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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Whoever receives me, receives not me but the One who sent me.

Mark 9:37

ST. GIANNA PARISH SERVED BY

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CONFESSIONS:

Saturdays (English): 3:00 – 4:30 PM Sundays (Spanish): 1:15-1:45 PM For any other time please call the parish office to make the necessary arrangements.

OFFICE HOURS

Mon.-Thurs.: 9 AM - 4 PM. Friday: Closed

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

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday 4:30 PM Sunday 8 & 10 AM 12 Noon Traditional Latin Mass 2 PM Mass in Spanish

MASSES ON HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION Vigil: 7:00 PM -Feast Day: 8:30 AM and 12:00 Noon - 7:00 PM (Bilingual)

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2024 TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME HYMNS FOR THE WEEKEND

ENTRANCE: #659 in the St. Michael Hymnal "O God beyond All Praising" **OFFERTORY:** #624 in the St. Michael Hymnal "Lord, Who at Thy First Eucharist" **COMMUNION:** #832 in the St. Michael Hymnal "Where Charity and Love Prevail" **CLOSING:** #524 in the St. Michael Hymnal "For the Beauty of the Earth"

From the Pastor's Desk

Anticipation of our Annual Forty Hours Devotion *"Let us, therefore, love God because God first loved us."* 1 John 4:19

lmighty God, in His loving and wise providence, grants to us again the great privilege of being able to A make the Forty Hours Devotion. Ours is the gift of life, of health and of strength, enabling us to enjoy the happiness of serving and adoring our Divine Master present in the Sacrament of the Altar. During our Forty Hours this year, you will note that some who worshipped with us last year at the Forty Hours will not be here. That was their last Forty Hours. They have been taken from us in death. Rather a sobering thought! Some others, this Forty Hours, are lying on a bed of pain and sickness. The cross of sickness and ill health has been allotted them as a trial and a means of great grace. How they would love to be with us at our Forty Hours! They can only be with us in spirit and sacrifice. A number of our boys and girls are serving in the Armed Forces away from home. They may not be physically present but they will be with us in spirit. We are the fortunate ones. God has placed NO OBSTACLE in our way. No difficulty besets our paths. A triduum of joy and of love awaits us. Love on both sides. Christ will be here and so will we. Why? Because love is the reason, God's motive and ours. Because Christ loves us, He instituted the Blessed Sacrament and remains present under the Eucharistic species. Because we, on the other hand, love Christ so present, we have to come to adore and render Him our homage. "Let us, therefore, love God because God first loved us'' (1 John 4:19). For three days, as a united congregation, as one family, we shall be worshipping our Blessed Lord present in the Blessed Sacrament. By our faithfulness and devotion, we shall be giving testimony to our faith – to the fact of our sincere belief that in the Blessed Sacrament is the true Presence of the Body and Blood of Christ Himself. These will be three days when we will be present at Mass, happy days of procession and of fervent prayer. These will be days of confession and communion; days of adoration in which both the clergy and the laity will unite in adoration to our Eucharist Lord. This is all done for the purpose of giving public expression to an inward faith in the Most Blessed Sacrament.

What Does Our Lord Think?

hat the devout and faithful Catholic thinks of the Forty Hours is self-evident. Though we have many and various devotions throughout the year, we lovingly wait for the coming of our Forty Hours Devotion. I hope as you hear when Forty Hours will be celebrated, your heart skips a beat and a smile and feeling of pleasant anticipation will take possession of you. So, in evidence of our delight, we immediately turn to action. First, we begin by giving the church a thorough cleaning to make it spick and span! The walls, the pews, the floors will be waxed, etc. How about the altar and sanctuary? They will receive a good dusting and washing and freshly laundered and ironed altar linens are placed upon it with a beautiful antependium to adorn its front. All spotless and ironed to perfection! The candlesticks do not escape our scrutiny. They are scraped of accumulated wax and brand-new candles are put in them. The candles our first Communicants presented on their First Holy Communion day last May are placed in the candelabras representing their innocence and love for Jesus. We bring flowers and more flowers whose scents fill our church edifice and raise our mind and thoughts heavenward. Do not, for a moment, forget your Pastor for he also spends some solicitous moments. Upon him depends the good order for the Forty Hours. He must first arrange for a suitable preacher, and he knows he must be good and sound in Orthodoxy, for his parishioners expect something special for the Forty Hours. The choice is one of his big concerns. Then he must issue the invitations to visiting clergy, and as host he must see to it that a proper table is set – one that will do honor to him and to his parishioners. The dual role of Martha and Mary falls on the pastor. The task is also his to see that in the church everything is as it should be and while solicitous about the spiritual side of the Forty Hours, he indeed, acts the part of Mary. In trying to fulfill his duties as host to visiting clergy he becomes the Martha, worrying himself about a multitude of household cares. And, so, it becomes a familiar sight for the people of the parish during the Forty Hours to see their pastor running all day and night between the church and the rectory.

ou may be sure he is the last one to leave the church after assuring himself that all the candles are extinguished and that the altar boys in their haste have not thrown the hot charcoal from the thurifer into the trash can! With this confidence that no danger of fire to the church exists, he murmurs, "Good night Jesus" and betakes himself to the rectory for a night of deserved rest, for it will be the pastor who will be up bright and early for the 8:00 a.m. morning prayer, lauds and exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament. This is all said merely to refresh our minds and to make the picture somewhat clearer as to what we, the devout faithful, think of the Forty Hours Devotion. All these necessary preparations with the accompanying worry and anxiety, lovingly and willingly undertaken by all, go to prove that we love the Forty Hours Devotion and that in the life of our beautiful parish it is one of the most important events of the year. Catholics show by their actions that it is the purpose of the Forty Hours to publicly worship the most important Person connected with their existence and Who is none other than Jesus Christ, the Son of God! This much we take for granted. But, I often ask myself, what our Blessed Lord thinks of the Forty Hours Devotion? Christ Our Lord is in heaven. He sits at the right Hand of God Almighty. From heaven He will look down upon our parishioners. There are the parishioners who will make the Forty Hours. The little children brought to church so devoutly by their parents. The altar servers making sure they are present for all their special assignments for Masses and holy hours. Then moms and dads who will try to come a little earlier from work so that after a long day they can get to church for evening Masses. What does our Lord think about us who will make this devotion in His honor? I believe that our Blessed Lord will be greatly pleased with us. His Sacred Heart will beat with joy. Does not a father love to see his children? Does he not love to see his children gather to honor him? By that he judges that they are really his good children – that their hearts are in the right place and that they love him and show their love inwardly as well as outwardly. I firmly believe our Lord will very much be pleased with those of us who will make the Forty Hours because we have His word. "For where there are two or three gathered together in My Name, there am I in the midst of them" (Matthew 18:20). If He says that about two or three, how much more pleased will He be when He sees a huge number of people in our church. We know it to be

an experience of life that when a person is happy, when he or she is pleased, one becomes more generous. For instance, take our parents. When do children ask them favors? Do they ask them for favors when they are cross or angry? No, but when they are pleased and happy. Our Lord is pleased and happy with us during our Forty Hours Devotion. Being pleased with us, He will be extremely generous with us. *"And whosoever should give to drink to one of these little ones a cup of cold water only in the name of a disciple, Amen, I say to you he shall not lose his reward"* (Matthew 10:42). We are giving God during



our Forty Hours Devotion not only a cup of water, but all our love, all our service, all our adoration and worship. In return God will bless us, will reward us, will be generous with His Grace. Here is a practical thought: If there were anything that I desired very particularly from God, some favor or some grace, I would ask Him for it during the Forty Hours because I am sure He would grant it. I, Father Sunny, Father Opara, and Deacon George urge you to make the Forty Hours to make use of this time of grace to use every devotion for the benefit of your soul. Why do we exhort you so insistently that you make the Forty Hours Devotion? Because this may be the last Forty Hours that you are privileged to attend. Who of us knows whether he or she will live to attend another one? God only knows, and the matter rests in His Divine Hand. What assurance have we that the chance will be ours to make the Forty Hours next year?

here is one thing during the Forty Hours which is immensely pleasing to Our Lord and that is to make frequent visits to the Blessed Sacrament during the time of the Forty Hours. We will have clip boards available to sign up. But, you can come over and beyond the time you will sign up for. How pleasing these visits must be to our Eucharistic Lord! They are pleasing because you come by yourself, voluntarily, of your own accord. These friendly visits are times taken out by you for a personal visit to Christ Jesus. This hour of your visit is something unofficial and intimate and informal. It is a chance to hold a conversation with Our Lord; to tell Him your wants, worries, anxieties; your joys, happiness and consolations. You can place your problems and your burdens at the feet of Our Lord and Master. Perhaps you need courage to face a certain situation, strength to overcome a temptation. Have you a favor to ask for? Is some danger threatening the peace and bliss of your domestic life? Is someone ill? Grasp the chance offered to you by the Forty Hours Devotion. Our Parish was made official as a Parish in 1966 with Msgr. Charles C. Beausang serving as the first Pastor. It is over 56 years old. It was formed years ago by the sacrifice and generosity of generations of devout Catholics. Some founders of our Parish are dead. Now, we must make the generous sacrifice to keep our Parish vibrant and active. YOU are the Parishioners of today!! An interesting question though, "Who is the oldest parishioner of our Parish?" This question is discussed often with animation and leads to interesting conclusions. But, I would like to answer the question and tell you "the oldest parishioner of our parish is Christ Jesus Himself." Of course, He is! In fact, I'm going back in history and say that Christ was the first parishioner in the Catholic Church. Was not the stable of Bethlehem the first Catholic Church? Was it not Christ's presence there that made that humble stable the first Church on earth? Your forbearers in the Faith built this Church urged on by their Faith and zeal. But, this building became a Catholic Church only when the first Mass was said in it and Christ descended on your Altar and Jesus's Real and True Presence remained in your Tabernacle. Without the Blessed Sacrament, our church would merely be a hall, a meeting place, a place of assemblage akin to the Protestant church edifices. At the reformation, the Protestants referred the Real Presence and so converted the temple of God into a mere auditorium. Christ was the first on the altar of that church when it was built. His coming down from heaven on that first day made this build-



ing a Catholic Church. After all these years, He is STILL HERE, and if this Church stands another century, Christ in the Blessed Sacrament will be here. Christ is the oldest parishioner of any parish and Sacred Scripture gives up the reason: "My delight is to be with the children of men." Proverbs 8:31. It is my earnest and daily prayer that every single one of our parishioners will strive to make the Forty Hours Devotion. After we have made the Forty Hours, there certainly should be some change in us. The fruits of the Forty Hours are these – better Catholic men and women, better fathers, better mothers, better children – all holier, greater love, greater faith. Our Forty Hours Devotion should be a preparation for eternity. Jesus Christ, Our Lord, present in the Blessed Sacrament, help us to make a good Forty Hours Devotion.

> "Let us, therefore, love God because God first loved us." 1 John 4:19

All the flowers of all the tomorrows are in the seeds of today. ~Indian proverb





Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

FIRST DAY THURSDAY, OCTOBER 3rd 6:45 PM Parish Hall

Marian Pilgrimage

Basilica of the National Shrine Of the Immaculate Conception Saturday, October 26, 2024

ST. GIANNA BINGO ON WEDNESDAYS & SATURDAYS

ur 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!! 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!!

<u>NO BINGO ON</u> WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 2nd MARK YOUR CALENDAR!! COME TO ST. GIANNA TO CELEBRATE AND MEET THE MOST REVEREND COADJUTOR BISHOP JOSEPH ANDREW WILLIAMS WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2024 MASS AT 6:30 PM Dessert reception in St. Gianna Hall will follow the Mass.

ST. GIANNA PARISH 40 HOURS DEVOTION OCTOBER 13, 14 & 15, 2024 SPANISH & ENGLISH 7:00 PM EACH EVENING



On **Saturday**, **October 5th at 10:30 a.m.**, our Parish will have a special ceremony called the *Blessing of Pets*. This custom is conducted in remembrance of St. Francis's love for all creatures. Please bring your pets for this special Blessing. Fr. Anthony will meet all creatures, big and small, in the church. Hope we will see you on the 5th!

Memorial Christmas Trees 2024 Reservations Starting: October 21st Cutoff Date: November 29th

Registration forms will be inserted in the bulletin on the weekend of **October 19-20, 2024**. *No reservations will be accepted after November 29th.*

FIVE FIRST SATURDAYS IN REPARATION TO THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY October 5th, November 2nd 8:00 a.m. Recitation of the Rosary 8:30 a.m. Mass 9:00 a.m. Mysteries of the Rosary 3:00 p.m. Confessions

SHARE THE WORD PRAYER GROUP <u>NEW</u> MEETING DAY TUESDAY EVENINGS, 6:45-8:15 PM—PARISH HALL

"For where two or more are gathered in my name, I am there." Matthew 18:20 Come and enjoy the presence of the Lord. We pray for each other, our children, our families, our church, our country and the world. Rosary, praise and worship, intercession prayers, and scripture study. All are welcome! Any question call Colleen 609-703 -7880.

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**. Items requested: peanut butter, jelly, tuna, canned chicken, beef stew, spaghetti sauce. **NO GLASS JARS.** Next Collection: **October 5-6, 2024. Please** place your donations in the church's gathering area.

New Ministry at St. Gianna!! "THAT MAN IS YOU"

en of the parish, are you looking to deepen your relationship with God? Be a better husband? Become a more loving father? Build your relationships with like-minded men? And seek to be the best man you can be? Then, please join "That Man is You" prayer group that meets on Thursday evenings from 6:30 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. in the parish hall. For more information please contact david@castellinilaw.com. or 609-402 -1844. "As iron sharpens iron, so one man sharpens another." Proverbs 27:17



SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

4:30 PM Angelina & Mario Martirone r/b Children

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

- 8 AM Fred & Marge Potenza r/b Dick & Marge Fopeano
- **10 AM** Nellie De Vito r/b Martirone Family John, Margaret & Frances Greydanus r/b Palomeque Family
- 12 Noon Lucia Kamaka r/b Ernesto Velez Intentions & Health of Rev. Anthony Manuppella
- 2 PM Descanso Eterno de Jose Maria Pedro Rendon Mario Martinez r/b Esposa e Hijos Francisco Juarez r/b Familia

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

8:30AM Connie Trocchio r/b Ann & Anthony Marinaccio

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

8:30 AM Kathlyn & Joseph DiCosola r/b Family

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

8:30 AM Intentions of Millions of Monicas Moms

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

8:30 AM Diane Frye-Rutter r/b Catherine Regan

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

- 8:30 AM Cathy Matteis r/b Danette Aiuto
- 7:00 PM Lucia Gutierrez r/b Ana Gutierrez

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

4:30 PM Karolee Kowal r/b Sr. Camile George Hornberger r/b Vici & Gerald Butler

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

- 8 AM Bruce Matus r/b Matus Family
- 10 AMPaul Maccagnanor/b Pat & Family
George Hornberger r/b St. Gianna Parish
- 12 Noon Marcos Miranda r/b Corona Franco Family Gene Salerno r/b Family
- 2 PM Vilma Chavez r/b Maria Ortiz Chavez Francisco Juarez r/b Familia



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 guest who visit us occasionally. Thank you for being here.

<u>Parish Membership</u>

N ew parishioners are always welcome! We invite you to call or visit the Parish Office so we may welcome you into our community. Register with the Parish.

- A. So we know who you are
- B. So if you need a letter, certificate, etc., you're on record
- C. So you can be on our mailing list
- D. Most importantly, so we can serve YOU!

THE LORD'S REAL PRESENCE

We are fortunate enough to worship in a Church in which the **Body of Christ** is <u>reserved</u>. It is right to acknowledge the **Lord's Real Presence** with a brief act of worship upon <u>entering or leaving</u> the Church and <u>every</u>



<u>time</u> 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

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





SEPTEMBER 21 – SEPTEMBER 27

SANCTUARY LAMP AT MAIN ALTAR

WILL BURN FOR THE PRESERVATION OF THE TRADITIONAL LATIN MASS Requested By

MR. BERNARD DE LURY

Class registration in Progress! O n October 3rd 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 Penance. Also, you are welcome to take the classes as a "refresher course." It's a great opportunity to grow in faith! Those who are interested, please fill out the form below and return it to the parish office or drop it in the collection basket as soon as possible.
R.C.I.A. 2024-2025
Name:
Address:
City: State: Zip:
D.O.B.: Are you thinking of
AGE: becoming Catholic?
Home Phone #: ()
Cell Phone #: () ()
I am a non-Catholic ()
I am a baptized Catholic , but need the following Sacraments:
Holy Eucharist ()
Confirmation ()
I would like to take the class as a Refresher Course ()
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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 is Tuesday, October 1, 2024 at 7:00PM. EXPECTANT MOTHERS : The Sodality prays for expectant mothers and the babies they are carry- ing. All pregnant women are welcome to contact Cindy Kern at 609-513-8178 for further information. We are currently praying for Sage Nistico and Joanna Walsh and the babies they are carrying. 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 for her intercession. If you would like to sign up for a week of adoration, please contact Diane Del Rossi at 609-653-6905 to sign up. MONTHLY COLLECTION – Every month we collect items for those in need in the area. September's collection will be men's & women's socks & underwear. We will still be collecting until the end of September. October we will be collecting sweatshirts for men & women. The collection is the third weekend of each month. FRIENDS HELPING FRIENDS : We are selling Boscov's Friends Helping Friends Shopping Passes for \$5.00. This entitles you to shop on Tuesday, October 22, 2024 all day and receive a 25% discount on all purchases. The pass can be used at the store or online. Please see a Sodality member to purchase your Pass today.



ADORATION OF THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT: COME ADORE HIM!

E very FIRST FRIDAY of the month our Parish has Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament after the 8:30 a.m. Mass until 12 Noon.

Please mark your calendars and come be united with Jesus in Eucharist Adoration. Talk to Him about your joys, your sorrows and your needs; re-

cite your favorite prayers, read the Bible, or just sit and say nothing, simply keeping Him company as you would do with a dear friend. The power of a few minutes of silence in the presence of Jesus is more powerful than anything else you can do. It will be *"The best time you will spend on earth" Mother Teresa*





Millions of Monicas

To encounter God through prayer for ourselves and our children to grow in holiness and humility. Join us in praying - with confidence - for our children, every Wednesday at 6:30pm in the church. Join with other Catholic women who are being called by the Holy Spirit to imitate St. Monica as they attend this prayer ministry in their parishes. Like St. Monica, we pray for our children to return to the practice of their Catholic faith, and for our children to always stay close to their faith. We are a group of mothers, young and old, who believe in the mother's power of prayer.

Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass

If this year, 2024, you are celebrating a milestone Wedding Anniversary of 25, 50, 60 or 70 years or more, please join us in celebrating Mass with Bishop Dennis Sullivan on Sunday, November 3, 2024 at Holy Family Parish,

226 Hurffville Road, Sewell, NJ 08080 at 3:00 PM. The **deadline** for registration is **October 18, 2024**. Please call the parish office to register for the Mass.

POST-ABORTIVE HEALING SUPPORT GROUP

We provide a safe place to offer help and encouragement to those who have experienced abortion in the past. Help for individuals or groups. Session starts soon. Call or text Lisa (609) 766-4015 or contact Jersey Shore Women's Center in Galloway at (609) 568-6551.

2024 50/50 "HARVEST OF PLENTY RAFFLE" AWESOME PARISH FUNDRAISER One ticket \$20 or 5 tickets \$100

Purchasing 5 tickets will give you the opportunity to get into the bonus drawing of a \$200 Crab Trap Gift Card. This year two lucky winners will each geta gift card of \$200 to have a wonderful meal at the famous Crab Trap restaurant in Somers Point.

Drawing: Saturday, October 26th

Following the 4:30 PM Mass in front of the Church







FORTY HOURS DEVOTION October 13, 14 & 15, 2024 Preacher: Fr. Cesar Pirateque Serrano



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 this Sacrament, please let us know by contacting the Parish office.

Camden Diocese Catholic Renewal Conference

October 11, 12, 13, 2024

Holy Spirit High School Auditorium

500 S. New Road, Absecon, NJ 08201

Register online at

camdendiocesecatholicerenewal.org

Public Square Rosary Crusade

October 12, 2024 @ 12 Noon

Kennedy Park

Somers Point, NJ 08244

For more information please contact Tricia

609-601-0338



Father's Quick

Quote: PRAY is love for God. FAST is love for yourself. GIVE is love for others

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. *Parents and godparents* are expected to attend the Pre-Jordan class.

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 <u>must</u> be a registered, <u>participating</u> member of St. Gianna Beretta Molla Parish, a <u>practicing</u> Catholic in good standing (not living in violation of the Church laws), at least 16 years of age and <u>have received the sacraments of</u> <u>initiation</u> (Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist). Please call the Parish office for an appointment.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

C ouples planning to marry at St. Gianna are expected to contact the Priest to arrange a date and time <u>FIRST</u>. 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 <u>six</u> 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.

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF WISDOM

The wicked say: Let us beset the just one, because he is obnoxious to us; he sets himself against our doings, reproaches us for transgressions of the law and charges us with violations of our training. Let us see whether his words be true; let us find out what will happen to him. For if the just one be the son of God, God will defend him and deliver him from the hand of his foes. With revilement and torture let us put the just one to the test that we may have proof of his gentleness and try his patience. Let us condemn him to a shameful death; for according to his own words, God will take care of him. The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: R. The Lord upholds my life.

O God, by your name save me, and by your might defend my cause. O God, hear my prayer; hearken to the words of my mouth. *R. The Lord upholds my life.*

For the haughty men have risen up against me, the ruthless seek my life; they set not God before their eyes. *R. The Lord upholds my life.*

Behold, God is my helper; the Lord sustains my life. Freely will I offer you sacrifice; I will praise your name, O LORD, for its goodness. *R. The Lord upholds my life.*

A READING FROM THE LETTER OF SAINT JAMES

B eloved: Where jealousy and selfish ambition exist, there is disorder and every foul practice. But the wisdom from above is first of all pure, then peaceable, gentle, compliant, full of mercy and good fruits, without inconstancy or insincerity. And the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace for those who cultivate peace. Where do the wars and where do the conflicts among you come from? Is it not from your passions that make war within your members? You covet but do not possess. You kill and envy but you cannot obtain; you fight and wage war. You do not possess because you do not ask. You ask but do not receive, because you ask wrongly, to spend it on your passions. The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God**

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

God has called us through the Gospel to possess the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. R. **Alleluia**.

A READING FROM THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO MARK

J esus and his disciples left from there and began a journey through Galilee, but he did not wish anyone to know about it. He was teaching his disciples and telling them, "The Son of Man is to be handed over to men and they will kill him, and three days after his death the Son of Man will rise." But they did not understand the saying, and they were afraid to question him. They came to Capernaum and, once inside the house, he began to ask them, "What were you arguing about on the way?" But they remained silent. They had been discussing among themselves on the way who was the greatest. Then he sat down, called the Twelve, and said to them, "If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all." Taking a child, he placed it in their midst, and putting his arms around it, he said to them, "Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me; and whoever receives me, receives not me but the One who sent me." The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ**

¡VENGAN A ADORARLO!

Mientras "navegaba" en la internet, me encontré con este maravilloso artículo explicando la hermosa devoción de las 40 Horas. El Padre Saunders (Decano de la Escuela de Graduados Notre Dame de Christendom College y Pastor de Nuestra Señora de Esperanza en Sterling, Virginia) hizo un excelente trabajo al explicar el



origen y propósito de esta Devoción a nuestro Rey de la Eucaristía! Leamos este articulo en preparación a nuestra Devoción de las 40 Horas que comienzan el domingo 13 de octubre a las 4 de la tarde.

La Devoción de las 40 Horas es un período especial de oración continua hecha ante el Santísimo Sacramento en Exposición solemne. El foco de esta devoción está en la Sagrada Eucaristía. Como católicos, las palabras de nuestro Señor arden en nuestros corazones: "Yo mismo soy el pan vivo que desciende del cielo. Si alguno come este pan, vivirá para siempre; el pan que daré es mi carne para la vida del *mundo*" (Juan 6:51). Afirmando nuestra creencia en la presencia real de nuestro Señor en el Santísimo Sacramento, el Concilio Vaticano II enseñó que la Sagrada Eucaristía es "la fuente y la cumbre de la vida cristiana" (Lumen Gentium, 11). Mientras la Misa es el acto central de adoración que nos hace participar en la Pasión, Muerte y Resurrección de nuestro Señor, el Concilio Vaticano II confirmó y animó la adoración del Santísimo Sacramento fuera de la Misa. Esta devoción deriva del sacrificio de la Misa y mueve a los fieles a la comunión sacramental y espiritual con nuestro Señor. Como bien lo expreso el Papa Pío XII en su encíclica Mediador Dei, "Esta práctica de adoración tiene un fundamento válido y firme". El número cuarenta siempre ha significado un período sagrado: las lluvias durante el tiempo de Noé duraron 40 días y noches; los judíos vagaron por el desierto durante 40 años, nuestro Señor ayunó y oró durante 40 días antes de comenzar su ministerio público. La devoción de las 40 Horas recuerda ese tradicional "período de cuarenta horas" desde el entierro de nuestro Señor hasta la Resurrección. De hecho, en la Edad Media, el Santísimo Sacramento fue trasladado al Repositorio "el Sepulcro de Pascua", durante este período de tiempo para significar el tiempo de nuestro Señor en la tumba. La Devoción de las 40 Horas comienza con una Misa Solemne de Exposición, que concluye con la Exposición del Santísimo Sacramento y una Procesión. El Santísimo Sacramento permanece en el altar en una custodia. Durante las siguientes 40 horas, los fieles se reúnen para la oración personal o pública en adoración a nuestro Señor. Un sacerdote puede ser invitado a dar una serie de homilías. Se deben ofrecer y fomentar las confesiones. Mientras que la devoción de 40 Horas nutre el amor de los fieles por nuestro Señor en el Santísimo Sacramento, tres dimensiones especiales han rodeado también esta devoción: la protección del mal y la tentación; la reparación de nuestros propios pecados y de las almas del Purgatorio; y liberación de calamidades políticas, materiales o espirituales. Aquí los fieles imploran a nuestro Señor que derrame Su Abundante Gracia no sólo para sí mismos, sino también para sus vecinos, no sólo por sus necesidades personales, sino por las del mundo. Esta es una maravillosa oportunidad para el crecimiento espiritual de cada persona y de la parroquia en su conjunto. En un mundo donde la tentación y el mal abundan, donde la devoción a la Misa y nuestro Señor en la Sagrada Eucaristía han disminuido, donde la práctica de la penitencia y la confesión han sido olvidadas, necesitamos la Devoción de las 40 Horas más que nunca.

> OCTUBRE 13, 14 & 15, 2024 8:00 am – 10:00 pm 7:00 pm Mass Bilingüe Preacher: Padre Cesar Pirateque Serrano 2024 Devoción de las 40 Horas celebradas en Inglés y Español

S i 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 vestibulo 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** a 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!

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 de las 7 pm en el Salón Grande.

PROCESIÓN DEL PAN Y EL VINO DURANTE LA MISA

A quellas personas que han reservado una Misa por una intención particular son bienveni-



das, si así lo desean, a procesar con las ofrendas del pan y el vino durante la Misa. Sólo comuníquense con la señora Fidelina Acevedo o Maria Jimenez antes del comienzo de la Misa.

Visite la Pagina Oficial de Facebook de la Diocesis de Camden, Ministerio Hispano, para enterarse de todos los eventos para la Comunidad.

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CONFESIONES

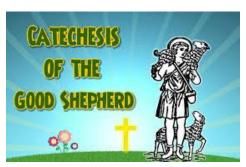
VIERNES: 6:15 PM—6:45 pm DOMINGOS: 1:15 pm –1:45 PM FUERA DE ESTOS HORARIOS PUEDE HACER SU CITA LLAMANDO A LA OFICINA PARROQUIAL.

MISAS EN ESPAÑOL

AGOSTO: MES DEDICADO AL INMACULADO CORAZON DE MARIA

DOMINGOS 2 PM

VIERNES 7 PM



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

THE DIOCESE OF CAMDEN



PRIMERA LECTURA DEL LIBRO DE LA SABIDURIA

Los malvados dijeron entre sí: "Tendamos una trampa al justo, porque nos molesta y se opone a lo que hacemos; nos echa en cara nuestras violaciones a la ley, nos reprende las faltas contra los principios en que fuimos educados. Veamos si es cierto lo que dice, vamos a ver qué le pasa en su muerte. Si el justo es hijo de Dios, él lo ayudará y lo librará de las manos de sus enemigos. Sometámoslo a la humillación y a la tortura, para conocer su temple y su valor. Condenémoslo a una muerte ignominiosa, porque dice que hay quien mire por él". Palabra de Dios. **Te alabamos Señor**.

SALMO RESPONSORIAL: R. El Señor es quien me ayuda.

Sálvame, Dios mío, por tu nombre, con tu poder defiéndeme. Escucha, Señor, mi oración, y a mis palabras atiende. *R. El Señor es quien me ayuda.*

Gente arrogante y violenta contra mí se ha levantado, Andan queriendo matarme. ¡Dios los tiene sin cuidado! *R. El Señor es quien me ayuda*.

Pero el Señor Dios es mi ayuda, él, quien me mantiene vivo. Por eso te ofreceré con agrado un sacrificio, y te agradeceré, Señor, tu inmensa bondad conmigo. *R. El Señor es quien me ayuda.*

SEGUNDA LECTURA DE LA CARTA DEL APOSTOL SANTIAGO

Hermanos míos: Donde hay envidias y rivalidades, ahí hay desorden y toda clase de obras malas. Pero los que tienen la sabiduría que viene de Dios son puros, ante todo. Además, son amantes de la paz, comprensivos, dóciles, están llenos de misericordia y buenos frutos, son imparciales y sinceros. Los pacíficos siembran la paz y cosechan frutos de justicia. ¿De dónde vienen las luchas y los conflictos entre ustedes? ¿No es, acaso, de las malas pasiones, que siempre están en guerra dentro de ustedes? Ustedes codician lo que no pueden tener y acaban asesinando. Ambicionan algo que no pueden alcanzar, y entonces combaten y hacen la guerra. Y si no lo alcanzan, es porque no se lo piden a Dios. O si se lo piden y no lo reciben, es porque piden mal, para derrocharlo en placeres. Palabra de Dios. **Te alabamos Señor.**

R. Aleluya, aleluya.

Dios nos ha llamado, por medio del Evangelio, a participar de la gloria de nuestro Señor Jesucristo. R. **Aleluya.**

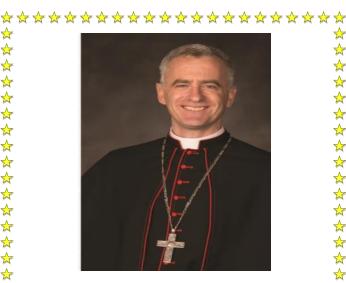
LECTURA DEL SANTO EVANGELIO SEGUN SAN MARCOS

E n aquel tiempo, Jesús y sus discípulos atravesaban Galilea, pero él no quería que nadie lo supiera, porque iba enseñando a sus discípulos. Les decía: "El Hijo del hombre va a ser entregado en manos de los hombres; le darán muerte, y tres días después de muerto, resucitará". Pero ellos no entendían aquellas palabras y tenían miedo de pedir explicaciones. Llegaron a Cafarnaúm, y una vez en casa, les preguntó: "¿De qué discutían por el camino?" Pero ellos se quedaron callados, porque en el camino habían discutido sobre quién de ellos era el más importante. Entonces Jesús se sentó, llamó a los Doce y les dijo: "Si alguno quiere ser el primero, que sea el último de todos y el servidor de todos". Después, tomando a un niño, lo puso en medio de ellos, lo abrazó y les dijo: "El que reciba en mi nombre a uno de estos niños, a mí me recibe. Y el que me reciba a mí, no me recibe a mí, sino a aquel que me ha enviado". Palabra de Dios. **Gloria a Ti Señor.**

2024 Memorial de Navidad

El Programa Navideno en nuestra Parroquia, es un programa donde usted puede recordar a sus seres queridos, vivos o difuntos, de una manera muy especial y al mismo tiempo, colaborar con las decoraciones navideñas de nuestra iglesia. Su participación le permite adquirir un árbol de Navidad de aproximadamente un metro, que se plantará en la propiedad de la iglesia con el nombre de la persona que usted está recodando o si lo prefiere, un mensaje navideño. El Sábado 7 de Diciembre después de la Misa de las 4:30 p.m. habrá una ceremonia especial donde se prenderán las luces de los árboles. Usted y su familia están invitados a compartir una tacita de chocolate caliente y galletitas navideñas con toda su familia parroquial. Los árboles estarán

Los arboles estaran iluminados durante el tiempo Navideño hasta la festividad de la Epifanía del Señor, el 5 de Enero del 2025. Más información en los proximos boletinesery Christmas



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Marguen sus calendarios!!

Most Rev. Coadjutor Bishop of Camden

Joseph Andrew Williams

Will be in our Parish on

Wednesday, October 2, 2024

Mass at 6:30 PM

Postres y café en el Hall

De la parroquia

inmediatamente después de la Misa 🖈

MISA POR LA VIDA

JUEVES 26 DE SEPTIEMBRE, 2024 9:30 AM CATEDRAL DE STA. MARIA DE LA SUNCION 151 N. ST. WARREN, TRENTON **RESERVE EL DIA EN SU CALENDARIO!**

LITURGIA & HOSPITALIDAD

SABADO 28 DE SEPTIEMBRE, 2024 8:30 AM-2:30 PM PARROQUIA CRISTO NUESTRA LUZ **402 NORTH KINGS HIGHWAY** CHERRY HILL, NJ 08034 Información: Rubi Lukasiewicz (856) 583-6170

Septiembre es el mes dedicado a los Siete Dolores de La Virgen Maria

Atención!!!

- Recuerden apagar sus celulares ANTES de en-• trar a la iglesia para que no sirvan de distracción a la comunidad.
- También recuerden NO parquear sus automobiles en las zonas "NO PARKING" para que su automobile no sea confiscado.

🗋 l sábado 5 de Octubre a las 10:30 🧳 **Zam.** nuestra parroquia tendrá un



evento especial para todas nuestras mascotas: La Bendición de Animales. Esta tradición se lleva a cabo en memoria del amor de San Francisco por los animales. Por favor traigan sus animalitos, grandes y pequeños a la Iglesia para que reciban una bendición de nuestro

Pastor, Father Anthony, Los esperamos!



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"HARVEST OF PLENTY RAFFLE"

FABULOSA RIFA

1 ticket \$20 o 5 tickets \$100

Comprando 5 tickets usted tendra la oportunidad de tambien entrar en el sorteo de 2 chances para ganar \$200 para disfrutar de un lunch of cena en el famoso restaurant CrabTrap. Este ano dos ganadores seran los afortunados. Invite a sus familiars y amigos a participar de esta rifa que beneficia a nuestra parroquia.

Sorteo: Sábado, October 26th

Después de la Misa de 4:30 PM

en frente de la iglesia.

R.C.I.A

Educación Religiosa para Adultos. Las clases comienzan el 3 de Octubre. Para registrarse por favo dirigirse a la oficina parroquial. Las clases comienzan el 3 de Octubre, 2024.

CLASES DE EDUCACION RELIGIOSA Comienzan el lunes 23 de septiembre