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“To transform the world by choosing unconditional love and sacrifice”

- Parish Mission Statement

Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 7, 2018

PARISH TEAM

Reverend Fr. Darrin J. G. Gurr
Pastor

Reverend Fr. Kelly Wilson
Parochial Vicar

Deacon Gilles Lorteau
Deacon

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Kristi Stubbings
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Operational Business Manager

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Living Waters Columbarium - Director of Sales, Marketing & Promotions

Reg & Jane Todd
Custodial

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

MONDAY, October 8, 2018

No Mass - Office Closed

TUESDAY, October 9, 2018

6:00-6:45 p.m. **Sacrament of Reconciliation**

7:00 p.m. Liturgy – Novena Mass in Honour of St. Gianna

Intention: + *Agnes Bautista Capitulo / Ruth Provitina*

WEDNESDAY, October 10, 2018

9:30 a.m. Liturgy - Ferial

Intention: + *Thérèse Cyrenne / Doug & Paulette Sutherland*

THURSDAY, October 11, 2018

1:30 p.m. Liturgy at Lindenwood Terrace - Ferial

Intention: + *Liam Enzo Burgos / Jefferson Burgos*

FRIDAY, October 12, 2018

9:30 a.m. Liturgy - Ferial

Intention: + *Erlinda Soria Ramos / Williard & Leslie Pagat*

SATURDAY, October 13 - Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:30 p.m. Liturgy

Intention: + *Fe Colina / Maria Pagdato*

SUNDAY, October 14 - Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 a.m. Liturgy

Intention: + *Ruben San Buenaventura / Roy San Buenaventura*

11:00 a.m. Liturgy - Intention: For All Parishioners / Fr. Darrin



**Remembering Those Entombed or Memorialized
in Living Waters Columbarium:**

October 2 - Elizabeth Desjardins



“Whoever does not accept the kingdom of God like a child will not enter it.” This verse is part of a beautiful reflection on childlike faith. We’re reminded of the innocence of children, how eager they are to experience life and

how quick they are to trust. Rarely do we hear it with the story that immediately proceeds it. The Pharisees question Jesus on the lawfulness of divorce! Hardly the sort of thorny moral conversation one typically has in front of children. Yet here we are.

Jesus’ response goes further back than the Mosaic law. “From the beginning, God made them male and female ... the two shall become one flesh ... what God has joined together, no human being must separate.” Jesus cites a particular set of passages from Genesis 1 and 2, before the Fall in Genesis 3. Adam and Eve possessed original innocence. How eager they were to encounter one another and to explore the garden! How immediate their initial trust in God. We no longer live in Eden. As we age in our fallen world, our childlike trust is wounded and betrayed. We become hardened to the beauties of life. We’re quick to find a way around difficult moments.

In brief, things become complicated as we lose our innocence. The teachings of Christ and the Church on sexuality become more challenging or more objectionable. Jesus recognizes this in today’s Gospel. His invitation is not to compromise with our broken reality. It is a return to beauty, to the fullness of life as it was meant to be. We can affirm our trust in God. We can view life with gratitude. We can experience healing of our lost innocence. This is possible today — now! — by grace. Indeed, “the kingdom of God belongs to such as these.”

CATHOLIC QUOTES - WORDS TO INSPIRE THE FAITHFUL

“The Church does not offer to the people of today riches that pass, nor does she promise them a merely earthly happiness. But she distributes to them the goods of divine grace.”

- St. John XIII

LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

As a disciple, an extremely important question must always take precedence in decision making. What does God want me to do? In discerning answers to life’s questions and difficulties, it doesn’t matter what humans permit or even what popular choice dictates. It is what God says that matters. God’s will is often dismissed, even by those who claim to believe in Him. We discern God’s will by developing a strong and mature prayer life, listening to Scripture and church teaching, consulting church tradition, paying attention to the rhythms of life, and seeking His presence in all we experience and observe. As Jesus realized in his final hours, it is “not my will but yours be done.” Are we ready to follow his example and give ourselves over to what God wants?

KIDS’ CORNER

In the beginning, when God created

Adam and Eve, he created marriage to be good and holy. God wanted husbands and wives to love God and to love and help one another. God always wants marriage to be good and holy.

Pray for kids you know who have been hurt because their parents are not living with each other. Ask God to heal their broken hearts.



Thank you to all parishioners who have renewed their Stewardship of Treasure Commitment for 2018.

Sunday’s Offertory - September 30, 2018

Pre-Authorized Giving:	\$ 14,000.00
Noah’s Buddies	\$ 24.90
Loose:	\$ 940.97
Votives:	\$ 245.90
<u>Novena Mass</u>	<u>\$ 565.08</u>
TOTAL:	\$ 15,776.85

Our minimum weekly offertory income requirement: \$20,000.00

Marian Month of October - Praying the Holy Rosary



The Holy Father has invited all the faithful, of all the world, to pray the Holy Rosary every day, during the entire Marian month of October (in honour of the Blessed Virgin Mary), and thus to join in communion and in penitence, as the people of God, in asking

the Holy Mother of God and Saint Michael Archangel to protect the Church from the devil, who always seeks to separate us from God and from each other.

The Holy Father has also asked that the recitation of the Holy Rosary during the month of October conclude with the prayer written by Leo XIII: *“Saint Michael Archangel, defend us in battle, be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil; may God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl through the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.”*

Visit our website for a guide on how to pray the Holy Rosary.



Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend

Interested in renewing your commitment, intimacy, and passion in your marriage? Rediscover your hopes and dreams at our next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend,

October 12-14, 2018. For more information, contact Char and Edward Arezza at wvme.wpg@gmail.com

Parish Pictorial Directory 2018

Thank you to our steering committee, Lenore Hodge, Grazia Bermisa, Paulo Amenta and Lyle Turgeon who planned, coordinated and directed the publication of our first pictorial directory. A copy is now ready for the 208 families who participated in this endeavour and are available for pick-up at the parish office. Thank you to all who supported this project in so many ways and “Thank you for being a part of something great!”



Missing in Action

If you or someone you know finds themselves with an extended hospital stay or homebound for a significant period, please let Fr. Darrin know and a pastoral visit with communion and/or anointing of the sick can be arranged.



In addition, if you know of someone who has wandered away from church practice and you feel a visit from Fr. Darrin may be a valuable option, please take time to share this with him.

New Parishioners Orientation Session - October 11

Our next New Parishioner Orientation Session is scheduled for **Thursday, October 11th at 7:00 p.m.** in the narthex. This 90 minute session provides a wonderful way to learn more about our parish community, the opportunities for faith formation and ministry involvement, as well as to learn about the unique charism that we hold as a community of Christian disciples under the patronage of St. Gianna Beretta Molla.

Registration at St. Gianna's is a two part process:

1. (Step one) Complete the “Request for Parish Membership” form and submit it either via the Welcome kiosk box in the narthex, by including it in the Sunday offertory basket or by returning it directly to the parish office.
2. Once submitted, you will be invited to a **New Parishioner's Orientation Session** to learn more about our parish community and the call to parish membership. At that time, those who wish to proceed to full parish membership may complete the registration package (Step two) and officially join our faith community.

Once the registration process is completed, we will joyfully count you as a full member of our parish community, sharing in the ministry and mission that makes us all a part of something Great!



GIFT: Growing in Faith Together Family Faith Formation

This year, our Faith Formation process launches a new and fresh approach to children's faith formation. Beginning in October, parents and children are invited to come and learn about our Christian Catholic Faith together. Families with children in Grades 1-6 will explore and discover the great gift of our faith in meaningful and interactive ways. Prayer and music, hands-on activities and discussions will be a part of each of the gatherings. Families will have the opportunity to learn and grow together in faith with the support to develop the skills and knowledge to nurture faith-learning at home. The gatherings will be held one

Sundays
12:30pm - 4:00pm

October 28

November 25

December 16

January 13

February 10

March 10

April 14

May 26

- BBQ Lunch

Sunday per month, October to May, beginning immediately following the 11:00 a.m. Liturgy and concluded by 4:00 p.m. This whole family faith formation process is replacing the current Wednesday Evening Weekly session. To register your family for our 2017/2018 experience or for more information, please contact Rachel Suarez-Banmann, our Family Faith Formation Coordinator at rbanmann@stgianna.ca.



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