

ST. GIANNA BERETTA MOLLA PARISH

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

AN OASIS OF FAITH AT THE GATEWAY TO THE SHORE

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"ALL THE STRENGTH OF SATAN'S REIGN IS DUE TO LUKEWARM CATHOLICS." ST. PIUS X

ST. GIANNA PARISH SERVED BY

Rev. Anthony J. Manuppella, Pastor
Rev. Sunny Mathew
Parochial Vicar in Residence
Mr. George Del Rossi, Deacon

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Evening: 4:30 PM
Sunday: 8:00 - 10:00 AM (English)
12:00 Noon: Traditional Latin Mass
2:00 PM (Spanish)

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

Claudia A. Costa
Parish Secretary & Bulletin Editor
Anne Hyatt
Bookkeeper

WEEKDAYS MASS SCHEDULE:

Monday-Friday 8:30 AM (English)
Friday 7:00 PM (Spanish)

HOLY DAYS:

Vigil: 7:00
Feast Day: 8:30 AM- 12:00 Noon
7:00 PM (Spanish Mass)

LIFELONG FAITH

FORMATION

Christina Thomas, DRE

DIRECTOR OF MUSIC

Dr. Michael Phelps

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 3:00—4:30 PM
Anytime by Appointment

HYMNS FOR THE WEEKEND

ENTRANCE: #757
Songs of Thankfulness and Praise

OFFERTORY: #609
Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

COMMUNION: #702
Once in Royal David's City

CLOSING: #699
On Jordan's Bank



JANUARY 9, 2022

KEYS & ROSES BANQUET

FRIDAY, JANUARY 21, 2022 – 6:30 PM- RESORTS CASINO & HOTEL
TICKETS ON SALE AFTER ALL THE WEEKEND MASSES
OR AT THE PARISH OFFICE DURING REGULAR OFFICE HOURS



From the desk of
The Pastor

Baptism of the Lord

In the Baptism of the Lord we celebrate the Baptism of Jesus by John in the waters of the Jordan. Though He, Himself, has no stain to be washed away, He wished to submit Himself to the laws that governed the lives of the people of Israel who had been elected by God to prepare the way for the Redeemer. John the Baptist carried out energetically the mission to prophesize and arouse a great movement towards repentance as an immediate preparation for the coming of the Messianic Kingdom. The Lord desired to be baptized, says St. Augustine, so that He might freely proclaim through His humility what for us was to be a necessity.

By His Baptism, Jesus left for us the Sacrament of Christian Baptism, directly instituted by Christ with what would be a further progressive determination of its elements and be imposed as a universal law from that day of His Ascension. *All authority in Heaven and on earth has been given to Me, the Lord was to say on that day. 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 (Matthew 28:13).*

In Baptism, we receive faith and grace. The day we were baptized was the most important day of our lives. Just as the parched land does not yield its fruits if it does not get water, so also, we who were like dried sticks can produce fruits of life only if we receive freely the gentle and abundant rainfall of grace from on high. Before we received Baptism, we were outside the locked gates of paradise, unable to bring forth the slightest supernatural fruits.

Today, our prayer enables us to thank God for this totally undeserved gift and to rejoice in the countless good things He has so lavishly bestowed on us. Thanksgiving is the very first emotion that should be born in us in response to our Baptism. The second is joy. Never should we think of our Baptism without deep feelings of interior gladness. We must rejoice in the cleansing of our souls from the stain of original sin and of any other sin we may have committed before our Baptism. All men are members of the same human family which was originally damaged by the sin of our first parents. This original sin is transmitted as an extricable part of our fallen human nature, by generation, not by imitation and is to be found individually in each one of us. But, Jesus gave us Baptism as a specific means of purifying our human nature and freeing it from the terrible affliction of this sin we were born with. The Baptismal water operates in a real way, signifying what the use of natural water signifies — the cleansing and purification from every blemish or stain.

Thanks to the Sacrament of Baptism, you have been turned into a Temple of the Holy Spirit, says St. Leo the Great. Don't ever let it happen, he exhorts us, that drive away so noble a guest by your evil deeds, or ever again submit to the power of the demon; for the price you were bought with is the Blood of Christ.



Naming Your Children

Iwould like to point out the importance of a Christian name being given to a child at Baptism. It had seemed that unusual, non-Christian names had been falling "out of style" for a while, but the trend seems to be beginning again. Please take the following seriously:

The Code of Canon Law forbids children to be given names "foreign to Christian sentiments." **Canon 855:** "Parents, sponsors and Parish Priests are to take care that a name is not given which is foreign to Christian sentiment." The giving of a middle name, which is Christian, seems to be somehow dishonest. Realistically, the children will only be known by the first name.

What does "foreign to Christian sentiment" mean?" To name a child after a soap opera star, rock singer, color of a rainbow or season of the years, or to give a name that is so odd or "cute" as to have no Christian connection whatsoever would be foreign to Christian sentiment. Remember that very often TV shows and entertainers work at undermining the very principles that we believe as Christians. To name children after colors, seasons, etc., has a pagan connotation. Why a Saint Name? It is a very ancient custom and Law in the Church that children be named after Saints to give the child a special patron and intercessor in heaven.

To inspire that child to learn about his or her patron and so imitate that Saint's virtues. By extension, the same principles apply to naming a child after a relative. This is a wonderful custom. It helps to preserve the family unit. It creates a special bond between the child and the person after whom he or she is named and hopefully gives the child the desire to imitate this (good) person.

More than ever, when the values which uphold a good and virtuous life are being destroyed all around us in our American Society, when the family is being devastated and children are being harmed by this devastation, it is necessary for us to uphold our Christian values and Catholic Faith in every possible way.

Needless to say, none of the above is directed against any particular person. Some have certainly given names to their children in good faith, even though those names have been inappropriate. Often, when the Priest is approached for Baptism, the name already has been given. Please take this matter seriously. It is one more thing that will help your children and grandchildren to live lives that will bring you happiness and peace, not heartache and tears.

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 our Parish.

We wish to bring to your attention that we have not yet received the yearly boxed contribution envelopes from the printing company. It has taken longer than we expected. We thank you for being patient and ask that you please continue to support our Parish, as we rely on our weekly offertory collections to cover the operating expenses. If you are not presently using contribution envelopes and would like to use them, this is the perfect time to request them. Please call the Parish office (609)646-5611 and we'll be happy to reserve a set for you.



SODALITY OF ST. GIANNA BERETTA MOLLA PARISH

The Sodality is a Spiritual organization of women who are devoted to the Blessed Mother and who promote the Spiritual and Corporal Works of Mercy. Some of the great works we have done this year are: Collected Men's T-Shirts and Hoodies to donate to Catholic Charities; presented 2 Crucifixes to two couples who were married in our Church; and presented a Spiritual Bouquet to the Confirmation class providing Prayers; Rosaries and Masses for the whole class. In December we collected gift cards in the amount of \$600.00 at our Christmas Luncheon, and we also purchased \$500.00 worth of gift cards. All the gift cards were presented to Fr. Anthony for those in need in our parish.

MEETING: There will be no meeting in January. Weather permitting, we will meet again in February. We will make phone calls to members if we are having a meeting.

EXPECTANT MOTHERS: The Sodality of St. Gianna Parish welcomes all infants into the Church and prays for all expectant mothers who request prayers for their babies who are soon to be born. All pregnant women are welcome to contact Teri Clark (609) 641-4245 for further information. We are currently praying for Kristi Lee Young Hutchinson who is expecting in January.

MONTHLY COLLECTION: We will be collecting hats and gloves the last two weekends in January and blankets the whole month of February. Please leave your donation in the vestibule of the Church or with a Sodality member.

NEW MEMBERS: All women over the age of 18 are welcome to join Sodality. We would love to welcome new members to join this holy and blessed organization. If interested or would like more information, please contact Linda Cohen at 609-703-6962.

CHRISTMAS CALLS

We hope that you received your Christmas message from Fr. Anthony this year. *You didn't?* Do you have a new phone number? Did you notify the Parish office of the change??? If not, please call 609-646-5611 to update our database so that you can receive important information & special greetings throughout the year. Thank you!



Share the Word Prayer Group

The purpose of a Prayer Group is to give members of the Church the opportunity to engage in a Ministry of Prayer for the Church, other members, specific concerns, and local and world events. Our Prayer Group meets every Wednesday in the Choir Room (behind the Altar in our Church) to share with each other our prayer concerns. Come be a part of our group! We start our meeting praying the Rosary at 9:15 AM and the meeting follows immediately after. We invite you to come and to be a powerful part of prayer.

The Senior Group at St. Gianna in Northfield is inviting new members to come out and participate in their senior get together on the second Wednesday of each month from 12:45 until 2:30 PM. They meet in the Parish hall (behind the church building) to socialize, play some games, and enjoy light refreshments. Everyone is welcome!! Please come on in to enjoy a fun afternoon with this lovely and welcoming group of seniors. For more info please call Maryann 609-226-2130. Hope to see you soon!!



WEDNESDAYS & SATURDAYS

Bingo

Doors Open at 8:30AM. Players come and enjoy our *newly renovated* Parish Hall (Behind the church). \$1,000 in prize money. Instant winners. Progressive Jack-Pots
Also, coffee, bagels, donuts and lots of fun. Come and enjoy the games!!



ST. GIANNA BERETTA MOLLA PARISH THIRD KEYS & ROSES
AWARD BANQUET

Friday, January 21, 2022 at 6:30 PM
RESORTS CASINO & HOTEL

Dear Parish Family of St. Gianna, you and your friends are cordially invited to attend the Parish's Third Keys and Roses Award Banquet on Friday, January 21, 2022 at 6:30 PM at the Resorts Casino & Hotel in Atlantic City. Featuring Cocktails, Live Band, Music, Dinner, Awards, Dancing and lots of Fun!! Please join us to celebrate the Keys and Roses Honorees: Mrs. Christy Wimberg and Mr. Erland V. L. Chau, long-time Parishioners, whom like many others, worked tirelessly for the good of our Parish. Proceeds from this formal dinner will benefit our Parish.

Cocktail Hour

~Selection of Butler Passed Bites to Include: Resorts Roll, Guacamole, Tempura Shrimp & N Y Strip, Fig Toast, Short Rib Empanadas, Capriccio Meatball Slider, Pork Belly, Grape & Brussel Sprouts

Three Course Sit Down Dinner

First Course: Salad

~ Roasted Beet Salad ~
Whipped Ricotta, Pistachio Pesto

Second Course: Entrée

8oz Filet Mignon of Beef, *Nora Mills Grits*,
Asparagus & Mushrooms

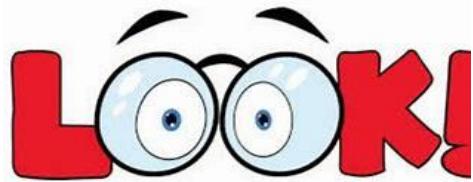
Artisan Bread, Butter Rosettes

Vegetarian Option: Upon Request ~ Parisienne Gnocchi

Third Course: Dessert

Black & White Dessert Duet
Chocolate Mousse Cake & New York Style Cheese Cake,
Chambord Chantilly, Fresh Berries
Coffee, Tea, Decaf Coffee, Iced Tea

Tableside Wine Service with Dinner ~ Cash Bar ~ \$125.00 per Person



Resorts will set aside 20 rooms at a \$79 rate, not including taxes and fees. You can make your room reservations by calling Resorts Casino Services at 609-340-6760. Please mention that you are attending the Gala and mention the group code: **VSGB122 to get the \$79 rate.

** Resorts will be donating the Grand Prize which consists of an Overnight Suite accommodation for one night, any Sunday through Friday, excluding holidays. The room will also include a very nice in room amenity. The package will also include dinner for 2 in either of our Gourmet restaurants, Capriccio's or Dougherty's Steak house.

**For those in need of a ride... Free transportation arrangements will be made by the Parish office. Just call us at 609-646-5611.

Gala Dinner

Make Your
Reservations
TODAY!

Come celebrate with us!

KEYS & ROSES THIRD PARISH AWARD BANQUET

FRIDAY, JANUARY 21, 2022 – 6:30 PM

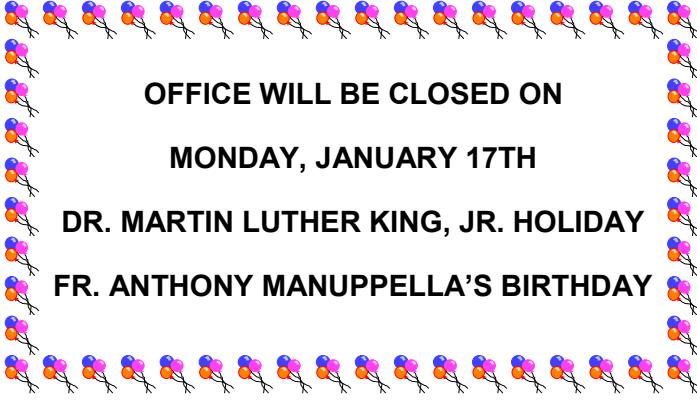
RESORTS CASINO & HOTEL

WOMAN OF THE YEAR: MRS. CHRISTY WIMBERG

MAN OF THE YEAR: MR. ERLAND V. L. CHAU

DONATION PER PERSON: \$125

YOU CAN MAKE YOUR RESERVATION AT THE PARISH OFFICE
OR AT THE END OF ANY OF OUR WEEKEND MASSES



Mass Intentions For The Week

OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON

MONDAY, JANUARY 17TH

DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. HOLIDAY

FR. ANTHONY MANUPPELLA'S BIRTHDAY

JANUARY 8–JANUARY 14

THE SANCTUARY LAMP

WILL BURN

(above the Main Altar)

IN LOVING MEMORY OF

ELIZABETH CHAU

Requested by

ERLAND CHAU

IN LOVING MEMORY OF

BERNARD E. DE LURY

Requested by

CHILDREN & GRANDCHILDREN

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:

SATURDAY, JANUARY 8

4:30 PM Neve T. Marino r/b Mary Goodman
Mario Martirone r/b The Family

SUNDAY, JANUARY 9

8:00 AM Alice C. Johnson r/b Arthur Roesch
10:00 AM Rosemary O'Dowd r/b Jay & Mary Jane Hurley
Barbara Reed r/b Paula Boileau
Janice DiFiore r/b Paula Boileau
12:00 Noon Sandy Blanco r/b Ray & Barbara Sands
2:00 PM Pablo Jimenez r/b Juana Mota

MONDAY, JANUARY 10

8:30 AM Wittman Janos r/b Frank Joseph

TUESDAY, JANUARY 11

8:30 AM Pamela M. Szigethy r/b Bob & Carol

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 12

8:30 AM Helen Chiodo r/b Letitia Montes

THURSDAY, JANUARY 13

8:30 AM Intentions of Fr. Anthony Manuppella r/b Coyle Family

FRIDAY, JANUARY 14

8:30 AM Joseph Barridi r/b William Britton
7:00 PM Living & Deceased Members of the Parish

SATURDAY, JANUARY 15

4:30 PM James Pontari r/b Marlene Pontari

SUNDAY, JANUARY 16

8:00 AM John Linskey Sr. r/b Arthur Roesch

10:00 AM Sebastiano La Rizza r/b Elena Italiano
Edellon Cabrezos r/b Olivia Pacana

12 Noon Intentions of Fr. Anthony Manuppella
r/b Sr. Ballottta

2:00 PM Ermelinda Ortiz r/b Marta Bolivar

Father's Quick Quote:

**"Give Your Children the Gift of
Attending Mass Every Sunday."**

A Warm Welcome

Awarm welcome is extended to all who have come to the Faith community of St. Gianna Beretta Molla Parish this weekend to join us in worship. We are grateful to our faithful Parishioners who come every weekend and we welcome **all** of our neighbors and guests who visit us occasionally. Thank you for being here!

JUST TO LET YOU KNOW

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 begins, please indicate your intention to one of the Parish Ushers.



Meetings at St. Gianna

Please remember to notify the Parish office of your meetings for the current year. We need your cooperation in order to properly schedule the use of any of the available rooms in the Parish buildings. Your help will be greatly appreciated.

In order to keep our records up to date and also stop the mailing of contribution envelopes during the summer/winter months, please note that we would appreciate hearing from parishioners who are summer residents in our Parish before they move away.



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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.



If You Cannot Be On Time,
Then Be EARLY.
Making Time For Prayer
Strengthens Our
Connection With God

Please make every effort to arrive on time for the start of Holy Mass, which begins with the **Sign of the Cross** and ends with the dismissal, "Go in Peace." It is the Lord we insult when we do not give Him our time. He is never too busy to be with us!

THANKS

Remember, the *kneelers* are for *kneeling*. We kindly ask that you not use them, up or down, as *footrests*. Thanks



Become Part of Our Church Family

- A) SO WE KNOW WHO YOU ARE**
- B) SO IF YOU EVER NEED A LETTER, CERTIFICATE, ETC., YOU'RE ON RECORD**
- C) SO YOU CAN BE ON OUR MAILING LIST**
- D) MOST IMPORTANTLY, SO WE CAN SERVE YOU!**

If you are not receiving Contribution envelopes or regular mailings from us and you usually join us for worship, please register! *You are important to us and hopefully we are to you.* Let us know who you are. Registration forms are placed in the Gathering Area of the Church (green binder – English & Spanish). Registration in the Parish facilitates access to the Religious Education Program and other Parish Ministries. Also, it enables the Parish to provide Certificates of Eligibility to serve as Sponsors at Baptism and Confirmation.

Regarding Marriage....

Couples planning to marry at St. Gianna are expected to contact the Priest to arrange a date and time FIRST. Second, they must attend the Pre-Cana conferences as mandated by the Most Reverend Bishop. The period of preparation for marriage is a minimum of six months to ensure completion of all arrangements before the wedding date. *No Exceptions.*

Regarding Funerals...

The proper form of Church Burial for a Baptized Catholic is the Mass of Christian Burial, not a "service" at the funeral home. Please remind your family members and friends.



Baptisms are celebrated the 1st (English) and 4th (Spanish) Saturday of the month at 11:00AM. 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 **last Friday** of every month at 7:00PM in the Parish Church.

NEXT BAPTISMAL CLASS January 28, 2022

Please call the Parish office to register for the class.

REQUIREMENTS FOR SPONSORING A CHILD FOR BAPTISM/CONFIRMATION (GODPARENTS)

1. Baptized Catholic having received the Sacrament of Confirmation
2. 16 years of age or older
3. If married – married according to the Catholic Church
4. Attend Mass faithfully on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation
5. If not registered in this Parish must present a Sponsorship Letter from the Parish that he/she belongs.

O Prince of Peace, we humbly ask your protection for all our Men and Women in the Military Service. Give them courage to defend with honor, dignity and devotion the rights of all who are imperiled by injustice and evil. Protect them and bring them home safely. Amen.



FIRST READING FROM THE BOOK OF THE PROPHET ISAIAH

Comfort, give comfort to my people, says your God. Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and proclaim to her that her service is at an end, her guilt is expiated; indeed, she has received from the hand of the LORD double for all her sins. A voice cries out: In the desert prepare the way of the LORD! Make straight in the wasteland a highway for our God! Every valley shall be filled in, every mountain and hill shall be made low; the rugged land shall be made a plain, the rough country, a broad valley. Then the glory of the LORD shall be revealed, and all people shall see it together; for the mouth of the LORD has spoken. Go up on to a high mountain, Zion, herald of glad tidings; cry out at the top of your voice, Jerusalem, herald of good news! Fear not to cry out and say to the cities of Judah: Here is your God! Here comes with power the Lord GOD, who rules by a strong arm; here is his reward with him, his recompense before him. Like a shepherd he feeds his flock; in his arms he gathers the lambs, carrying them in his bosom, and leading the ewes with care.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

R. O bless the Lord, my soul

O LORD, my God, you are great indeed! you are clothed with majesty and glory,
robed in light as with a cloak. You have spread out the heavens like a tent-cloth. **R.**

You have constructed your palace upon the waters. You make the clouds your chariot; you travel on the wings of the wind. You make the winds your messengers, and flaming fire your ministers. **R.**

How manifold are your works, O LORD! In wisdom you have wrought them all
the earth is full of your creatures; the sea also, great and wide,
in which are schools without number of living things both small and great. **R.**

They look to you to give them food in due time. When you give it to them, they gather it;
when you open your hand, they are filled with good things. **R.**

If you take away their breath, they perish and return to the dust.
When you send forth your spirit, they are created, and you renew the face of the earth. **R.**

SECOND READING FROM THE LETTER OF SAINT PAUL TO TITUS

Beloved: The grace of God has appeared, saving all and training us to reject godless ways and worldly desires and to live temperately, justly, and devoutly in this age, as we await the blessed hope, the appearance of the glory of our great God and savior Jesus Christ, who gave himself for us to deliver us from all lawlessness and to cleanse for himself a people as his own, eager to do what is good. When the kindness and generous love of God our savior appeared, not because of any righteous deeds we had done but because of his mercy, He saved us through the bath of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit, whom he richly poured out on us through Jesus Christ our savior, so that we might be justified by his grace and become heirs in hope of eternal life. The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God**

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

John said: One mightier than I is coming; he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

A READING FROM THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO LUKE

The people were filled with expectation, and all were asking in their hearts whether John might be the Christ. John answered them all, saying, "I am baptizing you with water, but one mightier than I is coming. I am not worthy to loosen the thongs of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire." After all the people had been baptized and Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, heaven was opened and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased." The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ**

El Bautismo del Señor

En el Bautismo del Señor se celebra el Bautismo de Jesús por Juan en las aguas del Jordán. Aunque Él no tiene la mancha del pecado, deseó someterse a este rito de la misma manera que observaba los otros requisitos de la ley. Como ser humano, Él mismo se había sometido a las leyes que regían la vida del pueblo de Israel, pueblo que había sido elegido por Dios para preparar el camino del Redentor. Juan el Bautista llevó a cabo enérgicamente la misión de profetizar y despertar un gran movimiento hacia el arrepentimiento como preparación inmediata para la venida del Reino mesiánico. El Señor desea ser bautizado, dice San Agustín, de modo que él puede proclamar libremente a través de su humildad lo que para nosotros iba a ser una necesidad.

Con su Bautismo, Jesús estableció para nosotros el Sacramento del Bautismo Cristiano, instituido directamente por Cristo con elementos que se impondrían como ley universal el día de su Ascensión.

Toda autoridad en el cielo y en la tierra Me ha sido dada, el Señor dijo ese día. Vayan, por lo tanto y hagan discípulos de todas las Naciones, bautizándolos en el nombre del padre y del hijo y del Espíritu Santo (Mateo 28: 13).

En el bautismo, recibimos la Fe y la Gracia. El día que fuimos bautizados fue el día más importante de nuestras vidas. Como la tierra reseca no cede sus frutos si no consigue agua, así también, nosotros somos como palillos secos que no pueden producir frutos de vida si no reciben abundante agua como la gracia de alto. Antes de ser bautizados, estábamos fuera de las puertas del Paraíso, incapaces de recibir el menor fruto sobrenatural.

Hoy en día, nuestra oración nos permite dar gracias a Dios por este regalo totalmente inmerecido y a regocijarnos con las innumerables bendiciones que tan pródigamente nos ha regalado y nos regala. El sentimiento de Gracias es la primera emoción que debe nacer en nosotros en respuesta a nuestro bautismo. La segunda es la alegría. No debemos nunca pensar en nuestro bautismo sin sentir el profundo sentimiento de alegría interior. Debemos regocijarnos al pensar que nuestras almas fueron purificadas de la mancha del pecado original y de cualquier otro pecado que pudimos haber cometido antes de nuestro bautismo. Todos los hombres somos miembros de la familia que originalmente fue dañada por el pecado de nuestros primeros padres. Este pecado original se transmite como parte integrante de nuestra naturaleza humana, de generación en generación y se encuentra en cada uno de nosotros. Sin embargo, Jesús nos dio el Bautismo como medio específico para que nuestra naturaleza humana se purificara y se liberara de la terrible aflicción del pecado con el que nacimos. El agua bautismal opera de una manera real, lo que significa que limpia y purifica todo defecto o mancha.

San Leo Magno nos dice "Gracias al sacramento del bautismo te has convertido en templo del Espíritu Santo; no se te ocurra ahuyentar con tus malas acciones a tan noble huésped, ni volver a someterte a la servidumbre del demonio: porque tu precio es la sangre de Cristo."



Hoy, dia en que celebramos el Bautismo de nuestro Señor, me gustaría señalarles la importancia de bautizar a un niño con un nombre Cristiano. Es importante que al elegir el nombre para su recien nacido tenga en cuenta lo que nos dicen las leyes canónicas, especialmente en el artículo #855: "Los padres, padrinos y párrocos deben cuidar de que no se dé un nombre ajeno al sentimiento cristiano." ¿Qué significa "ajeno al sentimiento cristiano"? Ponerle a un niño el nombre de una estrella de telenovela, un cantante de rock, estación del año, o un nombre que no tenga ningun significado cristiano es algo ajeno al sentimiento cristiano. Por lo general, los nombres de los protagonistas de una telenovela o un programa de televisión tienen una connotacion pagana.

Muchos anos atras era costumbre darle a los niños el nombre de algún santo por dos razones, para que tuviese un protector en la tierra y un intercesor especial en el cielo. Al mismo tiempo, los padres en familia aprenderian juntos con sus hijos sobre la vida y las virtudes de ese particular santo que seria para toda su vida su "patron e intercessor." Ésta era una costumbre maravillosa que ayudaba a preservar la unidad familiar y creaba un vínculo especial entre el niño, la persona que lo bautizó con ese nombre y su santo/santa protector. Hoy más que nunca, cuando los valores que sostienen una vida buena y virtuosa están siendo destruidos a nuestro alrededor tenemos que mantener y preservar nuestros valores cristianos comenzando desde el nacimiento de sus hijos. Recuperar las costumbres que guia-
ron a nuestros antecesores cristianos los ayudará a vivir vidas que llenas de felicidad y
paz spiritual.



LA PRESENCIA REAL DE DIOS



Somos afortunados de poder alabar a Dios en una iglesia donde el Cuerpo de Cristo está permanentemente reservado en el tabernáculo del Altar.

Es nuestra obligación reconocer la Presencia de Cristo y actuar con suma reverencia al entrar a su casa.

A toda la Comunidad de Santa Gianna que no tengan impedimentos fisicos se les invita a arrodillarse en dirección al Altar, al entrar o al salir de la iglesia y al pasar delante del Tabernáculo con el mayor respeto posible.

Aquellos que por necesidades fisiológicas o impedimentos de salud no lo puedan hacer se les pide que con el respeto debido a Dios, inclinen su cabezas con la pertinente reverencia, al entrar, salir a pasar por el frente del Altar.

Las buenas costumbres y el respeto a Dios no son "cosas antiguas y pasadas de moda."



Si usted visita semanalmente St. Giana y aún no se ha registrado formalmente en la parroquia por favor hágalo. Usted y su familia son importantes para nosotros y esperamos que nosotros lo seamos para usted. Las planillas de registración están ubicadas en el vestibule de la iglesia. El proceso de registración es simple, confidencial y muy importante para la administración de nuestra Parroquia y para servir mejor a nuestra comunidad. Para más información comuníquese con la oficina parroquial (609)646-5611.

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HORARIO DE MISAS EN ESPAÑOL

VIERNES A LAS 7:00 PM

DOMINGOS A LAS 2:00 PM

PRIMERA LECTURA DEL PROFETA ISAIAS

"Consuelen, consuelen a mi pueblo, dice nuestro Dios. Hablen al corazón de Jerusalén y díganle a gritos que ya terminó el tiempo de su servidumbre y que ya ha satisfecho por sus iniquidades, porque ya ha recibido de manos del Señor castigo doble por todos sus pecados". Una voz clama:

"Preparen el camino del Señor en el desierto, construyan en el páramo una calzada para nuestro Dios. Que todo valle se eleve, que todo monte y colina se rebajen; que lo torcido se enderece y lo escabroso se allane. Entonces se revelará la gloria del Señor y todos los hombres la verán". Así ha hablado la boca del Señor. Sube a lo alto del monte, mensajero de buenas nuevas para Sión; alza con fuerza la voz, tú que anuncias noticias alegres a Jerusalén. Alza la voz y no temas; anuncia a los ciudadanos de Judá: "Aquí está su Dios. Aquí llega el Señor, lleno de poder, el que con su brazo lo domina todo. El premio de su victoria lo acompaña y sus trofeos lo anteceden. Como pastor apacentará su rebaño; llevará en sus brazos a los corderitos recién nacidos y atenderá solícito a sus madres". Palabra de Dios.

Te alabamos Señor.

SALMO RESPONSORIAL: *R. Bendice, al Señor, alma mía*

Bendice al Señor, alma mía: Señor y Dios mío, inmensa es tu grandeza.

Te vistes de belleza y majestad, la luz te envuelve como un manto. **R**

Por encima de las aguas construyes tu morada. Las nubes son tu carro;
los vientos, tus alas y mensajeros; y tus servidoras, las ardientes llamas. **R**

¡Que numerosas son tus obras, Señor, y todas las hiciste con maestría!
La tierra está llena de tus criaturas. y tu mar, enorme a lo largo y a lo ancho,
está lleno de animales pequeños y grandes. **R**

Todos los vivientes aguardan que les des de comer a su tiempo:
les das el alimento y lo recogen, abres tu mano y se sacian de bienes. **R**

Se retiras tu aliento, toda creatura muere y vuelve al polvo.
Pero envías tu espíritu, que da vida, y renueva el aspecto de la tierra. **R**

SEGUNDA LECTURA DEL APOSTOL SAN PABLO A TITO

Querido hermano: La gracia de Dios se ha manifestado para salvar a todos los hombres y nos ha enseñado a renunciar a la vida sin religión y a los deseos mundanos, para que vivamos, ya desde ahora, de una manera sobria, justa y fiel a Dios, en espera de la gloriosa venida del gran Dios y Salvador, Cristo Jesús, nuestra esperanza. Él se entregó por nosotros para redimirnos de todo pecado y purificarnos, a fin de convertirnos en pueblo suyo, fervorosamente entregado a practicar el bien. Al manifestarse la bondad de Dios, nuestro salvador, y su amor a los hombres, él nos salvó, no porque nosotros hubiéramos hecho algo digno de merecerlo, sino por su misericordia. Lo hizo mediante el bautismo, que nos regenera y nos renueva, por la acción del Espíritu Santo, a quien Dios derramó abundantemente sobre nosotros, por Cristo, nuestro salvador. Así, justificados por su gracia, nos convertiremos en herederos, cuando se realice la esperanza de la vida eterna. Palabra de Dios. **Te alabamos Señor.**

R. Aleluya

Ya viene otro más poderoso que yo, dijo Juan el Bautista; él los bautizará con el Espíritu Santo y con fuego.

R. Aleluya.

LECTURA DEL SANTO EVANGELIO SEGUN SAN LUCAS

En aquel tiempo, como el pueblo estaba en expectación y todos pensaban que quizás Juan el Bautista era el Mesías, Juan los sacó de dudas, diciéndoles: "Es cierto que yo bautizo con agua, pero ya viene otro más poderoso que yo, a quien no merezco desatarle las correas de sus sandalias. Él los bautizará con el Espíritu Santo y con fuego". Sucedió que entre la gente que se bautizaba, también Jesús fue bautizado. Mientras éste oraba, se abrió el cielo y el Espíritu Santo bajó sobre él en forma sensible, como de una paloma, y del cielo llegó una voz que decía: "Tú eres mi Hijo, el predilecto; en ti me complazco." Palabra de Dios. **Gloria a Ti Señor.**

Cantos Misa Hispana

Bautismo del Señor

ENTRADA

QUIEN ERES TU, PEREGRINO?

Me vistes a la vera del camino
me invitastes a compartir tu pan
yo no sabia quien eras peregrino
cuando senti la fuerza de tu paz
¿Quién eres tú? me pregunté
¿Quien eres tú? quiero saber
quién la respuesta me podrá dar.

**El es el Hijo de Dios, Jesús
el siervo y redentor, Jesús
El es hijo de David, Jesús
promesa y salvación, Jesús
Hijo del Hombre es él, Jesús
Alfa y Omega es El, Jesús
camino a la verdad, Jesús
la vida, el no las da, Jesús
El pan de vida es El, Jesús
Vino de Salvación, Jesús
El es el buen Pastor, Jesús
mi Cristo Redentor, Jesús.**



OFERTORIO

TANTO AMO DIOS AL MUNDO

Tanto amó Dios al mundo,
que entregó a su Hijo único;
todos los que crean en Él,
tendrán vida para siempre.

Como busca la cierva el agua viva
así mi alma te busca a Ti Dios mío.

Mi alma tiene sed de Dios, de Dios vivo,
cuando entrare a ver el rostro de Dios.

Abres Tú, la mano, Señor,
y nos sacias de tus bienes.

Tú preparas una mesa ante mí, y
me unges la cabeza con perfume.



COMUNION

PAN DE VIDA

Pan de vida, cuerpo del Señor
santa copa Cristo Redentor.
su justicia nos convertira
poder es servir porque Dios es amor.

Somos el templo de Dios
fragiles seres humanos
somos el cuerpo de Cristo
llamados a ser compasivos

Ustedes me llaman "Señor"
me inclino a lavarles los pies,
hagan lo mismo, humildes,
sirviendose unos a otros.

No hay esclavos ni libres,
no hay mujeres ni hombres,
solo aquellos que heredan
el Reino que Dios prometio.



SALIDA

VEN LLENA MI VIDA, SEÑOR

Ven llena mi vida Señor
ven llena mi vida Jesús
ven llenala con tu poder
ven llena mi vida Señor.

Espíritu Santo Ven
derrama de tu poder
sopla tu briza suave
que yo la pueda sentir.

Como ríos de agua viva
recorres todo mi ser
que yo sea saturado
con tu divino poder.

