

# 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**

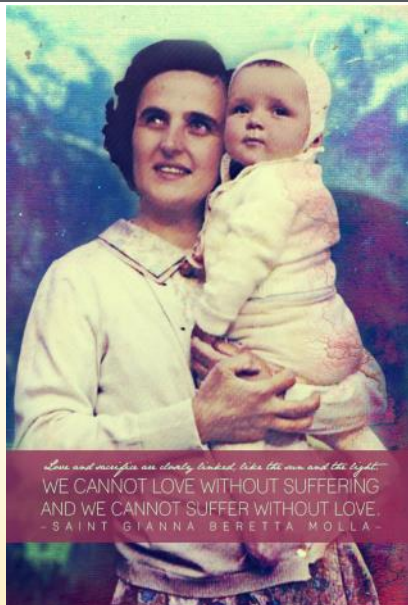
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### ST. GIANNA PARISH SERVED BY

#### Pastor

Rev. Anthony J. Manuppella

#### Part-Time Parochial Vicar

Rev. Franklin Opara

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Rev. Sunny Mathew

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#### PARISH STAFF

#### Parish Secretary/Bulletin Editor

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Anne Hyatt

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Dr. Michael Phelps

#### Director of Religious Education

Mrs. Cece Whittaker -DiAngelo

### 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.

## AUGUST 28, 2022

## TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### HYMNS FOR THE WEEKEND

**ENTRANCE:** #704 St. Michael Hymnal "Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty"

**OFFERTORY:** #670 St. Michael Hymnal "O Living Bread from Heaven"

**COMMUNION:** Letter "W" in the back of St. Michael Hymnal "We Remember"

**CLOSING:** #548 St. Michael Hymnal "Hail, Holy Queen Enthroned Above"



## Importance of Parental Blessing

*From the Pastor's Desk*

As your children return to school in a couple of weeks, I am suggesting to parents that they return to the age-old custom of *blessing* their children. Start a new chapter in your family's history. A half century ago – and far beyond – the parental blessing used to be a common custom. In recent years, as conveniences, we gradually abandoned many of our precious spiritual values. Does this mean that we don't need spiritual blessings anymore? Indeed, the opposite is true. We need them more than ever before! Because along with our increasing worldliness we have suffered a corresponding loss of spiritual values. Let's not just talk about our loss and bewail it, but get moving and rebuild our Catholic faith, our Catholic customs.

Fathers and mothers are the priests and sisters of their own "little churches" – their homes! They are placed there to teach and to bless. It is a solemn scene, a touching sight for a mother or a father passing from one kneeling child to another, imparting their blessing. Open hands are laid momentarily on the child's head. You may wish to add a few words, admirations, petitions, etc. Parental blessing is as old as the human race! It began with the oldest patriarchs. Throughout the Old Testament it was the usual method of transmitting divine favors. The blessings conferred on their children by Abraham, Isaac and Jacob are known to all who read the Bible. The Bible gives us an authoritative statement on parental blessing: *"In word and deed, honor your father that his blessing may come upon you, for a father's blessing gives a family firm roots, but a mother's curse uproots the growing plant."* Ecclesiastes 3:8-9 Our Lord used to gather the little children around Him and bless them. He said, "Suffer the little children to come unto Me!" Then, embracing them and laying His hands upon them, He blessed them.

Parents love their children but so rarely bless them. One is inclined to think that the privilege no longer exists. Nevertheless, JESUS WANTS CHILDREN TO BE BLESSED! Certainly, the blessing bestowed by Jesus is more efficacious than the blessing bestowed by parents. Even so, parental blessing is something so holy, so powerful, that it deserves to be called the *Sacrament of the Domestic Hearth*. The picture of a young mother placing hands of benediction on an innocent child is beautiful to behold. No less inspiring is the sight of an aged parent giving with trembling hands a blessing to a full-grown son or daughter! This is a privilege that belongs to fathers and mothers. Here you are urged to use a privilege. This is yours by divine grant – a privilege that goes with the dignity of parenthood. *SO, WHY NOT BLESS YOUR CHILDREN?*

If this "Sacrament of the Domestic Hearth" were more frequently administered, there would be many more happy, contented families. The two indispensable factors for happiness in the home are amiable authority on the part of the parents and loving obedience on the part of the children. If your home is not all that you would like it to be, try blessing your children regularly. It will encourage oneness, love, reverence and obedience.

Some years ago, the newspapers attracted the attention of readers with the headline: "Bishop Kneels for Mother's Blessing." The bishop was Bishop Roach of India. He met his mother at the railway station, then in the presence of a crowd of people, he knelt before his mother to receive her blessing and the grand old lady, placing her wrinkled hands on the head of her illustrious son, moved many spectators to tears. Fathers and mothers, open up to your children this effective means of Grace. Make a diligent and frequent use of this great privilege. Pray over them, "May you live a long life in holiness and happiness in Christ."

*When ought parents bless their children?*

\*At night is a very good time to give a daily blessing



\*Before going on a trip, undertaking an important or dangerous task, during sickness, children ought to receive their parent's blessing. At the more important turning points in life, e.g.: entering school; First Holy Communion, entering Marriage or upon entering the convent, monastery or seminary.

\*Send a Blessing to your absent children before you go to bed at night, think of your absent sons or daughters. They may be in real need of your help.

Your blessing is the most powerful help you can give them. Protect them with the Sacred Sign of the Cross that you make over them or in their direction.

**Class registration in Progress!**

In the fall we will begin Instructional Classes for anyone who is interested in becoming Catholic and also, any adult Baptized Catholic who has not yet made Confirmation, received Holy Communion or First Penance. Please spread the word about our RCIA Program to your non-Catholic friends and those who are Baptized but have not received the Sacraments. If you wish you can take the classes as a Refresher Course. It's a great opportunity to grow in faith! Classes will take place on Thursdays. Those who are interested, please fill out the form below and return it to the Parish office or drop it in the Collection basket.



ST. GIANNA ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH  
NORTHFIELD, NJ  
**2022-2023 R.C.I.A. REGISTRATION FORM**

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE OF BIRTH: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_

CITY

STATE

PHONE #: HOME: (    ) \_\_\_\_\_

CELL: (    ) \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

(PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY)

I AM A NON-CATHOLIC (    )

I NEED THE FOLLOWING SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM (    )    FIRST COMMUNION (    )    CONFIRMATION (    )

I AM A BAPTIZED CATHOLIC, BUT I NEED THE FOLLOWING SACRAMENTS

FIRST COMMUNION (    )                      CONFIRMATION (    )

I WOULD LIKE TO TAKE CLASSES AS A REFRESHER COURSE (    )

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 27**

4:30PM **Giuseppi Martirone** r/b Family

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 28**

8AM **Edward Diamons Jr.** r/b Sr. Pat & Family

10AM **Patricia Coyle** r/b Nina & Dino Giacona  
**Junie Rojas** r/b MaryAnn Gacayan  
**Intentions of Adi & Bobby Happy**

**Anniversary!** r/b Eleonora & Dante  
**Peter D'Anna** r/b Pat & Brian Yates

12NOON **Intentionos of Fr. Anthony Manuppella**  
r/b Sr. Dolores Ballotta

2PM **Maria & Gregorio Godoy** r/b Familia

**MONDAY, AUGUST 29**

8:30AM **Bruce J. Matus Sr.** r/b Bob & Sharon Miller

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 30**

8:30 AM **Judith Smith** r/b Donna Polazneck

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 31**

8:30 AM **Melissa Zaug** r/b Bonnie & Bob Haymaker

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 1**

8:30 AM **Bruce J. Matus Sr.** r/b Lea Murphy

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 2**

8:30AM **Rev. Michael Lambeth** r/b Justin McCarthy

7:00 PM **Antonio Manuel Cortez Jr.** r/b Eveliz Robles

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 3**

4:30 PM **Rose Pessolano** r/b Anthony & Ann  
Marinaccio  
**Walter Kliche** r/b Kathleen Kliche

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 4**

8AM **Elizabeth Aument** r/b Dino & Nina  
Giacona

10AM **Angelina Renda** r/b Perez Family  
**George & Pearl Steinga** r/b Family  
**James McGowan** r/b Bob & Paula  
Boileau  
**Jewel Craddock** r/b Dante & Eleonora  
Vespertino

12 Noon **Silvana Giaccone** r/b Stacy  
Christodoulou

2 PM **Jose Alfredo Landron** r/b Damasa Landron  
& Familia

**AUGUST 27 – SEPTEMBER 2, 2022**

**THE SANCTUARY LAMP WILL BURN**

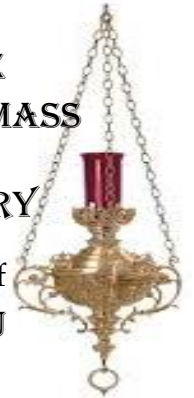
*(above the Main Altar)*

**INCREASE IN  
DEVOTION TO THE  
TRADITIONAL LATIN MASS**

Requested by  
**BERNARD E. DE LURY**

In Loving Memory of  
**ELIZABETH CHAU**

Requested By  
**HER SON, 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



## HARVEST OF PLENTY '22

### 50/50 (50% WINNERS, 50% PARISH)

**DRAWING:** SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2022 @ 5:30 PM—right after the 4:30 PM Mass—FRONT PORCH OF THE CHURCH

- \*Tickets will be sold after all the weekend masses starting on Labor Day weekend (September 3 & 4, 2022).
- \*Ticket cost is \$20 each
- \*Our prizes: 10 winners will receive \$1,000 each, if all tickets are sold, or 5% of proceeds collected
- \*Only 1,000 tickets will be sold
- \*Anyone that buys 5 chances (\$100.00) will be automatically entered into a separate drawing for a \$200.00 Crab Trap Gift Card



**Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass, Sunday, September 25, 2022, 3:00 p.m.  
St. Gianna Beretta Molla Parish Hall**

If this year, 2022, you are celebrating a milestone Wedding Anniversary of 25, 50, 60 or 70 years or more, please join us. A light reception will follow in the Parish Hall. Registration forms are available in the gathering area of the church.

**Deadline is September 9, 2022.**



**Father's Quick Quote: "No prayer, no power. A little prayer, a little power. A lot of prayer, a lot of power. Never forget it!! ~Sound advice from a Catholic Priest**

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!!

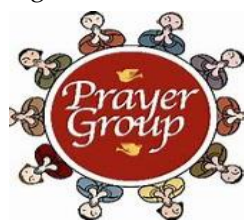


The Legion of Mary is a lay apostolic association of Catholic men and women who have formed themselves into a body to be of service to the Church. Founded in Ireland in 1921, it now serves in more than 170 countries throughout the world. Mary the Immaculate is the model and through her its members seek 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.

**FIVE FIRST SATURDAYS IN REPARATION TO THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY**

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

## 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. And 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).

**MEETING:** We will be having a membership drive and pizza party for our first meeting on Tuesday, September 13th at 6:30 PM. **MASSSES:** Mass for Patty Coyle is on Sunday, September 18th at the 8:00AM Mass. We will pray the Rosary after the Mass.

### Loaves & Fishes Project

The Sodality of St. Gianna will be collecting non-perishable food for families in need on the **first Sunday of every month**. Please place your donations in the Church's Gathering Area. Next Collection: **September 3-4, 2022**



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*Sponsor of the Week!*

We would like to thank  
**BUNTING FAMILY PHARMACY**  
1337 New Road, Northfield  
*Accepting Most Insurances-Free Delivery*  
**for advertising in our weekly Bulletin.**

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

*Our Sympathy*

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.

### Parish Weekly Offerings – August 13-14, 2022

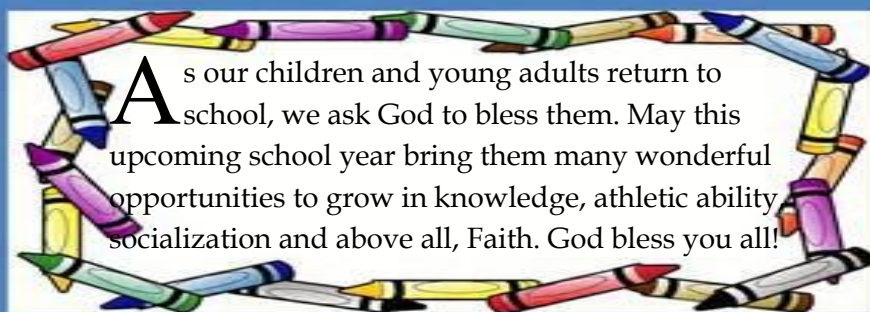


1st Collection: \$ 5,841.00

2nd Collection: \$ 2,066.00

For a total of: \$ 7,907.00

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



As our children and young adults return to school, we ask God to bless them. May this upcoming school year bring them many wonderful opportunities to grow in knowledge, athletic ability, socialization and above all, Faith. God bless you all!

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



**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 hall. 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.

**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**.

**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](mailto: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](mailto: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.

**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. For more information please email the Director: [RelEdDirStGianna@gmail.com](mailto:RelEdDirStGianna@gmail.com).





**FIRST READING: A READING FROM THE BOOK OF SIRACH**

**M**y child, conduct your affairs with humility and you will be loved more than a giver of gifts. Humble yourself the more, the greater you are and you will find favor with God. What is too sublime for you, seek not, into things beyond your strength search not. The mind of a sage appreciates proverbs, and an attentive ear is the joy of the wise. Water quenches a flaming fire, and alms atone for sins. The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God**

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM: R. God, in your goodness, you have made a home for the poor.**

The just rejoice and exult before God; they are glad and rejoice.  
Sing to God, chant praise to his name; whose name is the LORD.

*R. God, in your goodness, you have made a home for the poor.*

The father of orphans and the defender of widows is God in his holy dwelling.  
God gives a home to the forsaken; he leads forth prisoners to prosperity.

*R. God, in your goodness, you have made a home for the poor.*

A bountiful rain you showered down, O God, upon your inheritance;  
you restored the land when it languished; your flock settled in it;  
in your goodness, O God, you provided it for the needy.

*R. God, in your goodness, you have made a home for the poor.*

**SECOND READING: A READING FROM THE LETTER TO THE HEBREWS**

**B**rothers and sisters: You have not approached that which could be touched and a blazing fire and gloomy darkness and storm and a trumpet blast and a voice speaking words such that those who heard begged that no message be further addressed to them. No, you have approached Mount Zion and the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and countless angels in festal gathering, and the assembly of the firstborn enrolled in heaven, and God the judge of all, and the spirits of the just made perfect, and Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and the sprinkled blood that speaks more eloquently than that of Abel. The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God**

**R. Alleluia, alleluia.**

Take my yoke upon you, says the Lord, and learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart.

**R. Alleluia, alleluia.**

**A READING FROM THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO LUKE**

**O**n a sabbath Jesus went to dine at the home of one of the leading Pharisees, and the people there were observing him carefully. He told a parable to those who had been invited, noticing how they were choosing the places of honor at the table. "When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not recline at table in the place of honor. A more distinguished guest than you may have been invited by him, and the host who invited both of you may approach you and say, 'Give your place to this man,' and then you would proceed with embarrassment to take the lowest place. Rather, when you are invited, go and take the lowest place so that when the host comes to you he may say, 'My friend, move up to a higher position.' Then you will enjoy the esteem of your companions at the table. For every one who exalts himself will be humbled, but the one who humbles himself will be exalted." Then he said to the host who invited him, "When you hold a lunch or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or your wealthy neighbors, in case they may invite you back and you have repayment. Rather, when you hold a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind; blessed indeed will you be because of their inability to repay you. For you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

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

**Y**ou 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.



*"Connecting our community to services. There is HOPE in recovery!"*

Sheriff Eric Scheffler

The intent of the "HOPE ONE" mobile unit is to remove barriers for people in need of services and eliminate the stigma associated with seeking help. The mobile unit will be a caring, non-judgmental environment for anybody seeking safety, treatment guidance, and/or support. Hope One is strongly committed to connecting to people in a crisis with treatment. We do this along with our partners. Please see our Facebook page Hope One Atlantic County for the schedule of our mobile unit during the month of September (day 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.) or night (5-8 p.m.) events. If you or a loved one are struggling with substance use or mental health issues, please contact us at 609-909-7200, mention Hope One, and someone will return your call. Please email Director Susan Long at [long-susan@aclink.org](mailto:long-susan@aclink.org) to schedule an appointment

### **Cremation and Proper Handling of Cremated Remains – Your Choices Don't Stop with Cremation**

**W**hile you may have chosen to be cremated, remember to choose your final resting place. Although the Church earnestly recommends the pious custom of burying the bodies of the dead be observed, it does not however, forbid cremation unless it has been chosen for reasons which are contrary to Christian teaching. Cremated remains are the body of the deceased in a changed form. We should honor them as we honor the body. They must be reverently buried or entombed in a place reserved for the burial of the dead. Visit [SouthJerseyCatholicCemeteries.org](http://SouthJerseyCatholicCemeteries.org) to learn more or call us at 855-MyPrePlan (855-697-7375) and a member of our staff will gladly assist you. *"And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back again and take you to myself, so that where I am you also may be."* John 14:3



**THE  
FIVE FRUITS OF  
A GOOD CONFESSION**



**LET US  
BE A  
VISIBLE  
SIGN OF  
GOD'S LOVE**

**D**entro de pocas semanas sus hijos regresan a la escuela y quisiera sugerir a los padres que vuelvan a la antigua costumbre de bendecir a sus hijos. Comience un nuevo capítulo en la historia de su familia. En la antigüedad, la bendición de los padres solía ser una costumbre común. Sin embargo, en los últimos años dejamos de practicar esta costumbre. ¿Significa que ya no necesitamos bendiciones espirituales? Todo lo contrario. ¡Los necesitamos más que nunca!



Los padres y las madres son los sacerdotes y religiosos de sus "pequeñas iglesias", sus hogares! Están allí para enseñar y bendecir. Un espectáculo conmovedor es ver a una madre o un padre pasar de un niño arrodillado a otro, impartiendo su bendición. Las manos abiertas se ponen momentáneamente sobre la cabeza del niño y se pueden agregar algunas palabras o peticiones. La bendición de los padres es tan antigua como la raza humana. Comenzó con los patriarcas más antiguos. A lo largo del Antiguo Testamento fue el método habitual de transmitir los favores divinos. Las bendiciones conferidas a sus hijos por Abraham, Isaac y Jacob son conocidas por todos los que leen la Biblia. La Biblia nos da una declaración autorizada sobre la bendición de los padres: *"De palabra y de obra, honra a tu Padre para que su bendición caiga sobre ti, porque la bendición de un padre da raíces firmes a la familia, pero la maldición de la madre desarraiga la planta en crecimiento."* Eclesiastés 3: 8-9

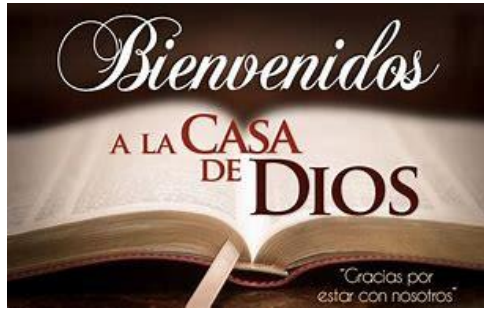
Nuestro Señor solía reunir a los niños pequeños a su alrededor y bendecirlos. Podemos encontrar en el Nuevo Testamento que decía, *"Dejen que los niños vengan a Mí."* Luego, abrazándolos y poniendo sus manos sobre sus pequeñas cabecitas, les impartía su bendición.

Los padres también aman a sus hijos y a menudo, los abrazan. ¿Por qué no impartir sobre ellos una bendición? Es una costumbre tan poco practicada que a veces uno se inclina a pensar que ese privilegio ya no existe. ¡JESÚS QUIERE QUE LOS NIÑOS SEAN BENDECIDOS!

Ciertamente, la bendición otorgada por Jesús es más eficaz que la otorgada por los padres. Sin embargo, la bendición de los padres es algo tan santo y poderoso, que merece ser llamado el Sacramento del Hogar Doméstico. La imagen de una joven madre impartiendo su bendición sobre su pequeño es algo hermoso de contemplar. No menos conmovedor es ver a un anciano extendiendo sus manos temblorosas impartiendo su bendición a sus hijos. Este es un privilegio que les pertenece a los padres por concesión divina. Un privilegio que está conectado íntimamente con la dignidad de la paternidad.

Si este "Sacramento del Hogar Doméstico" fuera administrado con mayor frecuencia, reinaría la paz y la felicidad en muchas familias. Los dos factores indispensables para la felicidad en el hogar son la autoridad por parte de los padres y la obediencia por parte de los niños.

Bendigan a sus hijos antes de que se vayan a dormir, antes de irse a la escuela o cuando estén por emprender una nueva etapa en sus vidas. Inclusive, piensen en sus hijos que viven lejos. Impartan sus bendiciones a la distancia y eleven sus pensamientos a nuestro Padre celestial. Pueden estar necesitando su ayuda y la bendición hará que Dios los fortalezca y los guíe.



**MISAS EN ESPAÑOL**

**VIERNES 7 PM**

**DOMINGOS 2 PM**

**S**i usted visita semanalmente Santa Gianna y aún no se ha registrado formalmente en la parroquia, por favor hágalo. Las planillas de registraci3n est3n ubicadas en el vestibule 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. Por favor comuníquese con la oficina parroquial si desea solicitar sobres de contribuci3n, cambiar su n3mero telef3nico, su estado civil o su domicilio. Gracias!

Por favor record3mos en nuestras oraciones a todos aquellos que no est3n pasando por un buen momento en 3stos d3as; especialmente los que se encuentran en hospitales y casas para ancianos y muy especialmente recordemos a todos aquellos que est3n terminalmente enfermos.

**R**ecuerden: Los Bautismos se celebran los **Primeros S3bados** de cada mes a las **11 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 **ultimo Viernes** de cada mes inmediatamente despu3s de la Misa en la iglesia.

Si quiere conocer m3s acerca de Dios y de la Iglesia, el Instituto de Ministerio Eclesial de la Di3cesis de Camden (IMEC), ofrece un programa certificado en espa3ol de tres a3os, dise3ado para enriquecer la formaci3n de la fe de los adultos. Este a3o se abrir3 el nivel uno en Camden y Vineland. Las clases iniciar3n en Septiembre. *¡An3mese a aprender y reg3strese ahora!* Para m3s informaci3n y registrarse llame al (856) 583-6170 o visite nuestra p3gina web <https://camdendiocese.org/hm/>

**P**or favor por cortes3a a toda la comunidad que se presenta en Misa, si sus ni3os est3n inquietos y pueden, de alguna manera, servir de distracci3n, dirijase al cuarto que est3 designado para ni3os en frente de la sacrist3a. Si no encuentra el cuarto, por favor, cont3ctelos algunos de los Ushers. Gracias por su colaboraci3n.

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

**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.**

**Es necesario el silencio para escuchar la Palabra de Dios, para prepararnos a escuchar esa Palabra. Dios se hizo Palabra en Jes3s, y condici3n para escuchar esa Palabra es el silencio: silencio del coraz3n, de la mente, de los sentidos, silencio ambiental.**



## PRIMERA LECTURA DEL LIBRO DEL ECLESIASTICO

**E**sto dice el Señor: "Yo vendré para reunir a las naciones de toda lengua. Vendrán y verán mi gloria. Pondré en medio de ellos un signo, y enviaré como mensajeros a algunos de los supervivientes hasta los países más lejanos y las islas más remotas, que no han oído hablar de mí ni han visto mi gloria, y ellos darán a conocer mi nombre a las naciones. Así como los hijos de Israel traen ofrendas al templo del Señor en vasijas limpias, así también mis mensajeros traerán, de todos los países, como ofrenda al Señor, a los hermanos de ustedes a caballo, en carro, en literas, en mulos y camellos, hasta mi monte santo de Jerusalén. De entre ellos escogeré sacerdotes y levitas". Palabra de Dios. **Te alabamos Señor.**

### SALMO RESPONSORIAL

**R. Dios da libertad y riqueza a los cautivos.**

Ante el Señor, su Dios, gocen los justos, salten de alegría.  
Entonen alabanzas a su nombre. En honor del Señor toquen la cítara.

**R. Dios da libertad y riqueza a los cautivos.**

Porque el Señor, desde su templo santo, a huérfanos y viudas da su auxilio:  
él fue quien dio a los desvalidos casa, libertad y riqueza a los cautivos.

**R. Dios da libertad y riqueza a los cautivos.**

A tu pueblo extenuado diste fuerzas, nos colmaste, Señor, de tus favores  
y habitó tu rebaño en esta tierra, que tu amor preparó para los pobres.

**R. Dios da libertad y riqueza a los cautivos.**

### LECTURA DE LA CARTA A LOS HEBREOS

**H**ermanos: Cuando ustedes se acercaron a Dios, no encontraron nada material, como en el Sinaí: ni fuego ardiente, ni obscuridad, ni tinieblas, ni huracán, ni estruendo de trompetas, ni palabras pronunciadas por aquella voz que los israelitas no querían volver a oír nunca. Ustedes, en cambio, se han acercado a Sión, el monte y la ciudad del Dios viviente, a la Jerusalén celestial, a la reunión festiva de miles y miles de ángeles, a la asamblea de los primogénitos, cuyos nombres están escritos en el cielo. Se han acercado a Dios, que es el juez de todos los hombres, y a los espíritus de los justos que alcanzaron la perfección. Se han acercado a Jesús, el mediador de la nueva alianza. Palabra de Dios. **Te alabamos Señor.**

**R. Aleluya, aleluya.**

Tomen mi yugo sobre ustedes, dice el Señor, y aprendan de mí, que soy manso y humilde de corazón.

**R. Aleluya.**

### LECTURA DEL SANTO EVANGELIO SEGUN SAN LUCAS

**U**n sábado, Jesús fue a comer en casa de uno de los jefes de los fariseos, y éstos estaban espiándolo. Mirando cómo los convidados escogían los primeros lugares, les dijo esta parábola: "Cuando te inviten a un banquete de bodas, no te sientes en el lugar principal, no sea que haya algún otro invitado más importante que tú, y el que los invitó a los dos venga a decirte: 'Déjale el lugar a éste', y tengas que ir a ocupar, lleno de vergüenza, el último asiento. Por el contrario, cuando te inviten, ocupa el último lugar, para que, cuando venga el que te invitó, te diga: 'Amigo, acércate a la cabecera'. Entonces te verás honrado en presencia de todos los convidados. Porque el que se engrandece a sí mismo, será humillado; y el que se humilla, será engrandecido." Luego dijo al que lo había invitado: "Cuando des una comida o una cena, no invites a tus amigos, ni a tus hermanos, ni a tus parientes, ni a los vecinos ricos; porque puede ser que ellos te inviten a su vez, y con eso quedarías recompensado. Al contrario, cuando des un banquete, invita a los pobres, a los lisiados, a los cojos y a los ciegos; y así serás dichoso, porque ellos no tienen con qué pagarte; pero ya se te pagará, cuando resuciten los justos." Palabra del Señor. **Gloria a ti, Señor.**

## Atención Hombres, Mujeres y Niños de Santa Gianna!!

Padre Franklin Opara invita los que quieran servir como Servidores del Altar 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!!

## Márquen 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  
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 manjadas 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.

## RETIRO PARA DAMAS JUAN XXIII 2022

16, 17, 18 DE SEPTIEMBRE

Para más información comunicarse al 856-671-2305 o email: [movimientojuan23@gamil.com](mailto:movimientojuan23@gamil.com)

**CELEBRACION DIOCESANA HISPANA. RESERVE EL DÍA DOMINGO 2 DE OCTUBRE A LAS 2:00 PM EN LA PARROQUIA DIVINA MISERICAORDIA, VINELAND, NJ**

## EDUCATION RELIGIOSA

La registración para el año escolar 2022/23 ya ha comenzado. Las clases se dictan los días lunes. Si usted desea inscribir a sus niños en el Programa de Educación Religiosa de Sta. Gianna, por favor no espere hasta último momento, las vacantes son limitadas.