

St. Gianna Beretta Molla Parish

Roman Catholic Church

"All the strength of Satan's reign is due to lukewarm Catholics." St. Pius X
AN OASIS OF FAITH AT THE GATEWAY TO THE SHORE

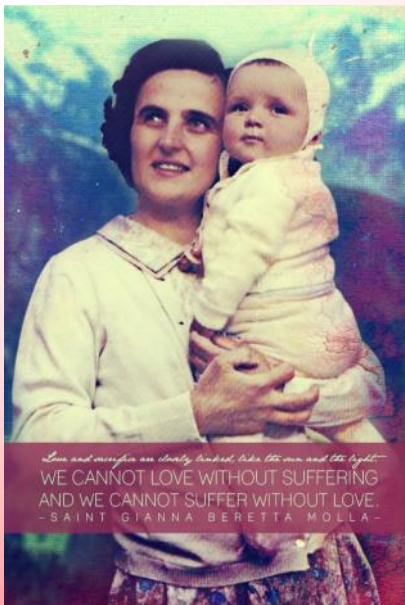
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MASS SCHEDULE

Monday-Friday 8:30 AM (English)

Friday 7:00 PM (Spanish)

Saturday Vigil: 4:30 PM

Sunday: 8:00 & 10:00 AM (English)

12 Noon: Traditional Latin Mass

2:00 PM (Spanish)

Holy Days of Obligation

Vigil Mass: 7:00 PM

Holy Day Masses: 8:30 AM & 12 Noon

7:00 PM Bilingual

Reconciliation

Saturday: 3:00 - 4:30 PM

Anytime by Appointment

Parish Office Business Hours

Monday through Thursday

9:00 AM to 4:00 PM

REGISTRATION: We invite you to officially register as a member of our Parish community. Registration forms can be found in the gathering area of the church. Completed forms can be dropped in the collection basket on any given Sunday or at the Parish office during regular business hours. Sponsorship letters for the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation or Matrimony will **ONLY** be issued to registered parishioners.

JULY 17, 2022

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The Catholic Funeral



When someone whom we love dies, it is surely a time when the good God intervenes in our lives in a very profound way. Regardless of age, kind of death and other extenuating factors, death has a way of forcing us to think and ponder on our own lives. We contemplate the purpose of our existence in coping with the loss of our dear loved one and examining the meaning of “Eternal Life.”

It can and hopefully is a time when family members and friends unite together and support one another in faith and charity. It should be for us a faith-filled moment when we look and think not so much with our natural eyes, that see death’s finality, but as followers of Christ – with the eyes of faith.

In other words, what would we do without our Catholic faith when faced with death? Our lives would be filled with despair and hopelessness. Our lives would be like a dark tunnel with no sight at the end of that tunnel. So, what I am saying, and what Holy Mother the Church is saying, is that Christian death and the Catholic funeral must be a faith-filled experience. It’s not enough for us to think of our deceased loved ones in terms of memories, although memories console us and help us get through the sorrow of death. For us as Catholics and followers of Christ, it must be a time when we realize that Christ has promised us eternal salvation. We all have an immortal soul that can never die, for it was created in God’s image and likeness. Our soul and our spirit, is that place where we are most like God, for if we are in the state of grace, God lives there, the Holy Spirit makes His dwelling there.

So, then the Catholic funeral and plans for the funeral must always keep that **eternal life** factor in it. It cannot just be celebrating “Uncle Joe’s fishing experiences,” “Aunt Mary’s great cooking,” “Dad’s tipping a drink in Heaven with Bobby Kennedy,” etc. These are all-natural things, and there is a place to remember these things and memorable events; it is usually at the funeral home and even better at the reception after the funeral Mass. This is why a *eulogy* is discouraged. The priest gives the homily and can incorporate something of the deceased’s life, but the Church teaches us that the homily must not be a eulogy, but rather an explanation of Christian death and eternal life in the person who has died. The hymns at the Mass must never be secular; e.g., “Danny Boy,” or “Mama,” etc., according to the norms provided to us by the Holy See and the Congregation of Divine Worship. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass must never be the celebration of one’s notoriety or favorite secular songs. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass transcends nationality, secular, and mundane things, for it is the representation of Christ’s sacrifice on Calvary offered for the soul of the deceased so that if the decedent might be in purgatory, the merits of Christ’s Passion and Death will touch the deceased one in death and help the person to get into heaven. The Mass is also to console those who mourn, knowing that God’s grace will fill the souls of all present. It must be remembered that the proper form of a Catholic burial is not a 1-2-3 service at the funeral home. Even if someone has been away from the Church, it is imperative that a Mass be offered for the repose of the soul in Christian justice and charity. This can also be an opportunity for a teachable moment for family and friends of the deceased who may have strayed away from the Church. It is an opportunity to feel welcomed back and experience God’s merciful and healing love. We also remind you that Holy Communion is to be received **only** by Catholics in the state of grace. When planning a Funeral Mass, please take these things into consideration so that it will be a spiritual experience enabling the living to be consoled that their loved one is heaven bound. Please share this information with others in our Parish, especially those we might not always see at Mass on Sundays.





Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

PRESCHOOL PROGRAM FOR 3, 4, AND 5 YEAR OLDS

REGISTER NOW!

A Montessori based approach to the religious formation of children, rooted in Sacred Scripture, liturgy and respect for the child's rich relationship with God. Children are helped to receive and respond to the loving call of Jesus, the Good Shepherd, who calls them by name, has loved them first and desires a deep relationship with them.

Why religious education for the very young? We believe that God and the child have a unique relationship with one another particularly before the age of six and that the growth of this relationship should be assisted by the adult, but is directed by the Spirit of God within the child. Children need their own place to foster the growth of that relationship. For more information contact Vici 609-646-0806. To register for the fall semester contact Christina in the Religious Education office 609-484-0249.



SODALITY OF ST. GIANNA BERETTA MOLLA PARISH

The Sodality of St. Gianna is a community of women who, with Mary our Blessed Mother as our model, pray and work together in service to Christ in our Parish. Our commitment to corporal and spiritual works of mercy include service, outreach and fellowship. Any women associated with St. Gianna (new moms in their 20s, single women, retired women, widows, and others) are invited to join Sodality. We meet on the first Tuesday of every month (except January & February) in the Parish Hall. The meetings are held in the evenings (7:00 p.m.) so it can best fit work and home schedules. Friends and prospective members are always welcome! To learn more about sharing in the grace and blessings of Sodality please contact Linda Cohen (609-703-6962).

Leaders Saves Lives Northfield

Blood Drive at Congregation Beth Israel
Joseph Ashner Memorial Auditorium
2501 Shore Road, Northfield, NJ 08225
Thursday, July 28th. 2 – 7 p.m.

For an appointment, please call 1-800-733-2767. To register online visit RedCrossBlood.org Search by sponsor code: LSL Northfield.

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Father Quick Quote: As you grow older, you will discover that you have two hands: one for helping yourself, the other for helping others. – *Sam Levenson*

SATURDAY, JULY 16

4:30PM Richard A. Kurtz r/b Bob & Bonnie Haymaker

SUNDAY, JULY 17

8AM Marjorie Potenza r/b Sodality of St. Gianna

10AM Clotilde, Matteo, Al, Victor & Dante Vergulti r/b Vergulti Family
Frances Greydanus r/b Family
John C. Vespertino r/b Dante & Eleonora Vespertino

12Noon Rev. Ed Lyons r/b Family & Friends
Maximiliano A. Tavera r/b Gallagher Family

2PM Jose A. Landron r/b Familia

MONDAY, JULY 18

8:30AM James Barilotti r/b Rose & Tony Dolceamore

TUESDAY, JULY 19

8:30 AM Sigmund Cohen r/b Linda Cohen

WEDNESDAY, JULY 20

8:30 AM Helen Vincent r/b Renee & Charbel Fleifel

THURSDAY, JULY 21

8:30 AM Aaron McMurray r/b Renee & Charbel Fleifel

FRIDAY, JULY 22

8:30AM Helen Vincent r/b Dick & Marge Fopeano

7:00 PM Living & Deceased Members of the Parish

SATURDAY, JULY 23

4:30 PM Mass of Thanksgiving r/b Linda Cohen

SUNDAY, JULY 24

8AM Ida Calabro r/b Maria & Joanna Culmone

10AM Mario Martirone r/b JoAnn Stewart & Theresa Vergulti
Robert J. Greydanus r/b Family
Intentions of C.J. Coyle r/b Gwen Coyle

12Noon Maria, Emeterio & Alfredo Bengson r/b Siazon Family

2 PM Miguel Bolivar r/b Marta Bolivar
Trijidia Azure r/b Francisco Azure & Hijos

JULY 16— JULY 22, 2022
THE SANCTUARY LAMP WILL BURN
(above the Main Altar)

In Loving Memory of
MICHAEL SCHURMAN

Requested by
DEBBIE & FAMILY

In Loving Memory of
CLAIRE QUIGLEY

Requested by
GRANDCHILDREN

In Loving Memory of
ELIZABETH CHAU

Requested by
ERLAND CHAU



LAMPS FOR THE ALTARS

SANCTUARY BLESSED MOTHER'S ALTAR
ST. JOSEPH'S ALTAR

After many requests, we are happy to report that you will have the opportunity to dedicate the candle lamps burning at the altars of St. Joseph and our Blessed Mother (right and left of the main altar) as we do with the Sanctuary lamp above the main altar. These lamps will also burn for one week for the intentions of a particular person or in memory of a loved one. Kindly complete the form below and return it to the Parish office. Your request for the lamps (Sanctuary, Blessed Mother/St. Joseph's altars) will be sequentially (on a first-come, first-served basis) assigned and will be announced and published in the Parish bulletin.

LAMP REQUEST

Circle one: In Memory of Intentions of

Requested by:

Phone #:

Donation (\$20)

Cash Enclosed: _____ Check #: _____

Circle one:

SANCTUARY B. MOTHER ST. JOSEPH



- St. Ignatius of Loyola

FIVE FIRST SATURDAYS

IN REPARATION TO THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY

August 6th, September 3rd, October 1st, November 5th

8:00 a.m. Recitation of the Rosary

8:30 a.m. Mass

9:05-9:20 a.m. Meditations on the Mysteries of the Rosary

3:00 p.m. Confessions



Each month we will dedicate our prayers to reparation of a particular blasphemy against the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Please circle these dates on your calendar and join us! Any questions, feel free to email cw.gianna@comcast.net



Baptisms are celebrated the last Saturday of the month at 11 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 **last Friday** of every month at 7:00PM in the Parish church. Please call the Parish office to register for the class.

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

- ◆ Baptized Catholic having received the Sacrament of Confirmation
- ◆ 16 years of age or older
- ◆ If single, they are living a chaste life, that is, not "living together" with someone
- ◆ Attend Mass faithfully on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation
- ◆ If not registered in this Parish must present a Sponsorship Letter from the Parish that he/she belongs.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CORNER

Registration for 2022 - 2023 Religious Education is now underway. The office will be open to register on Mondays and Tuesdays from 9:15 a.m. till 12 Noon through the summer. The office will be closed the month of July. For more information please email the Director at RelEdDirStGianna@gmail.com.

St Gianna's Seniors of Northfield group is inviting new members to come out and participate in our Senior get-together. The second Wednesday of the Month we meet from 12:45 till 2:30 p.m. We socialize, we have speakers, games, we go to 'eat out'. We meet at St Gianna's Parish Hall – behind the church. Come join us and meet some new seniors. Every one is invited. For more info call Maryann at (609)226-2130.



WEDNESDAYS & SATURDAYS

Our Parish's BINGO is a great way to supplement the income gained through Church collections, bequests, and other donations. St. Gianna hosts BINGO every Wednesday and Saturday in the Parish hall (building located at the end of the parking lot, behind the church). Doors open at 8:30 a.m. and the games start at 10 a.m. Join us!! \$1,000 in prize money. Instant winners. Progressive Jack-Pots. Also, coffee, bagels, donuts and lots of fun. Come and enjoy the games!! And meet that wonderful group of parishioners who freely donate their time and talent to make our bingo games, week after week, a delightful and great success. Don't miss it!! Thank you all!!



The Legion of Mary is a lay apostolic association of Catholic men and women who have formed themselves into a body to be of service to the Church.



Founded in Ireland in 1921, it now serves in more than 170 countries throughout the world. Mary the Immaculate is the model and through her its members seek to present Christ to everyone. The objective is the spiritual formation of all confirmed members of the Church through prayer and lay apostolic work to realize their vocation to holiness. St. Gianna's Our Lady of Lourdes Praesidium (this is what a parish Legion of Mary group is known as) meets each Monday at 3:00 PM in the church (Choir Room located behind the Altar). You are most welcome to join us. We welcome Rev. Franklin Opara as our Spiritual Director.

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 meets on **Monday nights at 7 pm in the Parish Hall** to share with each other our prayer concerns, pray the rosary, read the Scriptures, praise and worship. Father Franklin Opara MSSCC is our director. We invite you to come and to be a powerful part of prayer. Any questions call Colleen 609-703-7880.



St. Gianna Pro-Life Ministry continues to support "Moms in Need" at the Jersey Shore Women's Center. The pregnancy center provides support to all women and their families in a loving environment, connecting them to the resources and services they need. Current Needs: Consumables: Diapers (Sizes 3 to 6); Pullups (Sizes 3T to 5T); Wipes; Baby Toiletries (Shampoo, Lotion, Orajel, Diaper Rash Cream) Gift cards to buy formula. Gift cards: (Uber). If you have any questions, please call Eleonora Vespertino at 609-841-7854. Thank you for your continued support.

DID YOU KNOW... A SACRAMENT IS A SIGN OF CHRIST

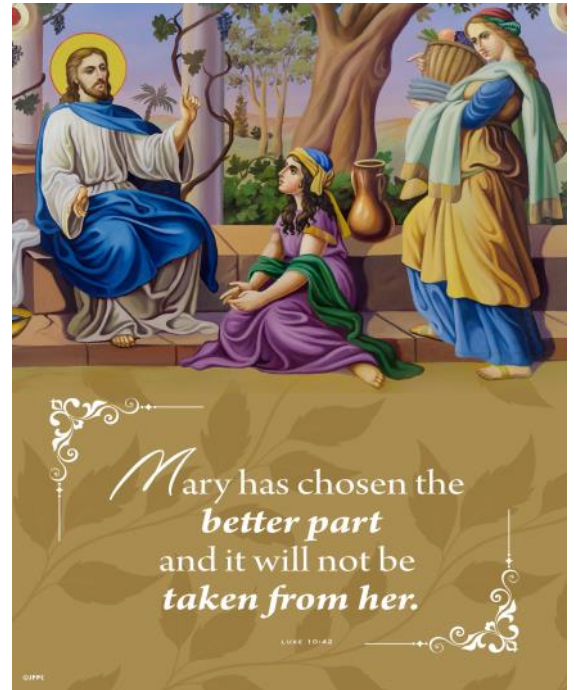
A sacrament is an outward sign instituted by Christ to give grace. It indicates that Christ is in action working in our souls to produce grace. A sacrament is a sign of grace and a sign of Christ in three ways:

PAST. The Passion of Christ—the source of grace.

PRESENT. Grace itself—the life of Christ in us.

FUTURE. The result of grace—our share in the glory of the risen Christ.

There are seven sacraments: Baptism, Confirmation, Holy Eucharist, Penance, Anointing of the Sick, Holy Orders, and Matrimony. *St. Joseph Baltimore Catechism*



HELP for THOSE IN NEED

As Christians, we are called to help those in need. As you know, our Parish regularly hosts food collections (1st weekend of the month) to benefit local food pantries and to provide for those in great need. However, quite often people come to us in need of immediate assistance to purchase food. We are presently collecting Gift Cards (ACME, ShopRite, Rite Aid, and WALMART). Please if you are looking for a way to share your blessings we encourage you to purchase a Gift Card, in the denomination of your choice, place it in an envelope and return it to the Parish office either via the collection basket or by bringing it to the Parish office on your way by. Your contribution to this effort will be greatly appreciated. Thank you for helping us to help others.



We would like to thank

BOB'S SEAFOOD MARKET

Eat Fish Live Longer

1121 Tilton Road, Northfield

For advertising in our weekly Bulletin.

ALTAR FLOWERS

If you wish to donate Altar flowers for a special intention or in memory of a loved one, you may do so by calling the Parish office. Your flowers will beautifully decorate the Sanctuary for the entire week, and at the same time your donation will defray the cost of flowers for the Altar. The name of the person being remembered and the donor's name will be posted in the Parish Sunday bulletin.

Parish Weekly Offerings July 9-10, 2022

1st Collection: \$ 7,497.00

2nd Collection: \$ 3,432.00

For a total of: \$ 10,929.00

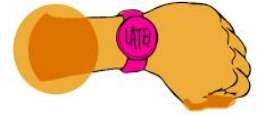


THE LORD'S REAL PRESENCE

We are fortunate enough to worship in a Church in which the **Body of Christ** is re-served. 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!



Sacrament of 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 day. Please contact the Parish office for more information.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION – PRE-CANA

OUR LADY OF THE ANGELS. 35 E. MECHANIC ST. CAPE MAY COURT HOUSE, NJ 08210

For information and to register for the class please call 609-287-9205 or 609-827-2127.

PRAYER MINISTRY OF ST. GIANNA

"Nobody is so poor that he has nothing to give, and nobody is so rich that he has nothing to receive."

St. Pope John Paull II

Today's busy world creates a dilemma for us. We are called to serve each other in our Parish but after family, work and community responsibilities there is little time left. Well, now there is something, perhaps the most important something, that we can all participate in. St. Gianna parish has a prayer ministry that invites anyone with a prayer request to call and activate a list of people who will support you through prayer.

We are looking for "pray-ers." This is a person who is willing to pray for the individual needs of people in the parish and community. There is no age limit, from little children to seniors, homebound to the over scheduled. And it is the perfect family project. This ministry will only require a few minutes of your day. When you receive a call you keep the person's request in your daily prayer for 30 days. If you are interested in being a part of this ministry please call 609-646-0806 with your email address or questions.



Saturday Evening: 4:30 PM

Sunday: 8:00 & 10:00 AM

12 Noon Traditional Latin Mass

2:00 PM (Spanish)

WEEKDAYS:

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 (Bilingual)



Saturday 3:00 – 4:30 PM. Anytime by Appointment

Priests and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion are readily available to bring Holy 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 Sacrament, please let us know by contacting the Parish office.



FIRST READING: A READING FROM THE BOOK OF GENESIS

The LORD appeared to Abraham by the terebinth of Mamre, as he sat in the entrance of his tent, while the day was growing hot. Looking up, Abraham saw three men standing nearby. When he saw them, he ran from the entrance of the tent to greet them; and bowing to the ground, he said: "Sir, if I may ask you this favor, please do not go on past your servant. Let some water be brought, that you may bathe your feet, and then rest yourselves under the tree. Now that you have come this close to your servant, let me bring you a little food that you may refresh yourselves; and afterward you may go on your way." The men replied, "Very well, do as you have said." Abraham hastened into the tent and told Sarah, "Quick, three measures of fine flour! Knead it and make rolls." He ran to the herd, picked out a tender, choice steer, and gave it to a servant, who quickly prepared it. Then Abraham got some curds and milk, as well as the steer that had been prepared, and set these before the three men; and he waited on them under the tree while they ate. They asked Abraham, "Where is your wife Sarah?" He replied, "There in the tent." One of them said, "I will surely return to you about this time next year, and Sarah will then have a son."

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

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: *R. He who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord.*

One who walks blamelessly and does justice; who thinks the truth in his heart
and slanders not with his tongue.

R. He who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord.

Who harms not his fellow man, nor takes up a reproach against his neighbor;
by whom the reprobate is despised, while he honors those who fear the LORD.

R. He who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord.

Who lends not his money at usury and accepts no bribe against the innocent.

One who does these things shall never be disturbed.

R. He who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord.

SECOND READING: A READING FROM THE LETTER OF SAINT PAUL TO THE COLOSSIANS

Brothers and sisters: Now I rejoice in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am filling up what is lacking in the afflictions of Christ on behalf of his body, which is the church, of which I am a minister in accordance with God's stewardship given to me to bring to completion for you the word of God, the mystery hidden from ages and from generations past. But now it has been manifested to his holy ones, to whom God chose to make known the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles; it is Christ in you, the hope for glory. It is he whom we proclaim, admonishing everyone and teaching everyone with all wisdom, that we may present everyone perfect in Christ. The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God**

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Blessed are they who have kept the word with a generous heart and yield a harvest through perseverance.

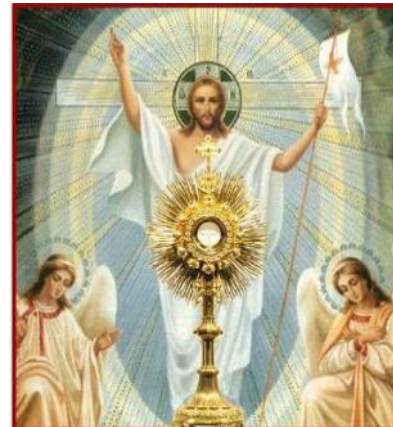
R. Alleluia, alleluia.

A READING FROM THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO LUKE

Jesus entered a village where a woman whose name was Martha welcomed him. She had a sister named Mary who sat beside the Lord at his feet listening to him speak. Martha, burdened with much serving, came to him and said, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me by myself to do the serving? Tell her to help me." The Lord said to her in reply, "Martha, Martha, you are anxious and worried about many things. There is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part and it will not be taken from her." The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ**

"The Church and the world have a great need of Eucharistic adoration." John Paul II

You are needed!! Day and night Jesus dwells in the Blessed Sacrament exposed at Our Lady of Sorrows Church (724 Maple Avenue, Linwood, NJ) for adoration, which means that we are able to pray before the Lord at any time, day or night. And volunteers are in great need to commit to be present so our Lord is never left alone. You can sign-up to be a permanent or a substitute adorer by calling Melanie, Adoration Coordinator, at 609-665-9161. There are plenty of time slots available. *Don't feel like you have time to spend an hour because you are too busy?* Then stop by for a few minutes before going to work or at the end of your work day. Let us be generous with our time and allow Jesus to meet with us. Let us spend some time listening to Him with our heart and mind. Come one, come all! Let us adore Him.



Friendly Reminders

MEETINGS TAKING PLACE AT ST. GIANNA

In order to provide our parishioners with accurate information and properly schedule the use of any of the available rooms in the parish buildings, we are asking **ALL** parish committees to contact the Parish office for the scheduling of any event/meeting taking place in our Parish. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

PULPIT ANNOUNCEMENTS

If your ministry has an announcement that needs to be read at Mass, please call the parish office or email us no later than the Thursday before you need it to be read at bulletinstgianna@comcast.net

PARISH BULLETIN

Articles or announcements to appear in the Sunday bulletin are due **Monday at Noon**. No exceptions. They can be submitted in two formats:

- 1) email: bulletinstgianna@comcast.net
- 2) handwritten (please print) to be submitted to the Parish office (mail and/or fax).

Please note: Articles are to contain Who, What, When, Where, and Why. Also, the name and telephone number of the person responsible for the article.

When possible, the article will be repeated in the bulletin until the event takes place.

Our Parish community extends its deepest condolences to the family and friends of **Gabriel Saccinni**. May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

Our Sympathy

The Knights of Columbus in Southern New Jersey is looking for a few full-time field agents to serve our members and their families. By joining our sales force, you will receive access to extensive training in an exclusive territory, and continuing education opportunities. Contact Peter Marsico, FICF, General agent (609)927-5848/(609)335-5189 or peter.marsico@kofc.org

Jersey Shore Women's Center

You are invited to the Jersey Shore Women's Center 3rd Annual Benefit Dinner on Friday, August 12, 2022. Cocktails at 6 p.m., dinner and program at 7 p.m. at the Seaview, a Dolce Hotel, 401 South New York Road, Galloway, NJ 08205. Your support is needed! Help us to continue to create a culture of LIFE here in NJ! Single ticket: \$125. Couples ticket: \$200. Keynote speaker: Abby Johnson. Register at: <https://secure.fundeasy.com/ministrysync/event/?e=23034>

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for the infirm of our parish ©JPPC

FUNERAL CATOLICO

Cuando alguien que amamos muere, Dios eternamente bueno interviene en nuestras vidas de una manera muy profunda. Independientemente de la edad o de la manera en la que la persona haya muerto, la muerte en si nos hace reflexionar sobre nuestras propias vidas y el significado de la "vida eterna." Es un momento en que tanto familiares como amigos se apoyan en la fe y la caridad para salir adelante. En otras palabras, *¿qué haríamos sin nuestra Fe católica cuando nos enfrentamos a la muerte?* Nuestra vida estaría llena de desesperación y desesperanza; sería algo así como un túnel oscuro sin salida.



Lo que estoy tratando de decir y lo que nos enseña la santa Iglesia Católica es que la muerte y el funeral católico deben ser experiencias de fe. Aunque los recuerdos nos consuelen y nos ayuden a superar el dolor de la muerte, como Católicos, la muerte debe ser un momento que nos haga reflexionar en la promesa que nos hizo Cristo, la Salvación Eterna. Tenemos un alma inmortal que nunca puede morir porque fue creada a imagen y semejanza de Dios. El Alma, el Espíritu, es ese lugar en el que (si estamos en el estado de Gracia) Dios mora junto con el Espíritu Santo.

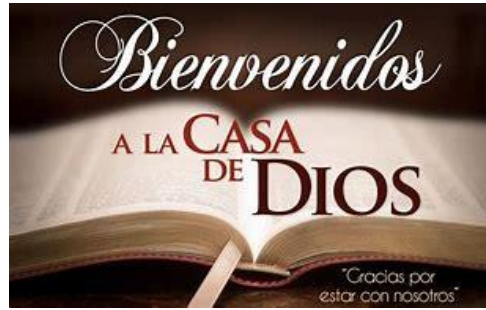
Entonces, cuando planeamos un funeral el factor principal que debemos tener siempre por presente es el de la vida eterna. El sacerdote da la homilía y puede incorporar momentos importantes de la vida del difunto, pero la Iglesia nos enseña que la homilía no debe ser un elogio, sino más bien una explicación de la muerte cristiana y la vida eterna en la persona que ha muerto. Los himnos en la misa nunca deben ser seculares sino de acuerdo con las normas que nos proporciona la Santa Sede y la Congregación de la Adoración Divina. El Santo Sacrificio de la Misa trasciende cosas seculares y mundanas, ya que es la representación del sacrificio de Cristo en el Calvario ofrecido por el alma del difunto, de modo que, si el difunto pudiese estar en el purgatorio, los méritos de la Pasión y Muerte de Cristo tocan al difunto en la muerte y lo ayudan a entrar al Cielo.

Entonces, en la planificación de la Misa de Funeral, por favor tome estas cosas en consideración para que sea una experiencia espiritual que permita que los vivos se consuelen de que su ser querido está ligado al Cielo.

Compartan esta información con otras personas de nuestra Parroquia, especialmente con aquellos a quienes no siempre vemos en la Misa los domingos.



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 Tabernáculo y por sobre todo debemos respetar a las personas que estan orando y preparándose espiritualmente para la celebración de la Santa Misa. Respetemos la Casa de Dios.



MISAS EN ESPAÑOL

VIERNES 7 PM

DOMINGOS 2 PM

Si usted visita semanalmente Santa Gianna y aún no se ha registrado formalmente en la parroquia, por favor hágalo. Las planillas de registración están ubicadas en el vestibule de la iglesia. El proceso de registración es simple pero muy importante para la administración de nuestra iglesia y para servir mejor a nuestra comunidad. **También Necesitamos de su Colaboración...** Para mantener los archivos de nuestra parroquia en orden. Por favor comuníquese con la oficina parroquial si desea solicitar sobres de contribución, cambiar su número telefónico, su estado civil o su domicilio. Gracias!

Por favor recordémos en nuestras oraciones a todos aquellos que no están pasando por un buen momento en éstos días; especialmente los que se encuentran en hospitales y casas para ancianos y muy especialmente recordemos a todos aquellos que están terminalmente enfermos.

Por favor por cortesía a toda la comunidad que se presenta en Misa, si sus niños están inquietos y pueden, de alguna manera, servir de distracción, dirijase al cuarto que esta designado para niños en frente de la sacristía. Si no encuentra el cuarto, por favor, contácte algunos de los Ushers. Gracias por su colaboración.

Recuerden: Los Bautismos se celebran los **Primeros Sábados** de cada mes a las **11 AM**. Por favor llame a la Oficina Parroquial para hacer los arreglos administrativos necesarios. La **Clase de Preparación Bautismal** para los Padres y los Padrinos es **obligatoria** y se dicta el **ultimo Viernes** de cada mes inmediatamente después de la Misa en la iglesia.

JULIO: MES CONSAGRADO A LA PRECIOSA SANGRE DE NUESTRO SEÑOR

CONFESIONES

VIERNES: 6-630 PM

SABADOS: 3-430 PM

FUERA DE ESTOS HORARIOS PUEDE HACER SU CITA LLAMANDO A LA OFICINA PARROQUIAL. RECUERDE QUE LOS DOMINGOS NO HAY CONFESIONES. GRACIAS.

RECUERDEN QUE EL SANTISIMO SACRAMENTO ESTA PRESENTE EN NUESTRA IGLESIA EN TODO MOMENTO. UNA PROFUNDA SALUTACION AL ENTRAR Y AL SALIR DE LA IGLESIA ES RECOMENDABLE. POR FAVOR RECUERDE GUARDAR SILENCIO DENTRO DE LA IGLESIA POR RESPETO A LAS PERSONAS QUE ESTAN ORANDO. GRACIAS.

Es necesario el silencio para escuchar la Palabra de Dios, para prepararnos a escuchar esa Palabra. Dios se hizo Palabra en Jesús, y condición para escuchar esa Palabra es el silencio: silencio del corazón, de la mente, de los sentidos, silencio ambiental.



PRIMERA LECTURA DEL LIBRO DEL GENESIS

Un día, el Señor se le apareció a Abraham en el encinar de Mambré. Abraham estaba sentado en la entrada de su tienda, a la hora del calor más fuerte. Levantando la vista, vio de pronto a tres hombres que estaban de pie ante él. Al verlos, se dirigió a ellos rápidamente desde la puerta de la tienda, y postrado en tierra, dijo: "Señor mío, si he hallado gracia a tus ojos, te ruego que no pases junto a mí sin detenerte. Haré que traigan un poco de agua para que se laven los pies y descansen a la sombra de estos árboles; traeré pan para que recobren las fuerzas y después continuarán su camino, pues sin duda para eso han pasado junto a su siervo." Ellos le contestaron: "Está bien. Haz lo que dices". Abraham entró rápidamente en la tienda donde estaba Sara y le dijo: "Date prisa, toma tres medidas de harina, amásalas y cuece unos panes." Luego Abraham fue corriendo al establo, escogió un ternero y se lo dio a un criado para que lo matara y lo preparara. Cuando el ternero estuvo asado, tomó requesón y leche y lo sirvió todo a los forasteros. Él permaneció de pie junto a ellos, bajo el árbol, mientras comían. Ellos le preguntaron: "¿Dónde está Sara, tu mujer?" Él respondió: "Allá, en la tienda". Uno de ellos le dijo: "Dentro de un año volveré sin falta a visitarte por estas fechas; para entonces, Sara, tu mujer, habrá tenido un hijo." Palabra de Dios. **Te alabamos Señor.**

SALMO RESPONSORIAL: R. ¿Quién será grato a tus ojos, Señor?

El hombre que procede honradamente y obra con justicia; el que es sincero en sus palabras
y con su lengua a nadie desprestigia.

R. ¿Quién será grato a tus ojos, Señor?

Quien no hace mal al prójimo ni difama al vecino; quien no ve con aprecio a los malvados
pero honra a quienes temen al Altísimo.

R. ¿Quién será grato a tus ojos, Señor?

Quien presta sin usura y quien no acepta soborno en perjuicio de inocentes.

Quienes vivan así serán gratos a Dios eternamente.

R. ¿Quién será grato a tus ojos, Señor?

LECTURA DE LA CARTA DE SAN PABLO A LOS COLOSENSES

Hermanos: Ahora me alegro de sufrir por ustedes, porque así completo lo que falta a la pasión de Cristo en mí, por el bien de su cuerpo, que es la Iglesia. Por disposición de Dios, yo he sido constituido ministro de esta Iglesia para predicarles por entero su mensaje, o sea el designio secreto que Dios ha mantenido oculto desde siglos y generaciones y que ahora ha revelado a su pueblo santo. Dios ha querido dar a conocer a los suyos la gloria y riqueza que este designio encierra para los paganos, es decir, que Cristo vive en ustedes y es la esperanza de la gloria. Ese mismo Cristo es el que nosotros predicamos cuando corregimos a los hombres y los instruimos con todos los recursos de la sabiduría, a fin de que todos sean cristianos perfectos. Palabra de Dios. **Te alabamos Señor.**

R. Aleluya, aleluya.

Dichosos los que cumplen la palabra del Señor con un corazón bueno y sincero,
y perseveran hasta dar fruto

R. Aleluya.

LECTURA DEL SANTO EVANGELIO SEGUN SAN LUCAS

En aquel tiempo, entró Jesús en un poblado, y una mujer, llamada Marta, lo recibió en su casa. Ella tenía una hermana, llamada María, la cual se sentó a los pies de Jesús y se puso a escuchar su palabra. Marta, entre tanto, se afanaba en diversos quehaceres, hasta que, acercándose a Jesús, le dijo: "Señor, ¿no te has dado cuenta de que mi hermana me ha dejado sola con todo el quehacer? Dile que me ayude." El Señor le respondió: "Marta, Marta, muchas cosas te preocupan y te inquietan, siendo así que una sola es necesaria. María escogió la mejor parte y nadie se la quitará." Palabra del Señor. **Gloria a ti, Señor.**

Atención Hombres, Mujeres y Niños de Santa Gianna!!

Padre Franklin Opara invita a todos los feligreses que quieran participar sirviendo como Monaguillos/monaguillas en nuestra iglesia a comunicarse con él después de la Misa (Viernes o Domingo). Padre Opara estará a cargo de los entrenamientos necesarios. Lo único que usted necesita es Buena voluntad y un deseo ardiente de servir a Dios y a su Iglesia aquí en nuestra Parroquia. Gracias!!

Marquen sus calendarios!!

Hora Santa – Exposición y Adoración del Santísimo Sacramento
Primer Viernes de cada mes inmediatamente después de la Misa
Los esperamos!!

5 PRIMEROS SABADOS DEL MES EN REPARACION AL INMACULADO CORAZON DE MARÍA

JULIO 2, AGOSTO 6, SEPTIEMBRE 3, OCTUBRE 1, NOVIEMBRE 5

8 AM: RECITACIÓN DEL SANTO ROSARIO

8:30 AM: MISA

9:05-9:20 AM: MEDITACIÓN DE LOS MISTERIOS DEL SANTO ROSARIO

3 PM: CONFESIONES



Cada mes vamos a dedicar nuestras oraciones para reparar las blasfemias en contra del Inmaculado Corazón de María. Márquen sus calendarios y traten de participar en esta importante devoción.

Recordemos que la Eucaristía es el regalo más grande que Cristo nos ha hecho, movido por su deseo de quedarse con nosotros después de la Ascensión.

DENUNCIE EL ABUSO SEXUAL

Un número telefónico gratuito e independiente ha sido establecido por la Diócesis de Camden para ayudar a las personas a denunciar casos de abusos sexuales por sacerdotes, diáconos, religiosos, empleados y/o voluntarios. Las llamadas son manejadas por un trabajador social clínico licenciado. De acuerdo a la ley del estado, los abusos de menores son reportados a la División de Protección de la Infancia y la Permanencia y a la policía. Para más información o para obtener servicios de consejería y apoyo, llame al: 1-800-964-6588.

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16, 17, 18 DE SEPTIEMBRE

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