



"Do not let your hearts be troubled. You have faith in God; have faith also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If there were not, would I have told you that I am going to prepare

a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back again and take you to myself, so that where I am, you also may be."

- Jn 14:1-3

Readings for the Week of April 20, 2008

Sunday: Acts 6:1-7/1 Pt 2:4-9/Jn 14:1-12
 Monday: Acts 14:5-18/Jn 14:21-26
 Tuesday: Acts 14:19-28/Jn 14:27-31a
 Wednesday: Acts 15:1-6/Jn 15:1-8
 Thursday: Acts 15:7-21/Jn 15:9-11
 Friday: 1 Pt 5:5b-14/Mk 16:15-20
 Saturday: Acts 16:1-10/Jn 15:18-21
 Next Sunday: Acts 8:5-8, 14-17/1 Pt 3:15-18/Jn 14:15-21

"Those who have faith in Me will do the works I do, and far greater than these," Jesus tells His disciples. That's quite an assignment for us as Christian stewards! See John 14:12

QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

Adults: In what areas of my life do I need a stronger faith?

Children: Am I worried or afraid about something?

RCIA

RCIA will meet Tuesday, April 22nd at 7pm in the parish office.



Our deepest gratitude to all our volunteers who helped our parish program by assisting in the office, monitoring the halls, setting up and breaking down chairs and tables, making hundreds of phone calls, mentoring, sharing our faith story and church doctrine all with and for our parish children! Let the church say AMEN

for these wonderful individuals! We look forward to completing the year with the celebration of First Eucharist for our second graders in May and welcoming of the sponsors for our Confirmation students on June 1st. Registration for next year will be in the mail by April 28th.

Confirmation Students: Last class April 27th, last gathering, June 1st at 9am with sponsors in the school gym.

First Communion

We will celebrate the reception of First Communion on the following dates:

- ❖ **Saturday May 3rd - 4pm Mass at St. Ann**
- ❖ Rehearsal – Wed. April 30th 4-5pm at St. Ann
- ❖ **Sunday, May 4th - 11am Mass at St. Joachim**
- ❖ Rehearsal – Fri. May 2nd 4pm at St. Joachim

***Please bring payment of \$15.00 for First Communion Pictures, checks should be made payable to Bart Piscitello.

Reflections by Father Bullock

The petitions of Thomas ("point out the way") and Philip ("show us the father"). Consciously/unconsciously; intentionally/unintentionally, every age wants the same. And the answer of Christ must be repeated, age after age: "I am the way; if you want to know what the Father is like, look at me!" From one point of view the answer is so simple we tend to overlook it/pass it by; from another point the implications are so staggering we do not dare to face it. The message of Christ is basic; God has revealed Himself down the ages by words and deeds. He has inspired writers to set forth His wishes, etc.; He has shown Himself in mighty deeds. But now, in Jesus He has completed His communication; He has told us, in the life and person of Jesus, all we ever could hope to know in this life about Himself. He has said, in effect, if you want to know what God is really like then look at the Son, my Son. God is making the comparisons indicating his son is his "spitting image" or a "chip-off-the-block."

Once we accept this fact – then we are faced with another, and yet disturbing, marvel. We in turn are called upon to make Jesus known – to be the way to others. If Christ is the sacrament of God then the Church is the sacrament of Christ – and we are the people of God, the Church! It cannot be evaded; we cannot claim that it is too far above us; too much for weak humans. It is not an "all-or-nothing;" it is a proportioned obligation.

Christ is the fullness of the self-communication of the Father; our relation to that fullness is like the relationship of things on earth to the sun in the heavens. No earthly pool of water, object, etc., can fully reflect the glory of the sun; but even the broken piece of glass; the almost-choked and weeded pool/stream can give back some reflection of the sun. We can't say we can't do it because of who we are; it is precisely because of who we are that we can do it. How well? Whether to the best of our abilities? That remains to be seen!



Catholic Charities North's Spring Gala

Don't miss "**Spring Blossoms**," Catholic Charities North's 42nd annual Spring Gala, Thursday, May 1st from 7-9:30pm at the Hawthorne Hotel in Salem. Discover the work of Catholic Charities North while enjoying the flavors of spring as it is celebrated around the globe. Proceeds from the gala allow Catholic Charities North to:

- ❖ Respond to the needs of the poor and working poor through the meeting of basic needs
- ❖ Develop family support and counseling services, as well as adult education and job training programs
- ❖ Assist immigrants and refugee families as they become participants in their communities

Tickets include a \$50 reception fee and a \$50 donation to support the work of Catholic Charities North, for a total of \$100 per guest. Tickets must be reserved ahead of time. Donations of any size are appreciated at any time. To reserve your ticket, make a donation, or inquire about the event, contact: Sarah Bartley, @781-593-2312 or e-mail sarah_bartley@ccb.org.

Congratulations!

We congratulate Cameron Brosnan-Cefalo who was Baptized, received Eucharist and was Confirmed in the Catholic faith. We also congratulate Johayne Miranda, Sthefanny Ventura de Oliveira, and Joao Victor Ramalho for completing the Sacraments of Initiation.

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



Memorials & Donations

Holy Family Parish gratefully acknowledges the following donations in memory of

Thomas Favaloro

Lerio & Paddy Brancaleone
Jane & Phil Demetri
Cecelia Gray

Joan Lewis

Jane & Phil Demetri

Theresa Wilkins

Mr. & Mrs. Enzo Barna
Mr. & Mrs. Salvatore Ferrara
Maria Sanfilippo

Cape Ann Food Pantry

Empty Bowl Dinner

Thursday, May 8th from 4-8pm
Cruiseport Gloucester

Join us for an evening of food and hospitality. Park your car at Good Harbor Beach and enjoy a complimentary trolley car ride along the backshore to the event site. For a minimum donation of \$12 you may choose a handmade bowl crafted by artisans from the community and fill it with delicious soup. The meal is simple---soup, bread and a cookie, but the message goes home with your bowl as a reminder that somewhere someone's bowl is always empty. For more information call 978-283-6776, e-mail: info@foodpantry.org, or visit www.capeannfoodpantry.org.



We commend into God's care those who were buried from our Parish recently

Stephen J. Coughlin Thomas Favaloro

St. Ann School

St. Ann School is accepting registrations for the 2008-2009 school year. Visit our new website at www.stannsschool.com or call 978-283-3455 to schedule a visit.

School Support Raffle

Less than 100 Golden Tickets remain for the school raffle! Don't miss out on a chance to win a grand prize of \$10,000! Tickets are available in the office of St. Ann School. The drawing will be held on June 7th.

May Crowning

A May crowning and rosary procession will be held **Sunday, May 4th at 3pm in St. Ann Church.**

St. Vincent de Paul Society

The Clothes Closet located in the basement of St. Ann School, corner of Prospect and Pleasant Streets, is open Wednesdays from 6-8pm and Saturdays from 10am-1pm. Stop by and see what we have to offer. Through the efforts of the St. Vincent de Paul Society, proceeds benefit the everyday needs of families in our community.

Food Pantry Needs

Canned Vegetables, Cereal, Crackers,
Peanut Butter, Jelly, Pancake mix,
Pancake syrup



Holy Spirit Prayer Group

The Holy Spirit Prayer Group meets **Thursdays at 7pm in St. Joachim Church, Rockport.** Questions? Call Louise 978-281-3645.

Rosary

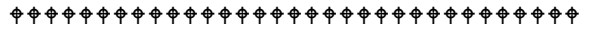


The Rosary is being said Wednesday nights at 5pm in the Mother of Grace Club (48 Washington St., Glou.). Please join us!

Eucharistic Adoration

Mondays – 7 – 9pm (St. Joachim Church)
7:30pm – Chaplet of Divine Mercy
8pm – Rosary
Thursdays 9:30am – 1:30pm
7 – 9pm (St. Joachim Church)

To sign up or for more info, call Angela 978-283-5701.

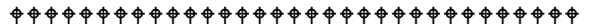


Host & Wine

The Host & Wine for April was donated in loving memory of:

Joseph D. D'Amico &
Lt. Frank A. D'Amico

From Family



Youth Ministry

Students in grades 6-8 are welcome to join us for an evening of fun and faith in the school gym, Sat., April 19th from 6:30-8pm. We will continue to meet the first and third Saturday of every month. Please bring a snack or drink for all to enjoy.



A meeting of the Holy Family Parish Council is scheduled for April 20 at 1:00 pm in the Parish Hall, St. Ann Church. This meeting is open to the public. All are welcome!

Help Beautify Your Parish Grounds

Have a green thumb? We're looking for people of all ages to help beautify our parish grounds. Call Martha Crowley at 978-283-1175 if you can help. Anyone dividing their perennials, please consider donating some divisions. Thank you!

Mass Intentions

April 19, 2008 – April 27, 2008

Saturday, April 19, 2008
 4 p.m. (St. Ann Church).....**Stephen Russo**
 From Wife & Children

Sunday April 20, 2008
 8 a.m. (St. Ann Church).....**Lorenzo & Jennie Lee Scola**
 From Family

9 a.m. (St. Joachim).....**Pro Populo**

10 a.m. (St. Ann Church).....**Joseph & Providenza Parisi**
 From Family

11 a.m. (St. Joachim Church).....**Pro Populo**

Monday, April 21, 2008
 9 a.m. (St. Joachim Church)

Tuesday, April 22, 2008
 9 a.m. (St. Joachim Church).....**Irma Gariboldi**

Wednesday, April 23, 2008
 9 a.m. (St. Joachim).....**Mary Casey Seed**
 From Barbara Siergiewicz

Thursday, April 24, 2008 **No Mass Scheduled**

Friday, April 25, 2008 **No Mass Scheduled**

Saturday, April 26, 2008
 4 p.m. (St. Ann Church).....**Arthur Marshall**
 From Family

Sunday April 27, 2008
 8 a.m. (St. Ann Church).....**Mr. & Mrs. William Bazel, Sr.**
 9 a.m. (St. Joachim).....**Pro Populo**

10 a.m. (St. Ann Church).....**Capt. Michael & Lena Lovasco**
 From Family

11 a.m. (St. Joachim Church).....**Ralph & Josephine Pratt and Grandsons Thomas, Charles & Seamus**
 From Family

Nursing Home Schedule

DenMar – Communion Service Monday April 21st at 3:30pm
Golden Living Center – Monday April 28th at 3pm

**Madonna del Rosario Society
 70th Anniversary Gala Event**

The Madonna del Rosario Society will celebrate its 70th Anniversary with a Gala Dinner Dance, Friday May 23rd at 6pm at the Gloucester House Restaurant. All members and their guests are invited. Tickets must be purchased by May 16th by contacting Grace at 978-281-1907 or Rosalie at 978-283-0504. If no answer, please leave a message.

Catholic TV ®

Join Fr. Gariboldi as he celebrates Mass live on Boston Catholic TV® in their new studio in Needham on Monday, April 21st. The bus leaves St. Ann Church at 7:30am and will return around 11:30am. (We will stop for breakfast on the way back.) Please call Mary at 978-283-6510 for more information.

Last Weekend's Collection

Mass	Attendance	Collection
4 pm	284	1,760.92
8 am	150	1,680.48
9 am	154	1,072.50
10 am	450	1,563.84
11 am	130	1,609.00
	1,168	

Weekly Offertory: 7,686.74
Office Offertory: 540.87
Total Offertory: \$8,227.61

April 2007 average collection \$7,700.90

Grand Annual Total (as of April 15): \$68,597.00
 This is 91.46% of our \$75,000 goal.

Thank you for your continued support!

Parish Calendar

Please send in your calendar requests for July 2008 through June 2009. The dates are subject to availability of space. Thank you for your help in moving us toward an organized parish calendar!

Mass Intentions

You may reserve Mass intentions for the second half of 2008 beginning at **10am Friday, May 9th**. Reservations will be taken on a first come, first served basis. Please feel free to contact the parish office 978-281-4820 with any requests or questions at that time-**or better yet, stop and see us**

Catholic Appeal

Thank you to all supporters of the 2008 Catholic Appeal. Our parish has raised \$17,347 from 107 households, reaching 48.9% of our parish goal of \$35,500. If you have not yet pledged, please consider a gift today and help us meet our goal. Remember, our parish will receive 25% of all funds we raise above our goal. Please remember to make your pledge now even if you plan on fulfilling that pledge towards the end of the year. You can pick up information packets with pledge forms in the back of the church to be mailed in, or for more information please visit www.BostonCatholicAppeal.com or call 617-779-3700. Every gift matters. Thank you!

Bulletin Deadline

Please have all items for submission to next week's bulletin in our office by noon on TUESDAY. Items submitted after that time will be considered for the following week.

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Holy Family Parish Registration

If you wish to register as a member of Holy Family Parish, please print the following information and deposit in the offertory.

Name: _____
Address: _____
Phone: _____
Email: _____
Comments: _____

We look forward to hearing from you!