



Calendar for the year 2013





Inpatient Care

**„Tender loving care“
as it should be**

January 2013

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>
Lectionary: Sundays: Cycle C, Weekdays: Year I		1 Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God RSA: New Year's Day World Day of peace (18 years Blessed Gérard's Pre-Primary School & Crèche)	2 Sts. Basil the Great & Gregory Nazianzen, bishops & doctors	3 The Most Holy Name of Jesus	4 [St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, religious (USA)] (20 years Blessed Gérard's Relief Fund)	5 [St. John Neumann, bishop (USA)]
6 Epiphany of the Lord [Blessed André Bessette, religious (USA)]	7 St. Raymond of Peñafort, priest	8 (Our Lady of Prompt Succour)	9 St. Adrian of Canterbury, abbot (St. Julian)	10 (St. Gregory of Nyssa, bishop, OSB)	11 (Anniversary: Vicariate Apostolic of Eshowe elevated to the Diocese of Eshowe, 1951)	12 (St. Victorian)
13 Baptism of the Lord St. Hilary, bishop & doctor	14 (St. Engelmar) (1 st week in ordinary time)	15 (Sts. Maurus & Placidus, scholars of St. Benedict, OSB)	16 (St. Marcellus)	17 St. Anthony, abbot	18 (St. Prisca) 18 – 25 January: Week of prayer for Christian Unity	19 (Sts. Kanut & Godfrey)
20 2nd Sunday in ordinary time St. Fabian, pope & martyr; St. Sebastian, martyr; Blessed Cyprian Michael Tansi, priest	21 St. Agnes, virgin & martyr	22 St. Vincent, deacon & martyr	23 (St. Ildefons)	24 St. Francis de Sales, bishop & doctor	25 Conversion of St. Paul, apostle	26 Sts. Timothy & Titus, bishops; (St. Robert, Alberich & Stephen, Cistercian abbots, OSB) 17 years Blessed Gérard's Disaster Relief Project)
27 3rd Sunday in ordinary time St. Angela Merici, virgin	28 St. Thomas Aquinas, priest & doctor	29 (St. Charles)	30 (St. Mary Ward)	31 St. John Bosco, priest		

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**A patient being
examined**

February 2013						
<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>
					1 (St. Bridget)	2 Presentation of the Lord World Day for Consecrated Life
3 4th Sunday in ordinary time St. Blaise, bishop & martyr, St. Ansgar, bishop (20 years Blessed Gérard's Bursary Fund)	4 (Sts. Gilbert & Rhabanus) World Cancer Day	5 St. Agatha, virgin & martyr	6 Sts. Paul Miki, priest & martyr & companions, martyrs	7 (St. Mel) (Blessed Pius IX, pope)	8 St. Jerome Emiliani, priest St. Josephine Bakhita, virgin	9 (Sts. Alto & Julian)
10 5th Sunday in ordinary time St. Scholastica, virgin, OSB	11 Our Lady of Lourdes (St. Benedict of Aniane, abbot, OSB) World Day of the Sick	12 (St. Deodat)	13 Ash Wednesday (St. Castor)	14 Sts. Cyril, monk & Methodius, bishop (St. Valentine's Day)	15 (St. Siegfried)	16 (Bl. Joseph Allemano)
17 1st Sunday of Lent Seven Founders of the Order of Servites, religious	18 (St. Theothon)	19 (St. Irmgard)	20 Dedication of the Conventual Church of St. John the Baptist in Malta, SMOM World Day of Social Justice	21 St. Peter Damian, bishop & doctor International Mother Language Day	22 Chair of St. Peter, apostle	23 St. Polycarp, bishop & martyr
24 2nd Sunday of Lent (Sts. Ethelbert, Mathias Mulumba & Willigis)	25 (Priory of Inkamana raised to an abbey in 1982)	26 St. Alexander of Alexandria, bishop (St. Victor)	27 (Sts. Gabriel & Leander)	28 (St. Oswald) (St. Romanus)		

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March 2013						
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					1 (Sts. Almarich & Switbert)	2 (St. Enrique)
3 3rd Sunday of Lent (St. Katharine Drexel, virgin)	4 St. Casimir	5 (St. Alto)	6 (St. Coleta)	7 Sts. Perpetua & Felicity, martyrs	8 St. John of God, religious International Women's Day	9 St. Frances of Rome, religious
10 4th Sunday of Lent (St. Aemilius)	11 (St. Wolfram)	12 (St. Beatrice) (Abbey of St. Ottilien raised to the rank of an Archabbey in 1914)	13 (St. Paulina)	14 (St. Mathilde)	15 (St. Clement) (20 years Blessed Gérard's Malnutrition Clinic)	16 (Sts. Herbert & Heribert)
17 5th Sunday of Lent St. Patrick, bishop	18 St. Cyril of Jerusalem, bishop & doctor	19 St. Joseph, spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary	20 (St. Irmgard)	21 Death of St. Benedict , abbot, OSB RSA: Human Rights Day International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination	22 St. Deogratias, bishop (Blessed Clemens August von Galen, SMOM) (Sts. Damian & Octavian) World Water Day	23 St. Turibius de Mongrovejo, bishop
24 Palm Sunday (St. Elias) World Tuberculosis Day	25 Monday of the Holy Week (St. Ancilla)	26 Tuesday of the Holy Week (St. Ludger)	27 Wednesday of the Holy Week St. John of Egypt, hermit, (St. Ruprecht)	28 Holy Thursday (St. Guntram)	29 Good Friday (St. Helmut)	30 Easter Vigil (14 years Blessed Gérard's First Aid and Emergency Service)
31 Easter Sunday (Sts. Amos, Benjamin & Gwido)	<p>Including the General Roman Calendar, the Proper Calendar of the Order of St. Benedict, the Proper Calendar of the Order of Malta and the African Saints brought to you by the Brotherhood of Blessed Gérard</p> <p>Brotherhood of Blessed Gérard & Blessed Gérard's Care Centre P O Box 440 · Mandeni 4490 · Republic of South Africa Phone +27 32 4562743 · Fax +27 32 4567962 www.bbg.org.za · info@bbg.org.za</p>					



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April 2013

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	1 Easter Monday St. Nonius Alvarez Pereira, prior, SMOM, (9 years Blessed Gérard's Hospice HAART Programme)	2 Easter Tuesday St. Francis of Paola, hermit	3 Easter Wednesday (St. Richard)	4 Easter Thursday St. Isidore, bishop & doctor St. Benedict 'the Black', religious	5 Easter Friday St. Vincent Ferrer, priest	6 Easter Saturday (7 th anniversary of Clare Kalkwarf's death)
7 2 nd Sunday of Easter Divine Mercy Sunday St. John Baptist de la Salle, priest World Health Day	8 (St. Beate)	9 (St. Waltraud) RSA: Family Day	10 (St. Ezekiel)	11 St. Stanislaus, bishop & martyr	12 St. Zeno of Verona (St. Julius)	13 St. Martin I, pope & martyr (St. Hermenegild)
14 3 rd Sunday of Easter (St. Lidwina)	15 (St. Damian de Veuster)	16 (St. Bernadette)	17 (Sts. Innocent & Rudolf)	18 (St. Wigbert)	19 (Sts. Gerold & Werner) (Pope Benedict XVI elected)	20 St. Marcellinus, bishop Sts. Vincent & Dominicus, missionaries (20 years Brotherhood of Blessed Gérard acknowledged as Relief Organisation of the Order of Malta)
21 4 th Sunday of Easter "Good Shepherd Sunday" St. Anselm, bishop & doctor	22 (St. Cajus)	23 St. George, martyr (St. Adalbert, bishop, missionary & martyr, OSB)	24 St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen, priest & martyr	25 St. Mark, evangelist	26 (St. Kleto)	27 RSA: Freedom Day
28 5 th Sunday of Easter St. Peter Chanel, priest & martyr, (St. Louis Mary Grignion de Montfort, priest)	29 St. Catherine of Siena, virgin & doctor	30 St. Pius V, pope	<p>Including the General Roman Calendar, the Proper Calendar of the Order of St. Benedict, the Proper Calendar of the Order of Malta and the African Saints brought to you by the Brotherhood of Blessed Gérard</p> <p>Brotherhood of Blessed Gérard & Blessed Gérard's Care Centre P O Box 440 · Mandeni 4490 · Republic of South Africa Phone +27 32 4562743 · Fax +27 32 4567962 www.bbg.org.za · info@bbg.org.za</p>			



Staff Training



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May 2013						
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			1 St. Joseph the worker RSA: Workers' Day	2 St. Athanasius, bishop & doctor	3 Sts. Philip & James, apostles (St. Ansfried)	4 (St. Florian)
5 6th Sunday of Easter (Sts. Angelo & Godehard)	6 (Sts. Aldricus, Dominic & Edmar),	7 (Blessed Notker)	8 (St. Victor)	9 (St. Germanus)	10 (Blessed Damian Joseph de Veuster of Molokai, priest)	11 (Sts. Odo, Majolus, Odilo, Hugo & Petrus the venerable, abbots of Cluny, OSB)
12 7th Sunday of Easter Sts. Nereus & Achilleus, martyrs; St. Pancras, martyr International Nurses Day	13 Our Lady of Fatima Mothers' Day World Communications Day	14 St. Matthias, apostle	15 [St. Isidore the farmer (USA)], (20 years Blessed Gérard's Friendship Club & 13 years Blessed Gérard's Children's Home) World Day of Prayer for Vocations, International Day of Families	16 (St. John Nepomuc)	17 Ascension of the Lord (Sts. Dietmar & Paschalis)	18 St. John I, pope & martyr Blessed Gerard Mecatti of Villamagna, religious, SMOM, (St. Erich)
19 Pentecost (St. Celestin, pope & hermit, OSB)	20 St. Bernardine of Siena, priest	21 (St. Christopher Magallanes, priest & companions, martyrs), World Day for Cultural Diversity for Dialogue and Development	22 (St. Rita of Cascia, religious)	23 (St. Desiderius) (Blessed William Apor, SMOM) (19 years Blessed Gérard's AIDS Education Programme)	24 (St. Dagmar)	25 St. Bede the Venerable, priest & doctor; St. Gregory VII, pope; St. Mary Magdalene de Pazzi, virgin
26 Trinity Sunday St. Philip Neri, priest	27 St. Augustine of Canterbury, bishop	28 St. Ubaldesca, virgin, SMOM	29 Blessed Joseph Gerard OMI, priest	30 (St. Joan of Arc)	31 Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary World No-Tobacco Day	

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June 2013

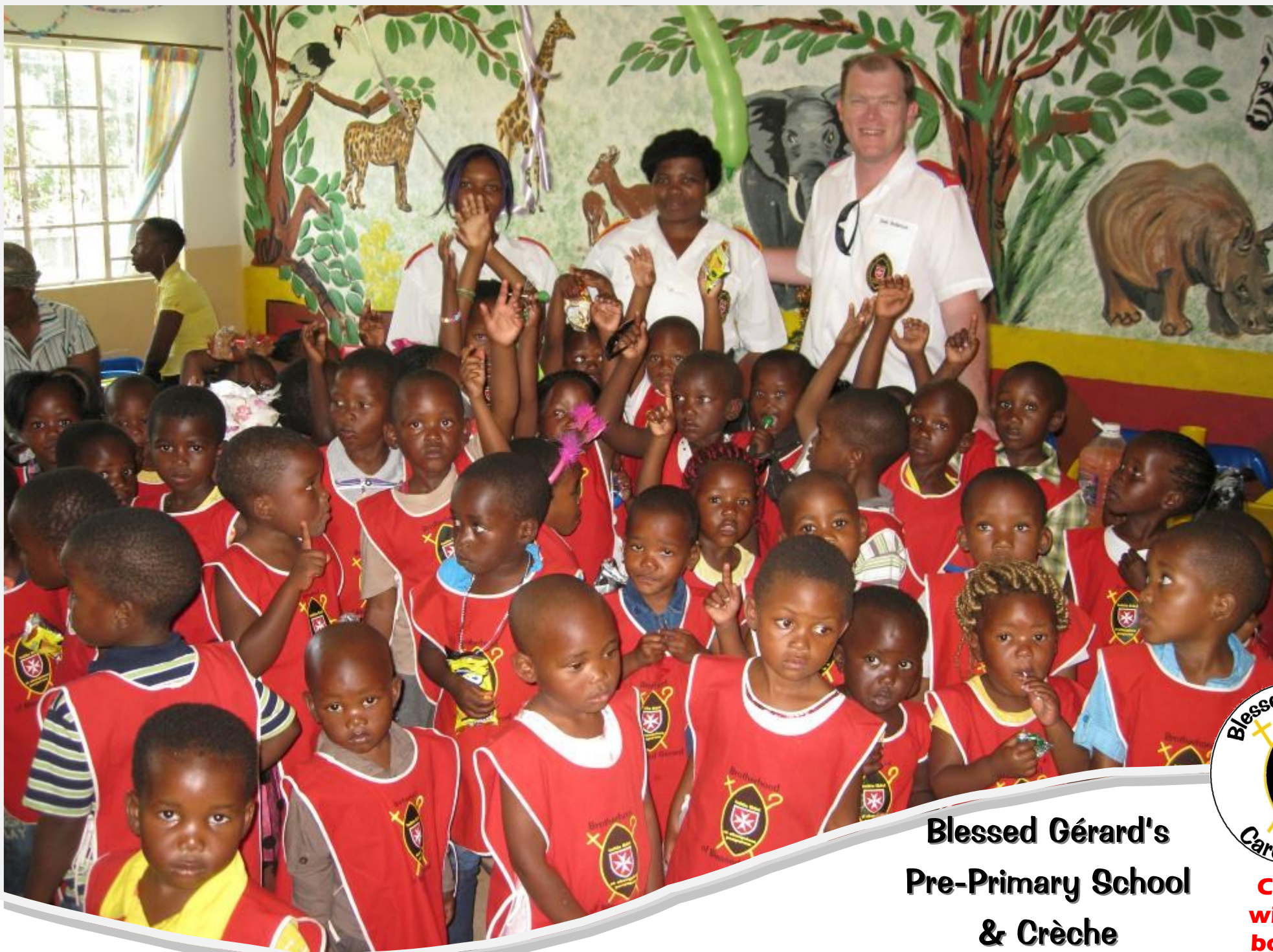
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						1 St. Justin, martyr <i>International Children's Day</i>
2 Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ Sts. Marcellinus & Peter, martyrs	3 Sts. Charles Lwanga & companions, martyrs <i>(St. Kevin)</i>	4 (St. Quirin)	5 St. Boniface, bishop & martyr <i>World Environment Day</i>	6 St. Norbert, bishop	7 Most Sacred Heart of Jesus (Patronal feast of the Diocese of Eshowe & the Missionary Benedictines) , (St. Jeremias) Anniversary: Bishop Kumalo ordained bishop in 2008	8 Immaculate Heart of Mary Blessed James Berthieu, martyr
9 10th Sunday in Ordinary time St. Ephrem, deacon & doctor <i>(St. Pacificus)</i>	10 (St. Diana)	11 St. Barnabas, apostle (10 th week in Ordinary time)	12 St. Flora of Beaulieu, virgin, SMOM St. Onophrius, hermit	13 St. Anthony of Padua, priest & doctor, patron of Mandeni Parish	14 (St. Richard)	15 (St. Vitus)
16 11th Sunday in Ordinary time (Sts. Aurelian, Benno & Quirinus) <i>RSA: Youth Day</i>	17 (St. Alexander) <i>Fathers' Day</i>	18 (St. Armando)	19 St. Romuald, abbot Blessed Gerland, religious, SMOM	20 (St. Novatus) <i>World Refugee Day</i>	21 St. Aloysius Gonzaga, religious	22 Sts. Paulinus of Nola, bishop John Fisher, bishop & martyr Thomas Moore, martyr
23 12th Sunday in Ordinary time (St. Edeltraud)	24 Birth of St. John the Baptist, patron, SMOM	25 (Sts. Prosper & Wilhelm) (12 th week in Ordinary time)	26 (St. Vigilus) <i>International Day Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking</i>	27 St. Cyril of Alexandria, bishop & doctor (Our Mother of Perpetual Help)	28 St. Irenaeus, bishop & martyr	29 Sts. Peter & Paul, apostles
30 13th Sunday in Ordinary time First martyrs of the Holy Roman Church	Including the General Roman Calendar, the <i>Proper Calendar of the Order of St. Benedict</i> , the <i>Proper Calendar of the Order of Malta</i> and the <i>African Saints</i> brought to you by the Brotherhood of Blessed Gérard Brotherhood of Blessed Gérard & Blessed Gérard's Care Centre P O Box 440 · Mandeni 4490 · Republic of South Africa Phone +27 32 4562743 · Fax +27 32 4567962 www.bbg.org.za · info@bbg.org.za					



**Maresi and Hans Peter Rehder
being invested as Honorary
Dedicated Members of the
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July 2013

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>
	1 St. Nicasius, martyr, SMOM (Blessed Junípero Serra, priest)	2 (Sts. Mario & Martinian)	3 St. Thomas, apostle	4 St. Elizabeth of Portugal	5 St. Anthony Zaccaria, priest	6 St. Maria Goretti, virgin & martyr
7 14th Sunday in ordinary time (Sts. Walter & Willibald)	8 Blessed Adrian Fortescue, martyr, SMOM	9 St. Augustine Zhao Rong, priest & companions, martyrs (St. Godfrey)	10 (Sts. Alexander, Silvanus & Vitalis)	11 St. Benedict, abbot, OSB World Population Day	12 Blessed David Gunston, martyr, SMOM (St. Johannes Gualbert, abbot, OSB)	13 St. Henry (St. Eugene)
14 15th Sunday in ordinary time St. Camillus de Lellis, priest; St. Toscana, religious, SMOM [Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha, virgin (USA)]	15 St. Bonaventure, bishop & doctor	16 Our Lady of Mount Carmel	17 (Sts. Alexius, Leo & Pambo)	18 (St. Arnold) Mandela Day	19 (St. Arsenio)	20 (St. Apollinaris)
21 16th Sunday in ordinary time St. Laurence of Brindisi, priest & doctor	22 St. Mary Magdalene	23 St. Bridget (of Sweden), religious	24 St. Sharbel Makhlof, priest	25 St. James, apostle	26 St. Joachim & Anne, parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary	27 (Sts. Berthold & Rudolf)
28 17th Sunday in ordinary time St. Victor I, pope & martyr, (St. Maximilian Kolbe)	29 Sts. Martha, Maria & Lazarus, friends of Jesus, OSB	30 St. Peter Chrysologus, bishop & doctor	31 St. Ignatius of Loyola, priest St. Justin de Jacobis, bishop	Including the General Roman Calendar, the Proper Calendar of the Order of St. Benedict, the Proper Calendar of the Order of Malta and the African Saints brought to you by the Brotherhood of Blessed Gérard Brotherhood of Blessed Gérard & Blessed Gérard's Care Centre P O Box 440 · Mandeni 4490 · Republic of South Africa Phone +27 32 4562743 · Fax +27 32 4567962 www.bbg.org.za · info@bbg.org.za		



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August 2013

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4 18th Sunday in ordinary time St. John Vianney, priest	5 Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major	6 Transfiguration of the Lord	7 Sts. Sixtus II, pope & martyr & companions, martyrs St. Cajetan, priest	8 St. Dominic, priest	9 St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross (Edith Stein), virgin & martyr, RSA:National Women's Day International Day of the World's Indigenous People	10 St. Lawrence, deacon & martyr
11 19th Sunday in ordinary time St. Clare, virgin (St. Susanna, martyr) (Blessed John Henry Newman)	12 St. Jane Frances de Chantal, religious, Blessed Isidore Bakanja , martyr International Youth Day	13 St. Pontian, pope & martyr, St. Hippolytus, priest & martyr	14 St. Maximilian Mary Kolbe, priest & martyr	15 Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary	16 St. Stephan of Hungary	17 (St. Hyacinth)
18 20th Sunday in ordinary time (St. Helena)	19 St. John Eudes, priest, (St. Bernard Toloméi , abbot, OSB)	20 St. Bernard , abbot & doctor	21 St. Pius X , pope Blessed Victoria Rasoamanarivo	22 Queenship of the Virgin Mary	23 St. Rose of Lima, virgin	24 St. Bartholomew, apostle
25 21st Sunday in ordinary time St. Louis (of France), St. Joseph Calasanz, priest	26 (Our Lady of Czestochowa), World Day of Migrants and Refugees	27 St. Monica (Anniversary: Prefecture Apostolic of Zululand erected in 1921)	28 St. Augustine, bishop & doctor	29 Passion of St. John the Baptist, martyr, patron of the SMOM	30 Blessed Ghebre Michael, priest & martyr (Blessed Alfredo Ildefonso Schuster O.S.B, SMOM)	31 (Sts. Aidan & Raimund)



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September 2013

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1 22nd Sunday in ordinary time (St. Ruth),	2 (Sts. Justin & Nonnosus)	3 St. Gregory the Great, pope & doctor, Death of Blessed Gérard (+1120), (17 years Blessed Gérard's Care Centre & Hospice)	4 (St. Moses)	5 (St. Maria Theresia)	6 (St. Magnus)	7 (St. Dietrich)
8 23rd Sunday in ordinary time Birthday of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Our Lady of Philerme, SMOM	9 St. Peter Claver, priest	10 (St. Diethard)	11 (St. Felix) World First Aid Day	12 Most Holy Name of Mary	13 St. John Chrysostom, bishop & doctor	14 Exaltation of the Holy Cross
15 24th Sunday in ordinary time Our Lady of Sorrows	16 St. Cornelius, pope & martyr; St. Cyprian, bishop & martyr	17 St. Robert Bellarmine, bishop & doctor (St. Hildegard, virgin & abbess, OSB)	18 (Sts. Lambert & Luke)	19 St. Januarius, bishop & martyr	20 St. Andrew Kim Tae-gön, priest & martyr, Sts. Paul Chông Ha-sang & companions, martyrs	21 St. Matthew, apostle & evangelist International Day of Peace
22 25th Sunday in ordinary time St. Maurice and the Theban Legion, martyrs (St. Otto)	23 St. Zachary & Elizabeth, parents of St. John the Baptist, (SMOM) St. Pius of Pietrelcina	24 St. Stephanie, martyr (Our Lady of Ransom) RSA: Heritage Day	25 (St. Nicolas)	26 Sts. Cosmas & Damian, martyrs	27 St. Vincent de Paul, priest	28 St. Wenceslaus, martyr, St. Laurence Ruiz & companions, martyrs
29 26th Sunday in ordinary time Sts. Michael, Gabriel & Raphael, archangels (St. Victor)	30 St. Jerome, priest & doctor Social Justice Sunday	<p>Including the General Roman Calendar, the Proper Calendar of the Order of St. Benedict, the Proper Calendar of the Order of Malta and the African Saints brought to you by the Brotherhood of Blessed Gérard</p> <p>Brotherhood of Blessed Gérard & Blessed Gérard's Care Centre P O Box 440 · Mandeni 4490 · Republic of South Africa Phone +27 32 4562743 · Fax +27 32 4567962 www.bbg.org.za · info@bbg.org.za</p>				



28 October
Anniversary of the foundation of the
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October 2013

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6 27th Sunday in ordinary time St. Bruno, priest, [Blessed Marie Rose Durocher, virgin (USA)]	7 Our Lady of the Rosary	8 St. Hugh, religious, SMOM (Our Lady of good remedy) World Hospice & Palliative Care Day ,	9 Sts. Denis, bishop & martyr & companions, martyrs, St. John Leonardi, priest	10 St. Daniel Comboni, bishop & founder of the Comboni Missionaries, (St. Viktor) World Mental Health Day	11 (Blessed John XXIII, SMOM) (St. Bruno)	12 (St. Wilfried) International Day for Natural Disaster Reduction
13 28th Sunday in ordinary time Blessed Gérard, founder of the SMOM, patron of the BBG (St. Edward)	14 St. Callistus I, pope & martyr	15 St. Teresa of Jesus (Avila), virgin & doctor	16 St. Hedwig, religious St. Margaret Mary Alacoque, virgin World Food Day	17 St. Ignatius of Antioch, bishop & martyr International Day for the Eradication of Poverty	18 St. Luke, evangelist	19 St. Paul of the Cross, priest, Sts. John Brébeuf & Isaac Jogues, priests & martyrs & companions, martyrs, (Blessed Mother Teresa of Calcutta)
20 29th Sunday in ordinary time World Mission Sunday Blessed Daudi Okele & Jildro Irwa, martyrs	21 (Blessed Charles of Austria, SMOM) << 20 th October: (St. Paul of the Cross) (St. Wendelin)	22 (St. Ingbert)	23 St. John of Capistrano, priest, (St. Herfried)	24 St. Anthony Mary Claret, bishop, (St. Felix)	25 (St. Gaudence)	26 (Sts. Evaristo & Gilbert)
27 30th Sunday in ordinary time (St. Frumentius)	28 Sts. Simon & Jude, apostles, 21 st anniversary of the foundation of the Brotherhood of Blessed Gérard	29 (St. Narcis)	30 St. Marcellus, martyr, (St. Claudius)	31 (St. Wolfgang)	Brotherhood of Blessed Gérard & Blessed Gérard's Care Centre P O Box 440 · Mandeni 4490 Republic of South Africa Phone +27 32 4562743 · Fax +27 32 4567962 · www.bbg.org.za · info@bbg.org.za	

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November 2013

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					1 All Saints (St. Harald)	2 Commemoration of all the faithful departed: All Souls
3 31st Sunday in ordinary time St. Martin de Porres, religious	4 St. Charles Borromeo, bishop	5 (St. Zacharia) (21 years Brotherhood of Blessed Gérard acknowledged by the bishop)	6 All Saints of Africa (St. Leonard)	7 (St. Willibrord, bishop, OSB)	8 (St. Godfrey)	9 Dedication of the Lateran Basilica
10 32nd Sunday in ordinary time St. Leo the Great, pope & doctor	11 St. Martin of Tours, bishop	12 St. Josaphat, bishop & martyr, (St. Theodore of Studion, abbot, OSB) World Pneumonia Day	13 [St. Frances Xavier Cabrini, virgin (USA)]	14 (St. Didas) World Diabetes Day	15 St. Albert the Great, bishop & doctor (St. Leopold)	16 St. Margaret of Scotland St. Gertrude, virgin International Day of Tolerance
17 33rd Sunday in ordinary time St. Elizabeth of Hungary, religious St. Dionysius of Alexandria, bishop	18 Dedication of the Basilicas of Sts. Peter & Paul, apostles	19 All Saints of the SMOM (St. Mechthild, virgin, OSB)	20 (St. Bernward) World Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims, Universal Children's Day	21 Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary	22 St. Cecilia, virgin & martyr	23 Sts. Clement I, pope & martyr, St. Columban, abbot, (Blessed Miguel Augustine Pro, priest & martyr)
24 Jesus Christ the King St. Andrew Dung-Lac, priest & martyr, & companions, martyrs	25 St. Catherine of Alexandria, virgin & martyr World Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women	26 (St. Silvester, abbot, OSB)	27 (St. Bilhild) (St. Maximinus)	28 (St. Sostenes) (St. James of the Marches)	29 (St. Jolanda)	30 St. Andrew, apostle

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December 2013

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>
1 1st Sunday of Advent Blessed Clementine Anuarite, virgin & martyr	2 Blessed Virgin Mary, cause of our joy, SMOM	3 St. Francis Xavier, priest <i>(St. Zephania)</i> International day of disabled persons	4 St. John Damascene, priest & doctor (St. Barbara)	5 <i>(St. Sabas, abbot, OSB)</i> (St. Gerald) (4 years) Blessed Gérard's Convent International Volunteer Day for Economic and Social Development	6 St. Nicholas, bishop	7 St. Ambrose, bishop & doctor
8 2nd Sunday of Advent	9 Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary (St Juan Diego, hermit) International Anti-Corruption Day	10 St. Melchiades, pope Human Rights Day	11 St. Damasus I, pope Anniversary: Prefecture Apostolic of Zululand elevated to Vicariate Apostolic of Eshowe in 1923 Inkamana Abbey: Anniversary of the dedication of the church	12 Our Lady of Guadalupe (St. Jane Frances de Chantal, religious)	13 St. Lucy, virgin & martyr <i>(St. Odilia, virgin, OSB, patron of the Missionary Benedictines)</i>	14 St. John of the Cross, religious & doctor
15 3rd Sunday of Advent (Gaudete Sunday) (St. Reinald)	16 (St. Adelheid) RSA: Day of Reconciliation	17 (Sts. Lazaro & Sturmius) Public Holiday	18 (St. Wunibald) (21 years) Blessed Gérard's Poor Sick Fund International Migrants Day	19 (St. Konrad)	20 Blessed Scubilion, religious (Sts. Abraham & Theophil) International Human Solidarity Day	21 St. Peter Canisius, priest & doctor
22 4th Sunday of Advent (St. Jutta)	23 St. John of Kanty, priest	24 Vigil of Christmas	25 Christmas	26 St. Stephen, first martyr RSA: Day of Goodwill	27 St. John, apostle & evangelist	28 Holy Innocents, martyrs
29 Holy Family 5 th day in the octave of Christmas St. Thomas Becket, bishop & martyr	30 6 th day in the octave of Christmas	31 7 th day in the octave of Christmas St. Sylvester I, pope	Including the General Roman Calendar, the Proper Calendar of the Order of St. Benedict, the Proper Calendar of the Order of Malta and the African Saints brought to you by the Brotherhood of Blessed Gérard Brotherhood of Blessed Gérard & Blessed Gérard's Care Centre P O Box 440 · Mandeni 4490 · Republic of South Africa Phone +27 32 4562743 · Fax +27 32 4567962 www.bbg.org.za · info@bbg.org.za			



Blessed Gérard's Care Centre

Mandeni / South Africa



We at Blessed Gérard's Care Centre in Mandeni care for people living with HIV/AIDS at the hotspot of the AIDS pandemic in the world, the North Coast of Zululand in South Africa.



We give information to the public relating to HIV and AIDS, namely how to avoid HIV infection and how to live positively with AIDS. This includes information about antiretroviral treatment.

We send out **mobile home-nursing teams**, who supplement and support the family's home based care through hands-on-training and additional aids in the home situation of the respective patient. This includes the assessment of patients at home and proper medical home care.



A „heaven of care“ in the „hell of AIDS“

We render a health care service to poor and needy persons by providing

- hospice palliative care, counselling and Highly Active Anti-Retroviral Treatment (HAART) of persons afflicted with HIV/AIDS and terminally ill persons, including the care or counselling of their families and dependants in this regard
- primary health care education through training, home care, day care, outpatient and inpatient care.



Blessed Gérard's
Children's Home:

We look after, counsel and give a home to sick, neglected, abused, malnourished, abandoned, homeless and orphaned children.





Our HAART Programme comprises

Voluntary Counselling and HIV-Testing (VCT)

We promote and offer free and confidential HIV Tests to the general public.

HAART Readiness Courses



Before starting a patient on the medication we ensure that the patient gets sufficient information to give his informed consent and to understand the vital importance of the antiretroviral treatment for him/her.

Antiretroviral Treatment

We provide free Highly Active Anti-Retroviral Treatment as comprehensive medical care including regular medical examinations, blood monitoring, on-going prevention or treatment of opportunistic infections, medical and psychosocial counselling and dispensing of the drugs.



Adherence Monitoring



Our Therapeutic Counsellors make monthly home visits of our patients on ARV-treatment to ensure that they adhere to the treatment and so to prevent treatment failure. This enables us to

discover adverse drug reactions early and to prevent problems.

Support Groups and Peer-Counselling

We have several **Support Groups** where our HAART Patients meet voluntarily to encourage and support one another and prevent isolation.

Some of the members were prepared to become peer counsellors for the adherence monitoring and we are about to give them the necessary training.



Motivation and Income Generation

Our Therapeutic Counsellors motivate and encourage our HAART patients to engage in income generating activities instead of expecting that their families or society would have to provide for them because they are sick.

AIDS

has many faces



but only one adequate response:

CARE!

CARE to go for voluntary testing and counselling!

If you are HIV negative

If you are HIV positive

CARE not to get infected!

CARE

CARE not to discriminate against HIV positive people!

not to get re-infected!

CARE to live positively with HIV/AIDS!

CARE to get information and updates about HIV/AIDS!

CARE

to live a healthy lifestyle!

CARE

not to infect others!

CARE to get treatment!

in any case:

CARE for people living with HIV/AIDS with friendship, compassion and respect!



Blessed Gérard's Care Centre was established by the Brotherhood of Blessed Gérard, which is the South African Relief Organisation of the Order of Malta. Its work is financed solely through fund-raising



Thank you!

It is with sincere gratitude
that we send you

our special calendar for 2013.

The choice of pictures is not a reward
for meritorious members, but we have simply
chosen the best pictures of 2012.

It is printed in a low volume
and given

to our generous benefactors
as a sign of our sincere appreciation
of your continued support.

Your assistance means a great deal
to us and the people we help.
May God bless you abundantly
and reward you for your generosity!



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