

Saint Gerard Majella Church

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West Broadway and Chamberlain Ave.
Paterson, New Jersey 07522



Thirty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
November 19, 2017



RECTORY
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Parochial Vicars:

Rev. Benny Chittilappilly, S.D.V.
Rev. James Butts, S.D.V.
Rev. Robert Vass, S.D.V.

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Miss Christine Zisa
Mr. Joseph Caiola

Saturday Masses:

8:15AM & 5:30PM (English)

Sunday Masses:

7:30AM, 9:00AM, & 12:00PM (English)
10:30AM (English & Italian)
1:30PM (Spanish)

Weekday Masses:

6:30AM and 8:15AM (English)

Confessions:

Monday 6:00PM to 7:00PM
Saturday from 4:30PM to 5:15PM
Weekdays: By Appointment

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:

Mondays - 6:00PM

Baptisms:

Saturday at 12:00PM
Contact the Rectory to make arrangements

Weddings:

Arrangements should be made at least one year prior to the wedding date. For an appointment please contact Mrs. Gloria Ferreira.



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Sick calls and Home Visits:
Please call the Rectory at any time.

For immediate need of a Priest, please call:
973-767-9682

New Parishioners are most welcome - Please register at the rectory
501 West Broadway, Paterson, NJ, 07522 FAX # 973-790-0778
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Mass Intentions

Saturday, November 18, 2017-The Dedication of the Basilicas of Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles; Saint Rose Philippine Duchesne, Virgin, BVM

8:15 AM † Deceased Parishioners

10:30 AM – Baptism of Bella Marie Gallo

12:00 - Baptism of Evangeline Greenwood

5:30 PM † Charles and Grace DeFeo

† Olga Cepeda

† Antonio DiZenzo

Sunday, November 19, 2017

7:30 AM † Jose Mulero

9:00 AM † Jo-Ann Occhiuzzi

† Ana Marino

10:30 AM † Giuseppe Cifarelli

† Dan Englishman

† Francesco and Tina Zodda

† Pietro DiGrandi

† Felice and Angela Zisa

12:00 Noon † Ida Ahart-1 Year Anniversary

† Gerald Boyle

Birthday Blessings for Kathy Cannata

1:30 PM † Luz Celenia Sanchez-6-Yr. Anniversary

Resurreccion Group Mass

1:00 PM – SCHOOL TRICKY TRAY

3:30 PM–Wedding of John Isakovic & Angela LaForge

Monday, November 20, 2017

6:30 AM † Sr. Andrea Weidner

8:15 AM † Janet Lutz

6:00 PM – Adoration and Confession

Tuesday, November 21, 2017 – The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

6:30 AM Ordination Anniversary of Fr. Bob Vass

8:15 AM † Joseph Joseph

† Maria Gioia

Special intentions for the health of Baby Wilkerson

Wednesday, November 22, 2017 – Saint Cecilia, Virgin and Martyr

6:30 AM For all those serving in the Military

8:15 AM † Fr. Clem Cardillo

Thursday, November 23, 2017-THANKSGIVING DAY

10:00 AM † Michael William Paventa

† Jesus Esquilin Sr.

† Luz Celenia Sanche

Living and deceased family and friends of Jim & Pattie Hill

Friday, November 24, 2017- RECTORY CLOSED

6:30 AM For all police officers

8:15 AM † Helen L. and Charles C. Sheridan

7:30 PM – Padre Pio Mass

Saturday, November 25, 2017

8:15 AM For the unborn

5:30 PM † Rose Brino

Sunday, November 26, 2017-Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Sunday, November 26th, 2017 – Cont'd.

7:30 AM For the homebound

9:00 AM † Anna Moreschi

10:30 AM † Maria Tilli

† Angelo and Giovanna Iozia

† Rosaria Podomani

12:00 Noon – INTERNATIONAL MASS

† Christopher Ojeda

† Barbara Williams

† James Marino

1:30 PM – Matrimonio Feliz Mass

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time



“When one finds a worthy wife, her value is far beyond pearls. Her husband, entrusting his heart to her has an unending prize. She brings him good and not evil all the days of her life... She reaches out her hands to the poor, and extends her arms to the needy.”

-From the Book of Proverbs

The teaching of the book of Proverbs is both profound and practical. It opens our eyes to appreciate the gifts we already possess, and often overlook.




We are reminded that the fundamental message of Jesus is love, and its expression is found in respect. When we work to make both part of our lived experience at home, with others, or even in a quiet moment of appreciation, then we begin to appreciate once again, how special we are with a good wife, a loving husband, faithful friends.


Unfortunately, we sometimes fail to recognize how important it is to improve our family life, to work at it as a primary goal, so that God's peace, presence and happiness are found behind our front door. They become a driving force in our lives. Now is the time to begin.

Is Christ part of our lived experience? Is prayer something I bring to my family on a daily basis? Do I reflect joy, ask for forgiveness, and show my concern and interest in what my children are doing?

I recall a picture hanging in a home with the face of Christ. Beneath it was written, 'Christ is the head of this house, the guest who becomes our host at every meal, the silent listener to every conversation.' Is this my experience? May we appreciate what Proverbs teaches us today.

HIS WORD TODAY, by Rev. William J. Reilly

Sanctuary Lamp	Flowers	The Bread and Wine
		
The <i>Sanctuary Lamp</i> burns in loving memory of Joseph Helble	<i>Flowers</i> are given in loving memory of Rose Brino	The <i>Bread and Wine</i> is offered in memory of Salvatore Cannata




Pastoral Care

If you know of anyone in the parish who is sick, homebound and needs communion, confession, any sacramental needs or just a visit, please contact *The Rectory* at (973) 595-8446. We will arrange for a Priest to visit them. Visited this week were: Irene Sciro, Jeannette Masiak, Louise Peterson, Ann Contini, Eleanor Verlardi, Victoriano Placeres, and Catherine Gravino



Bible Readings

Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time
11/19/17-Sunday-20, 30-31; 1 Thes 5:1-6; Mt 25:14-30 or 25:14-15, 19-21
11/20/17-Monday-1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63; Lk 18:35-43
11/21/17-Tuesday-2 Mc 6:18-31; Lk 19:1-10
11/22/17-Wednesday-2 Mc 7:1, 20-31; Lk 19:11-28
11/23/17-Thursday-1 Mc 2:15-29; Lk 19:41-44
11/24/17-Friday-1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59; Lk 19:45-48
11/25/17-Saturday-1 Mc 6:1-13; Lk 20:27-40



"The Anointing"

Anointing of the Sick

Bring your Sick Brothers and Sisters for the Anointing of the Sick at St. Gerard's Church after the 8:15 AM Mass every third Wednesday of the month. The next anointing will take place:

Wednesday, December 19, 2017

LECTOR SCHEDULE
Weekend of November 25th and 26th

Time	Mass	Name
5:30 PM	English	June and Lillian
7:30 AM	English	Frances
9:00 AM	English	Pattie and Evelyn
10:30 AM	Eng/Ital.	Tino and June
12:00 PM	English	Carmella and Sharon
1:30 PM	Spanish	Gaudy Exebio, Miriam Martinez and Milagos Urena

Thank You

Your gifts, blessings and generous donations to our Parish Community were as follows:

NOVEMBER 12TH COLLECTION
TOTAL: \$2517 ENVELOPES: 112
 Thank you for your continued generous offerings and donations. Please remember to use your parishioner envelopes.
 If you missed Mass, please try to make up your weekly contribution. Thank You.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER LIST
Weekend of November 25th and 26th

Time	Mass	Name
5:30 PM	English	Gerri, Carol, George and Marie
7:30 AM	English	Louis
9:00 AM	English	Irene and Pattie
10:30 AM	English	Christine
12:00 PM	English	Claudia and Wdsbing

Deceased Parishioners:
 Please keep in your prayers those of our parishioners, family or friends who have entered into eternal rest. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let the eternal light shine upon them.



OFFERTORY GIFTS

Please let the ushers know if you are having a Mass for a loved one so you can present the gifts to the priest and receive a blessing.





**THANKSGIVING DAY MASS
10:00 AM**

**The Rectory will be closed
Thursday and Friday-11/23 & 11/24**
We wish all our Parishioners and their
family a Blessed and Happy
Thanksgiving.

Fr. Leo, Fr. Benny, Fr. James & Fr. Bob



**Christ The King
INTERNATIONAL MASS
NOV. 26TH at 12:00 NOON**

St. Gerard's School students will be dressed
in the custom of their country and will carry
Flags representing their country. Please join
us at this special Mass.

**A REGISTERED MEMBER of St.
Gerard's Church are only those
parishioners receiving and using the
weekly donation envelopes. If you would
like to register, please call the Rectory at
973-595-8446. Forms are also available in
the Book Rack at the back of the church.**

By being registered you will be able to claim
your church donations when doing your
taxes.



Christmas Party

St. Gerard's 7th Annual Extravaganza
(Dinner and Dancing)

FRIDAY, DEC, 15TH - 6:30 PM

St. Joseph's Center

Buffet Dinner catered by

The Brownstone

Adults & children over 12: **\$20.00**

Children 5 to 12: **\$10.00**

Children under 5 are free

No Tickets will be sold the day of the event.

You can purchase your tickets after each
Sunday Mass or by contacting the Rectory

**VOCATIONIST FATHERS
DINNER DANCE**

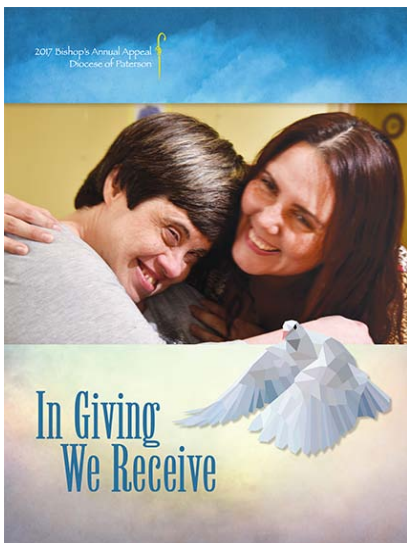


Fr. Leo is shown welcoming everyone to the
54th annual dinner dance of the Vocationist
Fathers held Saturday evening, Nov. 11th at
the Birchwood Manor in Whippany. Over
700 people enjoyed the festivities. The
Vocationist Fathers would like to thank
everyone that purchased Raffle tickets for
this event. **The winners received: 1st Prize-
#58545-\$17,864; 2nd Prize - #41824:
\$5,104; and 3rd Prize-#03078-\$2,552.**
Proceeds from the raffle and dinner supports
the seminarians and the Vocations
missionary work.



RAFFLE TICKETS for St. Gerard's December 15th Christmas party are available at the Rectory: **3 Books \$25.00; 1 Book \$10.00 and 1 ticket \$2.00.** If you have received them in the mail, please remember to return them to the Rectory. Winner will be announced at the Party.

2017 Bishop's Annual Appeal Diocese of Paterson



This time of year, as our nation plans to celebrate **Thanksgiving**, let us reflect on how we use all of the gifts given to us by a loving God. Consider showing your thanks for all your blessings by making a gift to the 2017 Bishop's Annual Appeal. As we are reminded in this year's Appeal theme – ***In Giving, We Receive*** – your participation not only impacts the lives of tens of thousands of people in need, but it benefits you as well. Please make a pledge today! For your convenience, you can make an online gift or pledge at www.2017appeal.org.

Our Second Collection CATHOLIC HOME MISSIONS APPEAL

Our second collection this weekend is for the Catholic Home Missions which principally focuses on evangelization activities, religious education, ministry training for priests, deacons and religious and support of poor parishes across the country. This mission impacts the lives of millions of Catholics each year. Thank you for whatever you can do to help.



The Rosary Society's Giving Tree will be in the Church the weekend of December 2nd. Please select an Angel tag and limit your unwrapped gift amount to \$15.00. Thank you for helping a less fortunate child to have a Merry Christmas.

GIVE A SPECIAL CHRISTMAS GIFT: SPONSOR A ST. GERARD STUDENT

If anyone would like to help sponsor a student please see Sr. Jo-Ann or contact the school office.

[973-595-8786](tel:973-595-8786) / [973-595-5640](tel:973-595-5640)

You can help make a difference in the life of a child! God Bless Your Generosity!

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