

THE CATHOLIC CHURCH OF **SAINT GERARD MAJELLA**

Fourteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

July 9th 2017



MASS SCHEDULE

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| Monday | 9:00 AM |
| Tuesday | 9:00 AM |
| Wednesday | 6:00 PM |
| Thursday | 9:00 AM |
| Saturday | 5:30 PM |
| Sunday | 9:00 AM 11:00 AM |

BAPTISMS

Parents should be registered parishioners or active for six months prior to baptism. Please call the parish office.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Anytime by Appointment

BULLETIN DEADLINE

Wednesday by noon

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Tuesday & Thursday 9:00 AM- 3:00 PM

Wednesday & Friday Parish Office Closed

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St Gerard

Although a tailor by trade, his love of God propelled him to seek a religious vocation early on. After being denied entry into the Capuchins because of his health, he entered the Redemptorist order as a lay brother in 1749, and worked there as a tailor, cook, sacristan, and infirmiran, among other duties. The great Saint Alphonus Liguori, the founder of the Redemptorists, called him “a miracle of obedience” as he obeyed his superiors both when they were present and absent as well, by reading their thoughts!

Weekly Offerings

7/2/17 Offertory Received

\$ 14,958.00

Weekly Offertory Goal

\$4,000.00

Capital Campaign

\$ 518.00

A Note from Fr. Bill

Dear People of God

Jesus tells us Peace I leave with you My peace is my gift to you. It is something that I am aware that needs to be prayed for in our time.

In a later time in Medjugorje Our Lady appeared to the Children and asked them to pray for peace every day at the 3 o'clock Hour the time when our Lord died upon the Cross. The prayer is simple but powerful.

Mary's message addresses the need for peace, especially peace in our troubled world.

Our Lady asks us to pray constantly for peace in a prayer in which we seek to unite ourselves to her Immaculate Heart as we pray, we think especially of all those who are persecuted for their faith, who are killed because of their faith in the love of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, a faith which they treasure more than life itself.

Drawing on the lessons from the lives of the children of Medjugorje, God chooses us for the gift of faith because of the simplicity and openness of our hearts. Choosing to follow him we can expect to enter into a pathway to God's gift of faith and is to be that of prayer, and self-offering. We are to trust that Mary is always with us.

EASY TO PRAY AND REMEMBER

The traditional prayers for this chaplet is very basic and wonderful for a busy day! Beginning with the Creed, then pray 7 sets of the Our Father, Hail Mary and Glory Be.

I made these chaplets a few years back and passed them out if you would like one I have more available.

Bishop Elect Ned who we have been adding to the prayers of the liturgy is to be consecrated on Wednesday, July 19. I will be attending the mass as will many of the priests of the Archdiocese. Please continue to pray for him as assumes his duties as Auxiliary Bishop.

In Christ

Fr. Bill

2017 Archbishop's Annual Appeal

The 2017 Annual Appeal theme is "You Shall Love Your Neighbor as Yourself" Our 2017 goal is \$18,200.00. As of 7/3/17 We have exceeded our pledge goal! We have \$19,828.00 in pledges! A surplus of \$1,628.00 will be returned to us once all pledges are paid. \$13,208.82 has been received in paid pledges. I would like to sincerely thank you for your generosity towards the Annual Appeal. You can also visit www.appeal.archatl.com to see Archbishop Gregory's video or to donate.

The Office will be open Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday next week and be closed Thursday and Friday.

Ordination of Bishop Elect Ned

Bishop Elect Bernard E. "Ned" Shlesinger II will be Ordained as Auxillary Bishop of the Archdiocese of Atlanta Wednesday July 19th.

Tuesday July 18th at 7:00 pm Solemn Vespers will be at The Cathedral of Christ the King.

The mass of Ordination will take place on Wednesday, July 19th at 2:00 PM at the Cathedral of Christ the King 2699 Peachtree Rd NE, Atlanta Ga 30305. Ticket information will be available soon.

You may also watch this joyful celebration live at www.livestream.com/ctk

Mass Intentions

Sunday, 7/9: 9:00 AM Prayers for Parishioners

Sunday, 7/16: 9:00 AM Paula Guterrez+

11:00 AM Prayers for Parishioners

Pray For Our Sick Parishioners

Please keep in your personal prayers the following members of our parish who are in need of healing, David Perry, Paul Worland, Jean Hawkins, Martha Bourne, Mary Moser, Dolores Sutton, Kathy Samilo, Jeremiah Word, Nora McKenzie, Virginia Black, Pamela Kanter, BJ Hoette, Judi Fraley, Gerald Hoffman, Frances Spataro, Sue McGoff, Jill Mitchell, Sara Mason, Ralph Medders, Danielle Lark, Matthew Gaudet,

Thank You

Catholic Charities' Pregnancy Help Center would like to thank the parishioners who participated in the Lenten baby bottle drive. This year we collected \$1,807.24 which was an increase from last year by \$300! The contributions enable us to continue our ministry of service to the most vulnerable and scared of our city by providing them with birthing options, much needed pregnancy and parenting information, as well as their basic baby needs.

Attention Young People

To better understand the lives, attitudes and concerns of young people ages **16-29**, the Vatican has released an online questionnaire in preparation for the 2018 Synod of Bishops on "Young People, the Faith, and Vocational Discernment."

Young people from around world are encouraged to take part in this unprecedented opportunity. The questionnaire—available in English, Spanish, French and Italian—is open to any young person, regardless of faith or religious belief, and can be found on the synod's official site: youth.synod2018.va/content/synod2018/it.html.

RCIA

If anyone is interested in becoming Catholic or knows anyone interested RCIA will be beginning in September after Labor Day. More information will follow soon.

Ministry Meetings & Events

Sunday, 7/9: Prison Ministry: 6:30PM

Tuesday, 7/11: Finance Council: 7:00 PM

Wednesday, 7/12: Memorial Hospital Ministry

Thursday, 7/13: Prison Ministry 6:30 PM

Friday, 7/14: Adoration 9AM-1PM

Saturday, 7/15: Knights Officer Installation 5:30 mass

Sunday, 7/16: Prison Ministry: 6:30 PM

Altar Guild

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| July 9th | Gloria Kelly |
| July 16th | Celeste Hochrein |
| July 23rd | Regina Richardson |
| July 30th | Jane McKinley |
| August 6th | Betsy DiMaiolo |
| August 13th | Shana Whiteford |
| August 20th | Gloria Kelly |
| August 27th | Celeste Hochrein |

Ladies Guild

Our next meeting is Tuesday, August 15th at 7PM in the PLC. All women of the parish are invited.

The AACCW 61st Annual Convention is September 21&22nd at the Wyndham Conference Center in Peachtree City. There will be a group of us going if anyone is interested please contact Ellen at 706-858-3887. There are good speakers and a good balance of spirituality and fun fellowship.

Attention All Ministry Heads

We will be scheduling our annual parish calendar meeting soon. We need ALL ministries to make a calendar with dates they would like the parish to know about. All meetings, functions, fundraisers etc will be discussed and included in this meeting / calendar. Thank you in advance!

Senior Ministry

The next Senior's meeting will be at 12 noon on September 6th at the Martin Davis House in Walker County. Bring your brown bag lunch. All parish seniors 55 or better are welcome.

The Seniors Ministry and Fr Bill honor the Sacrament of Marriage each quarter. Couples married in July, August and September may have their marriage blessed after the 9am mass on September 24th. Deadline for sign-up is not later than after the 9 AM mass 17th.

Word Among Us Books

The Word Among Us has offered us a deal for the summer on their complete mass and daily meditation books. The *July issue* is located in the entry of the church in a box. We ask that you make a donation of \$1.00 to cover the cost of the book.

Thank you and enjoy.

St. Vincent DePaul

The SVDP collection for the month of June was \$856.00 Thank you all for your generosity.

St. Gerard chapter of St. Vincent de Paul Society is grateful for the donations that continue to come in from our parishioners. In the last month financial help has been given to a young couple who needed funds for the burial of their infant daughter. Also a car payment and several power bills have been paid for individuals in their time of need.



Congratulations to the 2017-2018 Knights Council 7416 Officers: Installation of officers will be Saturday, July 15th after the 5:30 mass with a dinner to follow in the PLC.

Elected Officers:

Grand Knight- Bob Watson
Deputy Grand Knight- Joseph Neal
Recorder- Timothy Meyer
Chancellor-John Hutterer
Treasurer- Richard Ring
Warden- Paul Holliman
Advocate- David Carne
Outside Guard- Rick Hansard
Inside guard- Kieron Gleeson
1st Trustee- George Ingle
2nd Trustee- Mark Swope
3rd Trustee- Larry Cooper

Appointed Officers:

Financial Secretary- Ben Cabeen
Chaplain- Fr. Bill Williams
Lector- Dale Osterling

Ministry Schedule

The July ministry schedule is out and on the table in the entry of the church.

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| 15-Jul-17 Vigil | Samilo, John | Ring, Richard | | Hays, Don | Klingler, Nancy | Homans, Ron | Barrow, Gail | Klingler, Richard | Borge, Louis | Watson, Bob | |
| 16-Jul-17 9:00am Sunday | Adams, Matthew | Samilo, John | | Staub, Jim | Swope, Linda | Kelly, Gloria | Rand, Teresa | Phelps, Kris | Martinez, Martin | | |
| 16-Jul-17 11:00am Sunday | Britton, Mary | Erdman, John | | Erdman, Leslie | Roueche, Jay | Kevin Redman | Hutterer, John | Susan Fuqua | | | |