

# Saint Gerard Majella Church

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West Broadway and Chamberlain Ave.  
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Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
July 23, 2017



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**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 4:00PM to 5:00PM  
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**  
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# Mass Intentions

## *Saturday, July 22, 2017-Saint Mary Magdalene*

8:15 AM Birthday blessings for Fr. Chris Iwunze

### **12:00 Noon – Baptism of Vincent A. Gautier**

5:30 PM † Rose Brino – 23rd Anniversary  
† Raymond Swan

### **7:00 PM – Memorial Mass for Manuel Contreras Espinoza and Astrid deGutierrez**

## *Sunday, July 23, 2017-16th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

7:30 AM † Carmino Turano

9:00 AM † Hermann Bader  
† Carmen Antonucci  
† Teresa Manzo  
† JoAnn Occhiuzzi

10:30 AM † Felice and Angela Zisa  
† Wilfredo Lopez

12:00 Noon † Frances Nicoline – 1-Yr. Anniversary  
† Anne Portelli

*Birthday blessings for Giovanna & Lyna Cannata*

1:30 PM † Nilda Rios  
Divino Nino

## *Monday, July 24, 2017 – St. Sharbel Makhluf, Priest*

8:15 AM † Sr. Diane Collesano  
Healing for Msgr. Mark Giordani

6:00 PM – Adoration and Confession

## *Tuesday, July 25, 2017-St. James, Apostle*

8:15 AM † Silvestro Sama  
† Michael Rufino

Special Intentions for Angelina Franco

### **5:00 PM – Mass in Honor of Apostle James and Baptism of Wallace Gutierrez**

## *Wednesday, July 26, 2017-Sts. Joachim and Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

8:15 AM Special Intentions for Betty Penotti  
† Ann Marino-Silva

## *Thursday, July 27, 2017*

8:15 AM † Fr. Joseph LoGalto  
Birthday blessings for Fr. Vincent  
Special Intentions for Beau Bachia

7:00 PM – Spanish Prayer Group

## *Friday, July 28, 2017*

8:15 AM † Mario Celeste  
† Fr. Ugo Fraraccio

### **7:00 PM – Padre Pio Mass**

## *Saturday, July 29, 2017 – St. Martha*

8:15 AM Birthday blessings for Sr. Jo-Ann Pompa  
† Margaret and Michael Pompa

### **10:30 AM – Peruvian Parade Mass**

### **1:00 PM – Baptism of Jayden Anthony Pluma and Jayce Christian Ninodeguzman**

5:30 PM † Charles and Grace DeFeo  
Birthday blessings for Sr. Jo-Ann Pompa

## *Sunday, July 30, 2017-17th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

7:30 AM † Angelo Fiore  
Healing for Msgr. Mark Giordani

## *Sunday, July 30, 2017 – Cont'd.*

9:00 AM † Joseph A. and George A. Schneider and families  
10:30 AM † Wilfredo Lopez  
† Rev. Richard Grasso  
12:00 Noon † Criselda Alvarez  
† James Cunningham  
1:30 PM Matrimonio Feliz Mass



July 23, 2017

**“The Spirit comes to the aid of our weakness, for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes with inexpressible groaning. And the one who searches hearts knows what is the intention of the Spirit. But though you are master of might you judge with great clemency and with much lenience you govern us...and you taught that those who are just must be kind.”**

*From the Letter of Saint Paul to the Romans*

Do I understand that when I decide ‘I am going to pray’ that this is a response to the movement of the Spirit? When I pause to pray or plea, to thank or speak my words do I recognize the aid of that same Spirit? Paul helps us understand what sparks our prayer. Remember the prayer poem ‘Lovely lady dressed in blue, teach me how to pray.’

I might also find strength knowing that my intentions are good and positive as I pause and pray for others. I am concerned about their well being, their peace and happiness. I want to be free of judging others, as God judges me with clemency and wants me as a just person to be kind.

There are many helps for our prayer life in the readings of scripture today.

**HIS WORD TODAY**

*by Rev. William J. Reilly*

*Thank You*

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

**JULY 16th COLLECTION**

**TOTAL: \$2415 ENVELOPES: 102**

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.



**Bible Readings**

**16<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

7/23/17-Sunday-Wis 12:13, 16-19; Rom 8:26-27; Mt 13:24-43 or 13:24-30

7/24/17-Monday-Ex 14:5-18; Mt 12:38-42

7/25/17-Tuesday-2 Cor 4:7-15; Mt 20:20-28

7/26/17-Wednesday-Memorial Ex 16:1-5, 9-15; Mt 13:1-9

7/27/17-Thursday-Ex 19:1-2, 9-11, 16-20b; Mt 13:10-17

7/28/17-Friday-Ex 20:1-17; Mt 13:18-23

7/29/17-Saturday-Ex 24:3-8; Mt 13:24-30



**PRAYERS FOR HEALING**

The Holy Rosary will be held for the healing for our loved ones and friends every day at 7:45 a.m. in

the Church (Mon.- Sat.) and on Sunday at 8:40 a.m. If you wish to add a name to our Holy Rosary or remove one, please call June at the Rectory (973) 595-8446. The Prayer List is posted on our bulletin board in the back of the Church. **PLEASE INFORM US AT THE RECTORY IF ANYONE IS IN THE HOSPITAL OR IN REHAB AND NEEDS TO BE VISITED.**



**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, August 16, 2017**

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 pray for **John Nicosia, Shirley DeLuca and Edward F. Padula.**



**PADRE PIO MASS  
FRIDAY, JULY 28<sup>TH</sup>  
AT 7:00 PM**






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, Marie Rogers and Catherine Gravino



**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.



Sanctuary Lamp	Flowers	The Bread and Wine
		
The <i>Sanctuary Lamp</i> burns in loving memory of <b>Marianna Sapio</b>	Flowers are given in loving honor of <b>Rose Brino</b>	The <i>Bread and Wine</i> is offered in memory of <b>Anime Sande Del Purgatore</b>

### **LECTOR SCHEDULE**

**Weekend of July 29th and 30th**

Time	Mass	<u>Name</u>
5:30 PM	English	John and Joan
7:30 AM	English	Frances and Michele
9:00 AM	English	June and Evelyn
10:30 AM	Eng/Ital.	Tino and June
12:00 PM	English	Sharon and Carmella
1:30 PM	Spanish	Diany Ortiz, Jerson Sanchez and Carmen Sanchez

### **EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER LIST**

**Weekend of July 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>**

Time	Mass	<u>Name</u>
5:30 PM	English	Gerri, Carol, George and Marie
7:30 AM	English	Louis Pastena
9:00 AM	English	Irene
10:30 AM	English	Concetta
12:00 PM	English	Lillian and Luis



## **Religious Education**

Registration is now being accepted for Religious Education. Forms are available at the Rectory for: RCIC Grades 1 to 8; First Year Confirmation-Grade 9. Grade 10 forms are available if you have completed the first year. Forms can also be found on our website: [www.stgerardmajella.org](http://www.stgerardmajella.org). The Rectory office is open from 9:30 AM to 3:30 PM Monday through Friday.

## **Save the Date!** **Everyone's Invited**



**SUNDAY, SEPT. 24<sup>TH</sup>**

**1:30 PM in our parking lot**

Volunteers are needed to help prepare and serve the food. Monetary and food donations will be accepted. Please call the Rectory at 973-595-8446 if you wish to participate.

## **ST. JAMES THE APOSTLE**



**Feast Day: July 25<sup>th</sup>**

**Patron of Pilgrims and Spain**

Saint James the Greater, was one of Jesus' first disciples. He was prominent amongst the twelve apostles and is the son of Zebedee and Salome and brother of John the disciple. He was martyred for his faith, decapitated by King Herod and is known as the first apostle to die.

**SAINTS JOACHIM and ANNE**  
**Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary**



**FEAST DAY, JULY 26<sup>TH</sup>**

The legend told in documents say that after years of childlessness, an angel appeared to tell Anne and Joachim that they would have a child. Anne promised to dedicate this child to God. St. Anne is the patron saint of Christian Mothers and of women in labor.



St. Gerard Seniors Club is open to anyone 55 years of age and older. Meetings are held every Monday in St. Joseph's Center at 1:00 PM. Dues are \$5.00 a month. Coffee and desserts are served. For more information please call Betty at 973-881-0781.



**MASS REQUESTS**

All Mass requests, hall information, copies of Baptism certificates, sponsorship letters, memorial candle and any other requests must be made by contacting the Rectory at 973-595-8446. The Rectory is open from 9:30 AM to 3:30 PM, Monday through Friday.

**IN MEMORIAM**

If you wish to remember a loved one, inscribed candles are available by all the statues: Blessed Mother, St. Gerard, Padre Pio, St. Joseph and St. Michael. The cost is \$100 for one year. Please call the Rectory at 973-595-8446 for more information. Pavers in our Prayer Garden are also available. The cost is \$150.

**Blessing of the Sea  
at Atlantic City**

The Padre Pio Group is sponsoring a bus trip for the Blessing of the Sea in Atlantic City which will take place on **Tuesday, August 15<sup>th</sup>**. Those attending may park their cars in St. Gerard's parking lot. For more information call Filippo at 201-220-7890.



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