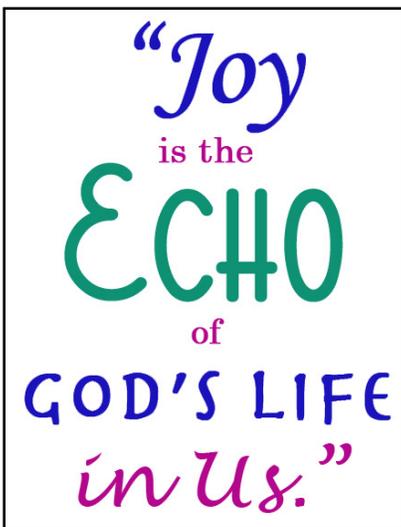




# ECHO of Cape Cod

## *Christ is Counting on You*

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Mission: ECHO (Encountering Christ in Others) of Cape Cod is a Catholic, community-based experience initiated by a weekend retreat, focused on the living presence of Jesus Christ encountered in others. The ECHO program is directed toward the awakening and development of a response to three basic areas of identity (Who am I?), integrity (Where am I?), and vocation (Where am I going?) as they emerge in the lives of young people.



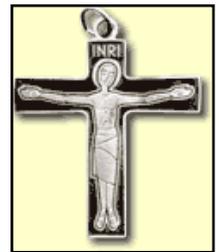
### ECHO Weekend Dates 2017-2018

- ECHO 312 – Girls - Jan. 5-7 – Heather Wesp
- ECHO 313 – Boys - Feb. 9-11 – Joe Bentley
- ECHO 314 – Girls - March 2-4 – Barbara-Anne Foley
- ECHO 315 – Boys - April 6-8 – John Cabral



### SAVE THE DATE

- Thursday, December 21st - Christmas Reunion and ECHO Secret Santa, 7pm, OLV Classroom
- Monday, December 25th - Merry Christmas one and all!
- Friday, January 5th - Palanca Room Mass for ECHO 312, 6:30pm, OLV Classroom
- Friday, January 5th - Palanca Room open 6:30-9pm, OLV Classroom
- Saturday, January 6th - Palanca Room open 12noon-8pm, OLV Classroom
- Sunday, January 7th - ECHO 312 Closing, 7pm, Our Lady of Victory Church



### CANDIDATE REGISTRATION

Please pray for ECHO as it celebrates its 48th year. Candidate registrations are being accepted for all of the weekends. The cost of participating in an ECHO weekend is \$145 this year. You can register in one of two ways:

1. Download a registration form from the website or fill one out at a reunion the traditional way.
2. Register online at [www.echoofcapecod.org/registration.html](http://www.echoofcapecod.org/registration.html). You'll be taken to a secure form where you can fill out the necessary information, and once submitted, will get sent to the rector/rectora.

## JOIN US AT REUNIONS

Reunions take place in both Mashpee and Centerville. Join us whenever you're able for faith, fun, and fellowship. Here's some of the highlights from the recent programs brought to you in pictures. Reunions take place on Tuesdays at 7pm at Christ the King in Mashpee led by Dave and Cheryl Ryan and Thursdays at 7pm at Our Lady of Victory in Centerville led by Tim Acton. If the door is locked at OLV, ring the doorbell, and someone will unlock it.



### WHAT ARE YOU DOING TO PREPARE FOR THE LORD?

The Advent season is always so busy with lots of holiday traditions: parties, shopping, wrapping, baking, and more. In this season that celebrates peace, hope, love, and joy, it is important to take the time to remember that we can find all of these things with God. During this busy season, remember to take the time to prepare for His coming whether that's going to mass, saying an extra prayer at night, participating in a service project, or giving back to a cause you care about. We are also blessed with the La Salette Shrine about an hour's drive off Cape in Attleboro, which is a beautiful evening trip to take during the holiday season.

We welcome you to reunions every week during Advent. Learn about Advent traditions, give back to needy children who may not have presents to open Christmas morning, participate in ECHO Secret Santa, and enjoy fellowship with our community of love. Advent is also the perfect time to sponsor for an upcoming week-end! Give the gift of ECHO this Christmas to a friend who may be searching for something more in life. ECHO 312 is right around the corner with ECHO 313 to shortly follow!



### PALANCA ROOM LOCATION CHANGE - ALL YEAR

Due to renovations happening in the Centerville Recreation Building, the Palanca Room will be located in the Faith Formation Building at Our Lady of Victory all year upstairs where Thursday reunions take place. The hours remain the same. Palanca Room masses will also take place in the space. Balloons will once again be for sale in the Palanca Room this year as well, so look for the balloon table when you drop off any palanca!

## ECHO 312

January 5, 6, and 7, 2018 ~ Theme Song: Better Place by Rachel Platten

Theme: "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me." Philippians 4:13

Rectora: Heather Wesp; Inside Assistant: Katie McManamon; Outside Assistant: Laurie Bentley; Spiritual Director: Fr. Tom Frechette; Ideals: Natalie Guthrie, Paschal Mystery: Fr. Tom Frechette, Witness to the Paschal Mystery: Hannah Laird, Penance: Fr. Tom Frechette, Witness to Penance: Myranda Goveia, Community of Love: Eileen Putman, Piety: Vanessa Townsend, Choosing a Christian Life: Meghann Welsh, Signs and Communications: Fr. Tom Frechette, Universal Call to Holiness: Cheryl and Dave Ryan, Christ the Man: Judy Lyons, People of God: Marie Iarocci-Souza, Confidence in Christ: Breann Hill, Christian in Action: Kali Tanguay, 4th Day: Heather Wesp.

ECHO 312 will begin with a community mass upstairs in the Faith Formation Building at Our Lady of Victory at 6:30pm on Friday, January 5th. The Palanca Room will once again be located at Our Lady of Victory all weekend long. It will remain open until 9pm, and re-open at noon on Saturday. Please have all palanca delivered before 7:30pm, so it can get sorted into the team and candidates' palanca bags. Friends and family are invited to the Closing at Our Lady of Victory in the church at 7pm on Sunday, January 7th.

### BETTER PLACE - RACHEL PLATTEN



I'll tell the world, I'll sing a song  
It's a better place since you came along  
Since you came along  
Your touch is sunlight through the trees  
Your kisses are the ocean breeze  
Everything's alright when you're with me



And I hold my favorite thing  
I hold the love that you bring  
But it feels like I've opened my eyes again  
And the colors are golden and bright again  
There's a song in my heart, I feel like I belong  
It's a better place since you came along  
It's a better place since you came along



I see the whole world in your eyes  
It's like I've known you all my life  
We just feel so right  
So I pour my heart into your hands  
It's like you really understand  
You love the way I am



*Refrain*

Now I'm alright  
Now I'm alright  
Everything's alright



'Cause it feels like I've opened my eyes again  
And the colors are golden and bright again  
There's a song in my heart, I feel like I belong  
It's a better place since you came along  
It's a better place since you came along



# ECHO 313

February 9, 10, and 11, 2018

Rector: Joe Bentley; Inside Assistant: Tom McManamon; Outside Assistant: TJ Pagliaro; Spiritual Directors: Fr. Tom Frechette, Fr. Chris Peschel; Adult Team: Tim Acton, Frank Green, David Laird, Kevin Lyons, Scott and Sue Ramsay; Student Team: Adam Beal, Chris Bresnahan, Peter Casey, Jakob Goveia, Joe Lennon-Phillips, Jack Needham.

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## NOVEMBER IN THE ECHO COMMUNITY



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## SEASON OF GIVING

Like many other organizations, ECHO depends on donations to fund some of the programs and initiatives the youth board and greater community of love work on every year. In this season of giving, please consider giving back to this program we all love with a gift of any size. All donations are tax deductible. Any donations can be mailed to Mary Fuller at 79 Puritan Road Buzzards Bay, MA 02532. On behalf of everyone in ECHO, including its future candidates, thank you!

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## PRAYERS

We ask prayers for: Mary Barrows, Aaliyah Basilici, Chris Golden, and Annemarie Souza. For Jack Hart, Msgr. Munroe, Frances Roderick, and George Towers who all recently died. For Matthew Laird and Bill O'Donnell as they prepare for the priesthood, Keith Caldwell as he prepares for the diaconate, everyone affected by natural disasters, and all of those affected by senseless violence in our world. For Heather Wesp and Joe Bentley as they prepare for ECHO 312 and 313, Barbara-Anne Foley as she discerns for ECHO 314, and lastly anyone who has no one to pray for them.