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# ST. GIANNA BERETTA MOLLA ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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

- Parish Mission Statement

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2020 - FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

### Perpetual Adoration Chapel

The only perpetual adoration chapel in the Archdiocese of Winnipeg, this 24/7 place of prayer gathers adorers from throughout the archdiocese and beyond. Open to the public for casual visits during regular office hours, and additional access to participating members of the Perpetual Prayer Ministry. Thursdays are dedicated to praying for vocations and religious life.

### Living Waters Columbarium

Living Waters Columbarium, uniquely located below the waters of baptism, reminds us that in baptism we have already died in Christ Jesus, and the great promise of eternal life will be fully realized in heaven. Entombment in Living Waters Columbarium allows our Christian Witness to continue to live on.

### Shrine of Saint Gianna

The first Canadian Shrine dedicated to Saint Gianna Beretta Molla. This Shrine a place of prayer and intercession, receives visitors from many places who come to pray, burn a candle and leave behind prayers of special request and intercession.

### PARISH TEAM

**Reverend Fr. Darrin J. G. Gurr**, Pastor. **Deacon Gilles Lorteau**, Deacon. **Rachel Suarez-Banmann**, Pastoral Associate for Family Faith Formation. **John Eisma**, Pastoral Associate for Liturgical Music Ministry. **Donna Sorokowski**, Columbarium Representative. **Ernest Lacuna**, Administrative Coordinator. **Romeo Suban**, Operational Business Manager. **Reg & Jane Todd**, Custodial.

### WORSHIP

#### Sunday Liturgies

Saturday 4:30 p.m.

Sunday 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

#### Weekday Liturgies

Tuesday 7:00 p.m.

(Novena Mass of St. Gianna)

Wednesday - 9:30 a.m.

Thursday

(consult parish website)

Friday - 9:30 a.m.

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### SACRAMENTS

#### Sacrament of Reconciliation

Tuesday 6:00 p.m. - 6:50 p.m.

#### Sacrament of Baptism

Contact us 3 months in advance.

#### Sacrament of Matrimony

Contact us 12 months in advance.

#### Anointing of the Sick

Contact our parish office.

**MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK**

**MONDAY, February 10 - Memorial - St. Scholastica**  
No Mass

**TUESDAY, February 11 - Ferial**  
**World Day of the Sick**  
6:00-6:50 p.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation  
7:00 p.m. Liturgy – Novena Mass in Honour of St. Gianna  
Intention: + Erlinda Aguilar / Cecilia Bautista

**WEDNESDAY, February 12 - Ferial**  
9:30 a.m. Liturgy  
Intention: Sylvester Tatenda Kuda / Betina

**THURSDAY, February 13 - Ferial**  
1:30 p.m. Liturgy at Lindenwood Terrace  
Intention: + Bernadette Agpalza / Perla Javate

**FRIDAY, February 14 - Memorial - St. Cyril & St. Methodius**  
9:30 a.m. Liturgy  
Intention: + Inocentes Embestro / Marilou Epres

**SATURDAY, February 15 - Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
4:30 p.m. Liturgy  
Intention: + Alan Schade / Del Schade

**SUNDAY, February 16 - Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
9:00 a.m. Liturgy  
Intention: + Katherine Gillespie / Karen & Stuart Burns  
11:00 a.m. Liturgy  
Intention: For All Parishioners / Fr. Darrin

**EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - Recognize God in Your Ordinary Moments**  
...If you were a store owner, what would you do to attract people? Would you always put your best foot forward? How hard would you work to show everybody that your place is worth repeated visits and patronage? You may not be an entrepreneur with your own business, but you do have your parish community. This is your community and what you do and how you act in the world around you will either add to a buzz or a lack of interest. How you use the gifts you and your community have been given will do a lot to attract people and cause them to talk. You will be like a city on top of a mountain that no one can miss. Can your light shine so bright that it can be seen from miles around? You may be only one person, but you are a part of something greater than yourself. Your stewardship can easily become contagious. At a time when too many are choosing to disregard the Church, it is time to create a positive buzz.

**LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK**

Before the arrival of GPS and other technological advances, folks relied on a compass to assist them with directions. If set and used properly, people who would otherwise be lost could find their way. What properly sets our God compass? We know that we require God in order to find our way through life, but we need to be in proper relationship with God before this can effectively happen. God certainly does not need to be placated, but some things open Him up to us more than others. Isaiah gives us a clue today. Share your bread with the hungry... clothe the naked... remove oppression, false accusation, and malicious speech... satisfy the afflicted. When we do this, we will not only be on proper course and in right relationship with God, but will be the salt and light Jesus asks us to be.

**KIDS' CORNER**

When you love God, and you follow his example,

it will show. You will be loving, patient, and kind. You will be honest and always do your best. You will work hard and share what you have. When you live for God, you make the world a better place.

**God, help me to make a difference in the world because I love you.**



**NOAH'S BUDDIES**



"I'm one of Noah's Buddies, I have shared my time, talent and treasure by..."

**Sharing My Talent:**  
"helped my friend with math"

**Sharing My Time:**  
"went to church"  
"practiced my piano and singing"

**Sharing My Treasure:**  
\$12.00

\* Please print full names on Noah's envelopes.

**CATHOLIC QUOTES - WORDS TO INSPIRE THE FAITHFUL**

"You are the light of the world. A city set on a mountain cannot be hidden."  
- Matthew 5:14

## Treasure Renewal 2020: Greatest Response-To-Date!



Thank you for the generous response and our greatest participation to-date! Together, let's continue to be a part of something great and have all parishioners participate in returning their commitment cards! Please place your card in the offertory basket or drop it off at the parish office as soon as possible. We thank you for your ongoing financial commitment to the mission and ministry of St. Gianna's Parish and we look forward to a great year ahead! *Thank you for being a part of something great!*

### A CALL TO ACTION NOW!!!

Concerning proposed changes to the Medical Assistance in Dying (MAiD) Act. Most are aware of the Federal



Government's proposed changes to the Medical Assistance in Dying (MAiD) Act. Significant changes to the current act would allow for; advances directives, permitting minors access to MAiD, as well as permitting MAiD as an option to those with mental illness. Each of these changes will have serve consequences moving forward. In the case of advance directives, there is no way of knowing if a person still wishes MAiD when they can no longer make or express decisions for themselves. This puts an intolerable burden on those who are appointed to make that decision and could lead to an abuse of MAiD. In the case of minors, no matter how mature they might appear, they cannot fully appreciate what a life lived can lead to and what they are giving up. They are too susceptible to the influence of parents, peers, and other adults. By allowing those that are suffering from a mental illness to access MAiD, all hope of recovery is being rejected. Further, there is a lack of medical expertise to be able to pronounce that a person suffering from a psychiatric illness is irremediable. Those with mental illness are even more vulnerable given the lack of medical treatment presently available to them. In all, the effect of amending the eligibility criteria is to put vulnerable people into an even more vulnerable position. Our Christian perspective accepts that in life there is suffering and that all life is to be cherished and protected. An evolved and caring society should focus on the vulnerable, providing them with the support and care that they require in their hour of need; not make it easier for them to end that life. While the time for completing the government questionnaire has passed, there is still an opportunity to let your voices be heard. The Minister of Justice has indicated that he wants to present a bill to Parliament in the middle of February - you can send a letter or visit your Member of Parliament until such time. See the enclosed letter template in this Sunday bulletin, put together by our Archdiocesan Office of Social Justice. You may also find it on the Archdiocesan website: [www.archwinnipeg.ca](http://www.archwinnipeg.ca). This is a serious situation that requires our Christian Catholic response.



## Income Tax Receipts

Income tax donation receipts will be mailed out this week. Thank you for your continued support and generosity!

### February Incentive - The "Heart" Urn

This February, as we celebrate the Feast of St. Valentine and the Month of Love, Living Waters Columbarium is pleased to feature the "Heart Companion Urn Incentive" with the purchase of each double niche. A value saving of \$330<sup>00</sup>. The heart-shaped, marble cultured urn conveys the symbol of love when it is fit together, as it is ultimately, two individual tear drops when standing separate. The "Heart Companion Urn" can be ordered in a variety of colours to fully personalize your entombment wishes. For more information, please contact Donna at 204-488-3977 or [livingwaters@stgianna.ca](mailto:livingwaters@stgianna.ca)



### Rosary Prayer - February 11

Tuesday, **February 11** at **1:30 p.m.**, the Prayer Group will pray the rosary in the worship space. All are welcome!



### Women's Faith Group Meeting - February 12

St. Gianna's Women's Faith Group will meet on Wednesday, **February 12, 2020** at **1:00 p.m.** in the downstairs meeting room.

### Noah's Friends - Forming our Youth in Stewardship

*Noah's Friends* is great way to teach young people about the generosity of God in their lives. Each week, they are invited to place their own offertory envelopes in the offertory basket at the time of the Sunday collection. Specially designed envelopes include a scripture passage as they enclose their offering that represents a gift that they may have also received. This offering should not be given to them by their parents/guardians, but rather it should come from a monetary gift, allowance or wage that they have received, therefore creating their own sense of offering. Youth, grades 7-12 can enrol in our Noah's Friends program at the display in the Narthex and obtain a special set of offertory envelopes.



### Manitoba Human Trafficking Awareness Day of Prayer Thursday, March 12, 2020 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Manitoban men, women and children are being lured by the hundreds every month into sexual exploitation. You can help by being aware and joining thousands of fellow Manitobans in praying for the safe return of our fellow sisters and brothers. On March 12, all are invited to participate in this day of prayer by visiting our Perpetual Adoration Chapel of the Divine Mercy or by participating at home, school or at work.



**Visitor or Special Event Envelopes:** Please indicate ID # and/or street address with your name whenever possible.



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