

Saint Gerard Majella Church

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West Broadway and Chamberlain Ave.
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*The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph
December 29, 2019*



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Pastor: Rev. Leo Antony, S.D.V.

PARISH OFFICE
(973) 595-8446

Parochial Vicars:

Rev. James Butts, S.D.V.
Rev. Sabinus Iwuchukwu, SDV

Trustees:

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.



Rectory:

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Principal: Sr. Jo-Ann Pompa, M.P.F.
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Music Ministers:

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Mrs. Marlene O'Connell

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
Email - stgerardmajella@optonline.net
www.stgerardmajella.org

Saturday, December 28, 2019

The Holy Innocents

8:15 AM For those serving in the Military

3:00 PM - 80th Birthday Mass for Ambrosio Martinez

5:30 PM † Charles and Grace DeFeo

† Craig Mobley

Sunday, December 29, 2019-

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

7:30 AM † Jersey City Detective Joseph Seals

9:00 AM † Joan Antonucci

10:30 AM † Rodolfo and Carmella Zodda

Healing for Msgr. Mark Giordani

Healing for Frank Petrelli

12:00 PM For our homebound parishioners

1:30 PM † Apolenario Vilchez Castro

† Victor Cabada

† Juan Ramon Cabada

Matrimonio Feliz Prayer Group

Monday, December 30, 2019-

8:15 AM † Dominic Vatrano

6:00 to 7:00 PM – Adoration and Confession

Tuesday, December 31, 2019-

† Silvestro Sama

Wednesday, January 1, 2020-Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God – Holy Day of Obligation-RECTORY CLOSED

8:15 AM For the safety of all law enforcement officers

12:00 NOON Birthday blessings for Fr. Vernon

Ordination anniversary for Fr. Benny

Special intentions for Josephine Robertiello

Thursday, January 2, 2020-Saints Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops and Doctors of the Church

8:15 AM Special Intentions for our Vocationist

Fathers and Sisters

7:00 PM – Spanish Prayer Group

First Friday, January 3, 2020-

Holy Name of Jesus

8:15 AM For the unborn

7:00 PM – Spanish Adoration

First Saturday, January 4, 2020-

Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious

8:15 AM † Dominic Vatrano

5:30 PM † Frances and Joseph Raineri

† Rose Brino

† Ricardo Penaloza

† Gladys Lora

7:00 PM – Memorial Mass for Ricardo Penaloza

Sunday, January 5, 2020-Epiphany of the Lord

7:30 AM † Deceased Parishioners

9:00 AM † Deceased Coscia family members

10:30 AM † Deceased Stampone family members

12:00 Noon † Peter and Giovanna Cannata

† Dorothy Browning

1:30 PM-Special Intentions for Proclamadores de la Palabra



The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph December 29, 2019

“Because we are God’s chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with heartfelt mercy, with kindness, humility, meekness and patience. Bear with one another: forgive whatever grievances you have against one another. Forgive as the Lord has forgiven you. Over all these virtues put on love, which binds the rest together and makes them perfect.”

A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Colossians




As we conclude the calendar, praying for our family, we look to the family of Nazareth as a model. Surely they were tried by travel, poverty, oppressive government edicts, forced to take part in a census, flee a treacherous dictator, but united in the presence of the Christ.

Paul’s teaching allows us to take stock of our own home and family life.

Each virtue he names is like a different room in our home, or steps we ascend daily. If one is missing we can look for it as we begin a new year.


May we ‘dedicate ourselves to thankfulness’; for all the blessings given our family this year and seek His blessings as we turn the page to 2020.

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 Deceased Antonucci & Tolerico	<i>Flowers are given in loving memory of</i> Rose Brino	The <i>Bread and Wine</i> is offered in memory of Arthur Menzo

SOLEMNITY OF THE MOTHER OF GOD


Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary



Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

Holy Day of Obligation Wednesday, January 1st

**Masses: 8:15 AM
and 12 Noon**



Pastoral Care

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. Visited this week were: Irene Sciro, Louise Peterson, Ann Contini, Betty Vatrano, Giovanna Cannata, and Catherine Gravino.

Every time you smile at someone, it is an action of love, a gift to that person, a beautiful thing.

– *Mother Teresa*

Lectors


Week end of January 4th and 5th

Time	Mass	Name
5:30 PM	English	Lillian and June
7:30 AM	English	Frances
9:00 AM	English	Carol and Dona
10:30 AM	Eng/Ital.	Tino and June
12:00 PM	English	Carmella and Regina
1:30 PM	Spanish	



Weekend of January 4th and 5th

Time	Mass	Name
5:30 PM	English	Carol, Marie and George
7:30 AM	English	
9:00 AM	English	Alexandra and Irene
10:30 AM	English	Christine
12 Noon	English	Lisa and Noel



Bible Readings

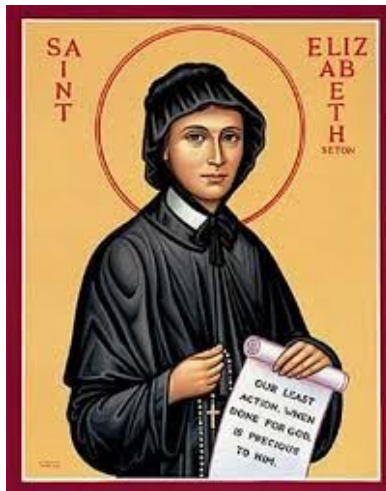
THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY and JOSEPH
12/29/19-Sunday-Sir 3:2-6, 12-14; Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17; Mt 2:13-15, 19-23
12/30/19-Monday-1 Jn 2:12-17; Lk 2:36-40
12/31/19-Tuesday-1 Jn 2:18-21; Jn 1:1-18
1/1/20-Wednesday-Nm 6:22-27; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21
1/2/20-Thursday-1 Jn 2:22-28; Jn 1:19-28
1/3/20-First Friday-1 Jn 2:29-3:6; Jn 1:29-34
1/4/20-First Saturday-1 Jn 3:7-10; Jn 1:35-42



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ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON

Feast Day: January 4th

Mother Seton was the first native born American to be canonized by the Catholic Church. She is the patron saint of in-law problems, against the death of children, widows, death of parents, and opposition of Church authorities. Her favorite prayer was the 23rd Psalm and she developed a deep devotion to the Eucharist, Sacred Scripture, and the Virgin Mary.



May this year be filled with good health and happiness for all our parishioners and their families. Have a Blessed and Happy New Year.

Fr. Leo, Fr. James and Fr. Sabinus



Thank You

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

Due to an early deadline collection totals will appear in the January 5th bulletin.

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 donation.



***PLEASE JOIN US FOR
ADORATION & CONFESSION
MONDAYS: 6:00 to 7:00 PM***



Remember your loved ones with an inscribed candle of your choice by our statues: Blessed Mother, St. Gerard, St. Joseph, Padre Pio and St. Michael. The cost is \$100 for one year. Please call the Rectory at 973-595-8446.

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.





ST. LUCY FILIPPINI

School Mass celebrating St. Lucy's birthday will be at **8:15 AM** on **Monday, January 13th**

ST. GERARD SCHOOL REGISTRATION

Financial Aid Is Available Now

Registration is now being accepted for the 2010-2021 scholastic years! You must re-register each year! **Financial Aid is available and the deadline is Feb. 15th**. Call the school at 973-595-5640 for more information.



COME JOIN US...

Sunday: 10:00 AM

Wednesday: 7:00 PM

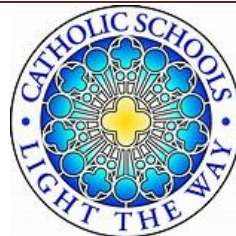
at St. Gerard's Rectory

PLEASE REMEMBER THAT:

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. This will also enable you to receive a Sponsor Certificate easily.

Please Note: Godparents (Sponsors) must be baptized, have received first communion and confirmation; were married in the Catholic Church and come to church regularly.



LOOKING FOR A WAY TO GIVE BACK?

Need some end of the year charitable deductions? Why not consider sponsoring a **St. Gerard Majella School student?**

Call (973) 595-5640 to find out how!

God never gives someone a gift they are not capable of receiving. If he gives us the gift of Christmas, it is because we all have the ability to understand and receive it.

-Pope Francis

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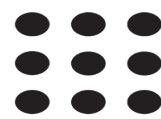
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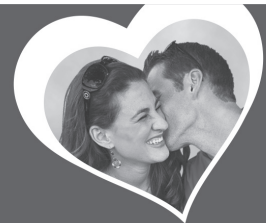


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