

# St. Gerard Majella

Roman Catholic Church / Iglesia Católica Romana  
A Pro-Life Parish / Parroquia en Favor de la Vida

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## PARISH STAFF

### Pastor

Father Martin Slaughter

### Priest in Residence

Father Gerardo Padilla.

### Business Manager

Frances Gomez

### Parish Secretary

Olga Limon

### Parish Music Director

Allan Sims

### Food Bank

(310) 390-5034

### Catechism Center

(310) 391-9637

### Parish Office Hours

Monday thru Friday

9:00am - 12:30pm

3:00pm - 6:30pm

### Pregnant?

**Considering an Abortion?**

There are other alternatives.

Call the women at

**WESTSIDE PREGNANCY CLINIC**

(310) 268-8400 for 24 HOUR HELP

[www.wpclinic.org](http://www.wpclinic.org)

### Embarazada?

**Considerando un Aborto?**

Hay otras alternativas.

Llame a las mujeres del:

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**Shrine of St. Gerard Majella**  
**Patron of Mothers**  
**Difficult Pregnancies**  
**and Childless Couples**

**Adoration of**  
**The Blessed Sacrament**

**Adoración al**  
**Santísimo Sacramento**

1st. Friday / 1° Viernes

9:00am – 6:30pm

9:00pm – 7:00am

1st. Saturday / 1° Sábado

7:00pm – 7:00am

**Need Help? Unplanned Pregnancy?**

**Necesita ayuda?**

**Embarazo no-planeado?**

LAPS – Los Angeles Pregnancy Services

**1-800-395-4357 24hr. Hotline**

**213-382-5433**

**Se habla Español**

## Holy Mass

### Saturday

5:30pm Sunday Vigil English

### Sunday

7:30am

English

9:00am

English

10:30am

Español

12:00pm

English

1:30pm

Español

### Monday – Saturday

8:00am (English)

### Holy Days

Will be announced in the bulletin.

Será anunciado en el boletín.

### Confessions

Saturdays 3:00pm - 4:00pm

### Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Novena Wed. after the 8:00a.m.

Mass

### Baptisms / Bautismos

Call the Parish Office

Llamar a la Oficina

### Español 10:00am

Segundo Sábado

### English 10:00am

Third Saturday

### Marriage-Matrimonio

### Quinceañeras

Call the Parish Office .

Llame a la Oficina.

### SAFEGUARD THE CHILDREN

### COMMITTEE

Gabriela Padilla (310-390-5034)

*December 14, 2014*



**CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE**

**Wednesday, December 24th**

Christmas Vigil Mass

11:00p.m.

(Bilingual)

**Thursday, December 25th**

**(Christmas)**

9:30am - English

11:00am - Spanish

**HORARIO DE MISAS  
PARA LA NAVIDAD**

**Martes, 24 de Diciembre**

Misa de Vigilia Navideña

11:00p.m.

(Bilingüe)

**Jueves, 25 de Diciembre**

**(Navidad)**

9:30am - Ingles

11:00am - Español

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**NEW YEAR'S EVE**

New Years Eve - Wednesday,  
**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**

10:00p.m.- 12 Midnight

**New Years Day**

Thursday, January 1

9:30 a.m. English

11:00 a.m. Spanish

**VIGILIA DE AÑO NUEVO**

Vigilia - Miercoles,  
**Adoración al Santísimo Sacramento**

10:00p.m.hasta las 12:00. Media Noche

**Día de Año Nuevo**

Jueves, 1 de Enero

9:30 a.m. Ingles

11:00 a.m. Español



The second collection is for the catechism classes for the children of our parish.

Thank you for your generosity.

La segunda colecta es para las clases de Catecismo para los niños de nuestra parroquia.

Gracias por su generosidad.

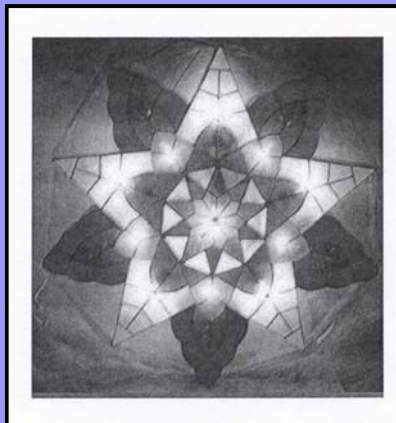
## Advent Penance Service / Servicio Penitencial de Adviento

At the following parishes:

St. Mark - - Monday, Dec. 15 at 7:00p.m.  
St. Augustine - - Wednesday, Dec. 17 at 7:30p.m.  
St. John Chrysostum - - Monday, Dec. 22 at 7:00p.m.

## **ATTENTION!**

The Simbang Gabi Mass  
will be celebrated on  
Dec. 20th at the 5:30p.m. Mass



Hosted by the Filipino Community  
of St. Gerard Majella Parish

## PETITIONS TO ST. GERARD MAJELLA



**Penelope**, San Jose: My husband and I drove down to your church on a pilgrimage to St. Gerard this past May asking him to bless us to conceive and have a child after I had miscarried. Unfortunately, I still have not been able to conceive. Please St. Gerard hear our special intention.

**Judith**, Philippines: I have difficulty getting pregnant. Please pray for me and Paul to have a baby soon.

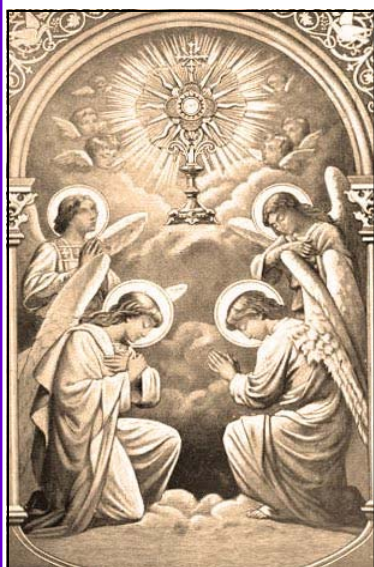
**Brian & Catherine**: Massachusetts: that we may conceive and give birth to our first child. May that child be healthy and filled with God's grace.

**Barb**: Ohio: Please pray for me and my unborn child. My second child was born with a very rare birth defect and now I am pregnant (7 weeks) with a third and am scared that this child will also have a birth defect. Because of this previous defect they will be running more tests on me that could lead to a miscarriage although it's only about a 1% chance. I know God has a plan but I am fearful. Please pray for us and the health and well being of my unborn child. I pray that this and any other syndrome will pass him or her by through the mercy and graces of our Lord and the intercession of St. Gerard and St. Jude.

## ¿SABÍA USTED? Consejos para elegir juguetes seguros para los niños

Existen millones de juguetes en nuestra sociedad y cientos de juguetes nuevos llegan a las tiendas cada año. Los juguetes son una parte importante del desarrollo de cualquier niño.

Pero cada año, decenas de niños son tratados en las salas de emergencia de hospitales por lesiones relacionadas con juguetes. Aquí hay algunos ejemplos generales a tener en cuenta al comprar juguetes: Juguetes de tela deben ser etiquetados como resistentes al fuego. Los juguetes de peluche deben ser lavables. Juguetes que estén pintados deben de ser cubiertos con pintura sin plomo. Materiales de arte no deben ser tóxicos. Los paquetes de lápices de colores y pinturas deben de decir ASTM D-4236, lo que significa que han sido evaluados por la Sociedad Americana para Pruebas y Materiales. Para más información, visite [www.kidshealth.org](http://www.kidshealth.org).



## Eucharistic Adoration

In order to convert America and save the World what we need is for every parish to come before Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament in Holy Hours of prayer (Blessed Mother Teresa)

**Every First Friday and First Saturday** there is Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the church:

**On 1st Friday from 8:30a.m. to 6:30p.m. and 9:00p.m. to 7:30 a.m.**

**On 1st Saturday from 7:00p.m. to 7:00a.m. Spanish**

During these times, there is recitation of the Rosary, time for silent reflection, and the Chaplet of Divine Mercy, concluding with Benediction. Please come and spend time with Jesus. This is a special time of abundant blessings .

## Adoración al Santísimo

Cada Viernes Primero 8:30a.m.—6:30p.m.

Cada Sábado primero 7:00p.m.—7:30a.m.



## TOGETHER IN MISSION

## UNIDOS EN MISION

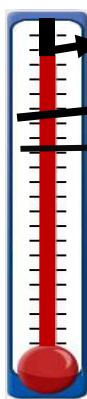
We are almost there,  
but we still need your help to  
reach our Parish Goal.

Please send your donation or pledge payment.

Ya casi llegamos

Pero todavía necesitamos su ayuda  
Para llegar a Nuestra Meta Parroquial

Por favor envíe su donación o su pago de promesa.



Meta/Goal **\$38,161**

Prometida/Pledged **\$33,583**

Recibido/Received **\$31,553**

**Nos falta \$6,608.00**

**We are short \$6,608.00**



## THE JOY OF GAUDETE SUNDAY

**J**oy has been given us to live by and bear witness to the same. So we should strive to open our hearts to receive it and let it radiate from us.

God is Joy: in your presence, unbounded joy, and at your right hand, everlasting pleasures. Being sons of God we are consequently sons of joy. Our hearts rejoice in him, we trust in his holy name. Thus each one of us is begotten by his joy and promised to his gladness.

The basis of our joy is, first of all, the Father's mercy, that does not will the death of a sinner but that he be converted and live; the Father who invites the whole world to feast and rejoice at the first sign of our returning to him. So be happy at the thought of this loving and forgiving presence, making you sing to him: you have always helped me, I sing for joy in the shadow of your wings!

Besides this, our joy comes from knowing that Christ's presence will be with us to the end of time. We have not seen him, yet we love him; we do not see him, yet we exult in indescribably glorious joy, sure of obtaining salvation of our souls through him. He who came to bring us the Good News has revealed his love to us and that our joy may be complete, and that hence we ourselves may have this fullness of his joy. Abide in Christ's joyfulness as he travels beside you, bearer of gladness that no one can take from you. You have good reason to love him!

Finally, our joy is confirmed by the grace of the Holy Spirit, who is himself jubilant joy in the heart of the Trinity. He is the bearer of radiating joy. He is joy. True joy.

For there is such a thing as the joy of the Holy Spirit, able to make us drunk with joy. Now this Spirit has been given to us, filling us with his riches, of which the first, after love, is joy. So do not grieve the Holy Spirit within you by letting the world's miseries depress you. Child of God, friend of Christ, bearer of the Spirit, live by the joy of your God.

*The Jerusalem Community Rule Of Life*

The Jerusalem Community is a monastic fraternity situated in the heart of various cities.

## LA ALEGRÍA DEL DO- MINGO DE REGOCIJO

**L**a alegría se nos ha dado para vivir y dar testimonio de ello. Por lo tanto debemos tratar de abrir nuestros corazones para recibirlo y dejarlo irradiar de nosotros.

Dios es Júbilo: en tu presencia, alegría sin límites, y a tu derecha, placeres eternos. Ser hijos de Dios son consecuentemente hijos de la alegría. Nuestros corazones se regocajan en Él, confiamos en su santo nombre. Así, cada uno de nosotros ha nacido de su alegría y promesa de su alegría.

La base de nuestra alegría es, ante todo, la misericordia del Padre, que no quiere la muerte del pecador sino que se convierta y

viva; el Padre que invita a todo el pueblo a festejar y regocijarse ante su venida. Así pues se feliz ante la idea de su amorosa e indulgente presencia, haciéndote cantarle: ¡Tú siempre me has ayudado, yo canto de alegría en la sombra de tus alas! Además de esto, nuestra alegría viene de la presencia de Jesucristo que estará con nosotros hasta el fin de los tiempos. No le hemos visto, sin embargo lo amamos; no lo vemos, pero nos gloriamos en su presencia gloriosa indescriptible, seguros de obtener la salvación de nuestras almas a través de Él. Él que vino a traer la Buena Nueva nos ha revelado su amor y que nuestra alegría sea completa, y que por lo tanto nosotros podamos tener plenitud de su alegría. Permaneced en la alegría de Jesucristo así como te acompaña en tu camino, portador de alegría que nadie que nadie te puede quitar. ¡Hay buenas razones para amarlo!

Por último, nuestra alegría está confirmada por la gracia del Espíritu Santo, quien es el mismo gozo exultante en el corazón de la Trinidad. El es el portador de alegría irradiante. El es gozo. Verdadero Gozo.

Porque hay tal cosa como el gozo del Espíritu Santo, que nos embriaga de alegría. Ahora este Espíritu se nos ha dado, llenándonos de sus riquezas, de las cuales la primera, después del amor es la alegría. Por lo tanto no se aflija, no deje que las miserias del mundo lo deprima, el Espíritu Santo está con usted. Hijo de Dios, amigo de Jesucristo, portador del Espíritu, vive por la alegría de tu Dios.

*Regla de Vida de la Comunidad de Jerusalén*

La Comunidad de Jerusalén es una fraternidad monástica situada en el corazón de varias ciudades.



Third Sunday in Advent

# POSADAS

Del 16 al 23 de Diciembre, 2014

De 7:00 p.m. a 9:00 p.m.

SALON PARROQUIAL

**Martes 16 de Diciembre**  
Encuentro Matrimonial

Nazario & Jacqueline Ramirez  
310-202-8921  
310-425-6408

**Miércoles 17, Diciembre**  
Grupo de Oración

Lourdes Heredia 310-365-7342

**Jueves 18, Diciembre**  
Grupo de Juquilla

Soledad de Pablo 310-966-6891  
Herasto Montes 310-308-2342

**Viernes 19, Diciembre**  
Jóvenes Adultos

Gustavo Martinez 424-672-5565

**Sábado 20, Diciembre**  
Adoración Nocturna

Carlos Martinez 323-2146032

**Domingo 21, Diciembre**  
Guadalupanos

David Ruiz 310-407-2879

**Lunes 22, Diciembre**  
Rondalla

Arturo Trinidad 310-351-1549

**Martes 23, Diciembre**  
Grupo Oración (CORO)

Lourdes Heredia 310-365-7342

## DID YOU KNOW? Tips for choosing safe toys for kids

Millions of toys are out there, and hundreds of new ones hit the stores each year. Toys are supposed to be fun and are an important part of any child's development. But each year, scores of kids are treated in hospital emergency departments for toy-related injuries. Here are some general guidelines to keep in mind when toy-shopping: Toys made of fabric should be labeled as flame resistant or flame

retardant. Stuffed toys should be washable. Painted toys should be covered with lead-free paint. Art materials should say nontoxic. Crayons and paints should say ASTM D-4236 on the package, which means that they've been evaluated by the American Society for Testing and Materials. For more information, [www.kidshealth.org](http://www.kidshealth.org).

## DAILY MASS INTENTIONS

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## INTENCIONES DE MISA DIARIA

### **Saturday, Dec. 13th**

5:30p.m. David Plaisted +

### **Sunday, Dec. 14th**

7:30a.m. San Juan Pablo II

9:00a.m. David Plaisted +

10:30a.m. Catalina & Jose Maximiliano +

12:00p.m. Pedro Torraba +

1:30p.m. Los Fieles de San Gerardo

### **Monday, Dec. 15th**

8:00a.m. Jorge Manuel Navas (B-day)

### **Tuesday, Dec. 16th**

8:00a.m. Francisco Limon (B-day)

### **Wednesday, Dec. 17th**

8:00a.m. Cindy Limon (B-day)

### **Thursday, Dec. 18th**

8:00a.m. Francisco Limon Jr. (B-day)

### **Friday, Dec. 19th**

8:00a.m. Katie Shaughnessy (Blessings)

### **Saturday, Dec. 20th**

6 8:00a.m. Lee Sattler +



## St. Gerard Majella Parish Registration Form

New members of the parish are invited to use this form to register. Registered members may use it to advise us of a change of address, phone number or to request offertory envelopes. Either drop the form below in the collection basket or bring to the parish office.

Mr./Mrs.  
First Name Ms. \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse's First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City & Zip code \_\_\_\_\_

Children \_\_\_\_\_

### Boleta de Inscripción de la Parroquia de San Gerardo de Majella

Nuevos miembros de la parroquia son invitados a utilizar esta forma para registrarse. Los miembros registrados lo pueden utilizar para informarnos de un cambio de domicilio, el número de teléfono o para solicitar sobres de ofrenda. Deposite esta forma en la canasta de ofrendas o entréguelo a la oficina parroquial.

Sr.  
Primer Nombre Sra. \_\_\_\_\_ Apellido \_\_\_\_\_

Nombre Del Cónyuge \_\_\_\_\_ Teléfono \_\_\_\_\_

Dirección \_\_\_\_\_

Ciudad Y Código Postal \_\_\_\_\_

Hijos(as) \_\_\_\_\_