

# THE CHURCH OF ST. GERARD MAJELLA

*All are Welcome to Encounter Christ*

SEPTEMBER 4, 2022 | TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## WELCOME!

9600 Regent Avenue North  
Brooklyn Park, MN 55443  
763-424-8770  
st-gerard.org

## 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

### Pastor

Fr. Charles V. Lachowitz  
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### Parochial Vicar (Vietnamese)

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### Parish Administrator

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### Director of Faith Formation

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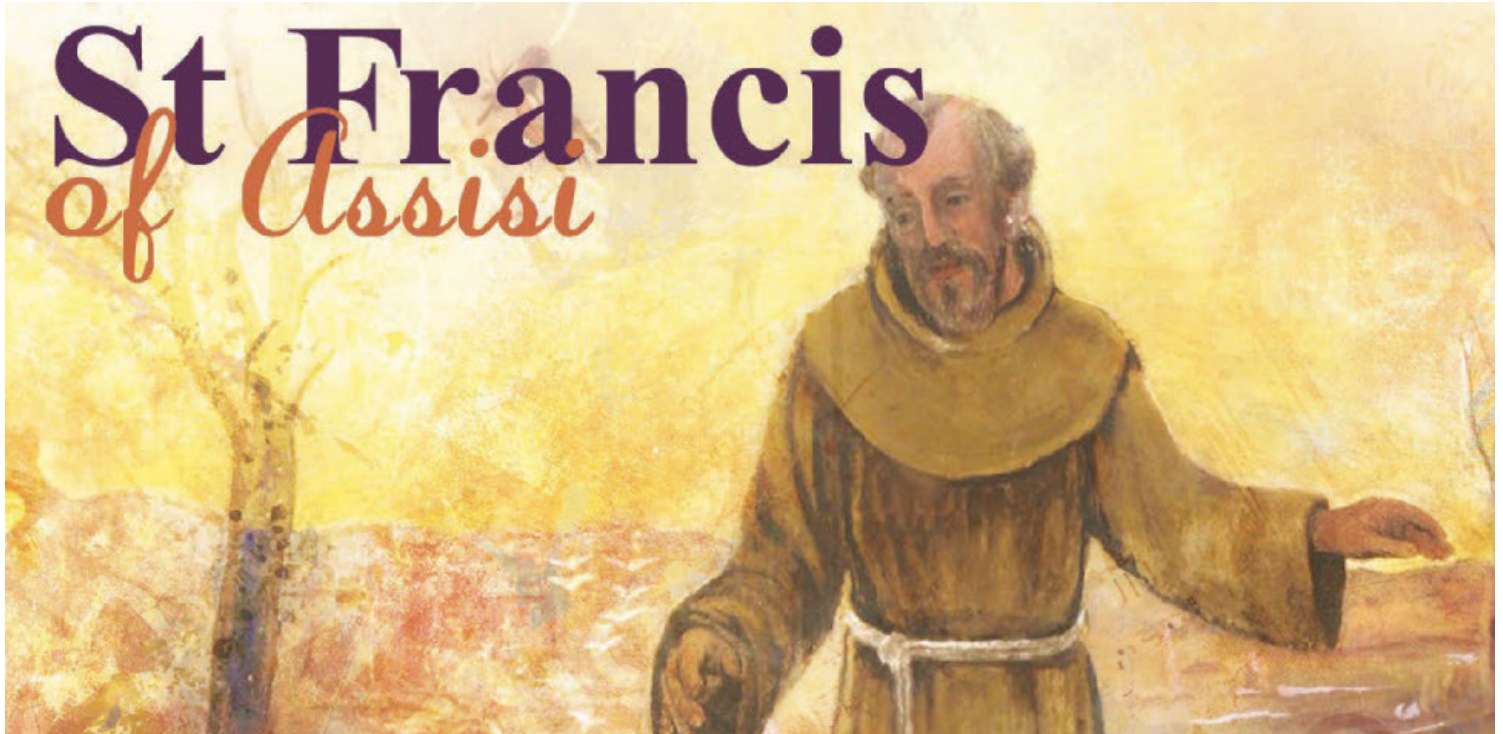
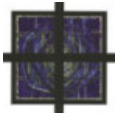
### Custodian

Geoff Moore  
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### **BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS**

St. Gerard's invites you and your pets big or small, living in water or on land! Bring your dogs, cats, hamsters, gerbils, birds, fish, turtles, lizards, pet spiders, horses and even snakes...all are welcome! Our Blessing of the Animals is Saturday, October 1 at 11:30am in the church parking lot by picnic benches. We do this in honor and remembrance of Saint Francis of Assisi! For more information, please feel free to contact the Faith Formation Office at: [formation@st-gerard.org](mailto:formation@st-gerard.org)

### **GriefShare. The care you need, the information you can trust.**

After the funeral, when the cards and flowers have stopped coming, most of the people around you return to their normal lives. But your grief continues, and you feel alone.

Often, friends and family want to help you, but don't know how. That's the reason for GriefShare. Our group meets on **Tuesdays from 6:30 – 8:00pm** for 13 weeks. We began on August 2nd and conclude on October 25th. You are welcome to begin attending our group at any point. Each session is "self-contained". So, you do not have to attend in sequence. You will be able to pick up any session you missed in the next 13 week cycle.

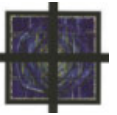
GriefShare is a support group that meets weekly. There are three key parts to your GriefShare experience.

**Video seminar:** Encouraging, information-packed videos featuring leading grief recovery experts.

**Support group:** Small group discussion about the weekly video content.

**Workbook:** Journaling and personal study exercises that reinforce the weekly session topics.

There is help and encouragement after the death of a spouse, child, family member, or friend. For more information, call the St Gerard parish office: 763-424-8770.



## PARISH CALENDAR

### Tuesday, September 6

6:30 pm | **GriefShare, Fireside Room**

7:30 pm | **Regents AA, Garden Room**

### Wednesday, September 7

3:00 pm | **Adoration, Chapel**

6:00 pm | **Music rehearsal, Church**

### Saturday, September 10

4:00 pm | **Confessions, Church**

## CALLING ALL KNITTERS AND CROCHETERS!

Saint Gerard is starting a Prayer Shawl Ministry and we need you.

Compassion and the love of knitting/crocheting have been combined into a prayerful ministry and spiritual practice which reaches out to those in need of comfort and solace, as well as in celebration and joy. Many blessings are prayed into every shawl. Contact Joni at 763-424-8770 or [jonis@st-gerard.org](mailto:jonis@st-gerard.org)

Meet at the Church once a month or knit/crochet from home. Day and time to be determined.

## MINISTERS OF COMMUNION TO CARE CENTERS

Extend our Eucharistic celebration to those who reside at care centers within our parish boundary. Lead Word/Communion Service. We are presently serving Urbana and Tradition. Training, resources, and mentoring are provided. If you are interested in learning more about this ministry contact Joni at 763-424-8770 or [jonis@st-gerard.org](mailto:jonis@st-gerard.org)

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Sunday, September 4

8:00am | People of the Parish

9:30am | Gail Perry +

11:00am | People of the Parish

### Monday, September 5

8:30am | People of the Parish

### Tuesday, September 6

8:30am | People of the Parish

### Wednesday, September 7

8:30am | Dee Sokolowski +

### Thursday, September 8

8:30 am | Megan Hietala

### Friday, September 9

8:30am | People of the Parish

### Saturday, September 10

5:00pm | Steve Arc +

## MINISTERS OF COMMUNION TO PARISHIONERS WHO ARE HOMEBOUND

For those in our parish community who can no longer participate in parish life on a regular basis. Homebound Ministers are available to bring the care and compassion of the parish to members of our community who can no longer come to us. Homebound Ministers visit and share the news of the parish to help the homebound person stay connected. Homebound Ministers have the privilege of offering prayers and Holy Communion to the homebound.

To arrange for you or a loved one to receive Holy Communion at home, contact Director of Parish Life, Joni Sandlin at 763-424-8770 or [jonis@st-gerard.org](mailto:jonis@st-gerard.org)

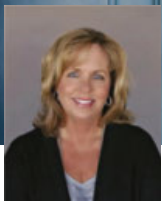
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