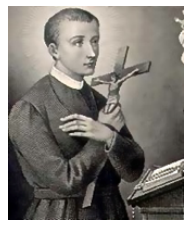
ST GERARD'S CATHOLIC PARISH



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Welcome to St. Gerard's parish, where we foster the wellbeing and safety of all children and adults at risk. Since we take the safety of our young and vulnerable parishioners seriously, we have a zero tolerance policy when it comes to abuse. All parishioners have the right to feel safe and welcome. If you have any concerns, visit https://www.stgerards.org.au/child-safety-professional-standards/ or see the Safeguarding Officer. **"Child Safety is Everyone's Responsibility"**

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe - Mass Readings *(Year A)*
November 22, 2026

Entrance Antiphon: How worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and divinity, and wisdom and strength and honour. To Him belong glory and power for ever and ever.

First Reading - Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15-17

The Lord says this: I am going to look after my flock myself and keep all of it in view. As a shepherd keeps all his flock in view when he stands up in the middle of his scattered sheep, so shall I keep my sheep in view. I shall rescue them from wherever they have been scattered during the mist and darkness. I myself will pasture my sheep, I myself will show them where to rest – it is the Lord who speaks. I shall look for the lost one, bring back the stray, bandage the wounded and make the weak strong. I shall watch over the fat and healthy. I shall be a true shepherd to them. As for you, my sheep, the Lord says this: I will judge between sheep and sheep, between rams and he-goats.

Responsorial Psalm: The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

Second Reading - 1 Corinthians 15:20-26,28

Christ has been raised from the dead, the first-fruits of all who have fallen asleep. Death came through one man and in the same way the resurrection of the dead has come through one man. Just as all men die in Adam, so all men will be brought to life in Christ; but all of them in their proper order: Christ as the first-fruits and then, after the coming of Christ, those who belong to him. After that will come the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, having done away with every sovereignty, authority and power. For he must be king *until he has put all his enemies under his feet* and the last of the enemies to be destroyed is death, for everything is to be *put under his feet.* And when everything is subjected to him, then the Son himself will be subject in his turn to the One who subjected all things to him, so that God may be all in all.

Gospel Acclamation: ***Alleluia, alleluia!*** Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessings on the coming kingdom of our Father David! ***Alleluia!***

Gospel Reading - Matthew 25:31-46

Jesus said to his disciples: 'When the Son of Man comes in his glory, escorted by all the angels, then he will take his seat on his throne of glory. All the nations will be assembled before him and he will separate men one from another as the shepherd separates sheep from goats. He will place the sheep on his right hand and the goats on his left. 'Then the King will say to those on his right hand, "Come, you whom my Father has blessed, take for your heritage the kingdom prepared for you since the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food; I was thirsty and you gave me drink; I was a stranger and you made me welcome; naked and you clothed me, sick and you visited me, in prison and you came to see me." Then the virtuous will say to him in reply, "Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you; or thirsty and give you drink? When did we see you a stranger and make you welcome; naked and clothe you; sick or in prison and go to see you?" And the King will answer, "I tell you solemnly, in so far as you did this to one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did it to me." 'Next he will say to those on his left hand, "Go away from me, with your curse upon you, to the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. For I was hungry and you never gave me food; I was thirsty and you never gave me anything to drink; I was a stranger and you never made me welcome, naked and you never clothed me, sick and in prison and you never visited me." Then it will be their turn to ask, "Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty, a stranger or naked, sick or in prison, and did not come to your help?" Then he will answer, "I tell you solemnly, in so far as you neglected to do this to one of the least of these, you neglected to do it to me." 'And they will go away to eternal punishment, and the virtuous to eternal life.'

Communion Antiphon: The Lord sits as King for ever. The Lord will bless His people with peace.

Prayer to Saint Gerard Majella



Great protector of the family, Saint Gerard, we ask your prayers for all parents, that they may receive the grace to live in the love of God and bring up their children to know and love Him with all their hearts. We ask you to pray also that those who take the lives of unborn innocents, and attack the dignity of motherhood, may come to see the error of their ways, and that all may value the true holiness of Christian family life. God, our loving Father, Your love gives life to the world. Bless and make holy all human love, especially the life-giving love of husband and wife. May Your love fill the hearts and homes of all families, so that the world may enjoy the peace and happiness promised by Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

Symbolon: The Catholic Faith Explained

Am I going to heaven? What is purgatory? Find the answers to these questions and more when we explore what happens after we die, through Dr Edward Sri's Symbolon: The Catholic Faith Explained program. This beautifully crafted video series examines the beauty and richness of our Catholic faith. Join us this Tuesday, 24th November at 7pm in the Majellan room. Contact: Jeff Zaher on 0477 188 883. Everyone is welcome.

ADVENT RETREAT AT ST DOMINIC'S - Saturday, 12 December, 2026

St Dominic's Parish invites everyone for a day-long Advent Retreat focusing on the theme *'The Spirit of the Lord has been given to me'*. Commences with 9:00am Mass and concluding with Adoration, Confession and Benediction from 4-5pm.Venue: St Dominic's Parish, 816 Riversdale Road, Camberwell. Cost: $20.00, includes morning/afternoon tea and lunch. To register: https://www.trybooking.com/DRKDE OR contact: pastoral.associate@stdominics.org.au

Faith in Action: An election guide from the Bishops of Victoria

Ahead of the 2026 Victorian election, the Bishops of Victoria have issued an election statement highlighting key issues for Catholics to consider when deciding their vote. You are invited to read the statement and prayerfully discern how your vote can contribute to the common good. View the statement online at: bit.ly/StateElection2026.

Columban Calendars are ready for collection and purchase from the Piety Stall. Thank you.

We require volunteers to please come forward to help with the purchasing of flowers and decorating the Church weekly. Please see Fr. Shanthaiah if you are able to help. Thank you.

St Gerard's Dinner Dance - LAST CALL!

Tickets need to be finalised this weekend so don't miss out!
This year marks the 70th anniversary of our parish and we will be holding a dinner dance on November 28 as part of the celebration. Tickets can be purchased via https://app.tickets.org.au/StGerard/DinnerDance, or directly from Jeff Zaher on 0477 188 883. We are looking for sponsors, raffle prizes and volunteers to help arrange the dance so if you are able to contribute, please contact Jeff or the Parish office on 9792 4422 or email dandenongnorth@cam.org.au.





Advent Evening of Reconciliation at St. Gerard's, 17th December.
Priest's will be available to hear individual Confession on Thursday, December 17 from 6:30pm-7:45pm. From December 18, Confession will not be heard during the week and only on Saturday from 8:30am - 9:00am and after Mass until 10:30am. Thank you.

MASS and INTENTIONS

Saturday Vigil, November 21
Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
Mass 5:30pm Repose of the souls of Jerry & Ophelia Rodrigues ✣
and Repose of the souls of Alec and Connie Franklin ✣
and Deceased members of the Knights of the Southern Cross and their families *(Remembrance ✣)*
and Willie and Rose Lobo *(Remembrance ✣)*
Mass 7:00pm Maronite Community
Sunday, November 22 - Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
Mass 8:30am Thanksgiving and congratulations to Peter and Cecilia Donald on their 40th Wedding Anniversary
and Gina Ravindra *(Recently Deceased ✣)*
and Nick Doukas *(Recently Deceased ✣)*
and Regina de Mira *(Remembrance & Death Anniversary ✣)*
Mass10:30am *Pro Populo Mass* & First Holy Communions
NO French Mass this weekend. This will be on 29th November at 3:30pm.
Mass 5:30pm Minnie Rozario *(Death Anniversary ✣)*
and Darryl Williams, Vincent, Francis & Louie Williams, David Pearson and Walter De Silva *(Remembrance ✣)*
Monday, November 23
Mass 9:15am Repose of the Souls of the Lopez Family ✣
and Margaret Collins *(Remembrance ✣)*
and Regina DeMira *(Death Anniversary ✣)*
Tuesday, November 24 - Saints Andrew Dung-Lac and Companions
Mass 9:15am Patrick Collins *(Remembrance ✣)*
and Mijo & Ana Glavacevic *(Remembrance ✣)*
Wednesday, November 25
Mass 9:15am Mijo Snr & Anka Glavacevic *(Remembrance ✣)*
and Annamma Devasia & Therssia Kutty *(Death Anniversary ✣)*
Thursday, November 26
Mass 9:15am Djuro and Eva Jozicic *(Remembrance ✣)*
and Robert Hanson *(Death Anniversary ✣)*
and Hedley Simonet *(Birthday Remembrance ✣)*
Friday, November 27
Mass 9:15am Lise Donaldson *(Death Anniversary ✣)*
and Mary Adolphus *(Remembrance ✣)*
Saturday, November 28
Mass 9:15am Deanna Donaldson *(Death Anniversary ✣)*
and Maria, Milan, Andria, and Smlja Vlatkovic *(Remembrance ✣)*
Saturday Vigil, November 28 - First Sunday of Advent
Mass 5:30pm Mijo, Marko, and Luka Sockovic *(Remembrance ✣)*
and William Shackleton *(Death Anniversary ✣)*
Mass 7:00pm Maronite Community
Sunday, November 29 - First Sunday of Advent
Mass 8:30am Hannah Collins *(Remembrance ✣)*
and Thanksgiving to St. Anthony and thanksgiving on the birthday of Leandar Lewis
and Nick Doukas *(Recently Deceased ✣)*
Mass10:30am *Pro Populo Mass* - No Mass Intentions
Mass 3:30pm French Community
Mass 5:30pm Repose of the soul of Gerry Rebeiro ✣
and For peace, love & prosperity of Zvonko Glavaceic & Family

Please pray for…

Our sick: Maria Tomaselli, Ricky Fagan, Anne Moorthy, Lynette Whetton, Lucia, Gration Vettivelu, John Keble, Gabby Vettivelu, Pamela Chen, Michael Bruno, Steven Dickson, Derek Chater, David Naidoo, Barbara Daniells, Sean VanTwest, Shaan, Christopher Patterson, Marie Thomas, Frances Dos Remedios, Antonimary, Rosalie Wright, Gerard, Michael DePenha, Jill, Margaret Rose Rochecouste, Fr. Patolo Matiasi, Peter D'Silva, Anthony Morril, Shane Hardie, Emilia, Margaret Zahra, Lynette Cardoso, Libby Wilson, Godfrey Misquith, Belinda Hunter, Mauricio Ayala

The recently deceased:
Fr. Brendan Lane, Gina Ravindra, Damien Gerard Misquith, Eddie Nicholas, Brian Vanderputt, Angela Sonno, Nick Doukas, Kulandei Terees

Anniversaries/Remembrances:
Harold, Eunice and Cynthia Scanlon, Edgar Peiris, Regina DeMira, Darryl Williams, Jerry & Ophelia Rodrigues, Alec & Connie Franklin, Willie & Rose Lobo, Rudy Watts

Church Cleaning

Saturday, November 28
Frank, Zenon, Betty, Robert, Kim
Saturday, December 5
Mulipola Family

Weekly Collection

November 15, 2026
Thanksgiving: $1,440.45
Presbytery: $776.30

Reading Roster

Saturday, November 28
5:30pm J. D'Souza
Sunday, November 29
8:30am G. DosRemedios
10:30am S. Moses
5:30pm L. Hector
Saturday, December 5
5:30pm J. Fernando
Sunday, December 6
8:30am G. Van Hees
10:30am A. Pacifique
5:30pm Janet D'Souza

Daily Antiphons - Monday November 23, to Saturday November 28, 2026

Monday of the Thirty-Fourth Week in Ordinary Time - November 23

Entrance Antiphon: The Lord speaks of peace to His people and His holy ones and to those who turn to Him.

Responsorial Psalm: Lord, this is the people that longs to see Your face.

Gospel Acclamation: ***Alleluia, alleluia!*** Be watchful and ready: you know not when the Son of Man is coming. ***Alleluia!***

Communion Antiphon: O praise the Lord, all you nations, for His merciful love towards us is great.

Tuesday of the Thirty-Fourth Week in Ordinary Time - November 24

Saints Andrew Dung-Lac and Companions

Entrance Antiphon: May we never boast, except in the Cross of our Lord Jesus Christ. For the word of the Cross is the power of God to us who have been saved.

Responsorial Psalm: The Lord comes to judge the earth.

Gospel Acclamation: ***Alleluia, alleluia!*** Be faithful until death, says the Lord, and I will give you the crown of life. ***Alleluia!***

Communion Antiphon: Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven.

Wednesday of the Thirty-Fourth Week in Ordinary Time - November 25

Entrance Antiphon: The Lord speaks of peace to His people and His holy ones and to those who turn to Him.

Responsorial Psalm: Great and wonderful are all Your works, Lord, mighty God.

Gospel Acclamation: ***Alleluia, alleluia!*** Be faithful until death, says the Lord, and I will give you the crown of life. ***Alleluia!***

Communion Antiphon: O praise the Lord, all you nations, for His merciful love towards us is great.

Thursday of the Thirty-Fourth Week in Ordinary Time - November 26

Entrance Antiphon: The Lord speaks of peace to His people and His holy ones and to those who turn to Him.

Responsorial Psalm: Blessed are they who are called to the wedding feast of the Lamb.

Gospel Acclamation: ***Alleluia, alleluia!*** Lift up your heads and see; your redemption is near at hand. ***Alleluia!***

Communion Antiphon: O praise the Lord, all you nations, for His merciful love towards us is great.

Friday of the Thirty-Fourth Week in Ordinary Time - November 27

Entrance Antiphon: The Lord speaks of peace to His people and His holy ones and to those who turn to Him.

Responsorial Psalm: Here God lives among His people.

Gospel Acclamation: ***Alleluia, alleluia!*** Lift up your heads and see; your redemption is near at hand. ***Alleluia!***

Communion Antiphon: O praise the Lord, all you nations, for His merciful love towards us is great.

Saturday of the Thirty-Fourth Week in Ordinary Time - November 28

Entrance Antiphon: The Lord speaks of peace to His people and His holy ones and to those who turn to Him.

Responsorial Psalm: Maranatha! Come, Lord Jesus!

Gospel Acclamation: ***Alleluia, alleluia!*** Be watchful, pray constantly, that you may be worthy to stand before the Son of Man. ***Alleluia!***

Communion Antiphon: O praise the Lord, all you nations, for His merciful love towards us is great.