

**PARISH MISSION:
— GUEST SPEAKER —**

Father Ben Cameron, CPM

During our Parish Mission, Fr. Ben will encourage & challenge the parish community to make a stronger, deeper personal commitment to Christ and His Church. His topic:

**“The Holy Eucharist:
Shadows and Fulfillment”**

Born in Kokomo, IN, Fr. Ben grew up as a member of St. Patrick Catholic Church there. During his teen school years, he attended a small Christian school operated by a local Baptist church. In that non-Catholic environment, his faith was often challenged, and he began to study the Catholic faith. He then attended Christendom College, a small liberal arts college in Front Royal, VA. While he earned a degree in Political Science and History, it became clear that God had other plans.

Fr. Ben became involved in a lay apostolate known as the *Legion of Mary*, which awakened his desire to share his Catholic faith with others. He joined the Fathers of Mercy, studied theology at Holy Apostles Seminary in Cromwell, CT and was ordained to the priesthood on May 31, 1997.



Fr. Ben has served as Vocations Director, Treasurer, Mission Director and Asst. General of the Fathers of Mercy and two years as pastor of St. Helen's Parish, Glasgow, KY and its mission church, Our Lady of the Caves, Horse Cave, KY. Having served eighteen consecutive years in recent past as a full-time parish mission preacher & retreat master, Fr. Ben happily returns to that role today.

The Congregation of the Fathers of Mercy was founded in 1808 as the “Missionaries of France” for the purpose of re-evangelizing the French after the Catholic faith had been subject to years of attacks and persecution during the French Revolution. It is now an exclusively American community. The Generalate is located just outside of Bowling Green, KY. The primary apostolate of the Fathers of Mercy is to conduct parish missions and retreats given throughout the U.S., Canada and Australia.

LENT 2026



St. Gianna Beretta Molla Parish
1421 New Road
Northfield, New Jersey 08225

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**LENT BEGINS
WED FEB 18, 2026**

Join us throughout Lent for:

**Stations of the Cross
& Benediction**

Confessions

— PARISH MISSION —

**“The Holy Eucharist: Shadows & Fullfillment”
with Fr. Ben Cameron, CPM
OF THE FATHERS OF MERCY**

Reverend Anthony J. Manuppella, Pastor
St. Gianna Beretta Molla Parish
Northfield, New Jersey

**MISSION: MAR 2, 3, 4 & 5
MON - TUE - WED - THU**

LENT: SPRING CLEANING

The word “Lent” translates from an Old English word meaning “springtime”. In the Catholic Church, the Holy Season of Lent is a time of special grace in which we want to do “spring cleaning” in our lives and enjoy new life in our souls as a result. It is a time for a change of heart; to leave sin behind and grow closer to our Lord.

People ask, “What are you giving up for Lent?” There is but one answer: SIN.

Consider attending the many offerings from St. Gianna Parish during this reflective season. The benefits from these spiritual opportunities will help us to give up sin in our lives — beginning Ash Wednesday:



PARISH MISSION

7:00pm each evening

| MON | TUE | WED | THU |
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| 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |

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MARCH 2, 3, 4 & 5

MON-TUE-WED-THU

7:00pm each evening

Guest Speaker for the Mission:

Fr. Ben Cameron, CPM
OF THE FATHERS OF MERCY

Our Mission will conclude with
Holy Mass on Thu, Mar 5th
Celebrant: Fr. Anthony Manuppella, KHS
Homilist: Fr. Ben Cameron, CPM

STATIONS OF THE CROSS AND BENEDICTION

FEB 11 & MAR 11, 18 & 25
7:00PM DURING LENT

No Stations on 3/4 during the Parish Mission
nor on 4/1 during Holy Week.

No Soup & Meditation this year. Stations only.



CONFESSIONS

Every SAT 3:00–4:30pm ALL YEAR

DURING the PARISH MISSION
STARTING AT 6:00pm AND AFTER
THE TALK EACH NIGHT OF THE MISSION

CONFESSIONS BEFORE EASTER:

MON, MAR 30th: 7:00–8:30pm

WED, APR 1st: 9:00–10:00am

NO CONFESSIONS on HOLY SATURDAY

WHAT IS A PARISH MISSION?

A Parish Mission is an intense spiritual introspection when we gather for four consecutive nights to pray together, listen to the Word of God in the Sacred Scriptures and learn how it relates to our lives from the sermons delivered by the preachers.

Most importantly, it is a time to reflect on our lives and move towards interior peace. Our Mission is the perfect opportunity to gain further insight into your faith filled life!

Take time away from life’s hectic schedules to make room for what is most important: Peace in our souls, peace of mind, peace and harmony in our lives! This is what making the Mission will help us achieve.

Saint Gianna Triduum

After ALL Masses the Weekend of:

Sat, Apr 25th and Sun, Apr 26th

Mon, Apr 27th after 8:30am Mass



SOLEMN MASS HONORING OUR PATRONESS:

Tuesday, April 28, 2026 at 7:00pm

Closing with Veneration of Saint Gianna’s Relic

AFTER EASTER ~ SAVE THE DATE!

THE LENTEN SEASON BEGINS:

ASH WEDNESDAY

FEBRUARY 18, 2026

DISTRIBUTION OF ASHES

MASSES: 8:30am and 7:00pm

SERVICES: 12:00noon and 4:00pm

ASHES ARE AN OUTWARD SIGN THAT

WE ARE SERIOUS ABOUT OVERCOMING SIN