



# **Bukás Loób sa Diyós** (Open in Spirit to God) CATHOLIC CHARISMATIC COVENANT COMMUNITY DISTRICT OF NEWARK

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***"Do everything for the glory of God." (1 Cor 10:31)***

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1 Cor 10:31-11:1/ Mk 1:40-45  
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16-17, 18-19/ Rm 8:31b-34/ Mk 9:2-10

#### **COMMUNITY WORD**

**Following the ministry of Jesus honors God's covenant of love.**

#### **ORDER**

***"This is my beloved Son, listen to Him." (Mk 9:7b)***

#### **PROPHECIES**

1. Return to Me, your First Love. I will nourish you with My streams of Living Water.
2. There are only two commandments I want you to obey; love Me and love others.
3. Lead My children and make them aware of My Gospel of love.

#### **DIRECTIONS**

1. Devote a special quiet time in a day for prayers, meditation, and reflection and sharing of the Word of God.
2. Consecrate your day to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and Immaculate Heart of Mary and do what the Lord tells you to do.
3. Feel the loving embrace of Jesus through the Sacrament of Reconciliation; go to confession.

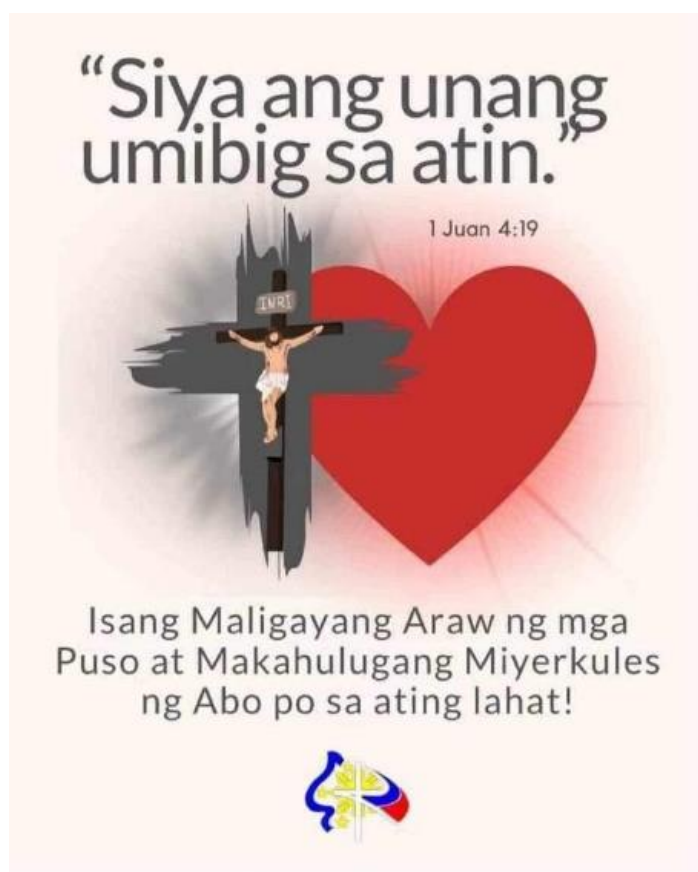
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**Valentine's  
Day!**

**Ash  
Wednesday**



***"A clean heart  
create for me, God;  
renew within me a  
steadfast spirit."  
(Psalm 51:12)***

**LENT: ● Pray ● Fast ● Give ●**

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# PRAYERS

## Prayer for 2024, The Year of Prayer

Loving Father, send us your Spirit as we embark on our pilgrimage of prayer this year.

Bless us that we may “rediscover the centrality of prayer . . . prayer with simplicity and in accordance with Christ’s heart . . . with the joy and commitment of being men and women of prayer. Prayer that comes from the heart.” (from Pope Francis)

May we be blessed with the grace of deepening our personal prayer life that we may get to know your Son more intimately.

May we be blessed with the inspiration to participate in communal prayer, most especially in the celebration of the Holy Eucharist, that we may deepen our union of minds and hearts as a community.

May we be blessed with the opportunity for silence and reflection that we may become more discerning and learn to find you in all things and in our experiences in the day to day.

May we be blessed with a renewed love for your Word in Sacred scripture that we may integrate in our lives the values and message of your Good News.

May we be blessed with the fruits of prayer, to love and serve you and others, to be contemplatives in action.

May this year be a Season of Grace to prepare our mind, heart, and spirit for the coming Jubilee Year of Hope.

Amen.

## The Emergence Prayer

### Community Prayer for the Selection of Leaders

Heavenly Father, as members of the BLD Community, we gather in prayer as we are united in our mission to serve and glorify You. You are the source of love, unity, and wisdom. We humbly come before You to seek Your divine guidance in the selection of the new leaders for our Global Community. May your Holy Spirit guide us in choosing our leaders in accordance with your Holy Will.

We lift our minds and hearts in prayer for...

The Nominators, that they all participate in the emergence process to choose the next leaders with much prayer and spirit-filled discernment, and not by popularity.

The Nominees, that they willingly embrace the call to serve and accept the outcome of the discernment process with open hearts, recognizing it as Your divine calling and anointing.

The Emergence Overseers and incumbent leaders, that they have the dedication, fairness and patience to facilitate an orderly nomination process.

The Appointing Authority, our Community Spiritual Director and the Council of Servant Leaders, that they be inspired by Your divine wisdom as they discern the next leaders of our community.

We pledge to know Your will through prayer, sacrifices, and the guidance of Your word. May Your peace, love, truth and joy be upon us in Bukás Loób sa Diyós as we go through this emergence process. Together we claim Your presence in the Emergence process, in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord, by the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Mother Mary, Seat of Wisdom, pray for us. Amen.

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# NEWS

## ARE YOU A LEADER?

In *Matthew 20:25-28*, Jesus called His Disciples together and said, ***"You know that the rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and the great ones make their authority over them felt. But it shall not be so among you. Rather, whoever wishes to be great among you shall be your servant; whoever wishes to be first among you shall be your slave. Just so, the Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many."***



The call of Jesus to leadership is straightforward and undoubtedly, a mandate. There are no exemptions and no other options. We will never be a great leader if we lead for some reason other than serving others in the mighty Name of Jesus. It is only possible to lead like Jesus if we serve like Jesus.

On October 20-21, 2023, BLD Academy conducted a "Lead Like Jesus" Servant Leadership (LLJ) training workshop at Divine Mercy Parish in Rahway, NJ. It was a momentous event for the East Coast North American districts, as the fruits of BLD Newark converged for one purpose: to know Jesus more closely and be able to serve and lead as He did! Members came from Rockville Center, Albany, Rockland, Trenton, Camden, Charlotte, and Washington DC. Close to 300 community leaders were refreshed and blessed as our Lord spoke through the working team of training presenters Jover and Eileen Reyes, and Formation Servant Leaders Jojo and Koi Jalandoni who had to make their way in to New Jersey after a grueling series of presentations in Los Angeles, San Francisco, Reno, and Toronto.

The weekend program revived the inner spirit of our hearts on how we should serve and lead God's people by once more revealing Jesus' model of leadership. As His followers today, we are called to the same radical



approach. Anyone who seeks to **influence** the thinking, behavior and spiritual growth of others and **moves** them to action is a “Jesus leader.”

A spiritual leader needs to be committed and submitted to God and to His plan, obedient and teachable and, most importantly, humble! He must be able to wash the feet of his neighbor just as Jesus did at the Last Supper.



We must be like Mother Mary, who said YES to becoming the mother of God. All we need is to say YES, and God will do the rest.

The LLJ weekend was a call for everyone to take stock of how we live our lives as Christian disciples.

Unfortunately, many of us have declined leadership roles in community for many reasons. Some people use ego to edge God out. Could it be pride, fear, or sloth? Edging God out destroys relationships, undermines authority, and brings chaos to personal lives. Whatever the problem with resisting to lead, Jesus is the ANSWER!

Let us be encouraged to use our ego to EXALT GOD ALONE! It requires humility, a heart attitude that reflects a keen understanding of our limitations as a leader to accomplish something of our own. Along with humility is God-centered confidence, which means depending entirely upon God and His strength to handle things in our lives. Lastly, we must diligently fulfill our purpose, which involves being careful and thorough, paying close attention to detail, and maintaining a solid work ethic.

Are you a leader? God is calling!

“Come back to me with all your heart.  
Don’t let fear keep us apart.  
Trees do bend, though straight and tall;  
so must we to others’ call.  
Long have I waited for your coming home to me  
and living deeply our new life.”

“Hosea” by Gregory Norbet <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=i1ntir3qgdY>

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# FEATURE

## FIND GOD FIRST

Too often in life  
My main focus had been  
Me, myself and I

And the question that I'd ask  
The one that motivated me the most  
Was "What's in it for me?"

But in that query  
Was an incorrect priority

Sometimes, when life seemed overwhelming  
When I felt confused and lost  
I'd go look for myself

And for a while, it would appear  
That my search had been rewarded

But then... soon...  
I'd be stumbling again

Yes... It took a while...  
But eventually, here's what I've come to realize:

That the more important question to ask first  
Really... about almost everything  
Is "What's in it for God?"

That even before finding myself  
First... I have to find God

Cause, you see...  
When that's what we do  
Then that's when we'd find  
...Not just any "me"

Simply put...  
When He is the first priority  
Then what we'd find  
Is the best me, myself and I  
That there can ever be

...The me that He's always meant me to be

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## DEACON'S CORNER

### “Ora et Labora”

Mark 1:29-39

*“On leaving the synagogue, Jesus went with James and John straight to the house of Simon and Andrew. Now Simon’s mother-in-law had gone to bed with fever, and they told him about her straightaway. He went to her, took her by the hand and helped her up. And the fever left her and she began to wait on them.*

*That evening, after sunset, they brought to him all who were sick and those who were possessed by devils. The whole town came crowding round the door, and he cured many who were suffering from diseases of one kind or another; he also cast out many devils, but he would not allow them to speak, because they knew who he was.*

*In the morning, long before dawn, he got up and left the house, and went off to a lonely place and prayed there. Simon and his companions set out in search of him, and when they found him they said, ‘Everybody is looking for you.’ He answered, ‘Let us go elsewhere, to the neighboring country towns, so that I can preach there too, because that is why I came.’ And he went all through Galilee, preaching in their synagogues and casting out devils.”*

Pax to my Missionary Brethren, and fellow servants of Christ,

Jesus in the first half of the reading tells us of the **urgency of His mission**, then in the second half of the gospel, He reminds us of how important it is in **withdrawing to pray**. A beautiful reminder for all of us to work and pray - **“Ora et Labora,”** especially this Mission Month.

Activity is often more appreciated than prayer; that is **true of our own time** as much as it was of **Jesus’ time** forgetting that in **prayer**, we **open ourselves to God**, and help our **activity** be in harmony with **God’s desire** for ourselves and for others. Serving others without regenerating our souls can be exhausting and may even be disastrous.

Let us continue to be **grateful** for the **Spiritual Gifts** that **God has entrusted to us**, and may we continue to be **generous** in sharing them with others.

Let us be prudent in all the decisions we make in our profession and/or vocation.

May all that we **say** and **do**, be rooted in **prayer** and bring **Glory to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Amen.**



Photos from Medical Mission 2023

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# COUNSELS

## Week 1 – February 4, 2024

### 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jb 7:1-4, 6-7/ Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/ 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23/ Mk 1:29-39

THEME	ORDER	DIRECTION(S)	PROMISE(S)
We honor God's covenant of love through praying and preaching of His word.	<b><i>"Win over as many as possible...for the sake of the Gospel."</i></b> (1 Cor 9:21b, 23a)	Be a true witness to the Word of God.	<b><i>"Great is our Lord and mighty in power; to his wisdom there is no limit."</i></b> (Psalm 147:5)

### "To whom do you take your troubles?"

This reflection can be found in the official Facebook Account of the Bukas Loob Sa Diyos Catholic Charismatic Covenant Community – Global - <https://www.facebook.com/BldWorldCovenantCommunity>

***"Is not man's life on earth a drudgery?"*** (Job 7:1) asks Job in the first reading. Is life on earth not hard work? His faith began to waver under the pressure of tragedies, sicknesses, deaths, pains, and suffering. He seems to lose heart figuring out what more is there in life? Acceptably this kind of desperation may come even among godly people who are experiencing trials and tribulations in their life. By faith, we just have to believe in God's omnipresence in our lives, even during our darkest moments. The Lord said, ***"I will never forsake you nor abandon you,"*** (Heb 13:5). We are assured that He will never leave us. The truth is that it is us who detach from Him every time we doubt and commit sin. Like Job, we just have to persevere and wait patiently for the Lord's divine move when we pray to Him.

Our community theme for the 5th Sunday of the Ordinary Time is: **We honor God's covenant of love through praying and preaching of His word.** A person's way of serving God will definitely reflect the depth of his personal relationship with Him. Serving God is a choice which we should consider a privilege and not an honor for us to boast. A true servant of the Lord gladdens himself doing his best in serving, not to win praise or receive material rewards for his service. Followers who manifest genuine faith are those who, despite the allurements of his position and his accomplishments, do not boast but are always conscious and consistent in their stand that they serve only ***"for the sake of the gospel,"*** (1 Cor 9:23).

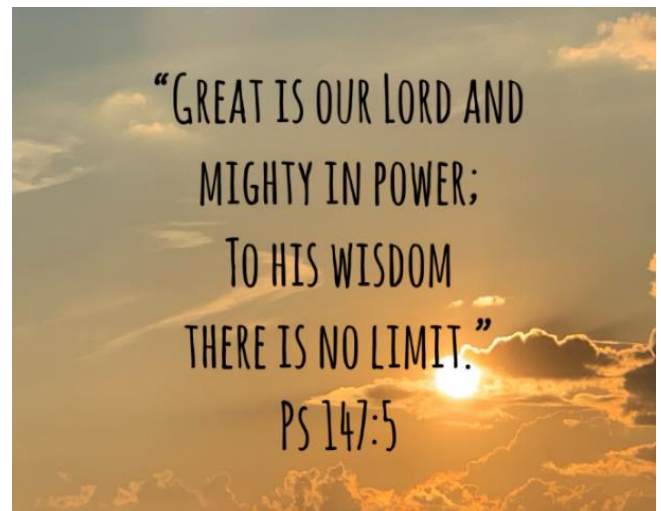
In the Gospel, Jesus shows us an attitude or habit proving there is power in prayer. Prayer and communication with His Father were the focus of His life, the source of His strength and wisdom. He prays before and after any major activity He engages in. To Jesus, prayer is a way of life. We can mold our lives with that of Jesus by beginning to pray more regularly and perseveringly. It moves us to have a closer relationship with God that helps us live to be a good servant of the Lord, a good parent, and a good person.

Having a strong conviction to make praying a way of life will surely deepen our faith. When faith is small and weak, we ought to ask our Lord Jesus in humble prayer to build our faith up, to let it grow stronger and deeper day by day. Faith will definitely grow as we consistently act and live our lives in communion with God. Like Jesus, prayer should always come first in our life as well. ***"Pray without ceasing. In all circumstances give thanks,"*** (1 Thes 5:17). A quality time with God to pray, reflect and renew our energy is most important. Let us remember

to always stay close to the Source of all love. It is a vital necessity which nourishes our spiritual life each day of our life.

But at times, because of a wavering faith, one can easily be tempted and distracted, thus experiencing difficulty in praying. Also, being self-reliant, one may feel he does not need God for help, hence he does away with praying. This prayerlessness will eventually lead one to become spiritually dry and later on to a more disastrous situation of backsliding and emptiness.

To whom do you take your troubles? For Jesus, there is no trouble or suffering He will not face with us and for us. Only when we come into realization that we have separated ourselves from God and are completely troubled, that we turn to the Lord as a last resort. Getting back to our Christian senses, we find ourselves endlessly praying to the point of begging. We realize we cannot live without our truly caring and answering God, whose love for us is without bounds. As He promised: ***"Great is our Lord and mighty in power; to his wisdom there is no limit."*** (Ps 147:5)



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## COUNSELS

### Week 2 – February 11, 2024

#### 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

Lv 13:1-2, 44-46/ Ps 32:1-2, 5, 11/ 1 Cor 10:31-11:1/ Mk 1:40-45

THEME	ORDER	DIRECTION(S)	PROMISE(S)
We honor God's covenant of love by confessing our sins and being spiritually cleansed.	<b><i>"Do everything for the glory of God."</i></b> (1 Cor 10:31)	Avail the sacrament of reconciliation regularly.	<b><i>"Blessed is he whose fault is taken away, whose sin is covered."</i></b> (Ps 32:1)

### Go Out and Spread the Good News

The Readings for the Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time, the last Sunday before Lent, challenge us to examine our hearts and actions in the light of God's love. They remind us of the importance of availing ourselves of the Sacrament of Reconciliation regularly, so that we may live a life in Communion with our beloved Savior, Jesus Christ. The readings also remind us of the call that Christ has placed upon all of our hearts, to go out and spread the Good News about Jesus' healing love and mercy to all those we encounter.

In the First Reading from the book of Leviticus, we hear about the harsh laws and punishments that were placed upon someone with Leprosy. These laws were meant to protect the rest of the community from a pandemic.

Leprosy is a very contagious disease, so lepers were cast out of the community. Leprosy is also used as a metaphor to illustrate the spiritual repercussions of sin. Just as the physical disease of leprosy resulted in being separated from the community, our sins lead to spiritual imprisonment and separation from God. Think of sin as a spiritual infection. It might start small, like a single weed in your garden. But if left unchecked, sin can spread like an ugly weed, poisoning our thoughts, words, and actions. It creates a wall of negativity, preventing us from experiencing the joy and peace that God's love brings. This metaphor between leprosy and sin demonstrates the urgency of spiritual cleanliness, and the need for reconciliation and healing.



The Gospel Reading from Mark brings together the themes of physical and spiritual cleanliness, and the impact of our actions on others. It shows us that while the laws in Leviticus were concerned with protecting the community from physical disease, Jesus was concerned with healing and restoring those who have been isolated and ostracized. Not only did Jesus heal the leper, but He stretched out his hand and touched the leper, an act forbidden by law and custom. This touch was deliberate, an act to dissolve the sin that separated man from God. Jesus' touch is a physical manifestation of God's great love for us. In that moment of reconciliation and deliverance, the leper's sin was washed away and Jesus's compassion restored him to life in God's grace. Jesus seeks out the lost with unmatched compassion, illustrating the depth of His love for us.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is a crucial component of our spiritual journey. Confessing our sins, seeking forgiveness, and experiencing God's healing grace become even more evident, especially as we approach the Lenten Season. Just as the lepers were cast out of society due to their physical condition, our sins alienate us from God. However, the Sacrament of Penance, restores our broken relationship with God, allowing us to step back into His loving embrace.

We also see in the Gospel of Mark, that after Jesus healed the leper, the leper was so overjoyed and grateful that he could not help but go out and proclaim to all the people about his experience. In this same way, Christ instructs us to evangelize others and to tell the world of His love and mercy. In the 2nd Reading from St. Paul's Letter to the Corinthians, we are called to do everything for the glory of God. We are to look to Jesus Christ as an example of how to live our lives in unity with our Heavenly Father. Our actions should not lead others to sin, but instead, should guide them toward obeying God. St. Paul reminds us of our responsibility to foster the spiritual health of our shared community. Every action, big or small, should echo the intention of bringing honor to God, and aligning our existence with His divine Will. Obedience to God is not a burden, but rather, an empowering invitation. Our actions, our very presence, can become a channel for spiritual health, not just for ourselves, but for everyone around us. We are not alone in this mission. We are part of a vibrant community, where each member plays an important and crucial role, helping to bring about the Kingdom of God on Earth.



Let us all embrace Jesus' invitation to evangelize and proclaim the Good News to all we encounter. Let our choices, our interactions, and our very being, radiate our response of saying, "YES!" to God's mission to build up His Church. The ripple effect of a single act of kindness, or a single word of encouragement, can be truly transformative. When we are asked to serve our

beloved Savior, Jesus Christ, we become a community that not only avoids sin and darkness, but also actively shines the light of Christ for all to see.

Heavenly Father, Your message resonates deep within us today, not with timid whispers, but with voices burning bright with Your love. Grant us the unwavering strength to step out into the world, as ardent messengers of Your Word. Equip us with courage that quells any fear, and replace hesitation with an unyielding fire to share Your boundless love with every soul we encounter.

Let our words be more than echoes; let them be vessels overflowing with Christ's compassion. Open our eyes to see the lost, the weary, and the hearts deep in loneliness. Guide our steps toward them, not with judgement, but with outstretched hands of understanding and acceptance.

Jesus, stir within us a love that transcends mere words, a love that is manifested in every action, every smile, and every act of kindness. Make us instruments of Your peace, a bridge that connects those isolated from Your light. Grant us the wisdom to speak when needed, the strength to listen with open hearts, and the humility to simply be a reflection of Your unwavering love.

We know, Father, that the path we walk is not always easy or direct. There will be moments of doubt, whispers of cynicism, and challenges that may test our resolve. Yet, in those moments, remind us of the immense power of the Holy Spirit that we hold within. Remind us that we are not alone, that we are part of a faith-filled community, each member strengthening the others, and empowering and encouraging one another.

Jesus, we need You to help us to go forth, empowered by Your Holy Spirit. Help us to serve not as individuals, but as one Body of Christ, to be a beacon of hope in a world yearning for Your light. Let our voices rise in unison, proclaiming Your love, and drawing all who have strayed away, back into the warmth of Your embrace. This, Father, is our deepest prayer, our heartfelt plea. Lord Jesus, help us to do Your Will. Amen.

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COUNSELS

Week 3 – February 18, 2024

1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent			
Gn 9:8-15 / Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9/ 1 Pt 3:18-22/ Mk 1:12-15			
THEME	ORDER	DIRECTION(S)	PROMISE(S)
We honor God’s covenant of love when we repent and believe in the gospel.	<i>“Repent, and believe in the gospel.” (Mk1: 15b)</i>	1. Honor our covenant pledges so we can sustain the growth of our community.  2. Do examination of conscience regularly.	<i>“...he shows sinners the way. He guides the humble to justice and teaches the humble his way.” (Ps 25:8b-9)</i>

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# COUNSELS

## Week 4 – February 25, 2024

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent

Gn 22:1-2, 9A, 10-13, 15-18/ Ps 116:10, 15, 16-17, 18-19/ Rm 8:31b-34/ Mk 9:2-10

THEME	ORDER	DIRECTION(S)	PROMISE(S)
We honor God's covenant of love as we faithfully obey Him to transform our heart and mind.	<i><b>"This is my beloved Son. Listen to Him."</b></i> (Mark 9:7)	1. Listen to the Lord in prayer and scripture.  2. Put others before yourself.	<i><b>"I will bless you abundantly...because you obeyed my command."</b></i> (Gn 22:17a, 18b)

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## COMMUNITY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATION ~ PRAISE & WORSHIP

<b>Holy Rosary (8:00 PM)</b>	Every Friday
<b>First Friday and other Eucharistic Celebrations (8:30PM)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>February 2 – Special Blessings for the Medical Missionaries / YLSS #27 Salubungan</li> <li>March 1</li> <li>April 5 - 1<sup>st</sup> Friday; April 12 – YLSS Invocation Mass</li> </ul>
<b>Praise and Worship Weekly (Starts at 8:30PM)</b>	Feb 9   Feb 16   Feb 23 Mar 8   Mar 15   Mar 22   <b>Mar 29 – Good Friday – No worship</b> Apr 12   April 19   April 26
<b>Solo Parents Ministry</b>	2 <sup>nd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup> Friday
<b>Singles Ministry</b>	3 <sup>rd</sup> Friday
<b>Youth Ministry</b>	2 <sup>nd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup> Fridays
<b>Mark 10</b>	3rd Friday of the Month

## ONGOING ACTIVITIES

<b>INTERCESSORY MINISTRY</b>	<p>Please join the <b>nightly (Mon-Thu)</b> community prayers <b>via Zoom</b>. Everyone is most welcome to join. Zoom ID: 2265467380 / PW: 750109 @6:30PM Contact: Ram &amp; Clair Bautista</p>
<b>NURSING HOME VISITATION</b>	<p>2nd Saturday EVERY OTHER MONTH Alaris Nursing Home, 135 S Center St, Orange, NJ 07050 c/o Alan &amp; Tess Cam (201) 233 6991</p>
<b>FEEDING THE HOMELESS</b>	<p>3rd Saturday of the Month Sisters of Charity, Newark, NJ Contact: Rene &amp; Claire Monje 973-460-2001</p>
<b>GOLDEN YEARS MINISTRY</b>	<p>ROSARY every Wednesday 1:00 PM via Facebook Messenger Group Contact: Juliet Coronado 201-736-9995</p>

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## FORMATION APOSTOLATE - TEACHING MINISTRY CALENDAR 2024 TEACHING SCHEDULE

<b>IN-PERSON CDFP TEACHINGS</b> Every 3rd Saturday of the Month, 1:00-5:00 pm St. Anne's, Garwood, NJ	
<b>VIRTUAL CDFP TEACHINGS</b> Every 2nd Wednesday of the Month, 7:00-9:00 pm <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/4215094856?pwd=eVJhcjhzZFE4Qk50aDUwZHIHWXlvQT09&amp;omn=88323835043">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/4215094856?pwd=eVJhcjhzZFE4Qk50aDUwZHIHWXlvQT09&amp;omn=88323835043</a> Meeting ID: 421 509 4856   Passcode: JESUS	
All are invited especially Post LSS class of ME 53-55, SE 38-41 and SP 20-23	
<b>Liturgy – Training</b>	<b>TBD</b> (Original date was January 6, Saturday Everyone is invited especially Eucharistic Ministers, Altar Servers, and Proclaimers of the Word
<b>CDFP Teaching (Virtual)</b>	<b>Topic: Repair of Wrong doing</b> <b>February 7</b> , Wednesday @7:15 PM via Zoom All are invited especially Post LSS class of ME 53-55, SE 38-41 and SP 20-23
<b>CDFP Teaching (In-Person)</b>	<b>February 17</b> , Saturday (1:00 – 5:00 PM)  <b>Room 1 – Lower Level Church</b> Christian Service - ME 50-55, SPE 20-23, SE 38-41, Post LSS all members New Creation Realities - Post LSS - ME 50-55, SPE 20-23, SE 38-41, Post LSS all  <b>Room 2 – Chapel</b> Growth in Prayer - ME 53-55, SPE 20-23, SE 40-41 and other members for make-up class

<b>Virtual Supplemental Teaching</b>	Dr. Sri "Into His Likeness" (Be transformed as a disciple of Christ) – A 5-Part Video Series led by Dr. Sri <b>January 15, 22, 29, February 5 &amp; 12 at 7:15 pm</b> Via Zoom - Meeting ID: 421 509 4856; Passcode: JESUS <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/4215094856?pwd=eVJhcjhzZFE4Qk50aDUwZHIHWXlvQT09&amp;omn=88323835043">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/4215094856?pwd=eVJhcjhzZFE4Qk50aDUwZHIHWXlvQT09&amp;omn=88323835043</a>
<b>Suggested teachings via Formed</b>	Whole 40: Making a Spiritual Plan for Lent on FORMED <a href="http://watch.formed.org/videos/whole-40-making-a-spiritual-plan-for-lent">http://watch.formed.org/videos/whole-40-making-a-spiritual-plan-for-lent</a>

<b>UPCOMING EVENTS</b>	
<b>JOURNEYING TOGETHER (PART II) IN THE HOLY EUCHARIST</b>	<b>TBD – In-Person</b> Church of St. Anne - Lower Church, Garwood, NJ Everyone is invited especially Eucharistic Ministers, Altar Servers, and Proclaimers of the Word
<b>SALUBUNGAN YOUTH LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINAR (YLSS #27)</b>	<b>February 2. Friday – After the 1<sup>st</sup> Friday Eucharistic Celebration</b> Church of St. Anne - Bethlehem Room
<b>MEDICAL MISSION</b>	<b>February 12-15, 2024, Monday- Thursday</b> Sto. Domingo, Albay, Philippines
<b>ASH WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>February 14</b>
<b>LENTEN RETREAT</b>	<b>March 2, Saturday, 10 AM – 4:00 PM</b> Church of St. Anne, Lower Church
<b>NOMINATORS ASSEMBLY</b>	<b>March 23, Saturday, 10 AM – 4:00 PM</b> Church of St. Anne, Bethlehem Room
<b>PALM SUNDAY</b>	<b>March 24, Sunday</b>
<b>HOLY WEEK</b>	<b>March 25-20</b>
<b>EASTER SUNDAY</b>	<b>March 31, Sunday</b>
<b>GENERAL EMERGENCE NOMINATION DAY</b>	<b>April 6, Saturday, Starts 10:00 AM</b> Church of St. Anne
<b>YOUTH LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINAR (YLSS #27)</b>	<b>April 12-14,</b> <b>Friday - Church of St. Anne</b> <b>Saturday – Sunday – Divine Mercy Parish</b>

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## LORD'S PROVISION (Prior Week/s):

Collections at St. Anne, E-Giving and Mailed Checks:	Prior Weeks' Collections					YTD
	2/2	2/9	2/16	2/23		
<b>Tithes &amp; Love Offerings</b>	\$1,988.49	\$---	\$---	\$---		<b>\$7,661.21</b>
<b>Mission</b>	\$765.00	\$---	\$---	\$---		<b>\$7,430.00</b>
<b>BLD Academy</b>	\$125	\$---	\$---	\$---		<b>\$160.00</b>
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