

# THE CHURCH OF ST. GERARD MAJELLA

*All are Welcome to Encounter Christ*

JULY 10, 2022 | FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## WELCOME!

9600 Regent Avenue North  
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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 | 8:30 am | English  
Sat | 8:00am | Vietnamese

### Weekends

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

## Reconciliation

Sat | 4:00pm, or by appointment

## PARISH STAFF

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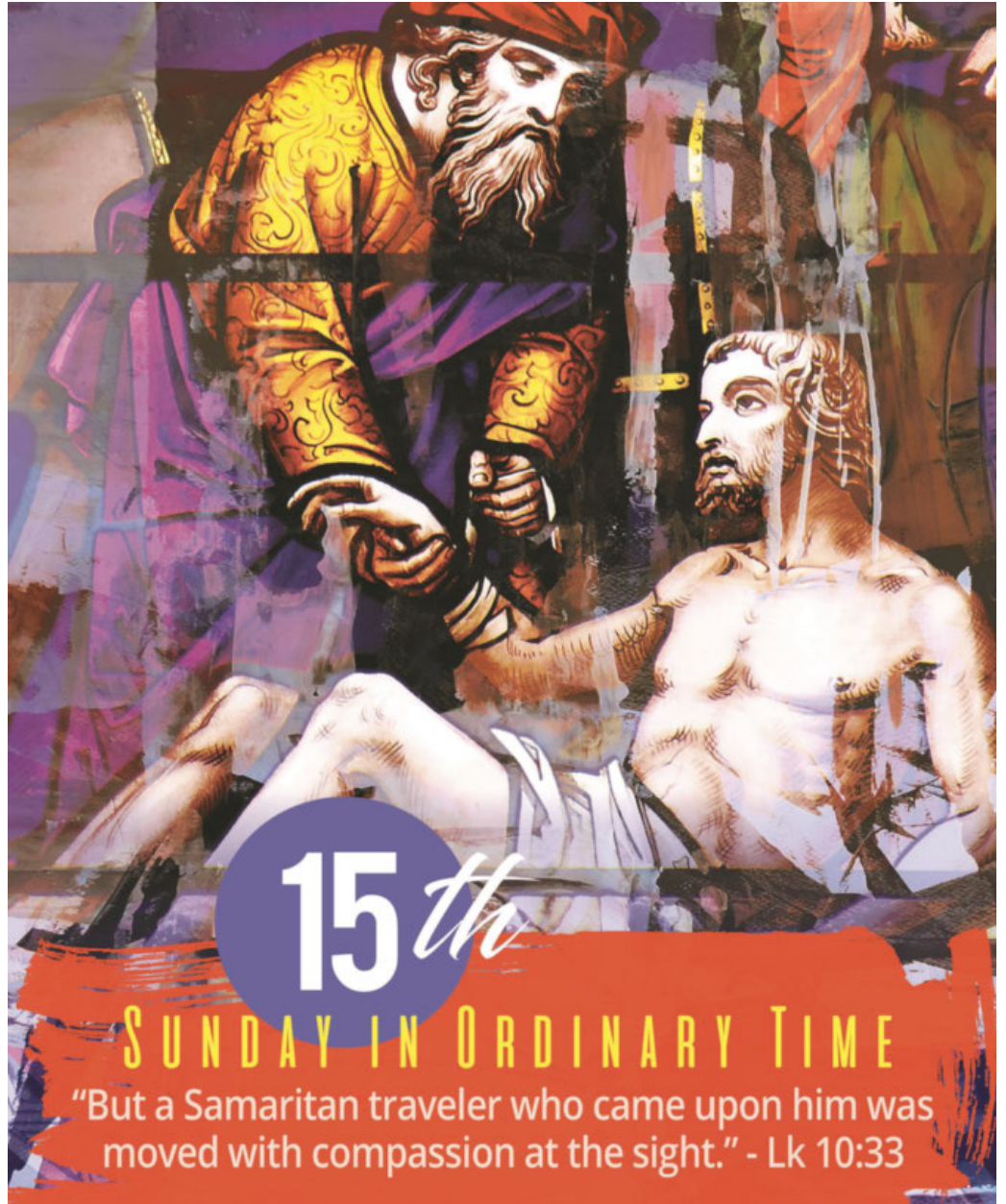
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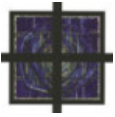
### Custodian

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## 2 | REBUILDING WITH GRACE

The Church of St. Gerard Majella | [st-gerard.org](http://st-gerard.org)



### “Church Space Project Completions - Part One”

In the summer of 2021, I toured the impressive facilities that are part of the Church of St. Gerard Majella. Just inside the main entrance were several poster boards on easels showing the design work that had been done prior to the pandemic.

These projects under the leadership of the former pastor Fr. John Klockeman, were the culmination of the research and architectural work of an ad hoc liturgy committee and subsequent discussions with the pastoral and finance councils.

The four projects have been revisited by our Leadership Team (Pastoral and Finance Councils) with review by our Facilities Committee.

1). A permanent platform for the Sanctuary (area of the altar and pulpit). This was donor funded and constructed by our Facilities Care Coordinator Bob Imholte and volunteer helpers. It was beautifully completed in the fall of 2021.

#### 2). Tabernacle Area

The original proposal was a golden reredos - special screen or backdrop for a tabernacle in the apse (the area behind the altar). After many months of discussions with parish leaders, the design was changed to reduce costs consistent with the amount of the donation and a design that better reflected the architecture of the church and pastoral considerations for the distribution of Holy Communion. Bob Imholte and Chuck Ashton from our Facilities Committee have done incredible work on the construction of the reredos. This project is scheduled to move forward this summer.





### 3). The Living Wall

As you may remember from the long-displayed picture, the original design was much larger. Again, after much consultation, the design was modified to provide a beautiful location for a visitation area for caskets and urns prior to funerals. With the prominent display of the Resurrected Christ, this area serves as a point of welcome for those entering the church and a more dignified and dedicated space for visitations before funerals. With the design changes, this project is now fully funded from designated funds. This project will move forward this summer.

4). Redesign of the entrance gathering space with new flooring, gas fireplace and new furniture. This project has no funding and has been put on hold.

I know that with the recent damage to the AC cooling tower and supporting roof, some may question the moving forward on the above projects. Nonetheless designated funds are not available for the AC/roof repair and must be used for the donors' intent. Since there is such strong support for the funded projects, we need to finish this excellent work of the past three years of planning.

I offer my gratitude to God for the donors, planners and all involved in these projects.

Sincerely in Christ,

Fr. Charlie Lachowitz, Pastor

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## PARISH CALENDAR

### Tuesday, July 12

7:30 pm | Regents AA, Garden Room

### Wednesday, July 13

3:00 pm | Adoration, Chapel

6:00 pm | Music rehearsal, Church

### Saturday, July 16

4:00 pm | Confessions, Church

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Sunday, July 10

9:30am | People of the Parish

### Monday, July 11

8:30am | Karen Weber

### Tuesday, July 12

8:30am | Mary Anne Scott +

### Wednesday, July 13

8:30am | Dee Sokolowski +

### Thursday, July 14

8:30 am | People of the Parish

### Friday, July 15

8:30am | People of the Parish

### Saturday, July 16

5:00pm | Marvin Jacobs +

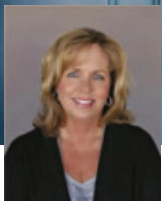
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