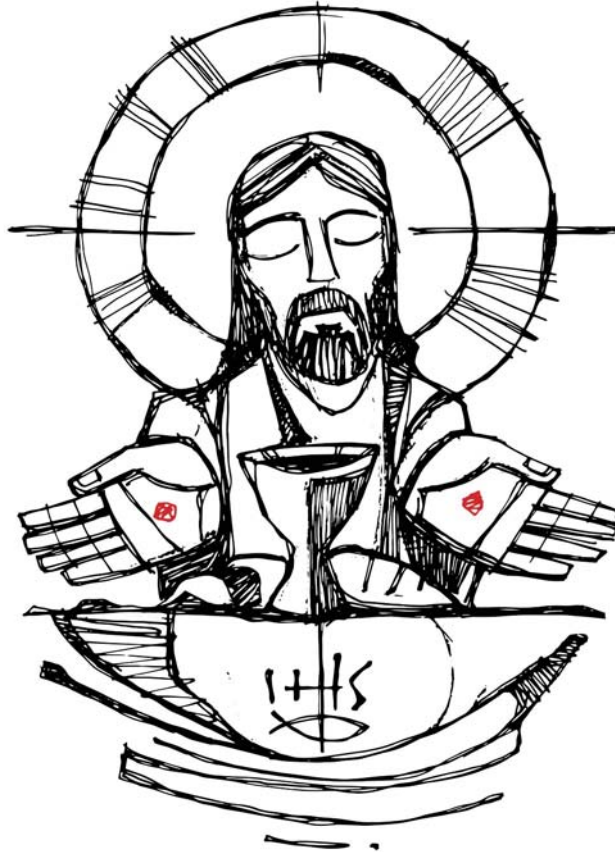


# The Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport

HOLY FAMILY PARISH & OUR LADY OF GOOD VOYAGE PARISH

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Celebrating 11 Years - United in Prayer, Fellowship & Service  
Solemnity of the Body & Blood of Christ · June 22, 2025



THIS WEEK'S MESSAGE

**REAL PRESENCE**

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## CALL TO PRAYER

### Patient Trust

BY PIERRE TEILHARD DE CHARDIN, SJ

Above all,  
 trust in the slow work of God.  
 We are quite naturally impatient with everything,  
 to reach the end without delay.  
 We should like to skip the intermediate stages.  
 We are impatient of being on the way  
 to something unknown or something new.  
 And yet, it is the law of all progress  
 that it is made by passing through some stage of instability,  
 and that it may take a very long time.

And so, I think it is with you:  
 your ideas mature gradually – let them grow.  
 Let them shape themselves without undue haste.  
 Do not try to force them on,  
 as though you could be today  
 what time, grace, and circumstances  
 will make of you tomorrow.

Only God can say  
 what this new spirit  
 gradually forming within you will be.  
 Give our Lord the benefit of believing  
 that his hand is leading you,  
 and accept the anxiety of feeling yourself  
 in suspense and incompleteness.

### WORDS OF WISDOM FROM POPE LEO XIV

Look to Christ!  
 Come closer to him!  
 Welcome his word that enlightens and consoles!  
 Listen to his offer of love and become his one family.  
 In the one Christ, we are one.  
 This is the path to follow together,  
 among ourselves but also with our sister Christian churches,  
 with those who follow other religious paths,  
 with those who are searching for God,  
 with all women and men of good will,  
 in order to build a new world where peace reigns!

*Pope Leo XIV*  
*Mass for the Initiation of the Petrine Ministry*  
*Saint Peter's Square - Sunday, May 18, 2025*

## THIS WEEK'S MESSAGE

### Real Presence

BY BROTHER PATRICK

Half a lifetime ago, I was a graduate student in the Department of Politics at the Catholic University of America in Washington, DC. Because I developed some breathing problems caused by the heat and humidity of the nation's capital, the university assigned me a room in Caldwell Hall, the residence for priests and religious brothers who pursue advanced degrees in various disciplines.

One day, I was reading in my room with the door open. A priest, who just happened to be from the Archdiocese of Boston, stopped and invited me to attend the Daily Mass at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. Although I was not then a regular church goer, I accepted the invitation. Father Michael and I soon became good friends. He patiently answered my many questions about the Eucharist, the Order of the Mass, and the Church's teachings and traditions. Before too long, I was attending Mass regularly on my own.

At some point, though, conscience kicked in. Although in my late twenties, I had only participated in the Sacrament of Penance & Reconciliation once — shortly before receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation in the sixth grade. Good conscience prompted me to consider whether it was right to receive the Eucharist without going to confession. Father Michael and Sister Maryann, another new friend, encouraged but did not pressure me into confession. In fact, Sister Maryann strongly urged me to continue receiving holy communion. She said: "Be patient. The real presence of Jesus in the Eucharist will lead you to the real presence of Jesus in the confessional." She was right.

Many months later, I was visiting Father Michael and other friends in Boston. I spent an afternoon at the Prudential Center. I browsed in some shops, drank too much coffee, had lunch in the food court, and bought a few books at Barnes & Noble. At various points during the day, I walked passed Saint Francis Chapel, which is located near the entrance to the Hynes Convention Center and is operated by the Oblates of the Virgin Mary. Perhaps a dozen people were in the chapel. They were praying in adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. I decided to join them.

After settling into a pew, I simply rested with Jesus in silence. I did not offer any prayers or petitions. I just closed my eyes, quieted my thoughts, and placed myself in the Lord's presence. And I waited. Although I cannot claim any special insight, the Lord called me to confession. Not with words. Not with visions. Not even with intense desire for mercy. But I felt an almost magnetic pull toward the confessional. When I looked up, the green light over the door was shining brightly. It seemed to say: "Come in, little one. Come and see."

Pope Francis once said: "Do we let ourselves be transformed by Christ in the Eucharist? Do we let the Lord, who gives himself to us, guide us?" As sinners, sometimes the best we can do is be open to the Lord's mysterious work in our lives. Sometimes the best we can do is pry open our hearts, even for a moment, so that God can enter into our lives, love us, and lead us forth. My first confession in two decades was not an act of my will. It was an act of God's pure, active, and amazing grace. May the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist touch our hearts and change our lives!

**SHARING GOD'S LOVE**



**Weekday Worship**

**LET'S PRAY TOGETHER!**

In the Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport, the celebration of Holy Mass is the wellspring of our community's joy and the guiding light of our shared life of prayer, fellowship, and service. All are welcome to join us for Mass and to receive Holy Communion in accordance with a personal examination of conscience and the teachings of the Roman Catholic Church. In addition to our weekend schedule, we also pray together throughout the week.

**WEDNESDAY EVENINGS**

Rosary at 5:00pm

Mass at 5:30pm

Followed by Eucharistic Adoration & Confessions  
Our Lady of Good Voyage Church

**THURSDAY & FRIDAY MORNINGS**

Rosary at 7:30am

Mass at 8:00am

Our Lady of Good Voyage Church

**FIRST SATURDAY OF THE MONTH**

Mass at 8:00am

Followed by the Assisi Project  
Our Lady of Good Voyage Church

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Rosary with Father Jim on YouTube

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In addition to our Wednesday evening schedule, all are reminded that the Sacrament of the Sick and the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) are also available by appointment. For more information, please contact Father Jim at 978-281-4820 or frjim@ccgronline.com. Please join us! All are invited! All are welcome!

**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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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. 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**

**OUR CLOTHES CLOSET  
OPEN SECOND, THIRD & FOURTH SATURDAYS**

The 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 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 JUNE 14TH & 15TH

#### Holy Family Parish

Offertory	\$7,236
Electronic	\$1,512
Total	\$8,748

#### Our Lady of Good Voyage Parish

Offertory	\$4,655
Electronic	\$462
Total	\$5,117

#### Grand Annual Collections

Holy Family	\$80,904 (108%)
Our Lady's	\$33,050 (110%)

#### Our Lady of Good Voyage Special Spring Collection

Urgent Goal	\$25,000
Raised So Far	\$9,044 (36%)

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

### The Assisi Project We Never Stop Praying for You!

#### INTERCESSORY PRAYER MINISTRY

Founded in 2007 by Father Jim and Brother Patrick, the Assisi Project is a Fellowship of Franciscans in Spirit with friends and followers from around the world. We are dedicated to helping believers of all ages more faithfully live the Gospel of the Poor Christ in the spirit of Saint Francis and Saint Clare of Assisi. We are now also dedicated to promoting Pope Francis as a patron of peace, mercy, and fraternity in our suffering world.

Members of the Assisi Project range in age from 17 to 100. We pray every day for peace, for an increase in faith, hope, and love; and for all who ask for our prayers. If you would like us to pray for you, your family, or your special intention, please contact Brother Patrick at 978-281-4820 or [brpatrick@assisiproject.com](mailto:brpatrick@assisiproject.com). May God bless you! May the Lord give you peace!

## SHARING GOD'S LOVE



### Saint Peter's Fiesta Outdoor Mass & Procession

SUNDAY, JUNE 29TH AT 10:00AM

Saint Peter's Fiesta begins on Wednesday, June 25th and concludes on Sunday, June 29th. On that final day, all friends, neighbors, and fellow parishioners of the Catholic Community of Gloucester & Rockport are invited to join Father Jim for the annual outdoor celebration of Holy Mass at 10:00am at Saint Peter's Square in Gloucester.

After Mass, all are welcome to join us for the traditional procession through the streets of our beloved city with Saint Peter! For more information, please contact Rose Aiello at 978-283-1664 or visit [stpetersfiesta.org](http://stpetersfiesta.org). Spread the word! All are invited! All are welcome!

#### A PRAYER FOR THE INTERCESSION OF SAINT PETER

O Saint Peter the Apostle,  
you are the rock upon which Jesus built his church.  
Obtain for us, we pray:  
a lively faith, firm hope, and burning love;  
complete detachment from self-interest;  
contempt for the world and the ways of corruption;  
patience in adversity, humility in prosperity,  
recollection in prayer and adoration,  
purity of heart, right intention in all of our actions,  
diligence in fulfilling the duties of our vocations,  
constancy in our resolutions to do good,  
perseverance in God's grace unto death;  
so that by means of your powerful intercession,  
we may be worthy to appear  
before the chief judge and eternal shepherd  
of our souls, who is the Lord Jesus Christ,  
our merciful redeemer, friend, and brother.  
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 PETER THE APOSTLE, PRAY FOR US!**

**OUR MASS INTENTIONS**

**June 21 – June 29**

<b>Saturday, June 21</b>	<b>Vigil · Body &amp; Blood of Christ</b>
4:00pm Saint Ann Church	Anthony Piraino
6:00pm Our Lady’s Church	Adeline Vitale
<b>Sunday, June 22</b>	<b>Body &amp; Blood of Christ</b>
7:00am Our Lady’s Church	José Carlos & Isolina Matos
8:15am Saint Ann Church	Maria Millefogie
10:00am Saint Joachim Church	Sally Costello
11:45am Our Lady’s Church	Alex & Tina Borge
	<b>Ordinary Time</b>
June 25 at 5:30pm Our Lady’s Church	Donna Luk
June 26 at 8:00am Our Lady’s Church	For People
June 27 at 8:00am Our Lady’s Church	All Souls in Purgatory
<b>Saturday, June 28</b>	<b>Vigil · Saints Peter &amp; Paul</b>
4:00pm Saint Ann Church	Michael LoGrande
6:00pm Our Lady’s Church	Philip & Steve Demetri
<b>Sunday, June 29</b>	<b>Solemnity of Saints Peter &amp; Paul</b>
7:00am Our Lady’s Church	All Souls in Purgatory
8:15am Saint Ann Church	Nino & Nina Finazzo
10:00am Saint Joachim Church	The Morrison Family
11:45am Our Lady’s Church	Salvatore & Angela Loiacano

**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, June 22nd, donations were offered for the following special intentions:

In Memory of Joseph Ciaramitaro  
Sanctuary Candle · Saint Ann Church

In Memory of Alex & Tina Borge  
Sanctuary Gifts · Saint Ann Church

In Memory of Gaspar & Antoinette Palazola  
Sanctuary Candle · Saint Joachim Church

In Memory of Antonio Procaccini  
Sanctuary Candle · Saint Anthony Chapel

In Memory of Alex & Tina Borge  
Sanctuary Candle · Our Lady of Good Voyage

In Memory of Alex & Tina Borge  
Sanctuary Flowers · Our Lady of Good Voyage

In Memory of Herman A. Bouchie  
Sanctuary Gifts · Our Lady of Good Voyage

In Memory of Mary Sheldon  
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 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 DOLORES HUERTA**

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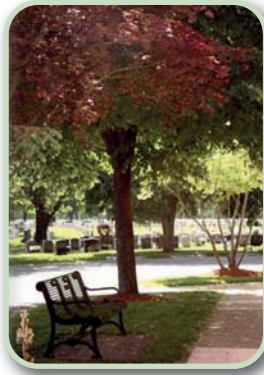
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