| 11:45am<br>Our Lady's Church                | Special Intention            |
|                                             | Ordinary Time                |
| August 14 at 5:30pm<br>Our Lady's Church    | Tina Borge                   |
| August 15 at 8:00am<br>Saint Joachim Church | Sam & Katy Ciolino           |
| August 16 at 8:00am<br>Our Lady's Church    | All Souls in Purgatory       |
| Saturday, August 17                         | Vigil · 20th Sunday          |
| 4:00pm<br>Saint Ann Church                  | Evelyn & Norman Authier      |
| 6:00pm<br>Our Lady's Church                 | Jack & Carolyn Gove          |
| Sunday, August 18                           | 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time |
| 7:00am<br>Our Lady's Church                 | Gloria Melo                  |
| 8:15am<br>Saint Ann Church                  | Benjamin "Libby" Ciaramitaro |
| 10:00am<br>Saint Joachim Church             | Josephine Shallow            |
| 11:45am<br>Our Lady's Church                | Manuel & Maria Bagaço        |

## OUR WEEKLY MEMORIALS

### REMEMBERING OUR LOVED ONES & SUPPORTING OUR HOME PARISHES

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, August 11th, donations were offered for the following special intentions:

In Memory of Dominic Ciolino  
Sanctuary Candle · Saint Ann Church

In Memory of Frances Donnelly  
Sanctuary Candle · Saint Joachim Church

In Memory of Angelo Moschella  
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In Memory of Alex & Tina Borge  
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In Memory of Tony Saputo  
Sanctuary Candle · Chapel of the Archangels

If you would like to donate a sanctuary candle, sanctuary gifts, or sanctuary flowers in memory of a loved one in any of our churches or chapels in the Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport, please contact Melissa Joseph at [office@ccgronline.com](mailto:office@ccgronline.com) or 978-281-4820. Thank you for your generous support! May God bless our departed brothers and sisters! Peace & blessings to all!

### WORDS OF WISDOM FROM SAINT CLARE OF ASSISI

The kingdom of heaven is promised and given  
by the Lord only to the poor,  
because as long as something temporal  
is the object of love, the fruit of charity is lost.

*Saint Clare of Assisi's Feast Day is August 11th.*

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