

# Saint Gerard Majella Church

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West Broadway and Chamberlain Ave.  
Paterson, New Jersey 07522



Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
January 28, 2018



**RECTORY**  
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Rev. Benny Chittilappilly, S.D.V.  
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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 4:30PM 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:**  
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**For immediate need of a Priest, please call:**  
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# Mass Intentions

## **Saturday, January 27, 2018-Saint Angela Merici, Virgin and Religious Founder, BVM**

8:15 AM † Rev. V. Desmond O'Connor  
 2:00 to 4:00 pm- *Servant of Mary Spanish Prayer Group*  
 5:30 PM † Silvestro Sama – 1-Yr. Mass  
 † Amanda Valbriema  
 † Elizabeth Spagnola  
 † Charles and Grace DeFeo

## **Sunday, January 28, 2018-National Catholic Schools Week Begins**

7:30 AM For all law enforcement officers  
 9:00 AM † Biagio Pelosi and Rocco Masello  
 † Teresa Manzo  
 † Emanuela Boncini  
 † Maria and Christopher Orlando  
 Special Intentions for our St. Gerard School Students  
 10:30 AM † Silvestro Sama  
 † Nino Bruno  
 † Quirino and Nicola D'Ambrosio  
 Healing for Patricia Guerriero  
 12:00 Noon Healing for Msgr. Mark Giordani  
 1:30 PM † Marcelino Ceballos  
 † Maria Luisa Acosta  
 † Maria Cerafina Acosta

Matrimonio Feliz Mass

## **Monday, January 29, 2018**

6:30 AM Birthday blessings for Fr. Javier Flores  
 8:15 AM For the Unborn Children  
 6:00 PM – Adoration and Confession

## **Tuesday, January 30, 2018**

6:30 AM † Keith Alberque  
 8:15 AM Healing for Msgr. Mark Giordani

## **Wednesday, January 31, 2018-Saint John Bosco, Priest**

6:30 AM For those serving in the Military  
 8:15 AM † Salvatore Incorvaia

## **6:30 PM – Grade 8 Ring Ceremony in Church**

## **Thursday, February 1, 2018**

6:30 AM For the homeless  
 8:15 AM Former teachers and students of  
 St. Mary's Grammar and High Schools, Paterson, NJ  
 7:00 PM – Spanish Prayer Group

## **First Friday, February 2, 2018 – The Presentation of the Lord and World Day for Consecrated Life**

6:30 AM † William, Robert, James and Charles  
 Sheridan and families  
 8:15 AM † Anna Varkey  
 Prayers for the unborn children

7:00 PM – Spanish Adoration

## **First Saturday, February 3, 2018-SAINTE BLAISE, Bishop and Martyr - Blessing of the Throats**

8:15 AM † Margaret, Irene, Dorothy and Alice  
 Sheridan and families  
 2:00 to 4:00 pm- *Servant of Mary Spanish Prayer Group*  
 5:30 PM † Irene DeMartino-1 Yr. Mass

## **Saturday, February 3, 2018 – Cont'd.**

5:30 PM † Rose Brino

## **Sunday, February 4, 2018 – Blessing of the Throats**

7:30 AM Fr. Emeka's Ordination Anniversary  
 9:00 AM † Valere Wilhelm  
 † Robert Hopper – 4-Year Mass  
 † Biagio Pelosi  
 10:30 AM † Francesca Ononembo-1 Year Mass  
 12:00 Noon † Robert Monaco – 1-Year Mass  
 1:30 PM - Special Intentions for Proclamadores  
 de la Palabra



**“And the Lord said to me: This was well said. I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among your kin, and will put my words into his mouth; he shall tell them all that I command him. Whoever will not listen to my words which he speaks in my name, I myself will make him answer for it. ...All were amazed and asked one another, ‘What is this? A new teaching with authority.’”**

*From the Book of Deuteronomy*

Maybe we are not accustomed to read the book of Deuteronomy, but we find Moses, the prophet the spokesperson for God, who requested others to speak and the assembly to listen. As we read the Old Testament, we meet many others who responded to God's call, sometimes reluctantly, to speak in His behalf. Can you name some?

Prophetic voices continue to be heard today, as God calls leaders to teach and guide us. There are the well known teachers as the Holy Father, and our local bishops, assuming the role of teacher. There are others who through baptism assume the role of catechists and teachers of the faith. But there are countless others too who speak through their actions, bringing the mercy and message of the Lord to others.

As we begin this New Year may we open our ears to hear the message, our hearts to carry it out, and discover ways the Lord wishes to use us to do His ministry.

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



**PASCHAL CANDLE.** Thank you to **Ruth Hoffner** who is donating the 2018 Paschal candle. The candle is lit throughout the Easter Season and at all baptisms and funerals throughout the year.



*Thank You*

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

January 21st, 2018

**Total: \$2591 – 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.**



*Bible Readings*

**Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

1/28/18-Sunday-Dt 18:15-20; 1 Cor 7:32-35; Mk 1:21-28

1/29/18-Monday-2 Sm 15:13-14, 30, 16:5-13; Mk 5:1-20

1/30/18-Tuesday-2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30-19:3; Mk 5:21-43

1/31/18-Wednesday-2 Sm 24:2, 9-17; Mk 6:1-6

2/1/18-Thursday-1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12; Mk 6:7-13

2/2/18-First Friday-Mal 3:1-4; Heb 2:14-18; Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32

2/3/18-First Saturday-1 Kgs 3:4-13; Mk 6:30-34

**LECTOR SCHEDULE**




**Weekend of February 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>**

Time	Mass	Name
5:30 PM	English	Joan and John
7:30 AM	English	Frances
9:00 AM	English	Evelyn and Ruth
10:30 AM	Eng/Ital.	Tino and June
12:00 PM	English	Regina and Lillian
1:30 PM	Spanish	

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 Anne LeProtto.**



Sanctuary Lamp	Flowers	The Bread and Wine
		
The <i>Sanctuary Lamp</i> burns in loving memory of <b>Milvia Recupido</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>Carmella Bevilacqua</b>

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER LIST**

**Weekend of February 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>**

Time	Mass	Name
5:30 PM	English	Carol, George and Marie
7:30 AM	English	Louis
9:00 AM	English	Irene and Pattie
10:30 AM	English	Concetta
12:00 PM	English	Luis



If you know of anyone in the parish who is sick or 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, Catherine Gravino and Hilda Perez



**Anointing of the Sick**

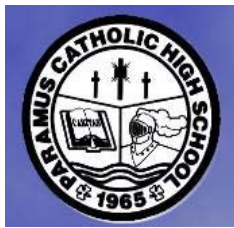
Bring your Sick Brothers and Sisters for the Anointing of the Sick at St. Gerard's Church after the 8:15 AM Mass every third Wednesday of the month. The next anointing will take place:

**Wednesday, February 21, 2018**



**Congratulations to the St. Gerard  
Majella School Community**

The following graduates have earned academic honors at **DePaul Catholic High School**:  
 Jesus Delgado, Grade 10, Principal's Honors  
 Bryan Balarezo, Grade 11, First Honors  
 Nadia Gonzalez, Grade 11, First Honors  
 Bridgeth Benites, Grade 9, Second Honors  
 Christopher Casasola, Grade 11, Second Honors  
 Alondra Esquilin, Grade 11, Second Honors  
 Janelle Monroe, Grade 11, Second Honors



**Paramus Catholic HS Honor Roll**

The following graduates from St. Gerard's School have earned the following honors:  
**President's List:** Medesha Ewers, Grade 12  
**Second Honors:** Sebastian Cruz, Grade 9  
 Destin Jackson, Grade 12

*Excerpts from a letter from Samantha Carrillo, a graduate of St. Gerard Majella School:*  
 "The path of a dream starts with the right step – and St. Gerard Majella set me on that path. Now as a freshman in Harvard College, I often feel nostalgic as I remember tag days and Catholic Schools Week, but these sweet memories keep me grounded and remind me to always continue learning and improving. It is incredibly difficult to express how truly grateful and lucky I was to have attended this spectacular school."



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**SUNDAY, JANUARY 28<sup>th</sup>**  
**Opening of Catholic Schools Week**

Refreshments will be served after the  
 9:00 AM Mass in St. Joseph's Center  
**Open House 10:00 am to 12:00 Noon**

**Monday, January 29<sup>th</sup>** – Pennies from Heaven- All week each class collects as many pennies as possible to donate to the missions. 9:30 AM Spelling Bee for Gr. 3, 4, 5, & Gr. 6, 7, 8; 10 AM Junior High STEM Challenge; **1:00 PM Senior Appreciation: Entertainment in Center.**  
**Tuesday, January 30<sup>th</sup>** – Sports Day and Jersey Day. Morning: Grade Level Relays. Afternoon: the Great Volleyball Challenge.  
**Wednesday, January 31<sup>st</sup>** – Vocation Day – Share Religious Stories: Morning: Buddy Day Activities – Stories, Art Projects, Games, and coloring with Upper Grade Buddies. Afternoon: Community Outreach – Classes visit local businesses to learn about them. 6:30 PM Grade 8 Ring Ceremony.  
**Thursday, February 1<sup>st</sup>** – International Day. Morning: Multicultural Awareness. Afternoon: St. Gerard Cineplex. 6:00 PM Family International Night.  
**Friday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>** – Crazy Hat and Slipper Day. 9:30 AM Bingo.

Make a child's education dream come true. Why not consider sponsoring a St. Gerard Majella School student? Call (973) 595-5640 to find out how!



## HOSPITALITY SUNDAY TODAY

Please join us from 10:00 am to 12 Noon, the last Sunday of every month at St. Joseph's Center. Breakfast will be served.



### SAINT BLAISE

Saturday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>

Blessing of the Throats after all Masses next weekend, Feb. 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>.



### MANDATORY PARENT MEETING

There is a Mandatory Parent Meeting for the children who are receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation on **Tuesday, February 6<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM** in Saint Gerard Majella's Church. Park in the church parking lot.



**FEBRUARY 14<sup>TH</sup>**

**Ashes will be distributed at all  
Masses: 6:30 am, 8:15 am,  
12:00 Noon and 7:00 pm  
All Masses are in English**



## St. Gerard's Parish "Fish and Chip Dinner" Wednesday, February 28<sup>th</sup>

at St. Joseph's Center

**5:00 PM to 6:30 PM**

**Donation: \$20.00**

*Take Out Orders are Available  
(Chicken also Available)*

**For tickets call:**

**Ann Tittle – 973-563-1302**

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