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Please pray for my nephew's unborn infant and its mother. She is about halfway through her pregnancy and doctors have found a problem in the baby's brain. It is unsure if the baby will survive until birth.

#### From E-mail

I request prayers from your readers for Saint Gerard's intervention for my husband and me. We have miscarried and have been told there is little to no hope of having a baby. We would be wonderful parents and would be grateful for the opportunity to have and raise just one healthy baby.

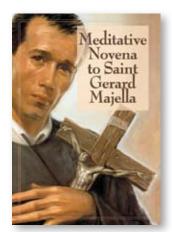
#### From E-mail

Please pray for my husband and me to have a successful pregnancy. For the past two years, we have

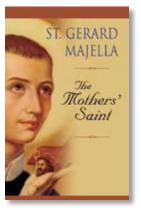
endured much pain and heartache dealing with infertility and an early miscarriage. We pray to God, Saint Gerard, and Saint Anne to bless us with the gift of life.

#### From Texas

Please pray for my cousin whose pregnancy is severely challenged as she struggles with the effects of leukemia. Please pray for her doctors, her husband, and her family. Thank you.



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A Lenten Practice Here is something for each of us to think about in this regard. Pain is not a good thing. It is a sign that we are sick or that something is wrong. We should not deliberately cause or seek out suffering. Yet a certain amount of grief, anxiety, and physical pain is inevitable in every life. Can I accept whatever pain and sorrow that comes my way as an opportunity to share in the sufferings of Christ? Can I offer my anguish and my normal aches and pains as a sacrifice for the sake of others?

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*memory*, an actual walking, breathing portrait of Jesus. Brother Gerard's spirituality thrived on both the crucified





SAINT GERARD DEARLY LOVED the crucified Christ. As a youth, Gerard had already been transformed through his love and compassion for Jesus on the cross, by living with humility and his dedication to prayer. As an adult, he grew into a *living* 

# A Lenten **Reflection With** Saint Gerard

Lord and on the Eucharist. For him, imitating Christ meant that one must be transformed interiorly through the Eucharist before one can become a living image of Christ exteriorly.

He understood well that it is through the Eucharist that we participate more deeply in the sacrifice of Christ on the cross.

Saint Gerard had an unexplainable fervor for the salvation of every person, and he dedicated his prayers and actions toward that cause. The dedication of his life was like a continuous Eucharist or sacrifice offered entirely to Jesus for the sake of others.

Those of us who live today do not need to seek for opportunities to suffer because life itself presents enough pain, sorrow, and heartache. But when any type of suffering does come our way, we can try to accept it serenely as another opportunity to be like Christ. All the anxieties, temptations, and emotional stresses we endure present sufficient suffering to be like the "mortified" Christ, who continues to suffer through the

anguish and pain we endure. In fact, that is one of the ways Christ is present in today's world.

"It is true that sometimes we find ourselves confused and weak. But there is no confusion with God, there is no weakness with God's power, because it is certain that in our battles the divine majesty helps us with his powerful arm. And so we can be joyful and grow in strength [by accepting] God's will. And we bless his most holy works for all eternity." From a letter of Saint Gerard dated January 22, 1752

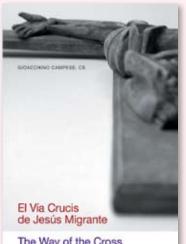
# **Christ Still** Suffers In the Poor of Today

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Here is a prayer for those people who suffer persecution in any form as they struggle to make life better for themselves and their families. God of life.

may the cross of your Son be for us a cry of protest against all unjust deaths and a symbol of new life for all humankind. Amen.

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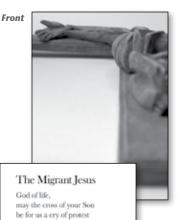


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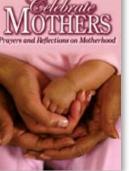
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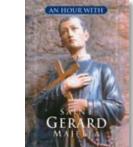


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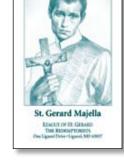
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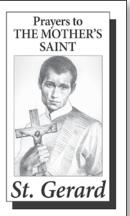


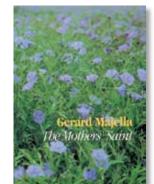
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