

# Saint Gerard Majella Church

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West Broadway and Chamberlain Ave.  
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Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
July 16, 2017



**RECTORY**  
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Rev. Benny Chittilappilly, S.D.V.  
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Miss Christine Zisa  
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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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www.stgerardmajella.org

# Mass Intentions

**Saturday, July 15, 2017 – Saint Bonaventure, Bishop and Doctor of the Church**

8:15 AM For those serving in the Military  
 5:30 PM † Tillie Messina  
 † Ramon Antonio Latorre  
 † Daniel Englishman

**Sunday, July 16, 2017-15th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

7:30 AM † Rose Capalbo  
 9:00 AM † Ann Marino-Silva  
 † Rosita Rodriguez  
 Blessings to Robert and Leah Carlson on their  
 35th Wedding Anniversary  
 10:30 AM † Kay Stasiak  
 † Wilfredo Lopez  
 † Pasquale and Nicola D' Ambrosio  
 12:00 Noon † Frank Pasquariello  
 1:30 PM Resurreccion Prayer Group Mass

**Monday, July 17, 2017**

8:15 AM † Ramon Antonio Latorre  
 6:00 PM – Adoration and Confession

**Tuesday, July 18, 2017 – St. Camillus de Lellis, Priest**

8:15 AM Birthday blessings for Fr. Thomas Dathu  
 Healing for Rev. Rolands Uribe

**Wednesday, July 19, 2017 – ANOINTING OF THE SICK**

8:15 AM † Sr. Josephine Ciccarello  
 † Matilda Grambone

**Thursday, July 20, 2017–**

**Saint Apollinaris, Bishop and Martyr**

8:15 AM † James Marino  
 † Fr. Ernest DiPolvere

7:00 PM – Spanish Prayer Group

**Friday, July 21, 2017-Saint Lawrence of Brindisi,  
 Priest and Doctor of the Church**

8:15 AM † James Caruso  
 Special Intentions for Charles Joseph Sheridan  
 and Family

**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  
 Espinosa and Asthird deGutierrez**

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

7:30 AM † Carmino Turano  
 9:00 AM † Hermann Bader  
 † Carmen Antonucci  
 † 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



## The 15<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

**“Thus says the Lord: Just as from the heavens the rain and snow come down and do not return there till they have watered the earth, making it fertile and fruitful, giving seed to the one who sows, and bread to the one who eats, so shall my word be that goes forth from my mouth, my word shall not return to me void...achieving the end for which I sent it.”**

*From the Book of the Prophet Isaiah*

As our own gardens are bursting with colorful flowers and the vegetable plants continue to grow, the image of the seed, fertility and fruitfulness are so appropriate.

The prophet Isaiah, writing six centuries before the Christian era, used the same example as the parable of the seed, but also the need for water, warmth and care for the word to achieve its purpose.

We listen to the Word of God, we open the text and reflect upon it, we are so familiar with what is written and read. A more important step must be taken. The rain and snow must penetrate the earth to provide the necessary support for growth. The water cannot just run off as often happens with the sudden summer downpour.

A soft, penetrating shower offers the condition necessary to accomplish its end. So too, does reflection upon the word, weighing and pondering its meaning for me today. May my listening heart allow that growth to take place today.

### HIS WORD TODAY

*by Rev. William J. Reilly*



### CONFESSION

#### SCHEDULE CHANGE

Starting in September, confessions on Saturday evenings will be from **4:30 PM to 5:15 PM.**

*Thank You*

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

**JULY 9th COLLECTION**

**TOTAL: \$2562 ENVELOPES: 108**

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**

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

7/16/17-Sunday-Is 55:10-11; Rom 8:18-23; Mt 13:1-23 or 13:1-9

7/17/17-Monday-Ex 1:8-14, 22; Mt 10:34—11:1

7/18/17-Tuesday-Ex 2:1-15a; Mt 11:20-24

7/19/17-Wednesday-Ex 3:1-6, 9-12; Mt 11:25-27

7/20/17-Thursday-Ex 3:13-20; Mt 11:28-30

7/21/17-Friday-Ex 11:10—12:14; Mt 12:1-8

7/22/17-Saturday-Ex 12:37-42; Jn 20:1-2, 11-18



**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 AND NEEDS TO BE VISITED.**



*"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, July 19, 2017**

**STATUE RESTORATION**

If you have a religious statue that needs restoration and brought back to its true beauty, call Tommaso Aiello at 973-557-3385 or e-mail him at [Taiello723@aol.com](mailto:Taiello723@aol.com)

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 **Anna "Pat" Schell.**






A thorough knowledge of the Bible is worth more than a college education.

-Theodore Roosevelt



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



Sanctuary Lamp	Flowers	The Bread and Wine
		
The <i>Sanctuary Lamp</i> burns in loving memory of <b>La Madonna Immacolata</b>	<i>Flowers</i> are given in loving honor of <b>Rose Brino</b>	The <i>Bread and Wine</i> is offered in memory of <b>Salvatore Cannata</b>

### ***LECTOR SCHEDULE***

**Weekend of July 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>**

Time	Mass	Name
5:30 PM	English	Lillian and June
7:30 AM	English	Michelle and Francis
9:00 AM	English	Evelyn and Pattie
10:30 AM	Eng/Ital.	Tino and June
12:00 PM	English	Lillian and Carmella
1:30 PM	Spanish	Diany Ortiz and Miriam Martinez

### ***EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER LIST***

**Weekend of July 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>**

Time	Mass	Name
5:30 PM	English	Carol, George and Marie
7:30 AM	English	Louis Pastena
9:00 AM	English	Paul
10:30 AM	English	Christine
12:00 PM	English	Noel and Lisa



## **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.



## **The Sacrament of Marriage**



Dena Gawley and John Koker received the Sacrament of Marriage on Saturday, July 8<sup>th</sup>. Fr. John Perricone was the celebrant with Fr. Leo Antony assisting. They are shown after placing a bouquet by the statue of the Blessed Mother.

## **St. Gerard's and Our Lady of Pompeii Churches**



### **WILDWOOD CREST TRIP September 17<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup>, 2017**

Package includes:

4 Night/5 Days at the Gondolier Motel  
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### ST. GERARD MAJELLA SCHOOL REGISTRATION

Registration for new students is now being accepted. Please contact the school at 973-595-5640 or see Sr. Jo-Ann Pompa, School Principal.

AS ALWAYS fundraising is essential to the well-being of our school. In the coming school year we are looking for new ways to support St. Gerard's School. One idea is holding a monthly gift card raffle at the school. **If any parishioner would like to donate a \$25 or \$50 gift card of any kind to our school, please see Sister Jo-Ann.**



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.

## 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.

## SAINT MARY MAGDALENE



### FEAST DAY: JULY 22<sup>ND</sup>

**Patron of:** contemplative life, converts, glove makers, hairdressers, penitent sinners, people ridiculed for their piety, perfumeries, pharmacists, sexual temptation, tanners and women.

Mary Magdalene is mentioned four times in the Gospels as a follower and close devotee of Jesus Christ. She was with Jesus during the crucifixion and the first person to see Jesus after the resurrection. She developed a reputation as being a prostitute and repentant sinner. **However, there is no evidence she was.**

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