## **BLD Camden**



# Community News



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#### TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

You have the message of

eternal life

Aug 22, 2025

# This Sunday's Counsel

"Living a Life for God Leads Us to Store Up Heavenly Treasures."

#### THEME:

We store up heavenly treasure when we accept out trials as the Lord's loving discipline.

#### WORD:

Living a life for God leads us to store up heavenly treasures.

#### **PROMISE:**

"...all discipline... brings the peaceful fruit of righteousness to those who are trained by it." (Heb 12:11)

#### **ORDER:**

"...strive to enter the narrow gate....(Lk 13:22 - 25)

#### **DIRECTION:**

Br humble and be obedient to the will of God.

In the First Reading, Isaiah's prophesy spoke of God's universal call to all people from all over the world, this is the time of

turmoil in ancient Israel. It tells us of God's plan for humanity. It tells us about Israels restoration and inclusion of the Gentiles.

In His plan Isaiah's prophesy talks about the kingdom that welcomes everyone where people come together to worship and think about their faith with a mission to reach out to everyone.

The responsorial Psalm invites all to worship one true God. It invites everyone to praise God's love and faithfulness with a strong call to worship together.

In the Second Reading, when we accept trials as the Lord's loving discipline, we store up heavenly treasures in heaven as stated in our theme. God's discipline is a sign of love and not abandonment. The parent-child metaphor ex-

plains God's relationship with us. A parent disciplines a child for his own good, God does the same because He loves us and wants to mature and to shape us into the person, He wants us to be. The Lord disciplines those He loves, to bring the peaceful fruit of righteousness to those He trained to sanctify and mature us in faith. It helps us find meaning and grow in our faith, it helps us face life's challenges as spiritual discipline, which makes us stronger during tough times.

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## BLD CAMDEN FAMILY EXTRAVA-DANCE-ZA - AUGUST 16, 2025 (Annual Fundraising Event)

The fundraising event was held at the Indian Springs Country Club, Marlton, NJ with approximately 160 attendees. Former CS Art and Agnes Monta, current CS Cesar and Agnes Morta, BLD Trenton members, PCSNJ Line Dancers, families and friends were among the attendees.

This year's celebration was a wonderful success, raising *\$6,500* to support our BLD Camden evangelization programs such as LSS, ME, Solo Parent and other activities. Guests enjoyed an exciting lineup of auction baskets, each beautifully displayed as well as the thrilling 50/50 and the "Guess the Money game", that kept the energy high throughout the night. We are delighted to share this information to our BLD members.

Special highlights included Pure EnerJ Line Dancers of PCSNJ dance performances choreographed by Annabelle Maccherone, which brought smiles and applause to everyone.

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to all who made this night possible. Most importantly, thank you to everyone who donated, participated, and supported this event. Together, we not only raised funds but also strengthened the bonds of our community. *TO GOD BE THE GLORY!!! Amen. Please see photos on pages 3 - 7.* 

#### Teaching Calendar



<u>Sep 6 Sat 1pm - 4pm Shepherd's Refresher Course. All</u> Covenanted members.

Venue: Meet at the HE Annex for all teachings.

#### **COMMUNITY EVENT**

<u>Sept 20-21, Fri - Sun</u> SOLO Parent Encounter #4. Contact Daisy Pabatao or Mila Co for details. <u>Sept 27, Sat 12 – 6pm</u> Community Day at Washington Lake. Contact Dennis and Kathleen Cardente.

Oct 17 - 19, Fri - Sun LSS# 19. Contact Merle Zwirblis or Ron and Salve Palma for details.

HEALING MASS - FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH

#### Lectors

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Aug 22	K. Cardente	D. Cardente	A. Supan	
Aug 29	Aug 29 CORPORATE INTERCESSORY PRAYER			
Sept 5	M. D'Souza	A. Supan	B. Urbiztondo	
Sept 12	P. Bridgeman	D. Bridgeman	R. Dizon	
Sept 19	N. Nalud	L. Palmero	A. Palmero	
Sept 26	J. Gracia	A. Belonia	L. Palmero	

#### **Lord's Provisions**

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Praise & Worship	\$335.00
Praise & Worship	\$247.00
HEALING MASS	\$517.00
Second Collection (Mission)	\$160.00
Praise & Worship	\$272.00
Praise & Worship	\$169.00
	HEALING MASS  Second Collection (Mission)  Praise & Worship

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God's discipline is a sign of love; it helps us grow closer to Him.

In the Gospel of Luke, Jesus and His disciples were walking, passing through towns and villages on the way to Jerusalem, where He will suffer and die and He will rise from the dead. As He goes about teaching and preaching, someone in the crowd said "how many people are going to be saved." Jesus just got done telling them what it is all about. It has nothing to do with the next life. It has something to do with this life. What matters is how you live and how you live now, leave the future to God. He is the one who decides that Jesus says, "follow me, and strive to enter the narrow gate" It sounds like only few people will be saved. But with us we enter the church through the narrow

#### **Rosary Leaders**

Aug 22 Judy Belonia Aug 29 Intercessory Prayer
Sept 5 Youth Ministry Sept 26 Angie Supan
Sept 12 Judy Belonia
Sept 19 Perla Cruz

Aug 22 A./C. Guanzon

#### **Prayer Warriors**

Aug 29 INTERCESSORY PRAYER
Sept 12 P. Cruz/N. Nalud
Sept 19 L./P. Padolina
Sep 26 A./C. Guanzon
A. Supan/J. Gracia
M. D'Souza/ D. Pabatao
R. Dizon / P. Cruz

L. Palmero/J. Gracia

#### Intercessory Prayer

Aug 22 GRP 1 (D. Bridgeman) Sept 26 GRP 1 (D. Bridgeman) Aug 29 Corporate Intercessory Prayer (Community) Sept 12 GRP 2 (P. Cruz) Sept 19 GRP 3 (L. Palmero)

#### <u>GOD'S BLESSINGS</u> AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

2 Marilyn Pineda 9 Elizabeth Mook .24 Fred Carandang 3 Aida Inoncillo 15 Nap Juliano 24 B. Evidente 3 Anna Mary Schwartz 16 Marilyn Yusay 26 Donel Nalud 6 Amerla Casal 19 Leo Urbiztondo 29 Miguel Medico 8 Nenita Radcliffe 19 Eman (EJ) Juliano

**AUGUST WEDDING ANNIVERSARY** 

#### 8 Nelly Sison 22 Loloy Lao

14 Salve and Ron Palma19 Dave and Chiqui Garcia23 Ruben and Emmy Maranan

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gate because we wanted to come and be part of and participate in the ritual of God's love care and salvation. Meaning, focus on yourself, you must know where you are going. God gives us the freedom to choose; to follow Him, our focus is to open our hearts to the call of God and walk in His ways. And how do we do that? To fulfill this, we must follow what the direction tells us to do.

# "Be humble and be obedient to the will of God."

We should be willing to follow the footsteps of Jesus, and to accept our cross and follow Him. Our earthly life is a pilgrimage towards the eternal kingdom. We encounter trials, temptations, and hardships to be His disciple, we must be willing to embrace suffering and embrace opportunities to be united with Him.

True discipleship is known by disciplined lives and joyful witnessing as we have learned being in this BLD community. There are many times where we must forgive and be humbled under certain circumstances in our interaction with our brothers and sisters. The road to eternal life is long and difficult but God promise that "all discipline brings the peaceful fruit of righteousness to those who are trained by it" Heb 12:11

What awaits us in heaven is greater than what we encounter here on earth.

Source: BLD Camden

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