



July - Dec. 2017

St. Lucy's Church

The National Shrine of St. Gerard Maiella Association

—NEW S L E T T E R—



JESUS' SPECIAL FRIEND



"I was first introduced to St. Gerard by my Grandmother. She would always make a collection for him and when she died, I continued her example. During the summer of 1992, I had major knee surgery. While I was recuperating, I had a gallbladder attack & had to return to the hospital. I returned to work and received a promotion with increased responsibilities. Due to extreme stress from the summer tribulations and new job, I went into a state of depression. I believe with the help of family/friends & the intercession of St. Gerard, I was able to get through this ordeal. Some people might say, why pray to a saint and not directly to Jesus? The best way I can answer is, when you go to court, you always take your lawyer with you. What better lawyer to intercede for us than one of Jesus' special friends St. Gerard? St. Gerard has never let me down and I will always love him. I look forward to thanking him face to face in heaven."

-Anonymous

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO SHARE YOUR STORY, SEND US AN EMAIL AT: STLUCYSNWK@YAHOO.COM OR POST IT ON OUR FACEBOOK PAGE: ST. LUCY'S CHURCH THE NATIONAL SHRINE OF ST. GERARD

118TH ANNUAL FEAST OF ST. GERARD MAIELLA

OCTOBER 13, 14, 15, 16, 2017



ST. LUCY'S CHURCH
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NATIONAL SHRINE OF ST. GERARD



ST. GERARD NOVENA

ST. GERARD NOVENA AND BLESSING WITH RELIC
Tuesday, October 3rd - Wednesday, October 11th
Novena begins at 7:00 pm each evening

- FAMILIES AFFECTED BY CANCER
October 3rd
- THANKSGIVING TO ST. GERARD FOR FAVORS RECEIVED
October 4th
- THOSE AFFECTED BY ADDICTION
October 5th
- AN OINTING OF THE SICK
October 6th
- BLESSING OF WOMEN PRAYING TO CONCEIVE
October 9th
- BLESSING OF EXPECTANT MOTHERS
October 10th
- BLESSING OF NEWBORN BABIES
October 11th
- ITALIAN-AMERICAN ORGANIZATIONS
October 12th
- SPECIAL MASS IN THANKSGIVING FOR
FIRE/POLICE/CORRECTIONAL OFFICERS AND FIRST
RESPONDERS
October 13th

ENTERTAINMENT

Saturday October 14th

Domini Monroe
1:00pm-2:00pm
Gerard Esposito
3:00pm-5:00pm
Jersey Sound
7:00pm - 10:00pm

Sunday October 15th

The Steve Salerno Quartet
12:00pm-2:00pm
Ray Cetrell 4:00pm-6:00pm
Park Avenue 7:00pm-10:00 pm

Monday October 16th

The Symphonics 6:00pm-8:00pm

SECURE PARKING ON AND OFF SITE
Shuttle Service available

THE PROGRAM

Saturday, October 14, 2017

Masses at 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12:30 and 6:00pm
Masses at 9:00am and 10:00am Italian

Solemn High Mass at 11:00am

In Honor of St. Gerard, Patron of Mothers

The procession will leave the church at 2:00pm
proceed up 7th Ave to Clifton Avenue, right on Clifton
Avenue to Park Avenue, left on Park Avenue to Ridge
Street, right on Ridge Street to Abington Avenue, left
on Abington Avenue to Parker St, left on Parker St to
Bloomfield Avenue, left on Bloomfield Ave. to Mt.
Prospect Avenue, right on Mt. Prospect to Seventh
Avenue, left on Seventh Avenue to Saint Lucy's
Church.

Sunday, October 15, 2017

Masses at 8, 9, 10, 11:00 and 12:30pm

Mass at 8:00 am Italian

Mass at 9:00 am Italian/Spanish

Mass at 10:00 am Italian

Mass at 11:00 am English

Solemn High Mass at 11:00am by

His Eminence,

Joseph William Cardinal Tobin, C.Ss.R

To honor the Caposelese Devotees who brought
this tradition to Saint Lucy's Church

The procession will leave the Church at 2:00pm and
proceed up Seventh Avenue to Mt. Prospect Ave. right on
Mt. Prospect to Victoria Avenue, right on Victoria Avenue to
Garside Street, left on Garside Street to Park Avenue, left
on Park Avenue to Clifton Avenue, right on Clifton Avenue
to 3rd Avenue, right on 3rd Avenue to Garside St, right on
Garside St to Park Avenue, left on Park Avenue to Cutler
Street, right on Cutler Street to Seventh Avenue, left on
Seventh Avenue to Saint Lucy's Church.

Monday, October 16, 2017

Masses at 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12:30 and 5:30pm

Solemn High Mass at 11:00am

In Honor of The National Shrine of Saint. Gerard
Maiella Association

The procession will leave the Church at 2:00 pm and
proceed up Seventh Avenue to Villa Victoria then
down Seventh Avenue to Stone Street, left on Stone
Street to Park Avenue, right on Park Avenue to
Summer Avenue, right on Summer Avenue to Crane
Street, left on Crane Street to High Street, left on High
Street to Bloomfield Avenue, right on Bloomfield
Avenue to Webster Street, right on Webster Street to
Crane Street, right on Crane Street to Cutler Street,
left on Cutler Street to Seventh Avenue, Left on
Seventh Avenue to Saint Lucy's Church.

Calendar of Events

St. Gerard Novenas

October 3rd- 12th

St. Gerard Feast

October 13th - 16th

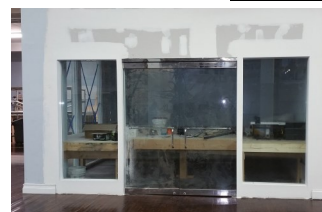
Christmas Concert (Gerard Esposito)

December 3rd

Midnight Mass

December 24th 11:30pm

COMING SOON!



The Presepio that's in the
National Shrine during the
Christmas Season, will be
displayed all year round in
the lower church!

New Chapel!

Come visit our new
chapel!
Located in the lower
church.



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Letter From the Pastor



Dear devotees of St. Gerard,

Early on in his life, Gerardo Maiella learned as he grew up that **“everything is possible to those who believe.”** It’s important that each one of us learns this lesson too. This kind of language—this kind of thinking—doesn’t merely promise hope, it creates hope. If I believe that everything is possible, St. Gerard will intercede for me, and I will receive the grace I desire. Perhaps, as Dorothee Soelle suggested, one must leave the individualist tone and go over from the “I” to the “we” and into the experience of history. I am a Christian because I believe that what was promised to everyone is possible. I believe that love is greater than hate, that compassion is stronger than violence. Love and compassion can re-create the world around us. Love and compassion can warm the heart of the bigot and the xenophobic. If we believe this, St. Gerard will intercede for us.

~ Sincerely Father Luigi

St. Lucy's Giftshop

Visit our new Giftshop located in the lower church, Sundays 10:30am-2pm.

The giftshop is now accepting credit cards!

Everything in the Giftshop is Blessed!

Our new item: St. Gerard Picture Frames!



Want to be a gift shop volunteer? Call Maria in the rectory at 973-803-4200

Past Successful Events



2017 Carnivale



St. Gerard Breakfast



St. Gerard Birthday Mass

Our Lady of the Clouds



We welcome our newest addition to St. Lucy's Church, Our Lady of the Clouds. Feast Day is January 1st with a procession honoring our Lady.

THE 5TH ANNUAL JACKPOT RAFFLE!

The Jackpot Raffle will consist of 3 prizes:

1st Prize: 25%

2nd Prize: 15%

3rd Prize: 10%

Based on total amt. Collected

Tickets are \$100.00 Each.
Tickets are limited to 1,000 to make your chances better!

Thank you for supporting us!

Call the rectory to purchase tickets!

973-803-4200

DRAWING:

**September 30th
11am**

**In the rectory
basement**

Plaza Update

Can St. Lucy's Plaza endure another severe winter?

The plaza was inaugurated 18 years ago and has now become weak. It belongs to the parish and we are calling all devotees to be a part of the solution to repair the plaza.

There is no simple or inexpensive solution.

Our campaign begins now with a project budget of: \$150,000

The National Shrine of St. Gerard Maiella Association wants to THANK YOU for all of your continuous support and dedication throughout the years. Together we are keeping a wonderful tradition alive and can share it with our families for future generations!

Contact us



If you would like to book a tour of the church, have any questions or would like a digital copy of this newsletter, please feel free to contact Maria or Omar at (973) 803-4200 Or email at stlucysnw@yahoo.com

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