

# SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH

998 Fr. Donlan Drive, New Smyrna Beach, FL 32168



**Simbang Gabi 2016**

## **A Filipino Advent Celebration**

***Sunday, December 18, 2016 @ 6:00 PM***

Join us for “Simbang Gabi” (Night Mass) - an evening of faith, fun, and food in a traditional Filipino Advent celebration in honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

The “Simbang Gabi” is a long treasured Philippine tradition, originally a series of “dawn masses” for nine consecutive days, before Christmas. Its liturgical significance emanates from the Season of Advent, being the time of spiritual preparation to worthily welcome and receive the Child Jesus. It is one of the longest and most important religious celebrations in the Philippines.

***A reception at the Family Center will follow after the Mass. Filipino food will be served and Philippine cultural dances will be performed by the FAAVCO dancers.***

We ask that you bring a covered dish or dessert to share.  
Donations are welcome and very much appreciated.

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