

# 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 PROGRAM FOR CATHOLIC LIVING

#### HOLY DAYS

Vigil: 7:00 PM

Feast Day: 8:30 AM and 12:00 Noon

7:00 PM (Bilingual)

#### CONFESSIONS

Saturdays (English): 3:00 – 4:30 PM

Saturdays (Spanish): 7:30-8:30 PM

*To make an appointment for any other time  
please call the Parish office.*

## Fourth Sunday of Lent



**FR. ANTHONY'S PASTA DINNER TODAY!!! 1-5 PM IN THE PARISH HALL**

**TICKET COST AT THE DOOR: \$17 ADULTS & SENIORS, \$10 CHILDREN**

**(KIDS UNDER 12 EAT FOR FREE)**

**SUNDAY, MARCH 19, 2023**

**HYMNS FOR THE WEEKEND**

**ENTRANCE:** #409 in the St. Michael Hymnal "Ah, Holy Jesus"

**OFFERTORY:** #430 in the St. Michael Hymnal "Amazing Grace! How Sweet the Sound"

**COMMUNION:** "Take My Heart"

**CLOSING:** #646 in the St. Michael Hymnal "O Blessed Saint Joseph"





## THE VALUE OF ATTENDING DAILY MASS

(Continued from last weekend)

**8. Let Holy Mass be your life because you must give glory to God, become a loving person and create love in others.** I used to think that love is something we can generate from within ourselves; that we could drill deep down into the innermost recesses of our hearts – and behold, love would gush forth like oil from a well. I thought. But it is not that easy, else we could love our enemies at will. As fuel has to be pumped into a car, so love has to be poured into us from outside ourselves. So from where do we get love? From God, for God is love. And the service station from where love can be poured into the tank of our hearts is the Mass! Thus, in our prayer for unity, we ask the Holy Spirit, the God of Love, to unite all who receive Holy Communion, the Sacrament of love. This double outpouring of love at every Mass is the sacramental grace of the Mass. Each and every Mass should change us more and more into loving persons. That is why daily Mass is so highly recommended – we need to have love poured into us day in and day out. At every Mass, Christ gives us a blank check signed by Himself. How much we draw out depends on the amount we write in. What we “get out” of the Mass depends so much on what we put into it – on our attention, devotion, and desire.

**9. Let Holy Mass be your life because you need to say “Thank You.”** We go to Mass primarily not just to receive favors. We go to give thanks to God. The essence of religion is to believe in God’s love for us and to rejoice in the thought of what He did and does for us. Religion does not consist in what we do for God – for we can do nothing-absolutely nothing for Him. Religion consists in understanding what God has done for us. Religion is (or should be) a great “thank You, God.” In the preface of every Mass we are asked to give thanks to the Lord, our God. And we answer, “It is right to give Him thanks and praise.” Then the priest says, “Father, it is our duty and our salvation always and everywhere to give You thanks.” “*It is right*” – because all we are and all that we have we owe to God. St. Paul dared his Corinthians to name something they had not received from God. (1Cor. 4:7) “It is our *duty*” – for we are bound to give thanks to God – we owe God! “It is our *salvation*” – for thanklessness cuts off the flow of divine blessings.

**10. Let Holy Mass be your life because you need to remember.** The sin of the fallen angels was pride. The sin of man is forgetfulness. To help man remember His sacrifice, Jesus instituted the Most Holy Eucharist. Memories are powerful: they can carry a nation through war to victory. Remember the Alamo. Remember the Maine. Remember Pearl Harbor. I suppose that is why Sara Teasedale wrote: “O better the minting/Of a gold-crowed king/Is a safe kept memory/Of a lovely thing.” To keep a memory of our redemption alive, Jesus gave us the Holy Eucharist. The Eucharist is a memory of a past event, daily remembered. Like any memory, it affects the present. Going to Mass will help us remember the great love for us that has redeemed the world, and we shall learn to be grateful. Remember the Maine? No. “Remember the Mass!” “Remember the Pearl Harbor?” No. “Remember our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament.”

**11-Let Holy Mass be your life because you need to be embraced by Christ.** To teach His apostles to serve the poor and the lowly, our Lord took a little child, put His arms around him and said to them, “Whoever welcomes a child such as this one for my sake, welcomes Me.” This little child, tradition says, became the fiery St. Ignatius of Antioch, martyred in 107 A.D. While still a boy, St. Ignatius often took his companions to the spot where Jesus had put his arms around him and said, “Here is the place where Jesus embraced me.” Often we think of Holy Communion as our receiving Jesus, as our embracing Him. But Holy Communion also means Jesus receiving us and embracing us. Take, for instance, a child running to meet his father. He holds out his arms to embrace his father. But he cannot, till his father picks him up and hugs him. At Holy Communion we rush to meet Christ, we can do little more. But He picks us up, embraces us, loves us, pours His life and love into us! Not only does Jesus embrace us, but He is in us and we are in Him. “The man who feeds on My flesh...remains in Me and I in him.” I do hope and pray that you now understand a little better why Our Lady said, “Let Holy Mass be your life.”



**ST. GIANNA BERETTA MOLLA PARISH  
FOURTH KEYS & ROSES AWARD BANQUET  
FRIDAY, APRIL 14, 2023, 6:30 PM  
RESORTS CASINO \* HOTEL**

**D**ear Parish Family of St. Gianna, you and your friends are cordially invited to attend the Parish Fourth Keys and Roses Award Banquet on Friday, April 14, 2023 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: Mr. Frank Vincent and Mrs. Eleonora Vespertino, long-time parishioners, whom like many others, work tirelessly for the good of our Parish. Proceeds from this formal dinner will benefit our Parish.

**Champagne Enter Reception  
Cocktail Hour**

Selection of Butler-Passed Bites to Include: Prosciutto Toast, Crispy Avocado Bites, California Roll Lollipops, Chiken Parmesan Slider, Brown Sugar Bacon Wrapped Pork Belly.

**Three Course Sit Down Dinner**

**First Course: Salad**

*Roasted Potatoes, Parmesan, Roma Tomato, Taggiasca Olives, Basil Pesto Chianti Vinaigrette*

**Second Course: Entrée**

*Grilled Filet Mignon of Beef, Herb Mashed Potato, Asparagus & Maitake Mushrooms  
OR*

*Vegetarian Celery Root Fritter Creamy Grits, Carrot Salsa*

*Artisan Breads & Butter Rosettes*

**Third Course: Dessert**

*Chocolate Mousse Cake & New York Style Cheese Cake, Chambord Chantilly, Fresh Berries  
Freshly Brewed Coffee, Decaffeinated Coffee & Herbal Tea*

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

\*\*Tickets will be available for purchase after all the weekend Masses in the Gathering Area of the Church and at the Parish office during regular office hours (Monday-Thursday 9AM-4PM).

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





**SATURDAY, MARCH 18**

4:30PM Harry & Tina Wilson r/b Linda Cohen

**SUNDAY, MARCH 19**

8:00AM Clare Berenato r/b Eleonora & Dante Vespertino

10:00AM Intentions of Marc Mancinelly r/b Josephine John & Margaret Greydanus r/b Palomeque Family Elizabeth Chau r/b Erland Chau

12Noon Healing of the Costello Family r/b Barbara Costello Bernard E. DeLury r/b Children & Grandchildren

2:00PM Margarita Perez r/b Familia Perez Robles

**MONDAY, MARCH 20**

8:30AM Marcella Nicholes r/b Ruth Tayao

**TUESDAY, MARCH 21**

8:30AM Mary Rossiter r/b Dick & Marge Fopeano

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 22**

8:30AM Gerry G. Lim r/b Family

**THURSDAY, MARCH 23**

8:30 AM James McGlynn r/b Wimberg Family

**FRIDAY, MARCH 24**

8:30AM Living & Deceased Members of the Parish

7:00PM Mass in Spanish

**SATURDAY, MARCH 25**

8:30 AM Eulogia & Isaac Barak r/b Claudia

4:30PM Louis M. Costan r/b Marie

**SUNDAY, MARCH 26**

8:00AM Clare Berenato r/b Vici & Jerry Butler

10:00AM Jim & Clarie Quigley r/b Family Robert J. Greydanus r/b Palomeque Family Elizabeth Chau r/b Erland Chau

12 Noon Pardon & Mercy r/b Barbara Costello

2 PM Henry O. Encarnacion Soto r/b Familia

**MARCH 19 – MARCH 24**

MAIN ALTAR

THE SANCTUARY LAMP WILL BURN

**DOMINIC MANNO**

Requested By

**THE FAMILY**

BLESSED MOTHER ALTAR

THE SANCTUARY LAMP WILL BURN

FOR THE PRESERVATION OF THE TRADITIONAL LATIN MASS

Requested By

**CLAUDIA & ALFRED COSTA**

ST. JOSEPH ALTAR

THE SANCTUARY LAMP WILL BURN

FOR THE INCREASE IN DEVOTION TO THE TRADITIONAL LATIN MASS

Requested By

**BERNARD DE LURY**



MARCH 11-12, 2023  
PARISH WEEKLY OFFERINGS

1st Collection: \$ 6,854.00

2nd Collection: \$ 2,643.00

For a total of: \$ 9,497.00

Philippine Mass: \$250. Thank you for your generosity in building up God's Kingdom in our Parish!



Father's Quick Quote:  
"Give Your Children the Gift of Attending Mass Every Sunday."

**P**riests 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.

**P**lease remember that 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 our Ushers.



**O**ur Pastor, Fr. Anthony Manuppella is offering a series of Lenten talks on Wednesday evenings, 5:30-6:30 p.m., in the Parish Hall. Please mark your calendar and plan to join us for some delicious homemade soups.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS & BENEDICTION**  
Every Wednesday of Lent  
7 p.m.

## Millions of Monicas

*Praying with Confidence for our Children  
Parish Church*

**W**e are a group of mothers, grandmothers, godmothers, Confirmation sponsors, and aunts coming together to lift up our children of all ages. Many of us have children who are struggling to embrace their Catholic faith or have left the Church entirely. Like St. Monica, we pray for their joyful return to full unity with the Catholic Church. We are not a support group or a self-help group. No sensitive information is shared. We believe that by coming together weekly, uniting our hearts and voices, we can bring strength and joy to each other. We want to encounter God through prayer for ourselves and our children. We want to grow in humility and holiness. Visit [MillionsofMonicas.com](http://MillionsofMonicas.com) for more information or email at [StGiannas.MillionsofMonicas@gmail.com](mailto:StGiannas.MillionsofMonicas@gmail.com).

**CALENDAR UPDATE**  
**THURSDAYS AT 6:30 p.m.**  
March 23rd  
March 30th

**WEDNESDAYS at 6:30 p.m.**  
April 12th  
April 19th  
April 26th

St. Gianna's Parish Northfield NJ  
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**One Hour**  
**One Purpose**  
**Our Children**  
**Wednesdays 6:30pm**

## 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.

**MEETING:** Our next meeting will be Tuesday, April 4<sup>th</sup> at 7:00PM - Nomination of Officers will take place.

**EXPECTANT MOTHERS:** The Sodality adopts expectant mothers and keeps them and the babies they are carrying in our prayers. All pregnant women are welcome to contact Cindy Kern at 609-513-8178 for further information.

**TRAVELING BLESSED MOTHER:** The Blessed Mother statue is available to be put in a place of honor in your home for one week for you and your family to pray to her. If you would like to sign up for a week of adoration, please contact Diane DelRossi at 609-653-6905 to sign up.

**MONTHLY COLLECTION:** Thank you to all those that donated kids socks and underwear in March. There will be no collection the month of April.

**SPRING LUNCHEON:** The Spring Luncheon is set for June 4<sup>th</sup> and will be held at Touch of Italy. The cost is \$35.00 and all women of the parish are welcome to attend. Gather your girlfriends; daughters and granddaughters and come out and enjoy a delicious lunch and some quality time together. Please contact Linda Cohen at 609-703-6962 to make a reservation



# Remember That You Are Dust, And to Dust You Shall Return



## BAPTISMS

**B**aptisms are celebrated on 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 PM. in the Parish Hall. **Both Parents** are expected to attend the brief class (approximately 45 minutes).

### *PARENTS, PLEASE NOTE:*

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

- ◆ Must be at least 16 years of age
- ◆ If the sponsor is married must be married in accord with the laws of the Catholic Church
- ◆ Must have received all the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Communion).
- ◆ Be a practicing Catholic; i.e., attend Mass regularly on Sunday and Holy Days of obligation and receive the Sacraments of the Church regularly

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

## REQUESTS FOR ELIGIBILITY CERTIFICATES

The role of a sponsor is primarily a Spiritual role to model a Christian life for the child. Therefore, anyone requesting a certificate **must** be a registered, **participating** member of St. Gianna Beretta Molla Parish, a **practicing** Catholic in good standing (not living in violation of the Church laws), at least 16 years of age and **have received the sacraments of initiation** (Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist). Please call the Parish office for an appointment.

## MEETINGS

### TO ALL MINISTRIES & GROUPS 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. The Parish Calendar is available at the Parish office Monday-Thursday from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. Thank you!



### SHARE THE WORD PRAYER GROUP

Every Monday

6 p.m. Choir Room

**NEW MEMBERS ARE MOST WELCOME!!**

### LEGION OF MARY

Every Monday - 3:00 PM Choir Room

**NEW MEMBERS ARE MOST WELCOME!!**

### SENIORS

2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the Month

1:00 PM, Parish Hall

**NEW MEMBERS ARE MOST WELCOME!!**

### SODALITY OF ST. GIANNA

First Tuesday of the Month

7:00 PM in the Parish Hall

**NEW MEMBERS ARE MOST WELCOME!!**

### BINGO

Our Parish hosts **BINGO** on **Wednesday & Saturday** mornings at 10 a.m. in the Parish Hall. Doors open at 8 a.m. \$1,000 in prize money, instant winners and progressive jackpots! Also, coffee, bagels, donuts and lots of fun.

### 33 DAYS TO MORNING GLORY

Tuesdays

6:30 PM in the Parish Hall

Starting April 11th

# Parish Notes

A warm 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!

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## 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**.

## UPDATE YOUR PARISH CENSUS INFORMATION

Thank you for taking a few minutes of your time to fill out the *questionnaire updates* provided below. Please let us know of any changes that occurred in your family that affect the information our Parish has on file, so that we may keep your records complete and up-to-date. Completed forms can be dropped in the collection basket or at the Parish office.

HEAD OF THE HOUSEHOLD NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

DOB:        /        /

MARITAL STATUS:    SINGLE        MARRIED        DIVORCED        WIDOWED

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

DOB:        /        /

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_        CITY: \_\_\_\_\_        ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE #: (        )        CELL #:(        )        EMAIL:

USING CONTRIBUTION ENV.:    Y    N        ENVELOPE #:

WISH TO RECEIVE ENVELOPES:    Y    N



## 33 DAYS TO MORNING GLORY

Personal Consecration to Jesus through Mary here at St. Gianna's!

**Y**ou are invited to join our upcoming Parish group retreat as we explore the role of the Blessed Mother in our Catholic faith, leading us to the burning love of the Sacred Heart of Jesus through the fire of love of the Immaculate heart of Mary. We will journey with St. Louis de Montfort, St. Maximilian Kolbe, St. Mother Teresa, and St. John Paul II as we learn why personal consecration to Jesus through Mary is the quickest, easiest, and surest way to become saints! Using the book *33 Days to Morning Glory* by Fr. Gaitley, we will meet on Tuesdays, from April 11th through May 9th in the Parish hall, 6:30-8:00 p.m. to ponder and discuss the weekly readings.

There will be a Consecration Mass at 8:30 a.m. on Saturday, May 13th, the Feast of Our Lady of Fatima. As a self-directed retreat, meetings are not mandatory, but suggested. \$20 suggested donation for book and workbook. Contact Christy Wimberg at [cw.gianna@comcast.net](mailto:cw.gianna@comcast.net) for more information.



### FIRST READING: A READING FROM THE BOOK OF SAMUEL

**T**he LORD said to Samuel: "Fill your horn with oil, and be on your way. I am sending you to Jesse of Bethlehem, for I have chosen my king from among his sons." As Jesse and his sons came to the sacrifice, Samuel looked at Eliab and thought, "Surely the LORD's anointed is here before him." But the LORD said to Samuel: "Do not judge from his appearance or from his lofty stature, because I have rejected him. Not as man sees does God see, because man sees the appearance but the LORD looks into the heart." In the same way Jesse presented seven sons before Samuel, but Samuel said to Jesse, "The LORD has not chosen any one of these." Then Samuel asked Jesse, "Are these all the sons you have?" Jesse replied, "There is still the youngest, who is tending the sheep." Samuel said to Jesse, "Send for him; we will not begin the sacrificial banquet until he arrives here." Jesse sent and had the young man brought to them. He was ruddy, a youth handsome to behold and making a splendid appearance. The LORD said, "There — anoint him, for this is the one!" Then Samuel, with the horn of oil in hand, anointed David in the presence of his brothers; and from that day on, the spirit of the LORD rushed upon David. The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God**

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

*R. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.*

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want. In verdant pastures he gives me repose;  
beside restful waters he leads me; he refreshes my soul.

*R. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.*

He guides me in right paths for his name's sake. Even though I walk in the dark valley  
I fear no evil; for you are at my side With your rod and your staff that give me courage.

*R. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.*

You spread the table before me in the sight of my foes;  
you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

*R. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.*

Only goodness and kindness follow me all the days of my life;  
and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD for years to come.

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### A READING FROM THE LETTER OF SAINT PAUL TO THE EPHESIANS

**B**rothers and sisters: You were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Live as children of light, for light produces every kind of goodness and righteousness and truth. Try to learn what is pleasing to the Lord. Take no part in the fruitless works of darkness; rather expose them, for it is shameful even to mention the things done by them in secret; but everything exposed by the light becomes visible, for everything that becomes visible is light. Therefore, it says: "Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead, and Christ will give you light." The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God**

**R. Praise to You Lord Jesus Christ, King of Endless Glory**

I am the light of the world, says the Lord; whoever follows me will have the light of life.

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

**A**s Jesus passed by he saw a man blind from birth. His disciples asked him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" Jesus answered, "Neither he nor his parents sinned; it is so that the works of God might be made visible through him. We have to do the works of the one who sent me while it is day. Night is coming when no one can work. While I am in the world, I am the light of the world." When he had said this, he spat on the ground and made clay with the saliva, and smeared the clay on his eyes, and said to him, "Go wash in the Pool of Siloam" – which means Sent –. So he went and washed, and came back able to see. His neighbors and those who had seen him earlier as a beggar said, "Isn't this the one who used to sit and beg?" Some said, "It is," but others said, "No, he just looks like him." He said, "I am." So they said to him, "How were your eyes opened?" He replied, "The man called Jesus made clay and anointed my eyes and told me, 'Go to Siloam and wash.' So I went there and washed and was able to see." And they said to him, "Where is he?" He said, "I don't know." They brought the one who was once blind to the Pharisees. Now Jesus had made clay and opened his eyes on a sabbath. So then the Pharisees also asked him how he was able to see. He said to them, "He put clay on my eyes, and I washed, and now I can see." So some of the Pharisees said, "This man is not from God, because he does not keep the sabbath." But others said, "How can a sinful man do such signs?" And there was a division among them. So they said to the blind man again, "What do you have to say about him, since he opened your eyes?" He said, "He is a prophet." Now the Jews did not believe that he had been blind and gained his sight until they summoned the parents of the one who had gained his sight. They asked them, "Is this son, who you say was born blind? How does he now see?" His parents answered and said, "We know that this is our son and that he was born blind. We do not know how he sees now, nor do we know who opened his eyes. Ask him, he is of age; he can speak for himself." His parents said this because they were afraid of the Jews, for the Jews had already agreed that if anyone acknowledged him as the Christ, he would be expelled from the synagogue. For this reason his parents said, "He is of age; question him." So a second time they called the man who had been blind and said to him, "Give God the praise! We know that this man is a sinner." He replied, "If he is a sinner, I do not know. One thing I do know is that I was blind and now I see." So they said to him, "What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?" He answered them, "I told you already and you did not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you want to become his disciples, too?" They ridiculed him and said, "You are that man's disciple; we are disciples of Moses! We know that God spoke to Moses, but we do not know where this one is from." The man answered and said to them, "This is what is so amazing, that you do not know where he is from, yet he opened my eyes. We know that God does not listen to sinners, but if one is devout and does his will, he listens to him. It is unheard of that anyone ever opened the eyes of a person born blind. If this man were not from God, he would not be able to do anything." They answered and said to him, "You were born totally in sin, and are you trying to teach us?" Then they threw him out. When Jesus heard that they had thrown him out, he found him and said, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?" He answered and said, "Who is he, sir, that I may believe in him?" Jesus said to him, "You have seen him, the one speaking with you is he." He said, "I do believe, Lord," and he worshiped him. Then Jesus said, "I came into this world for judgment, so that those who do not see might see, and those who do see might become blind." Some of the Pharisees who were with him heard this and said to him, "Surely we are not also blind, are we?" Jesus said to them, "If you were blind, you would have no sin; but now you are saying, 'We see,' so your sin remains.

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ**

**THE LORD'S REAL PRESENCE**

**W**e 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.



## DEL ESCRITORIO DE NUESTRO PASTOR, PADRE ANTHONY MANUPPELLA

### EL VALOR DE CONCURRIR A MISA TODOS LOS DIAS. CONTINUACION

**D**eja que la Santa Misa sea tu vida para dar gloria a Dios y convertirte en una persona amorosa y poder dar amor en los demás. Solía pensar que el amor es algo que podemos generar desde dentro de nosotros mismos; que pudiéramos profundizar en lo más recóndito de nuestro corazón, y he aquí, el amor brotaría como el aceite de un pozo. Así que pensé. Pero no es tan fácil, de lo contrario podríamos amar a nuestros enemigos a voluntad. Así como el combustible debe ser bombeado a un automóvil, el amor debe ser derramado en nosotros desde fuera de nosotros mismos. Entonces, ¿de dónde obtenemos el amor? De Dios, porque Dios es amor. ¡Y la estación de servicio desde donde el amor puede verterse en el tanque de nuestros corazones es la Misa! Por eso, en nuestra oración por la unidad, pedimos al Espíritu Santo, el Dios del amor, que una a todos los que reciben la Sagrada Comunión, el Sacramento del amor. Esta doble efusión de amor en cada Misa es la gracia sacramental de la Misa. Cada Misa debe transformarnos cada vez más en personas amorosas. Es por eso que la misa diaria es tan recomendada: necesitamos que se derrame amor en nosotros día tras día. En cada Misa, Cristo nos da un cheque en blanco firmado por Él mismo. Cuánto extraigamos depende de la cantidad que escribamos. Lo que “obtenemos” de la Misa depende mucho de lo que pongamos en ella: de nuestra atención, devoción y deseo.

Deja que la Santa Misa sea tu vida porque necesitas decir “Gracias”. Vamos a Misa principalmente no solo para recibir favores. Vamos a dar gracias a Dios. La esencia de la religión es creer en el amor de Dios por nosotros y regocijarnos en el pensamiento de lo que Él hizo y hace por nosotros. La religión no consiste en lo que hacemos por Dios, porque no podemos hacer nada, absolutamente nada por Él. La religión consiste en comprender lo que Dios ha hecho por nosotros. La religión es (o debería ser) un gran “gracias”, Dios. En el prefacio de cada Misa se nos pide que demos gracias al Señor, nuestro Dios. Y nosotros respondemos: “Es justo darle gracias y alabanza”. Entonces el sacerdote dice: “Padre, es nuestro deber y nuestra salvación darte gracias siempre y en todo lugar. “Está bien”, porque todo lo que somos y todo lo que tenemos se lo debemos a Dios. San Pablo desafió a sus corintios a nombrar algo que no habían recibido de Dios. (1Cor. 4:7) “Es nuestro deber” – porque estamos obligados a dar gracias a Dios – ¡le debemos a Dios! “Es nuestra salvación”, porque la ingratitud corta el flujo de las bendiciones divinas.

Deja que la Santa Misa sea tu vida porque necesitas recordar. El pecado de los ángeles caídos fue el orgullo. El pecado del hombre es el olvido. Para ayudar al hombre a recordar Su sacrificio, Jesús instituyó la Santísima Eucaristía. Los recuerdos son poderosos: pueden llevar a una nación a través de la guerra a la victoria. Recuerda el Álamo. Recuerda el Maine. Recuerda Pearl Harbour. Supongo que es por eso que Sara Teasedale escribió: “O mejor la acuñación/De un rey coronado de oro/Es un recuerdo guardado a salvo/De una cosa encantadora”. Para mantener viva la memoria de nuestra redención, Jesús nos dio la Sagrada Eucaristía. La Eucaristía es recuerdo de un hecho pasado, recordado diariamente. Como cualquier recuerdo, afecta el presente. Ir a Misa nos ayudará a recordar el gran amor por nosotros que ha redimido al mundo, y aprenderemos a ser agradecidos. ¿Recuerdas Maine? No. “¡Recuerda la Misa!” “¿Recuerdas el Pearl Harbor? No. “Acuérdate de nuestro Señor en el Santísimo Sacramento”. 11-Deja que la Santa Misa sea tu vida porque necesitas ser abrazado por Cristo. Para enseñar a sus apóstoles a servir a los pobres y a los humildes, nuestro Señor tomó a un niño pequeño, lo abrazó y le dijo: “El que recibe a un niño como este por mi causa, a mí me recibe”. Este niño pequeño, dice la tradición, se convirtió en el fogoso San Ignacio de Antioquía, martirizado en el año 107 d.C. Siendo todavía un niño, San Ignacio a menudo llevaba a sus compañeros al lugar donde Jesús lo había abrazado y decía: “Aquí está el lugar donde Jesús me abrazó.” A menudo pensamos en la Sagrada Comunión como recibir a Jesús, abrazarlo. Pero la Sagrada Comunión también significa que Jesús nos recibe y nos abraza. Tomemos, por ejemplo, un niño corriendo para encontrarse con su padre. Extiende los brazos para abrazar a su padre. Pero no puede, hasta que su padre lo levanta y lo abraza. En la Sagrada Comunión nos apresuramos a encontrarnos con Cristo, poco más podemos hacer. ¡Pero Él nos recoge, nos abraza, nos ama, derrama Su vida y su amor en nosotros! Jesús no solo nos abraza, sino que Él está en nosotros y nosotros en Él. “El hombre que se alimenta de Mi carne... permanece en Mí y Yo en él. Espero y ruego que ahora entiendas un poco mejor por qué Nuestra Señora dijo: “Deja que la Santa Misa sea tu vida”.

**S**i usted visita semanalmente Santa Gianna y aún no se ha registrado formalmente en la parroquia, por favor hágalo. Las plañillas de registraci3n est3n ubicadas en el vestibulo 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. Gracias!

**POR FAVOR TOME NOTA:  
CONFESIONES EN ESPAÑOL**

VIERNES: 6:00 PM DOMINGOS: 1:15-1:45 PM  
SI USTED NECESITA CONFESARSE FUERA DE ESTE HORARIO POR FAVOR LLAME A LA OFICINA PARROQUIAL.

**R**ecuerden: 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 Preparaci3n Bautismal** para los padres y los padrinos es **obligatoria** y se dicta el **último Viernes** de cada mes inmediatamente después de la Misa de las 7 de la tarde en la iglesia.



**CARRERA ANUAL POR LAS VOCACIONES**

DOMINGO 30 DE ABRIL

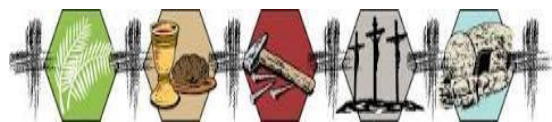
Pista Oval del Parque Cooper River en Pennsauken  
Misa a la 1 PM seguida por la Carrera de 5K o una caminata de 1 milla. Habrá música, comida y actividades para gente de todas las edades. Todos son bienvenidos! Recuerden: El trabajo de fomentar las vocaciones es el trabajo de toda la Comunidad Cristiana Catolica.



**Cuaresma**

Viernes de Cuaresma 5:30 PM  
Sopa & Conferencia con Fr.  
Opara  
6:30 PM: Via Crucis  
VIA CRUCIS EN INGLÉS  
Sopa y Conferencia con Fr.  
Anthony Miércoles de  
Cuaresma. 5:30 PM

**MISAS EN  
ESPAÑOL  
VIERNES 7 PM  
DOMINGOS  
2 PM**



**CUARTO DOMINGO DE CUARESMA  
PRIMERA LECTURA DEL LIBRO DE SAMUEL**

**E**n aquellos días, dijo el Señor a Samuel: "Ve a la casa de Jesé, en Belén, porque de entre sus hijos me he escogido un rey. Llena, pues, tu cuerno de aceite para ungirlo y vete". Cuando llegó Samuel a Belén y vio a Eliab, el hijo mayor de Jesé, pensó: "Éste es, sin duda, el que voy a ungir como rey". Pero el Señor le dijo: "No te dejes impresionar por su aspecto ni por su gran estatura, pues yo lo he descartado, porque yo no juzgo como juzga el hombre. El hombre se fija en las apariencias, pero el Señor se fija en los corazones". Así fueron pasando ante Samuel siete de los hijos de Jesé; pero Samuel dijo: "Ninguno de éstos es el elegido del Señor". Luego le preguntó a Jesé: "¿Son éstos todos tus hijos?" Él respondió: "Falta el más pequeño, que está cuidando el rebaño". Samuel le dijo: "Hazlo venir, porque no nos sentaremos a comer hasta que llegue". Y Jesé lo mandó llamar. El muchacho era rubio, de ojos vivos y buena presencia. Entonces el Señor dijo a Samuel: "Levántate y úngelo, porque éste es". Tomó Samuel el cuerno con el aceite y lo ungió delante de sus hermanos. Palabra de Dios. **Te alabamos Señor.**

**SALMO RESPONSORIAL: R. El Señor es mi pastor, nada me faltará.**

El Señor es mi pastor, nada me falta: en verdes praderas me hace reposar y hacia fuentes tranquilas me conduce para reparar mis fuerzas. **R.**

Por ser un Dios fiel a sus promesas, me guía por el sendero recto; así, aunque camine por cañadas oscuras, nada temo, porque tú estás conmigo. Tu vara y tu cayado me dan seguridad. **R.**

Tú mismo me preparas la mesa, a despecho de mis adversarios; me unges la cabeza con perfume y llenas mi copa hasta los bordes. **R.**

Tu bondad y tu misericordia me acompañarán todos los días de mi vida; y viviré en la casa del Señor por años sin término. **R.**

## LECTURA DE LA CARTA DE SAN PABLO A LOS EFESIOS

**H**ermanos: En otro tiempo ustedes fueron tinieblas, pero ahora, unidos al Señor, son luz. Vivan, por lo tanto, como hijos de la luz. Los frutos de la luz son la bondad, la santidad y la verdad. Busquen lo que es agradable al Señor y no tomen parte en las obras estériles de los que son tinieblas. Al contrario, repruébenlas abiertamente; porque, si bien las cosas que ellos hacen en secreto da vergüenza aun mencionarlas, al ser reprobadas abiertamente, todo queda en claro, porque todo lo que es iluminado por la luz se convierte en luz. Por eso se dice: *Despierta, tú que duermes; levántate de entre los muertos y Cristo será tu luz.* Palabra de Dios. **Te alabamos Señor.**

### HONOR Y GLORIA A TI, SEÑOR JESUS

I am the light of the world, says the Lord; whoever follows me will have the light of life.

### HONOR Y GLORIA A TI, SEÑOR JESUS

## LECTURA DEL SANTO EVANGELIO SEGUN SAN JUAN

**E**n aquel tiempo, Jesús vio al pasar a un ciego de nacimiento, y sus discípulos le preguntaron: "Maestro, ¿quién pecó para que éste naciera ciego, él o sus padres?" Jesús respondió: "Ni él pecó, ni tampoco sus padres. Nació así para que en él se manifestaran las obras de Dios. Es necesario que yo haga las obras del que me envió, mientras es de día, porque luego llega la noche y ya nadie puede trabajar. Mientras esté en el mundo, yo soy la luz del mundo". Dicho esto, escupió en el suelo, hizo lodo con la saliva, se lo puso en los ojos al ciego y le dijo: "Ve a lavarte en la piscina de Siloé" (que significa 'Enviado'). Él fue, se lavó y volvió con vista. Entonces los vecinos y los que lo habían visto antes pidiendo limosna, preguntaban: "¿No es éste el que se sentaba a pedir limosna?" Unos decían: "Es el mismo". Otros: "No es él, sino que se le parece". Pero él decía: "Yo soy". Y le preguntaban: "Entonces, ¿cómo se te abrieron los ojos?" Él les respondió: "El hombre que se llama Jesús hizo lodo, me lo puso en los ojos y me dijo: 'Ve a Siloé y lávate'. Entonces fui, me lavé y comencé a ver". Le preguntaron: "¿En dónde está él?" Les contestó: "No lo sé". Llevaron entonces ante los fariseos al que había sido ciego. Era sábado el día en que Jesús hizo lodo y le abrió los ojos. También los fariseos le preguntaron cómo había adquirido la vista. Él les contestó: "Me puso lodo en los ojos, me lavé y veo". Algunos de los fariseos comentaban: "Ese hombre no viene de Dios, porque no guarda el sábado". Otros replicaban: "¿Cómo puede un pecador hacer semejantes prodigios?" Y había división entre ellos. Entonces volvieron a preguntarle al ciego: "Y tú, ¿qué piensas del que te abrió los ojos?" Él les contestó: "Que es un profeta". Pero los judíos no creyeron que aquel hombre, que había sido ciego, hubiera recobrado la vista. Llamaron, pues, a sus padres y les preguntaron: "¿Es éste su hijo, del que ustedes dicen que nació ciego? ¿Cómo es que ahora ve?" Sus padres contestaron: "Sabemos que éste es nuestro hijo y que nació ciego. Cómo es que ahora ve o quién le haya dado la vista, no lo sabemos. Pregúntenselo a él; ya tiene edad suficiente y responderá por sí mismo". Los padres del que había sido ciego dijeron esto por miedo a los judíos, porque éstos ya habían convenido en expulsar de la sinagoga a quien reconociera a Jesús como el Mesías. Por eso sus padres dijeron: "Ya tiene edad; pregúntenle a él". Llamaron de nuevo al que había sido ciego y le dijeron: "Da gloria a Dios. Nosotros sabemos que ese hombre es pecador". Contestó él: "Si es pecador, yo no lo sé; sólo sé que yo era ciego y ahora veo". Le preguntaron otra vez: "¿Qué te hizo? ¿Cómo te abrió los ojos?" Les contestó: "Ya se lo dije a ustedes y no me han dado crédito. ¿Para qué quieren oírlo otra vez? ¿Acaso también ustedes quieren hacerse discípulos suyos?" Entonces ellos lo llenaron de insultos y le dijeron: "Discípulo de ése lo serás tú. Nosotros somos discípulos de Moisés. Nosotros sabemos que a Moisés le habló Dios. Pero ése, no sabemos de dónde viene". Replicó aquel hombre: "Es curioso que ustedes no sepan de dónde viene y, sin embargo, me ha abierto los ojos. Sabemos que Dios no escucha a los pecadores, pero al que lo teme y hace su voluntad, a ése sí lo escucha. Jamás se había oído decir que alguien abriera los ojos a un ciego de nacimiento. Si éste no viniera de Dios, no tendría ningún poder". Le replicaron: "Tú eres puro pecado desde que naciste, ¿cómo pretendes darnos lecciones?" Y lo echaron fuera. Supo Jesús que lo habían echado fuera, y cuando lo encontró, le dijo: "¿Crees tú en el Hijo del hombre?" Él contestó: "¿Y quién es, Señor, para que yo crea en él?" Jesús le dijo: "Ya lo has visto; el que está hablando contigo, ése es". Él dijo: "Creo, Señor". Y postrándose, lo adoró. Entonces le dijo Jesús: "Yo he venido a este mundo para que se definan los campos: para que los ciegos vean, y los que ven queden ciegos". Al oír esto, algunos fariseos que estaban con él le preguntaron: "¿Entonces también nosotros estamos ciegos?" Jesús les contestó: "Si estuvieran ciegos, no tendrían pecado; pero como dicen que ven, siguen en su pecado". Palabra del Señor. **Gloria a ti, Señor.**



## Sacramento de Penitencia

**TODOS LOS DOMINGOS DE 1:15 – 1:45 PM  
CON FR. OPARA**

### PROCESIÓN DEL PAN Y EL VINO DURANTE LA MISA



**A**quellas personas que han reservado una Misa por una intención particular son bienvenidas, si así lo desean, a procesar con las ofrendas del pan y el vino durante la Misa. Sólo comuníquense con la señora María Isabel Girón antes del comienzo de la Misa.

**P**or favor marque su calendario y únase a nosotros en el nuevo Ministerio de Santa Gianna llamado Millones de Mónicas. Somos madres, abuelas, madrinas y tias que nos reunimos para orar con confianza por nuestros hijos en este mundo tan confuso. Las reuniones son los miércoles a las 6:30pm. Queremos unir nuestros corazones y voces maternas a través de oraciones en inglés y español pidiendo la poderosa intercesión de Santa Mónica por el feliz retorno de nuestros hijos a nuestra hermosa fe católica. La reunión dura sólo una hora, comenzando puntualmente a las 6:30 p.m. Esperamos que nos pueda acompañar!

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**One Hour**  
**One Purpose**  
**Our Children**  
**Wednesdays 6:30pm**

### COLECTA DE ALIMENTOS FaithFULL 25-26 de Marzo, 2023

Estamos colectando: frijoles enlatados, pasta y arroz secos, sopas y caldos enlatados, salsa de tomate en lata, aceites y vinagres, pure de papas seco. Por favor solo alimentos saludables que no esten caducos. Para más información: <https://catholiccharitiescamden.org/faithfull-food-drive> o [Rose.Porcellini@camdendiocese.org](mailto:Rose.Porcellini@camdendiocese.org) (856)342-4104. Puede dejar su donación de alimentos a la entrada de la iglesia el 25 y 26 de marzo. Gracias!

## Regulaciones para la Cuaresma

Viernes Santo día de ayuno y abstinencia, y todos los viernes de Cuaresma son días de abstinencia.

**Abstinencia** – requiere que todos los católicos que hayan cumplido sus 14 años de edad se abstengan de comer carne el Miércoles de Ceniza, el Viernes Santo y todos los viernes de la Cuaresma (Código de Derecho Canónico §1252). Se considera carne aquella de los mamíferos y aves. Pescados de mar o de agua dulce al igual que otros mariscos están permitidos; también están permitidos productos derivados de animales como productos lácteos o huevos.

**Ayuno** – requiere que todos los católicos desde la edad de 18 años hasta el comienzo de la edad de 60 reduzcan la cantidad de comida consumida normalmente. La Iglesia define esto como una comida sin carne al día, y dos comidas sin carne más pequeñas que juntas no excedan la comida principal en cantidad. Comer entre comidas no está permitido, pero líquidos, incluyendo leche y jugos naturales, están permitidos.

**Dispensas** – Además de los límites de edad, aquellos de facultades mentales perturbadas, los enfermos, los frágiles, mujeres embarazadas o madres lactantes según la necesidad de carne o nutrición, trabajadores manuales según la necesidad, huéspedes a una comida en la cual no podrían excusarse sin causar gran ofensa o causando enemistad y otras situaciones de imposibilidades morales o físicas a observar la disciplina penitencial.

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