



THE CHURCH OF ST. GERARD MAJELLA

All are Welcome to Encounter Christ

December 31, 2023 | Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

WELCOME!

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OFFICE HOURS

Mon-Thu | 9:00am-4:00pm
Friday | 9:00am-1:00pm
Sat-Sun | Closed

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekdays

Mon-Fri | 8:30am | English
Sat | 8:00am | Vietnamese

Weekends

Sat | 5:00pm | English
Sun | 8:00am | Vietnamese
Sun | 9:30am | English
Sun | 11:00am | English

Reconciliation

Sat | 4:00pm or by appointment

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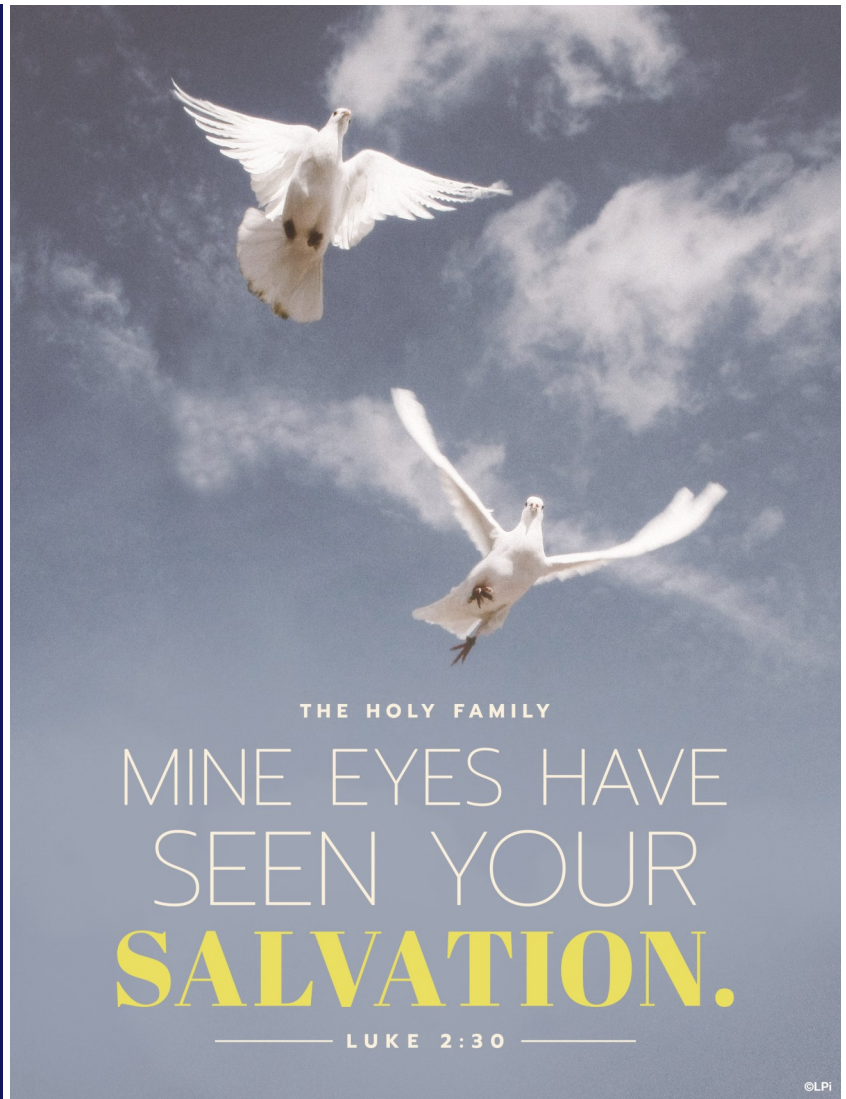
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The Church of St. Gerard Majella | st-gerard.org

PARISH CALENDAR

Monday, January 1

Parish Office Closed

8:00am | Mary, Mother of God Mass (Vietnamese)

8:30am | Mary, Mother of God (English)

Tuesday, January 2

8:30am | Daily Mass (English)

7:30pm | Regents AA, Fireside Room

Wednesday, January 3

8:30am | Daily Mass (English)

9:00am-9:00pm | Adoration

6:00pm | Faith Formation

Thursday, January 4

8:30am | Daily Mass (English)

6:00pm | OCIA/Catholicism 101

Friday, January 5

8:30am | Daily Mass (English)

6:00pm | Pickleball

Saturday, January 6

8:00am | Daily Mass & Confessions (Vietnamese)

10:30am | Confessions (Vietnamese)

4:00pm | Confessions (English)

5:00pm | Mass (English)

Sunday, January 7

8:00am | Mass (Vietnamese)

9:00am | Confessions (Vietnamese)

9:30am | Mass (English)

11:00am | Mass (English)

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, January 1

8:30am | Deacon Joseph Nhac Nguyen +

Tuesday, January 2

8:30am | Rose Kruger +

Wednesday, January 3

8:30am | Paul Cong Nguyen +

Thursday, January 4

8:30am | Alphonsus San Tuan Vo +

Friday, January 5

8:30am | James & Mary Alice Meierotto ++

Saturday, January 6

5:00pm | Catherine & Jim Brunz ++

Sunday, January 7

9:30am | People of the Parish

11:00am | Margaret Jaeger +

UPDATE YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION

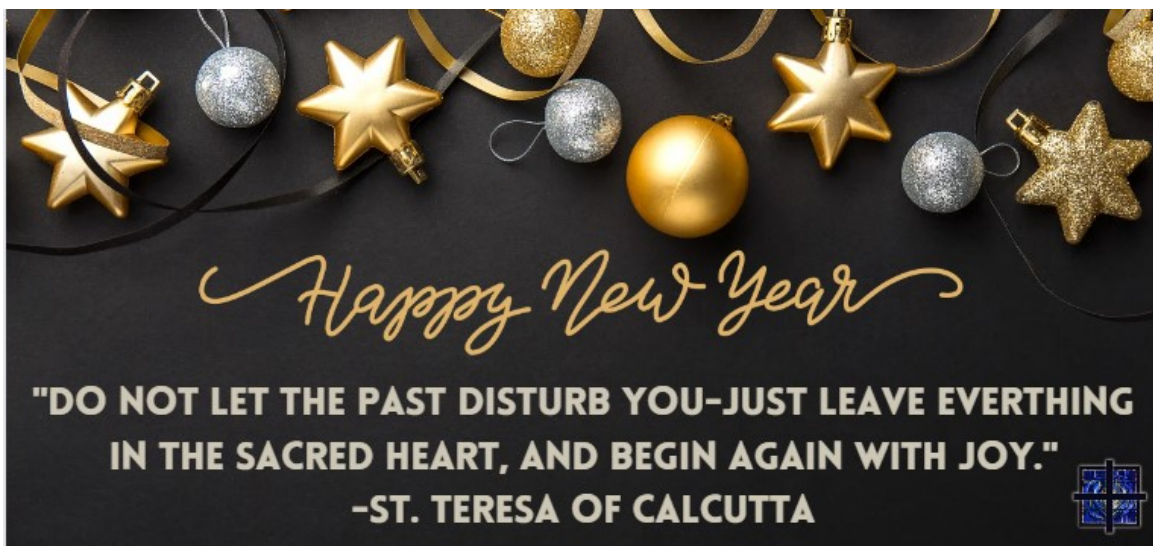
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MARY, MOTHER OF GOD

Because this Solemnity lands on a Monday, it is not a Holyday of Obligation this year, BUT we encourage you to start off your new year with Mass and asking our Blessed Mother for her intercession.

We will have the following Masses on **Monday, January 1:**

8am (Vietnamese)-Church

8:30am (English)-Chapel

Please note that in the 12/24 bulletin it mentions a 7pm Mass on December 31, which was an error. There will NOT be a 7pm Mass on December 31 for Mary Mother of God. The only Masses for Mary Mother of God will be the ones on January 1 mentioned above.



ELECTRONIC GIVING

Did you know that you can donate to St. Gerard's online? Check out our website, www.st-gerard.org under the "Engage" tab or scan the QR code below with your mobile device to sign up and donate:



SHARING AND CARING HANDS

St. Gerard's prepares a breakfast and lunch at Sharing and Caring Hands the 1st Saturday of the month. **Our next service date is January 6, 2024.** We meet at Sharing and Caring Hands (525 N 7th Street, Minneapolis) at 9am.

Call John Hirsch, 612-280-0718 if you have any questions.



OCIA/CATHOLICISM 101

Come join your fellow parishioners at the Church of St. Gerard for the viewing of the faith formation video series "Symbolon" produced by Ascension Press. Meetings are on **Thursdays from 6-7:30pm.** This program provides explanations for the "what" and "why" of the Catholic faith. There will also be opportunities for discussion and questions.

All are welcome! Invite your family and friends! The next topics are:

January 4-Mary & the Saints: Our Spiritual Mother & the Communion of Saints

January 11-The Last Things: What Happens After We Die?

January 18-The Sacraments: Baptism & Confirmation

January 25-The Eucharist: The Source & Summit of Christian Life

February 1-A Walk Through the Mass: Exploring the Sacred Liturgy

February 8-Sacrament of Reconciliation & Anointing of the Sick: God's Mercy Revealed

February 15-No Class

February 22-Matrimony & Holy Orders: The Sacraments of Service & Communion

February 29-A Catholic Moral Vision: Virtue, Grace and the Path to Holiness

CORN FEST 2024

Corn Fest will be on **August 9 & 10, 2024!** Our first planning meeting will be Thursday, **January 4 at 6:30pm.** We are always looking for new ideas and energy to continue our **50 + year community tradition of Faith, Family and Fun.** Please join us to start the planning. Contact Craig at 763-200-3949 with questions.

