

St. Gianna Beretta Molla Parish

Roman Catholic Church

AN OASIS OF FAITH AT THE GATEWAY TO THE SHORE

“All the strength of Satan’s reign is due to lukewarm Catholics.” St. Pius X

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THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

JANUARY 20, 2019



The Great
Transformation
FROM
WATER
INTO
WINE

ST. GIANNA PARISH SERVED BY:

Rev. Anthony J. Manuppella, Pastor

Rev. John Seo, Parochial Vicar

Mr. George Del Rossi, Deacon

LIFELONG FAITH FORMATION

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 4:30 PM

Sunday: 8:00, 9:30, 11:00 AM
12:30 PM Traditional Latin Mass
2:00 PM Mass in Spanish

Weekdays: Monday – Saturday 8:30 AM
(preceded by Rosary 8:15 AM)

Rite of Reconciliation

Saturdays: 3:15 – 4:30 PM (anytime by appointment)

New York Post, Monday, January 7, 2019

From the Pastor's Desk

A year ago, I lost my 36-year old husband to cancer. In the first few months after his death, I often felt lost without the heroic man I fell in love with 14 years earlier. But in our last few weeks together, I promised J.J. that I would keep sharing our story and carrying on his work advocating for better end-of-life care for terminal patients. J.J. was a volunteer fireman, a Marine Corps war veteran, and a New York public servant under Govs. Eliot Spitzer and David Paterson. Then, after he was diagnosed with terminal brain cancer in 2014, J.J. dedicated his final days to fighting the legalization and social acceptance of assisted suicide. This wasn't an issue either of us would have become involved with prior to J.J.'s terminal diagnosis, but his illness gave us firsthand insights into how assisted suicide endangers those who are most vulnerable.

When a seizure sent J.J. to the hospital in May 2014, he was told that he had glioblastoma multiforme, the deadliest form of brain cancer. The neurosurgeon said that it was inoperable and that he likely had only four months left to live. Three doctors told us there was nothing we could do. We were told to go home and enjoy the little time we had left together. Thankfully, we didn't listen to those doctors, and J.J. had success with standard and experimental treatments. But he also realized that not everyone has the kind of support that he did, from family, friends and very good doctors. And even though J.J. was loved and supported, he suffered from periods of depression in his first few months of treatment. He later told us that if he had assisted-suicide pills with him in those darkest moments, he would have been very much tempted to take them.

Then, J.J.'s final weeks, we saw how the disabled are treated differently, how their lives are too easily dismissed as inconvenient, which is especially dangerous when assisted suicide becomes a legal medical treatment.

Assisted suicide injects governmental pressure and profit-driven endurance decisions into everyone's end-of-life care. When that happens, death becomes the cheapest form of "treatment."

Almost two dozen States considered assisted-suicide bills this past year. It's already allowed in seven States and the District of Columbia, and various forms of assisted suicide and euthanasia are also legally available in Europe, as well. If he were still with us, J.J. would continue to tell us that assisted suicide is bad public policy. He would warn legislators and voters not to focus on the individual patient when considering this legislation. Instead, consider the many vulnerable people who will lose all hope and be put at risk when suicide becomes a medical treatment. Ultimately, legalizing assisted suicide results in less choice for patients through external pressures, coercion, mistakes and abuse. In Europe, for example the expansion of assisted suicide has resulted in ever more groups of patients becoming eligible for the "treatment," including youth and the non-terminally ill.

Proponents insist that assisted suicide is only for last-resort scenarios, when there are only weeks or days left and unbearable pain. But physical pain isn't among the top five reasons patients in Oregon – the first State to legalize assisted suicide, in 1997 – request death by doctor. In reality, assisted suicide is less about ending a patient's suffering than it is about ending society's care. There is a lot we can do to improve care at the end of life for terminal patients, and assisted suicide shouldn't be one of them.

That's why, even as he took to the public square to speak out against death by doctor, J.J. also fought for better access to hospice and palliative care.

I have no doubt that J.J. would have supported bills like the Palliative Care and Hospice education and Training Act, which was introduced in Congress last year. This bipartisan measure helps Americans with advanced illness have better access to palliative care. It increases the number of health-care professionals trained in palliative care, expands national funding for research in palliative care and develops a national educational campaign to inform Americans, including physicians, many of whom are unaware of the benefits of palliative care.

J.J. was convinced that the most vulnerable Americans need support, not poisonous pills and needles. A year after his death, it is vital that Americans continue to hear his message.

Kristen Hanson is the community-relations advocate for the Patients Rights Action Fund.



CAMPAIGN FOR THE CATHOLIC
COMMUNITY OF SOUTH JERSEY

COMMITMENT WEEKEND

This weekend is Commitment Weekend! *What exactly does this mean?*

Commitment Weekend is an opportunity for us to recognize and celebrate our dedication to the Catholic Strong campaign – to our local Parish and Diocesan community!

As a member of our Parish family, your support of this historic effort is important. Seventy percent (70%) of funds raised in our Parish remains in our Parish to address our most pressing needs. Not only will your support help our Parish, but you will also be contributing to Ministries for Evangelization, service, and school development throughout the Diocese.

I know that you have heard about Catholic Strong; you have heard about it during Mass, you have read about it in the Parish bulletin, you have heard about it at parish gatherings, you have heard about it from the letter that Bishop Sullivan sent, and you may have heard about it from your fellow Parishioners.

This weekend we are asking every family to consider their level of support to this campaign. Our parish has over 1,500 families. Ideally, our Campaign Leadership Committee would have liked to contact every Parish family personally. Our team has been working diligently for the last several months, and they have attempted to contact as many families within our community as possible. However, we know there are many of you we have not been able to reach.

As I stated last week, the assigned goal at St. Gianna for this campaign is \$740,000. To date, we have already raised \$354,910 through the support of only a handful of families. We are only \$385,090 away from meeting our Parish goal!

I have been truly humbled and blessed by the generosity reflected by our Parish families. It is a tremendous testament of the value these people have placed in their Faith, in our Parish community, and St. Gianna.

Our Parish will receive 70% of the funds raised, and 30% will benefit the Diocesan-wide initiatives of: Strong Faith and Evangelization programs, Strong service Ministries in the forms of addiction healing, legal counsel, and assistance to marginalized individuals and families; and finally, strong Catholic schools by providing scholarship assistance, professional development, challenging programming, and a strong central office.

The goal of this weekend is to wrap-up our campaign by receiving 100% participation. EVERY family will fall into ONE of THREE categories. You have either already made a gift - and again I thank you, you wish to make a gift today, or you wish to simply continue to pray for the success of the campaign.

Solicitation material from the Catholic Strong campaign office will be distributed at all the Masses this weekend.

I know you to be a generous people and that you will do your best to help ensure that St. Gianna Parish reaches its goal. Thank you for your gift and support.

Fr. Anthony

Around the Area

Rediscover the Love in Your marriage!

The Retrouvaille Marriage Program offers help for struggling marriages. Retrouvaille is not just a social gathering or series of seminars, but rather a way to rediscover and rekindle the loving relationship in your marriage. The next program begins on the weekend of February 8-10 at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA. For more information, or to register for our upcoming weekend, visit : www.HelpOurMarriage.com or call 1-800-470-2230. All inquiries are kept strictly confidential.

Young Adults Retreat – February 8-10, 2019

Cost: \$135 Per Person

Marianist Family Retreat Center, 417 Yale Ave., Cape May Point, NJ

Come Pray, Reflect & Laugh!

This weekend is intended for Young Adults (age 22 to 35, married or single) who want to examine their personal Faith, in relation to God, self, co-workers and family. Time will be filled with prayer experiences, peer group discussions, Eucharist and lots of fun! Questions? Please call 609-884-3829 or email us at: mfrc@capemaymarianists.org

St. Vincent de Paul Regional School

Designer Bag BINGO

Saturday, February 2, 2019

St. Gianna Beretta Molla Parish Hall

Doors will open at 5 p.m. and BINGO begins at 6:30 p.m. We'll have beautiful designer brand bags, such as full sized Michael Kors, Kate Spade, Coach and Dooney & Bourke! Tickets are \$35 for 10 games; there will be amazing raffle baskets, a 50/50, giveaways and more! Snacks and beverages will be available for sale, but you are welcome to bring you own! **No alcohol please**; must be over 18 to attend. To purchase tickets, please email C4tna@gamil.com or call the school at 609-625-1565. All proceeds benefit the students of St. Vincent's.

The Young Adult Group of Our Lady of Sorrows meets the First Sunday night every month at Our Lady of Sorrows Church hall in Linwood. Meetings are 7:15-8:30 PM and always include plenty of home-made food, traditional devotions and a lively discussion. Any young adult over 18 is always welcome. For additional information, contact Tom Salerno at (609) 927-86.

St. Joseph Regional School, 11 Harbor Lane, Somers Point

ALUMNI OPEN HOUSE

Sunday, January 27, 2019 after the 10:00 a.m. & 12 Noon Masses

Light refreshments will be served

POTENTIAL NEW FAMIIES OPEN HOUSE

Tuesday, January 29, 2019, 6-7:30 p.m. & Wednesday, January 30, 2019 9-10:30 a.m.

Registration will be open for the 2019-2020 School year

IN SYMPATHY

Our Parish community extends its deepest condolences to the family and friends of **Mark C. Basile Sr.** May his soul and the souls of all the Faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.



VALENTINE'S DAY SOCIAL
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2019
PARISH HALL
7-9:30 PM

You are welcome to bring a Hot or Cold Hors D'oeuvre to share. Please extend this invitation to your friends who may be interested in sharing a wonderful evening. Flyers for the event are placed at the entrances of the church. If you have any questions please contact Andrew & Cathleen Palmentieri at 609-641-4261.

Parish Weekly Offerings

JANUARY 13-14, 2019

1st Collection: \$ 6,497.67

Star Herald: \$ 1,126.00

For a total of: \$ 7,623.67

Thank you for your generosity in building up God's Kingdom in our Parish!

Father's Quick Quote: "The Spirit of Humility is sweeter than honey, and those who nourish themselves with this honey produce sweet fruit." ~St. Anthony of Padua

Baptisms are celebrated on the **2nd** and **4th** Saturday of the month at 11:30 AM. Please call the Parish office to make the necessary arrangements two months prior to the Baptism date.



Parents are expected to attend a Pre-Jordan Baptism class which is to be held on

the **Third Tuesday** of every month at 7 PM. in the Parish Hall. **Both Parents** are expected to attend the brief class (approximately 45 minutes).

Next Baptismal Classes:

February 19th, March 19th

April 16th, May 21st

PARENTS, PLEASE NOTE:

Be aware of the following qualifications before you ask someone to be the Godparent of your child. According to Canon Law the Godparent...

- ◆ Must be at least 16 years of age
- ◆ If married, was married according to Catholic Church Law (Not a civil ceremony)
- ◆ Received the Sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation in the Catholic Church
- ◆ Be a practicing Catholic; i.e., attend Mass regularly on Sunday and Holy Days of obligation and receive the Sacraments of the Church regularly

If you have any additional questions, please do not hesitate to call the Parish office (646-5611).

2018 Contribution Statements

Starting February 15, 2019 your 2018 Contribution Statement can be picked up at the Parish office **Monday** through **Thursday** from 9:00AM to 4:00PM. We would appreciate you **calling in advance** so it can be prepared for you. Thank you for your cooperation.

THE LORD'S REAL PRESENCE

We are fortunate enough to worship in a Church in which the **Body of Christ** is **reserved**. It is right to acknowledge the **Lord's Real Presence** with a brief act of worship on entering or leaving the Church and every time passing by the Sanctuary. Normally, a *genuflection* in the direction of the place of Reservation is enough. One who is physically unable to genuflect may substitute a *profound bow* at the waist.



Traveling Blessed Mother

If you would like to have the statue of Our lady brought to your home for a week of Prayer and reflection please call Teri Clark (609) 641-4245 or Rosemary O'Dowd (609) 641-4542.



2019 MASS BOOK OPEN

We are extremely blessed with Parishioners who practice in Faith Our Lord's teachings of both the Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy. They have reverently buried their deceased loved ones and continue in Spiritual Works of Mercy to remember them by offering Masses for the happy repose of their Souls.

This year Bishop Sullivan of the Diocese of Camden has mandated the following instruction: Parishes of the Diocese are permitted **one Mass** per week with **multiple intentions**. In our Parish the assigned Mass is the **11:00 AM Mass on Sundays**. The donation for an Announced Mass remains at \$15 and for Unannounced \$10. Please keep in mind that the Masses are assigned on a first-come-first-serve basis.

EVERY LITTLE BIT HELPS!!

ALTAR FLOWERS AND SANCTUARY LIGHT

Altar flowers and the Candle in the Sanctuary Light, are given to the Glory of God each week. If you would like to remember a departed friend or relative, honor a birthday or anniversary, express gratitude for God's Gifts and Blessings, by providing Altar flowers or the Candle in the Sanctuary Light, please call the Parish office to make the necessary arrangements. The name of the person being remembered and the donor's name will be posted in the Parish Bulletin.

ST. GIANNA PRAYER NETWORK

St. Gianna Prayer Network is a Ministry made up entirely of volunteers, with a simple mission of praying for those who have special needs. Approximately 25 requests are received each month from those suffering from physical healing, financial, emotional or spiritual needs, family, etc. The requests are remembered in prayer for 30 days. Becoming a member of our Prayer Network is easy and we want you to be part of this vital Ministry through both sharing your own requests and praying for the needs of others. If you wish to be a part of this powerful Ministry simply call Vici (609)646-0806, Kathie (609)646-7472 or Teresa (609) 517-0444 (Spanish).



Family and friends for whose intentions the Mass is being offered are invited to bring up the Offertory Gifts at the Mass. Before the Liturgy of Mass begins, please indicate your intention to one of our Ushers.



For those who have a hearing impairment: Please note that we have some hearing-aid assistance available for you in the sacristy of the Church. If you wish to use one, while attending Mass, please stop by the sacristy before the Liturgy begins.

Among Other Things

New Parish Office Hours

Monday- Thursday
9:00AM – 4:00PM

The Parish office will be
CLOSED on Fridays



**2019 MASS
INTENTION BOOK
IS NOW OPEN**

SENIORS

2nd & 4th Wednesday of the Month
1:00 PM, Parish Hall

NEW MEMBERS ARE MOST WELCOME!!

SHARE THE WORD PRAYER GROUP

Every Tuesday
10:00 AM, Parish Hall

NEW MEMBERS ARE MOST WELCOME!!

CATHOLICISM 101

Every Monday, 7:00 PM in the Church
Choir Room (behind the Altar)
Everyone is welcome!!

Legion of Mary - Every Tuesday - 3:00 PM

Choir Room in the Church

NEW MEMBERS ARE MOST WELCOME!!

HOLY HOUR

FIRST WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH
EXPOSITION OF THE
MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT
BENEDICTION
PARISH CHURCH, 7:00 PM

MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA
EXPOSITION OF THE
MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT
BENEDICTION
EVERY WEDNESDAY
7:00 PM - PARISH CHURCH

MULTIPLE MASS INTENTIONS

Bishop Sullivan of the Diocese of Camden has mandated the following instruction for multiple intentions for Masses: Parishes of the Diocese are permitted **one Mass** per week with **multiple intentions**. In our Parish the assigned Mass is the **11:00 AM Mass on Sundays**.

Saint Gianna's Priests and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion are readily available to bring Communion to the homes of the sick on a schedule agreeable to the sick person. If you or someone that you know is a shut-in and would like to receive the Sacraments, please let us know by contacting the Parish office (609) 646-5611.

CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES

 We are sincerely thankful to you for your cooperation in using Contribution Envelopes each Sunday. It shows not only good example but also **helps** us in our system of running your Parish since donations are recorded by the **bar code** inserted in your envelopes. If you would like to request Contribution Envelopes please call the Parish office (609)646-5611.

BINGO

Every Wednesday & Saturday
Doors Open at 8:30 AM
\$1,000 in Prize Money
Instant Winners
Progressive Jack-Pots
Also, coffee, bagels, donuts and lots of fun.
Come and enjoy the games!!

**Thank You For
Being Here Today!!**

MAY GOD BE WITH YOU AND
MAY OUR HOLY MOTHER GUARD
AND GUIDE YOU ALWAYS

SATURDAY, JANUARY 19

8:30AM Rev. Anthony Cataudo r/b T.R. Novak

4:30PM Marie Wythe r/b Tom Wolfe & Family

SUNDAY, JANUARY 20

8:00AM Living & Deceased Members of the Parish

9:30AM Margaret Galvan r/b Lois D'Anna

11:00AM Rev. Anthony Cataudo r/b T.R. Novak

12:30PM Traditional Latin Mass

2:00PM Mass in Spanish

MONDAY, JANUARY 21

8:30AM Catherine Hicks r/b Pat & Family

TUESDAY, JANUARY 22

8:30AM Rev. Anthony Cataudo r/b T.R. Novak

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 23

8:30AM Rev. Anthony Cataudo r/b M/M Carmen Faia

THURSDAY, JANUARY 24

8:30AM Theresa Dillon & Fedora Phillip r/b The Phillip Family

FRIDAY, JANUARY 25

8:30AM Nicholas von Baillou r/b Michael Curtis

7:00PM Mass in Spanish

SATURDAY, JANUARY 26

8:30AM Rev. Anthony Cataudo r/b T.R. Novak

4:30PM Zachary Wolfe r/b Tom Wolfe & Family

SUNDAY, JANUARY 27

8:00AM Living & Deceased Members of the Parish

9:30AM Howard Watkins r/b Nancy Norton & Bingo Volunteers

11:00AM Rev. Anthony Cataudo r/b T.R. Novak

12:30PM Traditional Latin Mass

2:00PM Mass in Spanish

JANUARY 20—JANUARY 26

THE SANCTUARY LAMP

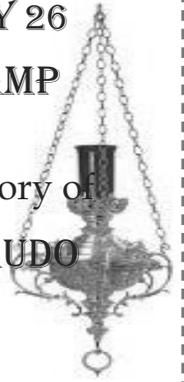
(above the Main Altar)

Will Burn in Loving Memory of

REV. ANTHONY CATAUDO

Requested by:

CAROL & JOAN



SANCTUARY LAMP

To request that the Sanctuary lamp (above the Altar) burn for your intentions or in memory of a loved one, please complete the form below and return it to the Parish office. Your request for the Sanctuary Lamp will be sequentially (**on a first-come, first-served basis**) assigned and will be ANNOUNCED and PUBLISHED in the Parish bulletin.

SANCTUARY LAMP REQUEST

Sanctuary Lamp in Memory of

Requested by:

Phone #:

Donation (\$20)

Cash Enclosed: _____

Check #: _____

TAKE NOTE

MONDAY, JANUARY 21, 2019

Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED
NO RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Entrance Antiphon: "All the earth shall bow down before you, O God, and shall sing to you, shall sing to your name, O Most High!"

FIRST READING FROM THE BOOK OF THE PROPHET ISAIAH 62:1-5

For Zion's sake I will not be silent, for Jerusalem's sake I will not be quiet, until her vindication shines forth like the dawn and her victory like a burning torch. Nations shall behold your vindication, and all the kings your glory; you shall be called by a new name pronounced by the mouth of the LORD. You shall be a glorious crown in the hand of the LORD, a royal diadem held by your God. No more shall people call you "Forsaken, " or your land "Desolate, " but you shall be called "My Delight, " and your land "Espoused." For the LORD delights in you and makes your land his spouse. As a young man marries a virgin, your Builder shall marry you; and as a bridegroom rejoices in his bride so shall your God rejoice in you. The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. Proclaim his marvelous deeds to all the nations

Sing to the LORD a new song; sing to the LORD, all you lands.

Sing to the LORD; bless his name.

R. Proclaim his marvelous deeds to all the nations

Announce his salvation, day after day. Tell his glory among the nations;
among all peoples, his wondrous deeds.

R. Proclaim his marvelous deeds to all the nations

Give to the LORD, you families of nations, give to the LORD glory and praise;
give to the LORD the glory due his name!

R. Proclaim his marvelous deeds to all the nations

Worship the LORD in holy attire. Tremble before him, all the earth;
Say among the nations: The LORD is king.
He governs the peoples with equity.

R. Proclaim his marvelous deeds to all the nations

SECOND READING 1 CORINTHIANS 12:4-11

Brothers and sisters: There are different kinds of spiritual gifts but the same Spirit; there are different forms of service but the same Lord; there are different workings but the same God who produces all of them in everyone. To each individual the manifestation of the Spirit is given for some benefit. To one is given through the Spirit the expression of wisdom; to another, the expression of knowledge according to the same Spirit; to another, faith by the same Spirit; to another, gifts of healing by the one Spirit; to another, mighty deeds; to another, prophecy; to another, discernment of spirits; to another, varieties of tongues; to another, interpretation of tongues. But one and the same Spirit produces all of these, distributing them individually to each person as he wishes. The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God**

R. Alleluia, alleluia

God has called us through the Gospel to possess the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.

R. Alleluia, alleluia

A READING FROM THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO JOHN (2:1-11)

There was a wedding at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples were also invited to the wedding. When the wine ran short, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." And Jesus said to her, "Woman, how does your concern affect me? My hour has not yet come." His mother said to the servers, "Do whatever he tells you." Now there were six stone water jars there for Jewish ceremonial washings, each holding twenty to thirty gallons. Jesus told the them, "Fill the jars with water." So they filled them to the brim. Then he told them, "Draw some out now and take it to the headwaiter." So they took it. And when the headwaiter tasted the water that had become wine, without knowing where it came from — although the servers who had drawn the water knew —, the headwaiter called the bridegroom and said to him, "Everyone serves good wine first, and then when people have drunk freely, an inferior one; but you have kept the good wine until now." Jesus did this as the beginning of his signs at Cana in Galilee and so revealed his glory, and his disciples began to believe in him. The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**



If You Cannot Be On Time,
Then Be EARLY.

Making Time For Prayer Strengthens Our
Connection With God



HOLY HOUR

FIRST WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH

NEXT HOLY HOUR:

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 6th

7 PM, PARISH CHURCH



TUESDAY, JANUARY 22, 2019
DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE LEGAL
PROTECTION OF UNBORN CHILDREN

The over 56 million abortions since the 1973 decisions of *Roe v. Wade* and *Doe v. Bolton* reflect with heartbreaking magnitude what Pope Francis means by a "throwaway culture." However, we have great trust in God's providence. We are reminded time and again in Scripture to seek the Lord's help, and as people of faith, we believe that our prayers are heard. The General Instruction of the Roman Missal (GIRM), no. 373, designates January 22 as a particular day of prayer and penance, called the "Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children": "In all the Dioceses of the United States of America, January 22 (or January 23, when January 22 falls on a Sunday) shall be observed as a particular day of prayer for the full restoration of the legal guarantee of the right to life and of penance for violations to the dignity of the human person committed through acts of abortion."

Hace un año, perdí a mi esposo de 36 años por cáncer. En los primeros meses después de su muerte, a menudo me sentía perdida sin el hombre heroico del que me enamoré 14 años antes. Pero en nuestras últimas semanas juntos, le prometí a J.J. que seguiría compartiendo nuestra historia y continuando su trabajo abogando por una mejor atención al final de la vida de los pacientes terminales.

J.J. fue un bombero voluntario, un veterano de guerra del Cuerpo de Marines y un nuevo servidor público bajo los gobiernos de Eliot Spitzer y David Paterson. Luego, después de que le diagnosticaron cáncer cerebral terminal en 2014, J.J. dedicó sus últimos días a luchar contra la legalización y aceptación social del suicidio asistido. Este no era un tema en el que cualquiera de los dos nos habríamos involucrado antes del diagnóstico terminal de J.J., pero su enfermedad nos dio información de primera mano sobre cómo el suicidio asistido pone en peligro a los más vulnerables.



Cuando una convulsión envió a J.J. al hospital en mayo de 2014, se le dijo que tenía glioblastoma multiforme, la forma más mortífera de cáncer cerebral. El neurocirujano dijo que era inoperable y que probablemente sólo le quedaba cuatro meses de vida. Tres doctores nos dijeron que no podíamos hacer nada. Nos dijeron que ir a casa y disfrutar del poco tiempo que teníamos juntos. Afortunadamente, no escuchamos a esos doctores, y J.J. tuvo éxito con los tratamientos estándar y experimentales. Pero también se dio cuenta de que no todo el mundo tiene el tipo de apoyo que él tuvo, de la familia, amigos y muy buenos doctores. Y aunque J.J. fue amado y apoyado, sufrió depresión en sus primeros meses de tratamiento. Más tarde nos dijo que si él tenía píldoras de asistencia-suicidio con él en esos momentos más oscuros, habría sido muy tentado a tomarlos.

El suicidio asistido inyecta la presión gubernamental y las decisiones de resistencia impulsadas por los beneficios en la atención al final de la vida de todos. Cuando eso sucede, la muerte se convierte en la forma más barata de "tratamiento".

Casi dos docenas de Estados consideraron leyes de asistencia y suicidio el año pasado. Ya está permitido en siete Estados y el distrito de Columbia, y varias formas de suicidio asistido y eutanasia también están legalmente disponibles en Europa, también. Si todavía estuviera con nosotros, J.J. seguiría contándonos que el suicidio asistido es una mala política. Advirtió a los legisladores y votantes que no se enfocan en el paciente individual al considerar esta legislación.

En cambio, consideremos a las muchas personas vulnerables que perderán toda esperanza y se pondrán en riesgo cuando el suicidio se convierta en un tratamiento médico. En última instancia, la legalización del suicidio asistido resulta en menos opciones para los pacientes a través de presiones externas, coerción, errores y abusos.

Los proponentes insisten en que el suicidio asistido es sólo para escenarios de último recurso, cuando sólo quedan semanas o días y dolor insoportable. Pero el dolor físico no está entre las cinco razones principales por las que los pacientes en Oregón — el primer estado en legalizar el suicidio asistido, en 1997 — solicitan la muerte por el médico.

En realidad, el suicidio asistido es menos para acabar con el sufrimiento de un paciente que para poner fin a la atención de la sociedad. Hay mucho que podemos hacer para mejorar la atención al final de la vida de los pacientes terminales, y el suicidio asistido no debería ser uno de ellos.

No dudo que J.J. hubiera apoyado proyectos como la ley de educación y capacitación de cuidados paliativos y hospicio, que fue introducido en el Congreso el año pasado. Esta medida bipartidista ayuda a los estadounidenses con enfermedad avanzada a tener un mejor acceso a los cuidados paliativos. Aumenta el número de profesionales de la salud

J.J. estaba convencido de que los estadounidenses más vulnerables necesitan apoyo, no píldoras venenosas y agujas. Un año después de su muerte, es vital que los estadounidenses sigan escuchándolo.

Kristen Hanson es la defensora de las relaciones comunitarias del fondo de acción para los derechos de los pacientes.

Bienvenido

Si usted visita semanalmente Santa Gianna y aún no se ha registrado formalmente en la parroquia, por favor hágalo. Las planillas de registraci3n son VERDES y est3n ubicadas al costado de las puertas de la iglesia. El proceso de registraci3n es simple pero muy importante para la administraci3n de nuestra iglesia y para servir mejor a nuestra comunidad.

Tambi3n Necesitamos de su Colaboraci3n...

Para mantener los archivos de nuestra parroquia en orden, necesitamos de su ayuda. Por favor comuníquese con la oficina parroquial (646-5611) si usted desea solicitar sobres de contribuci3n, cambiar su n3mero telef3nico, su estado civil o su domicilio. Gracias!

Horario de Misas en Espa3ol

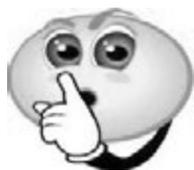
Viernes: 7:00 PM
Domingos: 2:00 PM

Sacramento de Reconciliaci3n

Viernes: 6:00 - 6:45PM
S3bados: 3:15 – 4:30 PM

Para confesarse fuera de los horarios sugeridos comunicarse con la oficina parroquial.

Por favor recuerden que la Iglesia **no** es un lugar donde nos reunimos para conversar sino para alabar a Dios. Debemos respetar la Presencia Real de Dios en el Tabernaculo y por sobre todo debemos respetar a las personas que est3n orando y prepar3ndose espiritualmente para la celebraci3n de la Misa.



Los Bautismos se celebran los **Primeros y Terceros S3bados** de cada mes a las **11:30 AM**. Por favor llame a la Oficina Parroquial para hacer los arreglos administrativos necesarios. La **Clase de Preparaci3n Bautismal** para los Padres y los Padrinos es **obligatoria** y se dicta el **Tercer Viernes** de cada mes inmediatamente despu3s de la Misa en el Sal3n Grande.



Hora Santa de Adoraci3n Eucarística

Lo invitamos a la Hora Santa que nuestra parroquia celebra los **Primeros Mi3rcoles de cada mes**. Juntos compartiremos una hora de adoraci3n ante Jes3s en el Sacramento de la Sagrada Eucaristía, rezaremos el Santo Rosario, meditaremos en silencio y concluiremos con la bendici3n. Proxima Hora Santa:

Miercoles 6 de Febrero, 2019

Misa en Latin

Domingos a las 12:30 PM

¡Bienvenidos!

Domingo 20 de enero, 2019

Segundo Domingo en Tiempo Ordinario

SE NECESITAN NUEVOS LECTORES

Aquellas personas que deseen ayudar en la Parroquia y servir como Lectores, por favor comuníquense con la oficina parroquial de lunes a jueves de 9 a.m. a 4:00 p.m.

A VECES LA MODA SÍ INCOMODA

Si bien se dice “que la moda, no incomoda,” hay modas que sí incomodan dependiendo del lugar, del ambiente y de las personas. Mucho más si hablamos del ambiente Cristiano.

El venir a visitar a Cristo es un hecho que requiere que nos preparemos espiritual, mental y físicamente. Al hacerlo debemos recordar que nuestra vestimenta debe reflejar por sobre todas las cosas, respeto y decoro por la Casa de Dios.

Cuando llega el momento de elegir la vestimenta que vamos a usar para asistir a Misa debemos ante todo usar nuestro sentido común y tratar de que nuestra manera de vestir sea un ejemplo vivo de decoro, sencillez. Por sobre todas las cosas, no podemos ser instrumentos de distracción. Debemos respetar la casa de Dios de tal manera que ninguno de sus hijos se sienta ofendido.

Ropas ajustadas o transparentes, profundos escotes, faldas cortas, shorts, brazos descubiertos, chanclas de playa no son atuendos apropiados para asistir a Misa.

Padre Pio no toleraba faldas apretadas ni vestidos cortos o con escotes bajos. Si veía que el vestido de las mujeres eran inapropiados, sacaba a las mujeres del confesionario, aún antes que entraran El Padre Pio censuraba fuertemente no solo a las mujeres, sino también a los niños y hombres que no vestían con decoro. Por favor, tratemos de que nuestra manera de vestir refleje nuestra personalidad y el respeto que tenemos hacia Dios y las demás personas.



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Si usted **UTILIZA** sobres de contribución y necesita el reporte anual de sus donaciones a la parroquia, por favor comuníquese con la oficina parroquial de Lunes a Viernes de 9 AM a 4 PM.

Costo de Energia

En el grupo de sobres de contribución bimensuales se ha incluido un sobre, "rosado," para ayudar a la parroquia con los costos de energía y manutencion. Usted puede depositar su donativo **cualquier domingo cuando se recoja la segunda collection.** Muchas gracias.

Calendario Liturgico

Tiempo Ordinario

Recuerda que dentro del Calendario Litúrgico estamos en el Tiempo Ordinario. El valor del Tiempo Ordinario consiste en formar con sus treinta y cuatro semanas un recorrido paso a paso de la vida de Jesús. Nos recuerdan el misterio de Jesús en su plenitud. El tiempo ordinario comienza el lunes siguiente al domingo del bautismo del Señor y se extiende hasta el miércoles de ceniza, para reanudarse de nuevo el lunes después del domingo de Pentecostés y terminar antes de las primeras vísperas del domingo I de Adviento.

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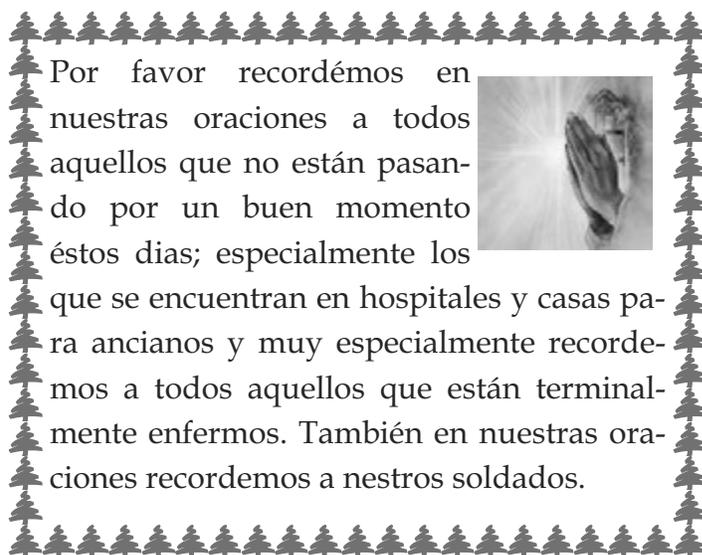
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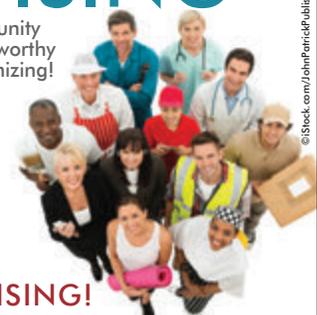
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