

# FEAST DAY *of* ST. GIANNA BERETTA MOLLA

APRIL 28

O God our Father,  
we praise you and bless you  
because in St. Gianna Beretta Molla,  
you have given to us a woman who  
witnessed to the Gospel, as a young person,  
a wife, a mother and a doctor.

We thank you because through the gift of her life,  
we learn to accept and honour every human being.  
You, Lord Jesus, were for her a privileged reference.

She was able to know you in the beauty of nature.

As she questioned her choice of life,  
she always sought you and how to serve you best.

Through her married love she became a sign  
of your love for the Church and for humanity.

Like you, the Good Samaritan, she stopped  
at the side of every sick person, small and weak.

Following your example, she gave herself  
entirely out of love, generating new life.

Holy Spirit, source of every perfection,  
grant also to us wisdom, intelligence and courage  
so that through the example of St. Gianna's personal,  
family and professional life, and through her intercession,  
we too, are able to place ourselves at the service of  
every person and grow in love and holiness.

We ask this through Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

