



Then Jesus approached and said to them, "All power in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age." - Mt 28:18-20

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**Readings for the Week of May 4, 2008**

Sunday:	Ascension of the Lord: Acts 1:1-11/ Eph 1:17-23/Mt 28:16-20
Monday:	Acts 19:1-8/Jn 16:29-33
Tuesday:	Acts 20:17-27/Jn 17:1-11a
Wednesday:	Acts 20:28-38/Jn 17:11b-19
Thursday:	Acts 22:30; 23:6-11/Jn 17:20-26
Friday:	Acts 25:13b-21/Jn 21:15-19
Saturday:	Morning: Acts 28:16-20, 30-31/Jn 21:20-25
Next Sunday:	Vigil: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5/ Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39
Day:	Acts 2:1-11/1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13/Jn 20:19-23

Jesus prays, "I have given You glory on earth by finishing the work You gave Me to do." Good stewards follow His example by using their time and talents for the glory of God. See John 17:4

**QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK**

**Adults:** How have I come to know Christ over the course of my faith journey?

**Children:** What people and things remind me that I am a friend of Jesus?

**RCIA**

RCIA will meet Tuesday, May 6<sup>th</sup> 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 1<sup>st</sup>.

**First Communion**

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

- ❖ Saturday May 17<sup>th</sup> - 4pm Mass at St. Ann
- ❖ Rehearsal – Wed. May 14<sup>th</sup> 4-5pm at St. Ann
- ❖ Sunday, May 18<sup>th</sup> - 10am Mass at St. Ann
- ❖ Rehearsal – Fri. May 16<sup>th</sup> 4-5pm at St. Ann

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

**Reflections by Father Bullock**

This is a story that many may have heard before, but it is worth repeating. A Mother has her son taking piano lessons. To encourage him to be diligent to his studies she brings him to a Paderewski concert. They find their seats; the mother spots a friend and goes to speak to her. So the boy explores – he goes through a door marked No ADMITTANCE. The houselights dim – the mother hastens back to her seat finding the boy missing. Before she can react the curtain rises. The stage spotlight comes on revealing an impressive Steinway, and sitting at the Steinway, her missing son. Reaching up to the keyboard he attempts to pick out "Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star". Before anyone can react – Paderewski comes on stage, moves to the piano and whispers in the boy's ear, "Don't quit; keep playing" and standing over the boy he reaches around him with his left hand and fills in the a bass part; reaching around with his right hand he fills in a running obbligato. A situation that could have gone many ways ends as a wonderful experience before an enchanted audience.



Each of us is given our own stage and our own Steinway situation – and our own "Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star" that we are to play to the best of our ability. For most of us it is a simple "Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star" but even for those for whom it is a concert, a classic, even for those in the light of eternity it is still a Twinkle.

If we are to play even our own little "Twinkle" we must remember we are going to succeed if we let the God whose arms encircle us work his way with us.

Particularly in these times of so much pain, anger, fear and uncertainty, whatever our position, whatever the office or the task entrusted to us, we have to be aware of God's presence and seek to make it operative in our lives.

**Cape Ann Food Pantry**

**Empty Bowl Dinner**

**Thursday, May 8<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:info@foodpantry.org), or visit [www.capeannfoodpantry.org](http://www.capeannfoodpantry.org).



**Parish Council Elections**

**Nominations are open!**

Holy Family Parish needs 6 parishioners who will be willing to serve 3 year positions on the Parish Council. Please think prayerfully about serving or nominating a parishioner who would be a good candidate for membership, someone who envisions a strong future for our parish. Elections will be June 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>. Nominations will begin the weekend of May 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup>.

**ASCENSION OF THE LORD**



**Memorials & Donations**

*Holy Family Parish gratefully acknowledges  
the following donations in memory of*

**Matthew Budrow**

Sophie & Nina Frontiero

**Benjamin Chianciola**

Gina Ciaramitaro  
Anthony & Eleanor Curcuru

**Giuseppe Costanzo**

Mr. & Mrs. Frank Cottone  
Mr. & Mrs. Dominic Taormina  
Pietro Taormina & Family  
Chris & Finella Williams

**Thomas Favaloro**

Lydia Bertolino

**Marjorie Mondello**

Paddy Brancalone  
Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Curcuru  
Mr. & Mrs. Francesco Groppo  
Mark & Lisa Leahy  
Jeremiah & Toni Nicastro  
Capt. Jerry & Rosalee Nicastro

**Joseph Misuraca**

Joe & Kathy Brancalone  
Joseph Brancalone  
Sam & Katy Ciolino  
Pauline Danish  
Phil & Jane Demetri  
Kati Fontana  
Carmella Frontiero  
Mr. & Mrs. Francesco Groppo  
Mr. & Mrs. Louis Imbrunone  
Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Linquata  
Dominic & Marie Loiacano  
JoAnne Marques  
Cathy & Donny Nicastro  
Mr. & Mrs. Alfred Piscitello  
Anty Piscitello  
Vito Piscitello  
Catherine Randazza  
Mary Verga

**Ignazio Sanfilippo**

Gina Ciaramitaro  
Mr. & Mrs. Vito Ciaramitaro  
Mr. & Mrs. Peter Noto

**Simone Sanfilippo**

Gina & Zack Ciaramitaro

**Ralph Martin**

Mr. & Mrs. Sam Asaro  
Vito & Rosemarie Asaro  
Palma Biondo  
Grace Budrow  
Samuel P. Calomo  
Gina Ciaramitaro  
Mary Ciaramitaro  
Annie Curcuru  
Eleanor & Anthony Curcuru  
Francis D'Amico  
Jane & Phil Demetri  
John & Wendy Favazza  
Margaret Favazza  
Maria Favazza  
Salvatore & Donna Favazza  
Sam & Jean Favazza  
Rosaria & Harry Floyd  
Kristin Foley  
Cynthia Fougere  
Dan & Carol Francis  
Philip & Nina Francis  
Suzanne Giblin  
Vincie Gounaris  
Sam & Joanne Interrante  
Rosalie Laiachino  
Marie Linquata & Joe Polizzia  
Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Linquata  
Dominic & Marie Loiacano  
Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Lombardo  
Mr. & Mrs. George MacKinnon  
Florence & Charles Mahoney  
Marie & Joe Marcantonio  
Charlotte Michon  
Joe & Paula Misuraca  
Gloria Nicastro  
Jeremiah & Toni Nicastro  
Jerry & Rosalee Nicastro  
Mr. & Mrs. John B. Nicastro  
Joseph & Pam Parisi  
Nancy Parisi  
Philip & Colleen Parisi  
Vincent & Mary Pizzimenti  
Pete & J.J. Pramas  
Sefatia Romeo & Matthew Theken  
Elizabeth Scheer  
Grace (Verga) Scola  
Earl & Cecelia Selig  
Mary Verga  
Jean Wilson

**Mother of Grace Club**

There will be a Novena held at the Mother of Grace Club, 48 Washington St., beginning on May 1<sup>st</sup> and continuing through the month. It will begin with the Rosary at 1pm each day. All are welcome! (All members are reminded to pay their dues.)

**Rosary**

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

**Holy Family Prayer Group**

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

**Eucharistic Adoration**

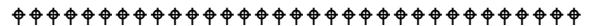


**Mondays**

**7 – 9pm (St. Joachim Church)  
7:30pm – Chaplet of Divine Mercy  
8pm – Rosary**

**Thursdays**

**9:30am – 12:30pm  
7 – 9pm (St. Joachim Church)**  
To sign up or for more info,  
call Angela 978-283-5701.



**Host & Wine**

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

**Capt. Salvatore &  
Sarina Barbara**

*From Family*

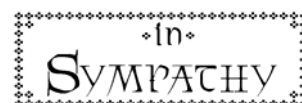


**Holy Family Women's Guild**

The Women's Guild will meet May 6<sup>th</sup> at 7pm in the church hall. The business meeting will be followed by a Plant Sale Social. Members are asked to bring either a house plant or an outside plant, seeds, flowers, even a vegetable plant. Maximum amount will be \$5.00. Cookbooks are still for sale, \$10.00 each. They make wonderful gifts. All recipes are from Guild members. Dues are still being collected for 2007-2008. Please be sure you are up to date. Interested in joining, call Bea Ciaramitaro (978-283-2691) or come to the next meeting. No obligation to join. Members are encouraged to bring a friend. The Fashion Show will be held on May 22<sup>nd</sup>. Tickets are \$5.00 and will be on sale after May 6<sup>th</sup>.

**St. Ann School**

St. Ann School is accepting registrations for the 2008-2009 school year. Visit the new website at [www.stannsschool.com](http://www.stannsschool.com) or call 978-283-3455 to schedule a visit.



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

**Franklyn Hamilton      Ralph Martin  
Joseph Misuraca      Marjorie Mondello**

**Nursing Home Schedule**

Seacoast – Monday May 12<sup>th</sup> at 3pm (anointing 1<sup>st</sup> floor)  
DenMar – Monday May 19<sup>th</sup> at 3:30pm (anointing)  
Golden Living Center – Tuesday May 27<sup>th</sup> at 3:00pm  
Day by Day – Wednesday May 21<sup>st</sup> at 1:15pm (anointing)

**Mass Intentions**

May 3, 2008 – May 11, 2008

- Saturday, May 3, 2008**  
 4 p.m. (St. Ann Church).....*First Communion*
- Sunday May 4, 2008**  
 8 a.m. (St. Ann Church).....*Pro Populo*  
 9 a.m. (St. Joachim).....*Paige Pool*  
 From Wife Mary Ann  
 10 a.m. (St. Ann Church).....*Jerome & Ann Marie Loiacano*  
 From Family  
 11 a.m. (St. Joachim Church).....*First Communion*
- Monday, May 5, 2008**  
 9 a.m. (St. Joachim Church).....*Frances Parisi*  
 Sophie & Nina Frontiero
- Tuesday, May 6, 2008**  
 9 a.m. (St. Joachim Church).....*Herbert Hultin*  
 From Family
- Wednesday, May 7, 2008**  
 9 a.m. (St. Joachim).....*1st Battalion of Foreign Parachute*  
*and all who suffered at Dien Bien Phu*
- Thursday, May 8, 2008**  
 9 a.m. (St. Joachim Church)
- Friday, May 9, 2008**  
 9 a.m. (St. Joachim).....*Mary & Eugene Cotter*  
 From David & Martha Crowley
- Saturday, May 10, 2008**  
 4 p.m. (St. Ann Church)
- Sunday May 11, 2008**  
 8 a.m. (St. Ann Church)  
 9 a.m. (St. Joachim)  
 10 a.m. (St. Ann Church)  
 Anointing Mass  
 11 a.m. (St. Joachim Church)



**Madonna del Rosario Society  
 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Gala Event**

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

**Holy Family Mission**

Missionaries from Holy Family will be traveling to Cevicos in the Dominican Republic May 10-17. Your donations of the supplies below are essential for our medical clinics as well as to stock the pharmacy there for the coming months. Donations can be left in the rear of the church. The Holy Family Mission thanks you for all your support!

- Pepcid/Zantac; small tubes of hydrocortisone cream, antifungal ointment and antibiotic ointment; cough medicine (for adults and children); Claritin; prenatal vitamins; adult vitamins; Tylenol chewables (toddlers & grade-school age children); Tylenol 325mg; Selsun Blue shampoo; Childrens Motrin; generic fever-reducing medicine.**

**Last Weekend's Collection**

Mass	Attendance	Collection
4 pm	210	2,004.79
8 am	170	2,035.10
9 am	168	1,489.59
10 am	180	1,050.11
11 am	172	1,237.13
	<u>900</u>	

**Weekly Offertory:** 7,816.72  
**Office Offertory:** 816.00  
**Total Offertory:** \$8,632.72  
**April 2007 average collection** \$7,700.90  
**Today's second collection benefits St. Ann School**

Your continued support is vital to our mission!

**Catholic Charities North**

**Support Catholic Charities North by having dinner out!** On Tuesday May 13<sup>th</sup> The Landing at 7 Central in Manchester-by-the-Sea will donate 20% of every bill to Catholic Charities. Donations will support the Gloucester office's Basic Needs Emergency Financial Assistance program, which provides food, fuel, utility and housing assistance to families in need in Cape Ann communities. Reservations are strongly encouraged, available from 5pm to 9pm by calling 978-526-7494. Come enjoy an evening meal while providing for a family in need!

**Mass Intentions**

You may reserve Mass intentions for the second half of 2008 beginning at **10am Friday, May 9<sup>th</sup>**. 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.**

**Health Care Ministry Team**

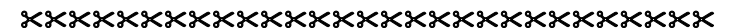
The Health Care Ministry Team will not be meeting this month.

**Catholic Appeal**

Thank you to all supporters of the 2008 Catholic Appeal. Our parish has raised \$18,132 from 113 households, reaching 51.1% 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](http://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.



**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!