

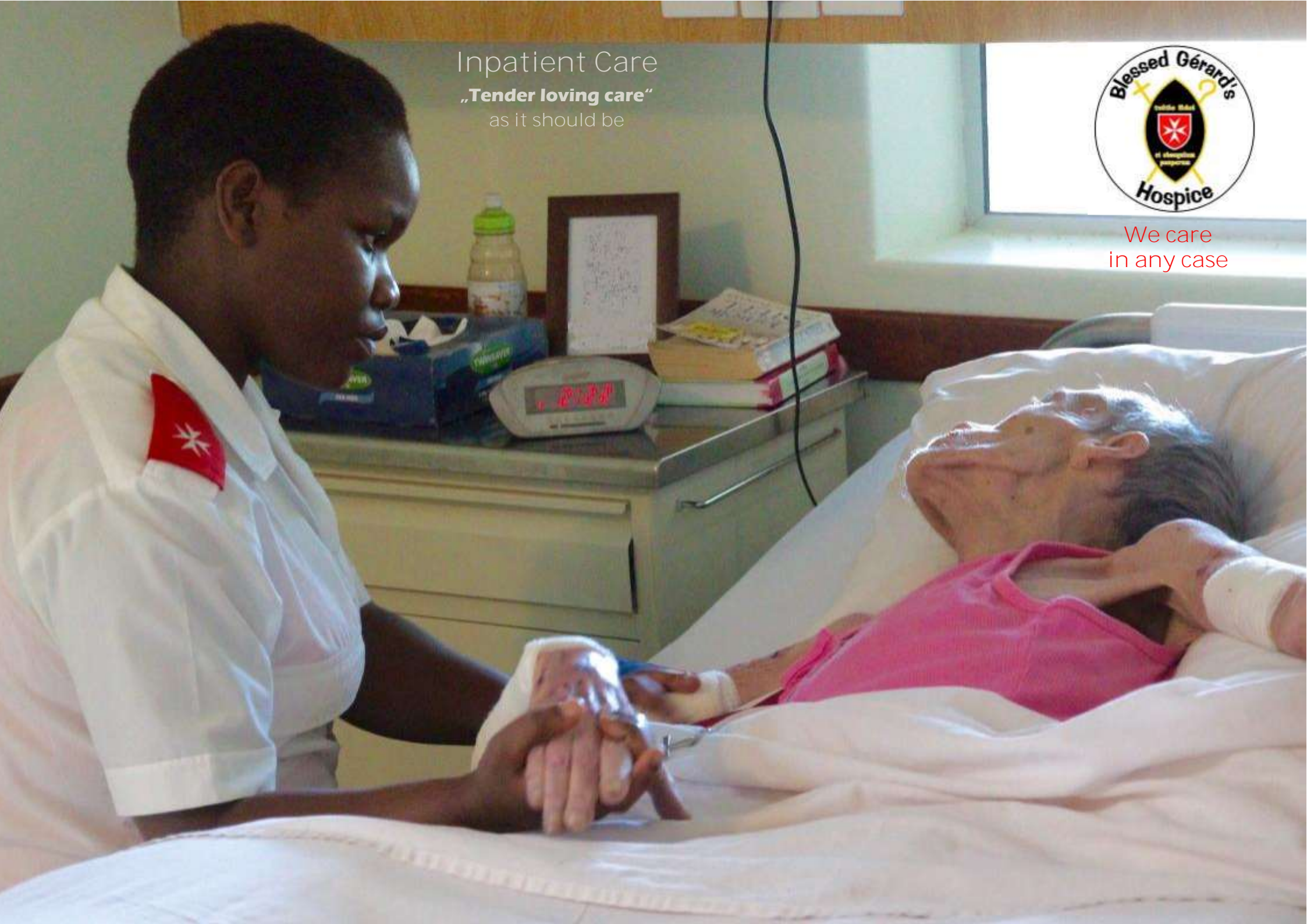


Calendar for the year 2017

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January 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Mary, Mother of God RSA: New Year's Day World Day of prayer for peace	2 Sts. Basil the Great & Gregory Nazianzen, bishops & doctors RSA: Public holiday	3 The Most Holy Name of Jesus	4 (St. Elizabeth Ann Seton) 24 years Blessed Gérard's Relief Fund	5 (St. John Neumann, bishop)	6 (St. André Bessette)	7 St. Raymond of Peñafort, priest
8 Epiphany of the Lord (St. Severinus)	9 Baptism of the Lord St. Adrian of Canterbury, abbot (St. Julian, martyr)	10 (St. Gregory of Nyssa, bishop, OSB)	11 (Blessed William Carter) Anniversary: Vicariate Apostolic of Eshowe elevated to the Diocese of Eshowe, 1951	12 (St. Marguerite Bourgeoys)	13 St. Hilary, bishop & doctor	14 (St. Felix of Nola)
15 2 nd Sunday in ordinary time (Sts. Maurus & Placidus, scholars of St. Benedict, OSB) (St. Isidore of Alexandria)	16 (St. Bernard & companions)	17 St. Anthony, abbot World Day of Migrants and Refugees	18 (St. Prisca) 18 – 25 January: Week of prayer for Christian Unity	19 (St. Canute)	20 St. Fabian, pope & martyr; St. Sebastian, martyr; Blessed Cyprian Michael Tansi, priest	21 St. Agnes, virgin & martyr
22 3 rd Sunday in ordinary time St. Vincent of Saragozza, deacon & martyr	23 (St. Marianne Cope & St. Vincent, martyr)	24 St. Francis de Sales, bishop & doctor	25 Conversion of St. Paul, the Apostle	26 Sts. Timothy & Titus, bishops; (St. Robert, Alberich & Stephen, Cistercian abbots, OSB) 21 years Blessed Gérard's Disaster Relief Project	27 St. Angela Merici, virgin Holocaust Memorial Day	28 St. Thomas Aquinas, priest & doctor
29 4 th Sunday in ordinary time (St. Gildas the Wise, abbot)	30 (St. Martina, virgin & martyr)	31 St. John Bosco, priest World Day of Leprosy	Brotherhood of Blessed Gérard P O Box 440 · Mandeni 4490 · Republic of South Africa Phone +27 82 4924043 · Fax +27 86 6938940 · www.bbg.org.za · bbg@bbg.org.za Lectionary: Sundays: Cycle A, Weekdays: Year 1			



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February 2016

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			1 (St. Brigid of Ireland)	2 Presentation of the Lord World Day for Consecrated Life	3 St. Blaise, bishop & martyr, St. Ansgar, bishop (24 years Blessed Gérard's Bursary Fund)	4 (St. John de Britto) World Cancer Day
5 5th Sunday in ordinary time St. Agatha, virgin & martyr	6 Sts. Paul Miki, priest & martyr & companions, martyrs: "Twenty-six martyrs of Japan"	7 (St. Moses)	8 St. Josephine Bakhita, virgin St. Jerome Emiliani, priest	9 (St. Apollonia)	10 St. Scholastica, virgin, OSB	11 Our Lady of Lourdes (St. Benedict of Aniane, abbot, OSB) World Day of the Sick
12 6th Sunday in ordinary time (St. Damian)	13 (St. Catherine de Ricci)	14 Sts. Cyril, monk & Methodius, bishop St. Valentine's Day	15 (St. Faustinus)	16 (St. Juliana of Cumae, martyr)	17 Seven Founders of the Order of Servites, religious	18 (St. Simeon, bishop & martyr)
19 7th Sunday in ordinary time (St. Boniface of Lausanne)	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 The Chair of St. Peter, apostle	23 St. Polycarp, bishop & martyr	24 (St. Sergius)	25 (St. Ethelbert of Kent) Priory of Inkamana raised to an abbey in 1982
26 8th Sunday in ordinary time St. Alexander of Alexandria, bishop (St. Victor of Plancy, hermit)	27 (St. Gabriel of Our Lady of Sorrows)	28 (St. Hilary, pope)	Brotherhood of Blessed Gérard P O Box 440 · Mandeni 4490 · Republic of South Africa Phone +27 82 4924043 · Fax +27 86 6938940 www.bbg.org.za · bbg@bbg.org.za			

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March 2017

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5 1st Sunday of Lent (St. Kieran, bishop)	6 (St. Colette)	7 Sts. Perpetua & Felicity, martyrs	8 St. John of God, religious International Women's Day	9 St. Frances of Rome, religious	10 (St. John Ogilvie, martyr)	11 (St. Constantine, martyr)
12 2nd Sunday of Lent (St. Seraphina) <i>Abbey of St. Ottilien raised to the rank of an Archabbey in 1914</i>	13 (Bl. Agnello of Pisa)	14 (St. Maud) Commonwealth Day	15 (St. Louise de Marillac) 24 years Blessed Gérard's Malnutrition Clinic	16 (St. Herbert)	17 St. Patrick, bishop	18 St. Cyril of Jerusalem, bishop & doctor
19 3rd Sunday of Lent	20 St. Joseph, spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary March equinox	21 Death of St. Benedict, abbot, OSB RSA: Human Rights Day International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination	22 Blessed Clemens August von Galen, SMOM St. Deogratias, bishop World Water Day	23 St. Turibius de Mogrovejo, bishop	24 (St. Aldemar) World Tuberculosis Day	25 Annunciation of the Lord
26 4th Sunday of Lent "Laetare"	27 St. John of Egypt, hermit	28 (St. Venturino of Bergamo)	29 (St. Jonas & Barachisius, martyrs)	30 (St. John Climacus, abbot) 18 years Blessed Gérard's First Aid & Emergency Service	31 (St. Benjamin, martyr)	

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<p>2</p> <p>5th Sunday of Lent</p> <p>St. Francis of Paola, hermit</p>	<p>3</p> <p>(St. Richard of Wyche)</p>	<p>4</p> <p>St. Isidore, bishop & doctor St. Benedict 'the Black', religious</p>	<p>5</p> <p>St. Vincent Ferrer, priest</p>	<p>6</p> <p>(St. Celestino I, pope St. Peter of Verona) 11th anniversary of Clare Kalkwarf's death</p>	<p>7</p> <p>St. John Baptist de la Salle, priest World Health Day</p>	<p>8</p> <p>(St. Walter of Pontnoise, abbot)</p>
<p>9</p> <p>Palm Sunday (St. Mary of Cleophas)</p>	<p>10</p> <p>Monday of Holy Week (St. Michael de Sanctis)</p>	<p>11</p> <p>Tuesday of Holy Week St. Stanislaus, bishop & martyr</p>	<p>12</p> <p>Wednesday of Holy Week St. Zeno of Verona, bishop</p>	<p>13</p> <p>Holy Thursday St. Martin I, pope & martyr</p>	<p>14</p> <p>Good Friday (St. Maximus, martyr)</p>	<p>15</p> <p>Easter Vigil (St. Hunna)</p>
<p>16</p> <p>Easter Sunday (St. Bernadette Soubirous, religious)</p>	<p>17</p> <p>Monday in the Octave of Easter World Day of Prayer for Vocations RSA: Family Day</p>	<p>18</p> <p>Tuesday in the Octave of Easter (Blessed Marie-Anne Blondin)</p>	<p>19</p> <p>Wednesday in the Octave of Easter (Leo IX, pope)</p>	<p>20</p> <p>Thursday in the Octave of Easter St. Marcellinus, bishop Sts. Vincent & Dominicus, missionaries 24 years Brotherhood of Blessed Gérard acknowledged as Relief Organisation of the Order of Malta</p>	<p>21</p> <p>Friday in the Octave of Easter St. Anselm, bishop & doctor</p>	<p>22</p> <p>Saturday in the Octave of Easter (St. Alexander, martyr)</p>
<p>23</p> <p>2nd Sunday of Easter "Divine Mercy Sunday" St. George, martyr (St. Adalbert, bishop, missionary & martyr, OSB)</p>	<p>24</p> <p>St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen, priest & martyr</p>	<p>25</p> <p>St. Mark, evangelist</p>	<p>26</p> <p>(St. Cletus)</p>	<p>27</p> <p>(St. Zita) RSA: Freedom Day</p>	<p>28</p> <p>St. Peter Chanel, priest & martyr, St. Louis Mary Grignon de Montfort, priest, St. Pius V., pope</p>	<p>29</p> <p>St. Catherine of Siena, virgin & doctor</p>
<p>30</p> <p>3rd Sunday of Easter Our Lady, Mother of Africa</p>	<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 Proper Calendar for the Dioceses of South Africa + the African Saints brought to you by the Brotherhood of Blessed Gérard</p>					



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May 2017

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	1 St. Joseph the worker RSA: Workers' Day	2 St. Athanasius, bishop & doctor	3 Sts. Philip & James, apostles	4 (Blessed Martyrs of England and Wales)	5 (St. Asaph, bishop)	6 (St. Dominic Savio)
7 4th Sunday of Easter (St. John of Beverley, bishop)	8 (St. Peter of Tarantaise)	9 (St. George Preca)	10 (St. Damien de Veuster of Moloka'i)	11 (Sts. Odo, Majolus, Odilo, Hugo & Petrus the venerable, abbots of Cluny, OSB)	12 Sts. Nereus & Achilleus, martyrs; St. Pancras, martyr International Nurses Day	13 Our Lady of Fatima World Communications Day
14 5th Sunday of Easter St. Matthias, apostle RSA: Mothers' Day	15 (St. Dymphna) World Day of Prayer for Vocations, International Day of Families	16 (St. Brendan, abbot)	17 (St. Paschal Baylon)	18 St. John I, pope & martyr Blessed Gerard Mecatti of Villamagna, religious, SMOM	19 (St. Celestin, pope & hermit, OSB) (St. Dunstan, archbishop)	20 St. Bernardine of Siena, priest
21 6th Sunday of Easter St. Christopher Magallanes, priest & companions, martyrs World Day for Cultural Diversity for Dialogue and Development	22 St. Rita of Cascia, religious	23 Blessed William Apor, bishop & martyr, SMOM 23 years Blessed Gérard's AIDS Education Programme	24 The Blessed Virgin Mary, Help for Christians	25 St. Bede the Venerable, priest & doctor; St. Gregory VII, pope; St. Mary Magdalene de Pazzi, virgin	26 St. Philip Neri, priest	27 St. Augustine of Canterbury, bishop
28 7th Sunday of Easter 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	Brotherhood of Blessed Gérard P O Box 440 · Mandeni 4490 · Republic of South Africa Phone +27 82 4924043 · Fax +27 86 6938940 www.bbg.org.za · bbg@bbg.org.za		

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4 Pentecost Sunday Immaculate Heart of Mary	5 St. Boniface, bishop & martyr World Environment Day	6 St. Norbert, bishop	7 (St. Robert, abbot) Anniversary: Bishop Kumalo ordained bishop in 2008	8 Blessed James Berthieu, martyr	9 St. Ephrem of Syria, deacon & doctor	10 (St. Ithamar)
11 Trinity Sunday St. Barnabas, apostle	12 St. Flora of Beaulieu, virgin, SMOM St. Onophrius, hermit	13 St. Anthony of Padua, priest & doctor, Patron of Mandeni Parish	14 (St. Valerius)	15 (Sts. Vitus & Modestus, martyrs)	16 (St. Aurelian) RSA: Youth Day	17 (St. Paschal Baylon)
18 "Corpus Christi" (St. Gregory Barbagio, bishop) RSA: Fathers' Day	19 St. Romuald, abbot Blessed Gerland, religious, SMOM	20 (Sts. Alban, Aaron & Julius) World Refugee Day	21 St. Aloysius Gonzaga, religious June solstice	22 Sts. Paulinus of Nola, bishop John Fisher, bishop & martyr Thomas Moore, martyr	23 The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, Patronal feast of the Diocese of Eshowe & the Missionary Benedictines (St. Joseph Cafasso)	24 Birth of St. John the Baptist, patron, SMOM
25 12 th Sunday in ordinary time (St. William of Vercelli, abbot)	26 (St. Anselm) International Day Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking	27 St. Cyril of Alexandria, bishop & doctor	28 St. Irenaeus, bishop & martyr	29 Sts. Peter & Paul, apostles	30 First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church	

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2 13th Sunday in ordinary time (St. Oliver Plunkett)	3 St. Thomas, apostle	4 St. Elizabeth of Portugal	5 St. Anthony M. Zaccaria, priest	6 St. Maria Goretti, virgin & martyr	7 (St. Willibald St. Palladius, bishop)	8 Blessed Adrian Fortescue, martyr, SMOM (Sts. Aquila & Priscilla)
9 14th Sunday in ordinary time St. Augustine Zhao Rong, priest & companions, martyrs (Mary Queen of Peace) 17 years Blessed Gérard's Children's Home	10 (Bl. Emmanuel Ruiz)	11 St. Benedict, abbot, OSB World Population Day	12 Blessed David Gunston, martyr, SMOM (St. Johannes Gualbert, abbot, OSB)	13 St. Henry	14 St. Camillus de Lellis, priest St. Toscana, religious, SMOM	15 St. Bonaventure, bishop & doctor
16 15th Sunday in ordinary time Our Lady of Mount Carmel	17 (Carmelite Nuns of Compiègne)	18 (St. Camillus de Lellis) RSA: Nelson Mandela Day	19 (Sts. Justa & Rufina, martyrs)	20 St. Apollinaris, bishop & martyr	21 St. Lawrence of Brindisi, priest & doctor	22 St. Mary Magdalene
23 16th Sunday in ordinary time St. Bridget of Sweden, religious	24 St. Sharbel Makhluf, priest	25 St. James, apostle	26 St. Joachim & Anne, parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary	27 (St. Theobald)	28 St. Victor I, pope & martyr	29 Sts. Martha, Maria & Lazarus, friends of Jesus, OSB
30 17th Sunday in ordinary time St. Peter Chrysologus, bishop & doctor St. Justin de Jacobis, bishop	31 St. Ignatius of Loyola, priest	Including the General Roman Calendar, the Proper Calendar of the Order of St. Benedict, the Proper Calendar of the Order of Malta and the Proper Calendar for the Dioceses of South Africa + the African Saints brought to you by the Brotherhood of Blessed Gérard				



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August 2017

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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 St. Clare of Assisi, virgin	12 St. Jane Frances de Chantal, religious, Blessed Isidore Bakanja, martyr International Youth Day
13 19th Sunday in ordinary time 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 Blessed Victoria Rasoamanarivo	19 St. John Eudes priest, (St. Bernard Toloméi, abbot, OSB)
20 20th Sunday in ordinary time St. Bernard, abbot & doctor	21 St. Pius X, pope	22 Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary	23 St. Rose of Lima, virgin	24 St. Bartholomew, apostle	25 St. Louis of France, St. Joseph Calasanz, priest	26 (Our Lady of Czestochowa) (St. Victor) World Day of Migrants and Refugees
27 21st Sunday in ordinary time St. Monica <i>Anniversary: Prefecture Apostolic of Zululand erected in 1921</i>	28 St. Augustine, bishop & doctor	29 Beheading of St. John the Baptist, martyr, patron of the SMOM	30 Blessed Alfredo Ildefonso Schuster O.S.B, SMOM Blessed Ghebre Michael, priest & martyr	31 (St. Aidan of Lindisfarne, 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 Proper Calendar for the Dioceses of South Africa + the African Saints brought to you by the Brotherhood of Blessed Gérard	



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3 22 nd Sunday in ordinary time St. Gregory the Great, pope & doctor, Death of Blessed Gérard (+1120), 21 years Blessed Gérard's Care Centre & Hospice	4 (St. Rosalia)	5 (St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta)	6 (St. Faustus)	7 (St. Cloud)	8 Birthday of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Our Lady of Philerme, SMOM	9 St. Peter Claver, priest
10 23 rd Sunday in ordinary time (St. Nicholas of Tolentino)	11 (St. Paphnutius) World First Aid Day	12 Most Holy Name of Mary	13 St. John Chrysostom, bishop & doctor	14 Triumph of the Holy Cross	15 Our Lady of Sorrows	16 St. Cornelius, pope & martyr St. Cyprian, bishop & martyr
17 24 th Sunday in ordinary time St. Robert Bellarmine, bishop & doctor (St. Hildegard, virgin & abbess, OSB)	18 (St. Joseph of Cupertino)	19 St. Januarius, bishop & martyr	20 St. Andrew Kim Tae-gõn, priest & martyr, Sts. Paul Chõng Ha-sang & companions, martyrs: "Korean Martyrs"	21 St. Matthew, apostle & evangelist International Day of Peace	22 St. Maurice and the Theban Legion, martyrs September equinox	23 St. Zachary & Elizabeth, parents of St. John the Baptist, (SMOM) St. Pio of Pietrelcina, religious
24 25 th Sunday in ordinary time St. Stephanie, martyr (Our Lady of Ransom) RSA: Heritage Day	25 (St. Finbar) RSA: Public Holiday	26 Sts. Cosmas & Damian, martyrs Blessed Paul VI, pope	27 St. Vincent de Paul, priest	28 St. Wenceslaus & companions, martyrs, St. Laurence Ruiz & companions, martyrs	29 Sts. Michael, Gabriel & Raphael, archangels	30 St. Jerome, priest & doctor

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October 2017

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<p style="text-align: center;">1</p> <p>26th Sunday in ordinary time St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus (of Lisieux), virgin & doctor <i>International Day of Older Persons</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">2</p> <p>Holy Guardian Angels</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">3</p> <p>(St. Gérard of Brogne) <i>World Habitat Day</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">4</p> <p>St. Francis of Assisi, religious</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">5</p> <p><i>Blessed Peter Patarini of Imola, prior, SMOM</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">6</p> <p>St. Bruno, abbot</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">7</p> <p>Our Lady of the Rosary</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">8</p> <p>27th Sunday in ordinary time <i>St. Hugh, religious, SMOM</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">9</p> <p>Sts. Denis, bishop & martyr & companions, martyrs, St. John Leonardi, priest</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">10</p> <p>St. Daniel Comboni, bishop & founder of the Comboni Missionaries <i>World Mental Health Day</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">11</p> <p><i>St. John XXIII, pope, SMOM</i> <i>World Hospice & Palliative Care Day</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">12</p> <p>(St. Wilfred) <i>International Day for Natural Disaster Reduction</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">13</p> <p><i>Blessed Gérard, founder of the SMOM, patron of the BBG</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">14</p> <p>St. Callistus I, pope & martyr</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">15</p> <p>28th Sunday in ordinary time St. Teresa of Jesus (of Avila), virgin & doctor</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">16</p> <p>St. Hedwig, religious St. Margaret Mary Alacoque, virgin <i>World Food Day</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">17</p> <p>St. Ignatius of Antioch, bishop & martyr <i>International Day for the Eradication of Poverty</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">18</p> <p>St. Luke, evangelist</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">19</p> <p>Sts. John Brébeuf & Isaac Jogues, priests & martyrs & companions, martyrs "North American Martyrs" St. Paul of the Cross, priest</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">20</p> <p><i>Blessed Daudi Okelo & Jildro Irwa, martyrs</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">21</p> <p><i>Blessed Charles of Austria, SMOM</i></p>
<p style="text-align: center;">22</p> <p>29th Sunday in ordinary time (St. John Paul II, pope)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">23</p> <p>St. John of Capistrano, priest</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">24</p> <p>St. Anthony Mary Claret, bishop <i>United Nations Day</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">25</p> <p>(Forty Martyrs of England and Wales)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">26</p> <p>(St. Alfred the Great)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">27</p> <p>(St. Otteran)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">28</p> <p>Sts. Simon & Jude, apostles, <i>25th anniversary of the foundation of the Brotherhood of Blessed Gérard</i></p>
<p style="text-align: center;">29</p> <p>30th Sunday in ordinary time "World Mission Sunday" (St. Narcissus of Jerusalem, bishop)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">30</p> <p><i>St. Marcellus, martyr</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">31</p> <p>(St. Quentin, martyr)</p>	<p>Brotherhood of Blessed Gérard P O Box 440 · Mandeni 4490 · Republic of South Africa Phone +27 82 4924043 · Fax +27 86 6938940 www.bbg.org.za · bbg@bbg.org.za</p>			

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November 2016

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5 31st Sunday in ordinary time (Sts. Elizabeth & Zachary) 25 years Brotherhood of Blessed Gérard acknowledged by the bishop	6 All Saints of Africa	7 (St. Willibrord, bishop of Utrecht, OSB)	8 (St. Godfrey, bishop Blessed John Duns Scotus)	9 Dedication of the Lateran Basilica	10 St. Leo the Great, pope & doctor	11 St. Martin of Tours, bishop
12 32nd Sunday in ordinary time St. Josaphat, bishop & martyr, (St. Theodore of Studion, abbot, OSB) World Pneumonia Day	13 (St. Frances Xavier Cabrini)	14 (St. Nicholas Tavelic & companions) World Diabetes Day	15 St. Albert the Great, bishop & doctor	16 St. Margaret of Scotland St. Gertrude, virgin International Day of Tolerance	17 St. Elizabeth of Hungary, religious St. Dionysius of Alexandria, bishop	18 Dedication of the Basilicas of Sts. Peter & Paul, apostles
19 33rd Sunday in ordinary time "Stewardship Sunday" All Saints of the SMOM (St. Mechthild, virgin, OSB)	20 (St. Edmund Rich) 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	24 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 Jesus Christ the King "Bible Sunday" (St. Silvester, abbot, OSB)	27 (St. James Intercisus)	28 (St. Catherine Labouré, virgin)	29 (St. Brendan)	30 St. Andrew, apostle		

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We wish you a Merry Christmas!

December 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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From 3 December 2017: Lectionary: Sundays: Cycle B, Weekdays: Year 2						
3 1st Sunday of Advent St. Francis Xavier, priest International day of disabled persons	4 St. John Damascene, priest & doctor	5 (St. Sabas, abbot, OSB) 9 years Blessed Gérard's Convent International Volunteer Day for Economic and Social Development	6 St. Nicholas of Bari, bishop of Myra	7 St. Ambrose, bishop & doctor	8 Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary	9 St. Juan Diego Cuauhtlatoatzin, hermit International Anti- Corruption Day
10 2nd Sunday of Advent St. Melchiades, pope (Our Lady of Loreto) Human Rights Day	11 St. Damasus I, pope <i>Inkamana Abbey: Anniversary of the dedication of the church Anniversary: Prefecture Apostolic of Zululand elevated to Vicariate Apostolic of Eshowe in 1923</i>	12 Our Lady of Guadalupe	13 St. Lucy, virgin & martyr (St. Odilia, virgin, OSB, patron of the Missionary Benedictines)	14 St. John of the Cross, religious & doctor	15 (St. Valerian)	16 (St. Adelaide) RSA: Day of Reconciliation
17 3rd Sunday of Advent "Gaudete Sunday" (St. Olympias)	18 (St. Rufus) 25 years Blessed Gérard's Poor Sick Fund International Migrants Day	19 (St. Anastasius I, pope)	20 Blessed Scubilion, religious International Human Solidarity Day	21 St. Peter Canisius, priest & doctor December solstice	22 (St. Flavian)	23 St. John of Kanty, priest
24 4th Sunday of Advent Vigil of Christmas "Christmas Eve"	25 The Birth of the Lord "Christmas"	26 St. Stephen, first martyr RSA: Day of Goodwill Boxing Day	27 St. John, apostle & evangelist	28 Holy Innocents, martyrs	29 5th day in the octave of Christmas St. Thomas Becket, bishop & martyr	30 6th day in the octave of Christmas
31 The Holy Family St. Sylvester I, pope New Year's Eve	Including the General Roman Calendar, the Proper Calendar of the Order of St. Benedict, the Proper Calendar of the Order of Malta and the Proper Calendar for the Dioceses of South Africa + the African Saints brought to you by the Brotherhood of Blessed Gérard					

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- the Relief Organisation of the Order of Malta in South Africa, 
- a (South African) Public Benefit Organisation (PBO 18/11/13/2769) operated not for profit (NPO).
- a group of idealists, resolved to live our faith according to our motto "tuitio fidei et obsequium pauperum", which means "Protection of faith and service to the poor".
- an instrument of the Church to serve the Lord in the poor and to bring God's love to the needy through our service.

We serve the needy irrespective of their creed, colour of skin, sexual orientation and political affiliation.

We serve an impoverished community. Therefore we render all our services free of charge and have to rely solely on donations and grants to finance our work.

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May we
introduce
ourselves
to you?

We render a health care service to poor and needy persons, including the 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.

Our AIDS treatment (HAART) Programme comprises

Voluntary Counselling and HIV-Testing (VCT)

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

HAART Readiness Courses



Before starting patients on the medication we ensure that they get sufficient information to give their informed consent and to understand that antiretroviral treatment is of vital importance for them.

Antiretroviral Treatment

We provide free Highly Active Anti-Retroviral Treatment (HAART) 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 home visits to 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

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



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.

Hospice & Palliative Care

We provide residential Palliative Care for terminally ill patients in our Inpatient Unit.



We can admit up to 40 patients, which makes us the largest inpatient hospice in South Africa.



We send out mobile home-nursing teams, which 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.

Poor Sick Fund

We provide poverty relief by helping sick people from our local community, if they cannot afford urgently needed medical treatment.



Relief & Social Care



Relief Fund

We provide poverty relief by helping people in our local community in genuine cases of immediate need.

First Aid & Emergency Service

We provide First Aid at church and other events.



Disaster Relief

We provide disaster relief being ready to give medical assistance and care as a relief organisation in case of a disaster.

Child Care

Pre-Primary School & Crèche

We provide "edu-care" and an early childhood development service for underprivileged pre-school children.



Children's Home

We look after, counsel and give a home to sick and healthy "Orphans and Vulnerable Children" (OVCs).



Malnutrition Clinic

We provide a health care service to poor and needy persons by running a clinic, where we examine, treat and feed malnourished infants and teach their parent/carer in proper baby care and nutrition.



Bursary Fund

We provide poverty relief by giving bursaries to poor pupils and students of our local community.

Thank you!

It is with sincere gratitude
that we send you

our special calendar for 2017.

The choice of pictures is not a reward for meritorious members,
but we have simply chosen the best pictures of 2016.

It is printed in a low volume

and given to our generous benefactors
as a sign of our sincere appreciation

of your 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!

Father Gerard T. Kogelbas OSB.

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