

# Mass Intentions

## Saturday, August 29, 2020 – The Passion of Saint John the Baptist

8:15 AM – † Anthony Longo

5:00 PM † Rose Brino  
 † Frank DiFerdinando  
 † Patrick F. Tighe and family  
 † Albert Farraye

Healing for Msgr. Mark Giordani

## Sunday, Aug. 30, 2020-22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 AM - † Columbia Battersby – 1 Year Mass  
 † Lucy Clark

Birthday blessings to Elizabeth Ochiagha

Healing for Divine Ochiagha

11:00 AM † Phyllis Sportelli  
 † Antonio and Telina Alvarez  
 † Josephine Fitzpatrick  
 † Irene Sciro  
 † Alfredo Codispoti

Healing for Msgr. Mark Giordani

1:00 PM - For our Spanish community  
 Healing for Msgr. Mark Giordani

## Monday, August 31, 2020

8:15 AM – † Enrico Marano

## Tuesday, September 1, 2020

8:15 AM - † Sr. Anna Ballak

For the safety of all first responders and firefighters

## Wednesday, September 2, 2020

8:15 AM - † Sr. Joan Lowden

Prayers for all health care workers and professionals

## Thursday, September 3, 2020-Saint Gregory the Great,

### Pope and Doctor of the Church

8:15 AM - † Sr. Teresa Marian Case

## First Friday, September 4, 2020

8:15 AM - Blessings for the Calderone family

Special intentions for Brayden Robertiello

For the safety of all law enforcement officers

## First Saturday, September 5, 2020-St. Teresa of Calcutta

8:15 AM – † Teresa Manzo

5:00 PM † Rose Brino  
 † Frances and Joseph Raineri

Healing for Vanessa Martinez

Healing for Msgr. Mark Giordani & Frank Petrelli

## Sunday, September 6, 2020-23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 AM - † Araceli Danilewicz

† Mary Puglia

Healing for Msgr. Mark Giordani

11:00 AM † Mario Portanova – 1 Year Mass  
 † Emily Tavecchio  
 † Bertha Butts

Healing for Msgr. Mark Giordani

## *Sunday, September 6th, 2020 – Continued*

11:00 AM - Special Intentions for Ray and Rose VanHouten

1:00 PM - Special blessings to Milagros and Esteban Urena as they celebrate their 25th Wedding Anniversary  
 Special Intentions for the Proclamadores de la Palabra



**AUGUST 30th**

**“I say to myself, I will not mention him, I will speak in his name no more. But then it becomes like fire burning in my heart, imprisoned in my bones; I grow weary holding it in. I cannot endure it... Do not conform yourselves to this age but be transformed by the renewal of your mind that you may discern what is the will of God, what is good, pleasing and perfect.”**

*A reading from the Book of the Prophet Jeremiah*

Recently some friends told me that they have an agreement, to speak with others about Jesus and their relationship with Him. One person found it exciting, as the person was so receptive to learn of her joy in revealing her story. The second, found it more difficult, as the person resisted, but she was convinced something good had happened.

Like excited children, we want to tell our story, the Jesus story. Others are ready to hear it but someone must bring it to them. If I hesitate, the story will never be known. As the story transformed my life, I look for a way to discern God’s will for me to do what is good, pleasing and perfect. We all have a Jesus story, are you willing to tell it?

**HIS WORD TODAY,** *by Rev. William J. Reilly*





# Bible Readings

## THE 22nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8/30/2020-Sunday-Jer 20:7-9; Rom 12:1-2; Mt 16:21-27

8/31/2020-Monday-1 Cor 2:1-5; Lk 4:16-30

9/1/2020-Tuesday-1 Cor 2:10b-16; Lk 4:31-37

9/2/2020-Wednesday-1 Cor 3:1-9; Lk 4:38-44

9/3/2020-Thursday-1 Cor 3:18-23; Lk 5:1-11

9/4/2020-First Friday-1 Cor 4:1-5; Lk 5:33-39

9/5/2020-First Saturday-1 Cor 4:6b-15; Lk 6:1-5

## Online Giving

Please consider Online Giving. Visit our parish website at [www.stgerardmajella.org](http://www.stgerardmajella.org) for more information or to sign up. This will allow you to:




- Set up your own contributions
- Change your contribution at any time
- Your donation is automatic and safe
- Electronic giving is efficient, practical and easy.

For more information call Gloria at the Rectory 973-595-8446.

## ST. GREGORY THE GREAT Pope and Doctor of the Church Feast Day: September 3rd



Saint Gregory the Great died on the twelfth of March, 604, at the age of sixty-four. He was canonized immediately after his death, by the unanimous acclaim of his people. Later, because of the volume, the extraordinary insight and the profundity of his writings, the depth and extent of his learning, and the heroic holiness of his life, the Church gratefully placed him beside Jerome and Ambrose and Augustine. Patron saint of musicians, singers, students, and teachers.

Sanctuary Lamp	Flowers	The Bread and Wine
		
The <i>Sanctuary Lamp</i> burns in loving memory of <b>Irene Sciro</b>	<i>Flowers</i> are given in loving memory of <b>Rose Brino</b>	The <i>Bread and Wine</i> is offered in memory of <b>Pasquale Cestaro</b>

### 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. **We specially pray for those who lost their lives due to the corona virus**





**Weekdays: Monday-Friday-8:15 am**  
**Saturday: 8:15 am and 5:00 pm**  
**Sunday: 9:00 am and 11:00 am in English and 1:00 pm in Spanish**  
**Everyone entering the Church must wear a Face Mask.**





We regretfully have to cancel all parish activities, group meetings and events due to the COVID-19. This includes NO: Church Picnic, Hospitality Sunday, Christmas party, Senior Meeting, Rosary Society meeting and Bible Study. Thank you for your understanding and continued support of the Church.

*Fr. Leo, Pastor*

## OUR PRAYER GARDEN

If you wish to order a Paver in memory of a loved one, the cost is \$150. Your choice of inscription on the paver. Please call the Rectory at 973-595-8446 to place your order.



### RELIGIOUS STATUE RESTORATION

Do you have treasured statues that need a loving touch? Tom Aiello, a local artist, has the ability to do this for you. Please give Tom a call at 973-557-3385 or e-mail him at [taiello1991@gmail.com](mailto:taiello1991@gmail.com) for more details.



## SAINT TERESA OF CALCUTTA

**FEAST DAY: SEPTEMBER 5<sup>TH</sup>**

Mother Teresa of Calcutta, the tiny woman recognized throughout the world for her work among the poorest of the poor, was beatified October 19, 2003. She is the patron Saint of World Youth Day and the Missionaries of Charity.



Your gifts, blessings and generous donations to our Parish Community are deeply appreciated. Please use your parishioner envelopes. **Kindly remember to place your offering in the baskets by both entrances inside the Church.** If you are unable to attend Mass, please mail your donations to the Rectory at 501 West Broadway, Paterson, NJ 07522

## St. Gerard Majella Church

Rectory: 973-595-8446

**Monday-Friday: 10:00 am to 2:30 pm**

**Closed on the weekends.**

We are accepting requests for certificates, mass intentions for a loved one and any other needs. Please leave your name and phone number and your call will be returned. **Mass requests should be made two weeks prior to the date.**



# Critical Blood Drive Due to Coronavirus

We need your help to ensure that there is a safe and ample blood supply in our communities.

## You Must Register to Donate

A Blood Drive will be held on:

**Monday August 31, 2020 from 12 pm to 6 pm.**

Sponsor: North Haledon Police Department

Location: American Legion Hall  
512 High Mountain Rd  
North Haledon, NJ 07508

To Register:

[https://donor.cbsblood.org/donor/schedules/drive\\_schedule/52629](https://donor.cbsblood.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/52629)

Vitalant, supplying local hospitals in New Jersey and New York is asking for your help. These hospitals have patients that continually require blood and/or blood products for the following: Open Heart Surgery, Trauma, Leukemia, Burn Victims, Automobile Accident victims and more. **For more information or to schedule a donation. Call 877-258-4825 or visit vitalant.org**

All donors will receive free health screenings including: Iron, Cholesterol, Blood Pressure, Temperature, Hemoglobin, Pulse Rate & Blood Type!!! \*\*Free juice, cookies, crackers and/or pretzels will be provided to all blood donors. **DONOR GUIDELINES: All donors are required to wear a cloth based mask or face covering**

- Weigh at least 100 lbs.
- Eat a meal before donation
- Bring ID
- Drink plenty of water before and after donation



## St. Gerard Majella School Opening September 9<sup>th</sup>

Welcome Back Faculty, Staff and Students to St. Gerard Majella School for the 2020-2021 scholastic year. This will be a new normal one for all of us. We rely on the Lord to carry us through this school year. Together we will go forward and be stronger to one another. Let us remember that with God all things are possible and without God nothing is possible.

School will be open five days per week for in-person instruction. Additionally, all families have the option of remote learning if they prefer that form of instruction. It is important for parents to understand, however, that once chosen, they must remain in this model for the remainder of the marking period.

**Plan A:** This is the plan we have in place for September.

### In-Person Instruction:

Full-Time, In-Person Instruction: Families choosing this model will have full day, in-person instruction 5 days per week.

Remote Learning: Students will receive instruction virtually from home. This will include the use of Google Meets and Google Classroom.

**Pre-K** families will follow the Pre-K schedule. They may choose remote learning or in-person learning. Full Day pre-K students will be dismissed at 2:45 pm.

**Plan B:** Remote School Setting: If at any time, the government deems it necessary for schools to close for in-person instruction, Saint Gerard Majella School will transition to a remote learning model.

**The school hours are from:  
8:00 am – 3:00 pm. Pre-K to Grade 8  
After school care will be available until  
5:30 pm**