

St. Gerard Majella

Roman Catholic Church / Iglesia Católica Romana

A Pro-Life Parish / Parroquia en Favor de la Vida

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Parish Office Hours

Monday thru Friday

9:00am - 12:30pm &

3:00pm - 8:00pm

Saturdays 10:00am - 2:00pm

Pregnant?

Considering an Abortion?

There are other alternatives.

Call the women at

WESTSIDE PREGNANCY CLINIC

At (310) 268-8400 for 24 HOUR HELP

www.wpclinic.org

Embarazada?

Considerando un Aborto?

Hay otras alternativas.

Llame a las mujeres del

WESTSIDE PREGNANCY CLINIC

Al (310) 268-8400 para ayuda 24 horas.

www.wpclinic.org



**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—7:00pm

1st. Saturday/1° Sábado

7:00pm—7:00am

Sunday/Domingo

SAFEGUARD THE CHILDREN COMMITTEE

Frances Gomez (310) 450-1909

Holy Mass

Saturday

5:30pm Sunday Vigil (English)

Sunday

7:30am English

9:00am English

10:30am Español

12:00pm English

1:30pm Español

5:00pm Español

Monday—Saturday

8:00am (English)

Wednesday

7:00pm (Español)

Holy Days

Will be announced in the bulletin.

Será anunciado en el boletín.

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena

Wednesdays after the 8:00a.m. Mass

Confessions

Saturdays 4:00pm—5:00pm

Baptism

Español 10:00am Segundo Sábado—

Llame a la Oficina de la Parroquia

English 10:00am Third Saturday—

Call the Parish Office

Marriage-Matrimonio

Quinceañeras

Call the Parish Office .

Llame a la Oficina.

THE SECOND COLLECTION

Today's second collection is for the support of the Retirement Fund for our Archdiocesan Priests. Thank you for your generosity.

SEGUNDA COLECCIÓN

Hoy la segunda colecta es para el apoyo del Fondo de Retiro de los Sacerdotes de nuestra Arquidiócesis. Gracias por su generosidad.

Congratulations to the Newly baptized / Felicidades a los recién Bautizados



*Selena Cortes
Adela López
Anai Serrano*

*Natalie Chloé Rodríguez
Alicia Benítez
Diego Méndez*

Amari Aquino

Petitions to St. Gerard Majella

- Elizabeth - a safe delivery and a healthy baby.
- Maria & Emmanuel - want to have a baby.
- Ria & Noel - want to have a baby.
- Natalia & Guillermo - want to have a baby.
- Myra - a safe delivery and a healthy baby.
- Anette & Maurice - want to have a baby.
- Anon.-Blessings and safe delivery for daughter expecting fourth baby, had previous miscarriage.
- Nelson & Carly -want to have a baby.
- Jorje– a safe delivery and healthy baby for his aunt.
- Agnieszka & Daniel-want to have a baby.
- Elizabeth & husband-to not be afraid of having a baby.
- Adelie & Yzar - want to have a baby.
- Rosa & Francisco-want to have a baby.
- Antonela -conceive a healthy son.
- Gina & Ryan-trying to conceive a child.
- Monica and Jason– desire to conceive their first child.
- Meagan Toman—that she and her husband may conceive and not miscarry.
- Vanessa & Christopher -conceive a child & carry to term.
- Yadira– To conceive a child& carry to term.
- Anonymous - to be healthy and conceive a child.
- Anonymous—twins in the womb be healthy and parents be able to give them the love and care needed.
- Nora & Hector -Married 11 years: Pray for a miracle that they may conceive a child.



Prayer for Motherhood

O glorious Saint Gerard, powerful intercessor before God, and wonder worker of our day, I call upon you and seek your help. You who always fulfilled God's will on earth, help me do God's holy will. Beseech the Master of life, from whom all paternity proceeds, that I may conceive and raise children who will please God in this life, and be heirs to the kingdom of Heaven. Amen.

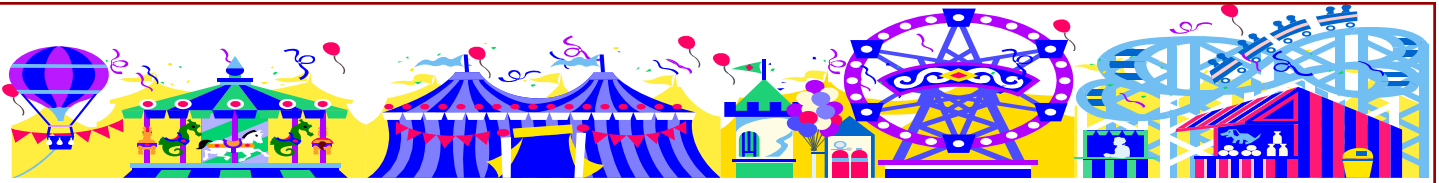
Prayer for a Safe Delivery

Oh St Gerard, preserve them from danger and from the excessive pains accompanying childbirth, and shield the child which they now carry, that it may see the light of day and receive the purifying and life-giving waters of baptism



On behalf of our Pastor Fr. Martin and the parish of St. Gerard we extend our deepest condolences to the family and friends of the recently deceased of our parish.

- Gilbert Dumilie
- Jorje Humberto Garcia
- Aden Vega
- Rita Degannuti
- Louis Kado
- Gertrudes Moreno



Festival tickets

SUPPORT YOUR PARISH!

RAFFLE TICKETS ARE ON SALE NOW
for our upcoming
Annual Family Parish Festival
in June.

Get them outside in the parking lot or at the bookstore. Only \$1.00 donation per ticket or \$10.00 for a book of ten.

This is a very simple way to:

1. actively support your parish
2. have a good chance to win

1st prize	2nd prize	3rd prize
\$1000.00	\$500.00	\$250.00

Help now,
to make our Festival a great success!

Ayude a su Parroquia!

BOLETTOS PARA LA RIFA ESTAN A LA VENTA PARA EL CARNAVAL EN JUNIO. Si cada uno compramos por lo menos un boleto, seria un gran éxito! Solamente \$1.00 cada boleto.
1.. Premio \$1,000.00 2. Premio \$ 500.00
3. Premio \$250.00

PRE-SALE RIDE TICKETS- Buy ride tickets now, and each ride will cost only \$1.40. **ONLY ONE PRE-SALE RIDE TICKET IS NEEDED FOR EACH RIDE !**

PRE-VENTA DE BOLETOS Compre sus boletos para los juegos mecánicos ahora, y cada juego le cuesta \$1.40. **SOLAMENTE UN BOLETO** De **PRE-VENTA** se necesita para cada juego.

DAILY MASS INTENTIONS / MISAS DIARIAS



Saturday, May 15th

5:30 p.m. Adrian Larios +

Sunday, May 16th

7:30 a.m. The People of St. Gerard Parish

9:00 a.m. Mother's Day

10:30 a.m. Elivira Pico Saldana +

12:00 p.m. Esperanza & Priscilla Bala +

1:30 p.m. Ernesto De la Luz +

5:00 p.m. Jose Jimenez +

Monday, May 17th

8:00 a.m. Mother's Day

Tuesday, May 18th

8:00 a.m. Manuel Sanglay +

Wednesday, May 19th

8:00 a.m. Dale Jensen +

7:00 p.m. Vocaciones al Sacerdocio

Thursday, May 20th

8:00 a.m. Dolores Merglewski +

Friday, May 21st

8:00 a.m. Paul Manuel Gomes +

Saturday, May 22nd

8:00 a.m. San Jose Maria Escriba de Balaguer
(Thanksgiving)

	TOGETHER IN MISSION		
	PARISH GOAL	AMOUNT PLEDGED	CASH RECEIVED
	\$38,863	\$29,659.	\$17,617.

	UNIDOS EN MISION		
	Meta de Lograr	Cantidad Prometida	Dinero Recibido
	\$38,863.	\$29,659.	\$17,617.



If we only knew how God regards this Sacrifice, we would risk our lives to be present at every single Mass. ~ St. Padre Pio

“The Bishop as a Priest”

The bishop’s unique role as priest can be experienced in a richly symbolic way at mass in the cathedral when, at the altar, the bishop presides, accompanied by the whole people of God, composed of laity, ministers, deacons, and priest-concelebrants. In order to understand the beautiful symbolism contained in this liturgy we must recall what priesthood is. For the Christian, the fundamental action of priesthood is the “offering of gifts and sacrifices to God” (Heb. 5:1, 1 Peter 2:5). Through his death and resurrection Christ is the only high priest, and all priesthood is a sharing in what Christ has done for us (Heb. 5.1-10, 7:24-27). All of us who are baptized have received a share in Christ’s “royal priesthood” (also called the “baptismal” or “common priesthood” of the faithful) which we constantly exercise by consecrating the world through our prayers and actions, and especially when, together with Christ, we offer ourselves to the Father at the eucharistic celebration.

Those who share in the ministerial priesthood through the Sacrament of Orders are at the service of the baptized, and their sacramental ministry is ordered towards the unfolding of the baptismal grace of all the faithful. In the cathedral liturgy we see the bishop, who has received the fullness of the Sacrament of Orders, leading and assisting the whole people of God in the exercise of the priesthood proper to their different vocations. In the early church this *communio*, this unity within diverse forms of priestly offering, was described as a musical harmony, as when St. Ignatius of Antioch wrote that the ordained ministers are “fitted to the bishop like the strings of a harp”, enabling the whole people of God to “become a choir, harmonious in love, singing to the Father through Jesus Christ.”

The priestly ministry of the bishop is also visible, not only at the cathedral, but also in our local parishes. As the chief shepherd of the diocese who possesses the fullness of the Sacrament of Orders, it is the bishop who ordains the priests and deacons who serve the people of God in the diverse communities that make up the diocese. It is the bishop who blesses the chrism and sacred oils that are distributed to the parishes and used in the sacraments of baptism, confirmation, and the anointing of the sick. It is the bishop who authorizes priests to validly celebrate the sacrament of penance and to regularly celebrate the Eucharist within the borders of his diocese. It is the bishop who normally presides at the sacrament of confirmation, although he can delegate this responsibility to a priest. And it is the bishop who solemnly consecrates buildings that serve as places of worship. In all of these priestly acts the bishop is both a symbol and a servant of *communio*, of the dynamic interrelationship that connects our local churches in the diocese with each other.

Finally, the bishop’s priesthood expresses an international *communio* that embraces the entire church. When a bishop exercises his priesthood by ordaining another bishop he can do so legitimately only with the participation of other bishops who represent the wider church, and with the permission of the Holy See, representing the church throughout the world. In this way the priestly ministry of the bishop both ensures and reminds us that we are never alone: united to one another in a *communio* that transcends all national boundaries we are part of the whole mystical body of Christ, which is also one body comprised of individual churches.

El Obispo Como Sacerdote

El papel del obispo como sacerdote es único y puede ser experimentado de una manera abundantemente simbólica en la misa en la catedral cuando, en el altar, el obispo preside acompañado por el pueblo de Dios compuesto por laicos, ministros, diáconos, y sacerdotes-celebrantes. Para poder comprender el bello simbolismo contenido en esta liturgia debemos recordar lo que es el sacerdocio. Para el cristiano, la acción fundamental del sacerdocio es el “ofrecimiento a Dios de dones y sacrificios” (Heb.5:1, 1 Pedro 2:5). A través de su muerte y resurrección Cristo es el único alto sacerdote, y el sacerdocio es un compartir lo que Cristo ha hecho por nosotros (Heb. 5:1-10, 7:24-27). Todos nosotros los que hemos sido bautizados hemos recibido una parte del “sacerdocio real” de Cristo (también llamado “bautismal” o “sacerdocio común” de los fieles) el que constantemente ejercemos consagrando al mundo por medio de nuestras oraciones y acciones, y en especial cuando, unidos con Cristo, nos ofrecemos al Padre durante la celebración eucarística.

Aquellos que comparten el sacerdocio ministerial a través del Sacramento de Órdenes están al servicio de los bautizados y su ministerio sacramental es ordenado hacia el desarrollo de la gracia bautismal de todos los fieles. En la liturgia de la catedral nosotros vemos al obispo, quien ha recibido la plenitud del Sacramento de Órdenes, guiando y asistiendo al pueblo entero de Dios en el ejercicio del sacerdocio propio a sus diferentes vocaciones. En la iglesia temprana esta comunión, esta unidad dentro de formas diversas del ofrecimiento sacerdotal, era descrita como una armonía musical, como cuando San Ignacio de Antioquía escribió que los ministros ordenados están “ajustados al obispo como las cuerdas de un arpa”, permitiendo que todo el pueblo de Dios se “haga un coro, armonioso en amor, cantando al Padre por medio de Jesucristo.”

El ministerio sacerdotal del Obispo está también visible no sólo en la catedral, sino también en nuestras parroquias locales. Como pastor principal de la diócesis que posee la plenitud del Sacramento de las Órdenes, el obispo es quien ordena a los sacerdotes y a los diáconos que sirven al pueblo de Dios en las diversas comunidades que componen la diócesis. Es el obispo es quien bendice la crisma y los santos oídos que se distribuyen a las parroquias y se usan en los sacramentos del bautismo, la confirmación, y la unción de los enfermos. Es el obispo quien autoriza a los sacerdotes celebrar válidamente el sacramento de la penitencia y regularmente celebrar la Eucaristía dentro de los límites de la diócesis. Es el obispo quien normalmente preside en el sacramento de la confirmación, aunque puede delegar esta responsabilidad a un sacerdote. Y es el obispo quien solemnemente consagra edificios que sirven como lugares de oración. En todos estos actos sacerdotales el obispo es ambos, un símbolo y un sirviente de comunión, de la relación dinámica que conecta a nuestras iglesias locales una con las otras en la diócesis.

Finalmente, el sacerdocio del obispo expresa una *communio* internacional que abarca a la iglesia entera. Cuando un obispo ejerce el sacerdocio ordenando a otro obispo él puede hacerlo legítimamente sólo con la participación de otros obispos que representan la iglesia más amplia, y con el permiso de la Santa Sede, representando a la iglesia a través del mundo. De esta manera el ministerio sacerdotal del obispo nos asegura y nos recuerda que nunca estamos sólo: unidos unos a los otros en una comunión que trasciende todas las fronteras nacionales nosotros somos parte del cuerpo entero místico de Cristo, que es también un cuerpo compuesto de iglesias individuales.

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) _____
