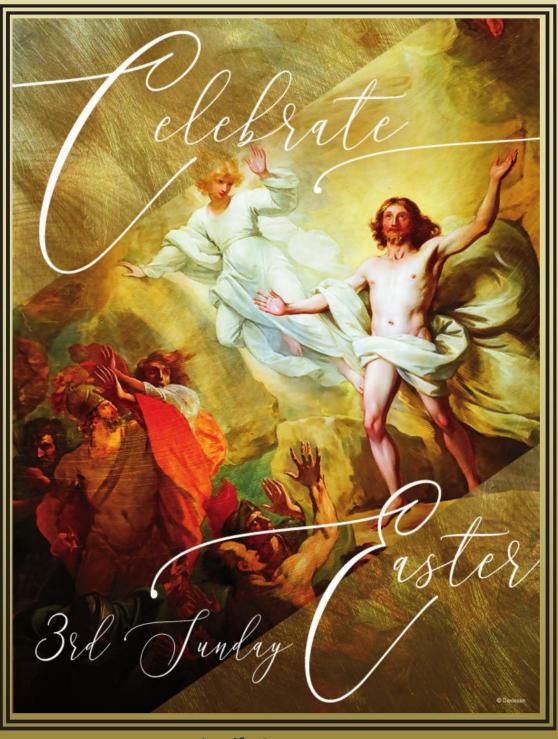


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#### Welcome to Sacred Heart Catholic Church & St. Gerard Mission Church

We are delighted to welcome everyone who has come to share a Eucharistic meal with us today. Whether you are a family member, a friend, a familiar face, or a visitor, know that your presence enlivens our Eucharistic celebration and our community. We are glad you are here.

The Redemptorist Community of Sacred Heart Church & St. Gerard Mission Redemptorists Serving our Parish.

Fr. Kevin MacDonald, C.Ss.R., Fr. Jim McCabe, C.Ss.R., Fr. Aldrin Nunes, C.Ss.R.,

#### **Permanent Deacons**

Deacon Lou Bartos Deacon Stephen Gross

Sacred Heart Masses Saturday Vigil4:00pm Sunday:8:00 & 10:30am Weekdays: Mom—Fri—8:00am only Holy Day Vigil:7:00pm	Mass Intent  Saturday, Apr  4:00pm + Michael Oliveto	ril 17 by Lori & Frank Oliveto		
Holy Day: Please check with the Parish Office and Bulletin for varying schedule Reconciliation Please contact the Parish office	Sunday, Apri 8:00am + Joseph Schmizzi 10:30am + Olga Olijnyk Monday, Apri	by Wife Zena by Family		
Sacred Heart Catholic School 1003 Turnbull Street New Smyrna Beach, Fl. 32168	8:00am + Noel Maniere <u>Tuesday, Apr</u>	by Lori & Frank Oliveto		
Pre-Kindergarten thru 8th Grade Principal: Mrs. Shelley Niswonger Phone: (386) 428-4732	8:00am Mary Madorma by Catherine & Larry  Wednesday, April 21  8:00am + Mike Visconti by Tootsie			
Fax: (386) 428-4087 Website: www.shseagles.org  St. Gerard Mission Church	Thursday, Apri 8:00am + Anthony North Friday, April	by Earl & Betty Carty		
All administration is at Sacred Heart Parish Office 3171 S. Ridgewood Ave., Edgewater, FL 32141	8:00am + Pete Waters  Saturday, Apri 8:00am + John Pietera	by Lori & Frank Oliveto		
St. Gerard Mission Masses  Saturday Vigil:	8:00am + Betty King 10:30am Roger & Maria Bilodeau	by Laura DeVenoge by Larry & Catherine		
Reconciliation: Contact Parish Office	Cross indicates the person is deceased. No cross the person is alive.			

#### Reflection

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The centrality of the Gospel message is the cross - but fortunately it does not stop there. Through the cross Jesus defeated our enemies - death and Satan and won pardon for our sins. His cross is the door to heaven and the key to paradise. The way to glory is through the cross. When the disciples saw the risen Lord they disbelieved for joy! How can death lead to life, the cross to victory? Jesus shows us the way and he gives us the power to overcome sin and despair, and everything else that would stand in the way of his love and truth. Just as the first disciples were commissioned to bring the good news of salvation to all the nations, so, we, too, are called to be witnesses of the resurrection of Jesus Christ to all who live on the face of the earth. Do you witness the joy of the Gospel to those around you?

Lord Jesus, open our minds to understand the Scriptures that we may fully comprehend the truth of your word. Anoint us with your power and give us joy and boldness to proclaim the Gospel in word and deed.

## Readings for the Week of April 18, 2021

**Sunday** Third Sunday of Easter

Acts 3:13-15, 17-19; Ps 4:2, 4, 7-8, 9;

1 Jn 2:1-5a; Lk 24:35-48

Monday Acts 6:8-15; Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 2930;

Jn 6:22-29

**Tuesday** Acts 7:51—8:1a; Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 7b

and 8a, 17 and 21ab; Jn 6:30-35

Wednesday Saint Anselm, Bishop and Doctor

of the Church

Acts 8:1b-8; Ps 66:1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a;

Jn 6:35-40

**Thursday** Acts 8:26-40; Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20; Jn

6:44-51

Friday Saint George, Martyr;

St. Adalbert, Bishop & Martyr

Acts 9:1-20; Ps 117:1bc-2; Jn 6:52-59

Saturday Saint Fidelis of Sigmaringen,

**Priest & Martyr** 

Acts 9:31-42; Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 16-17;

In 6:60-69

**Sunday** Fourth Sunday of Easter

Acts 4:8-12; Ps 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28,

29; 1 Jn 3:1-2; Jn 10:11-18



## Diocesan Special Collection April 25, 2021

#### **Black and Indian Missions**

Black and Indian people continues as the embodiment of the Church's concern for evangelizing the Black and Indian peoples of the United States. The funds are distributed as grants to dioceses throughout the United States, supporting and strengthening evangelization programs which otherwise would cease.

Catholic Home Missions Appeal

primarily supports dioceses in the United States and its territories that are unable to offer their people the basic pastoral ministries of word, worship, and service without outside help. The Appeal supports a wide range of pastoral services. It focuses principally on evangelization activities, religious education, and ministry training for priests, deacons, religious sisters and brothers, and laypeople, and x support of poor parishes across the country.

## Come and See . . .

How our children learn about God's love for them How they learn to pray and worship How they share their love of God with each other

Religious Education Program has rescheduled the Inquiry Event to

# Sunday, April 25th between 9:00 and 10:15 a.m.

During this unprecedented year of Covid-19



quarantines, our faith formation team, catechists and families have shown tremendous resilience in the face of adversity. Please show your support by stopping by.

First Communion candidates will be making their banners during this scheduled class time.

There will be a special activity for all others.

Call Sylvia McCormick at 386-679-4422 for more info

## **OUR CATHOLIC APPEAL**

The Catholic Foundation of Central Florida

Our parish goal for **2021** Our Catholic Appeal

Sacred Heart is \$82,571.11

Paid to Date - \$29,520.06 Balance - \$53,051.05



\$82,571.11

\$29,520.06

## **Sacred Heart Weekly Offering**

April 11, 2021

Offertory Income Last Week......\$8,631.73
Online Giving this Week .......\$882.00
Total Income .....\$9,513.73
Attendance This Week......



We serve. Sacred Heart students made cards and prepared Easter baskets for residents of local nursing homes in NSB. Guardian residents were very happy to receive the baskets.









SACRED HEART SCHOOL donated food to the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul. 6th grade Gavin Stanley and our 7th graders collected and donated canned goods that went towards our food collection.









A full day of service for all of us here at Sacred Heart. We had to divide and conquer to reach out to as many as we could this Easter. We would like to thank our principal Mrs. Niswonger for allowing us to do what we do. Your support is beyond words can express - THANK YOU from everyone we help.

8th grader Erin Cassidy, with the help of her father Terry Cassidy, dropped off our clothes donation to FROG, an organization that gives clothing, food, toys, etc. for free to people in need.

We also have long sleeves work clothes for those who are applying for jobs and need proper and clean clothes. These shirts are going to our local soup kitchen in NSB that

provides food, clothing, hygiene and care products for our less fortunate brothers and sisters.

We are also very blessed to have had the opportunity to share a few gift cards and goodies to be enjoyed by children.

God bless our school community.



## Sacred Heart/St. Gerard Ministry—News

## Community News 1

#### THANK YOU!

My Dearest Sisters & Brothers,

I am writing this to extend a warm and sincere thank you for your prayers, meals, cards and visitations; especially your prayers. I am truly humbled by your actions; they have touched my heart. You are living proof of faith in action sharing Christ's love.

It has filled my very being with joy.

Please keep me in your prayers. I am praying that the healing process will continue, unfortunately further amputation was needed. Again, thank you for all that you have done.

Love and the peace of Christ,

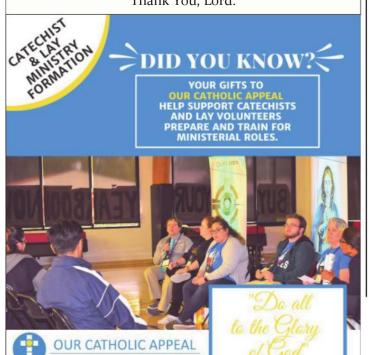
#### Rick Studer

Think, o God, of our friend who is ill, whom we now commend to Your compassionate regard.

Comfort him upon his sickbed, and ease his suffering. We beg for deliverance and submit that no healing is too hard for the Lord if it be His will.

We, therefore, pray that You bless our friend with Your loving care, renew his strength, and heal what ails him in Your loving name.

Thank You, Lord.



## Easter Joy at St. Gerard

It was a glorious morning on Sunday, April 4th. To me, I felt excitement in the air. The church was tastefully decorated and people started trickling in. For many, this was the first physical mass they had attended in over a year. It was a happy reunion to see our brothers and sisters in faith once again. Reconnecting with each other after this desert experience felt like home. To gaze on



Jesus on the Cross and above him, peer out onto God's creation of majestic trees and blue skies.

Father Aldrin presided with exceptional vigor and enthusiasm and energized the congregation throughout the Mass. After receiving Eucharist, to everyone's surprised amazement, Dcn Lou delivered the message we had been longing for!

#### St. Gerard's will be open for 10:00 am mass every week!

Joyful Cheers and tears emerged from a congregation of 253 at the hearing of the news. It was as if we were the disciples over 2000 years ago after they discovered that Jesus was alive!



With that being said, we are inviting you to prayerfully consider coming back to Mass each week. We still require appropriate social distancing and mask wearing. The same Covid 19 proce-

dural precautions that are currently in effect at Sacred Heart will be in effect at St. Gerard. We welcome you at St. Gerard every Sunday at 10:00 am or you can choose to attend Sacred Heart at 4:00 pm on Saturday or Sunday at 8:00 am or 10:30 am.

Thank you for all your prayers. We would humbly ask that you continue to keep all priests, deacons and lay ministers in your prayers as we begin to build again.

Please pass on the Good news to neighbors and friends! Jesus is alive and so is St. Gerard Mission!



## Saint Gerard Mission

3171 S Ridgewood Ave, Edgewater, FL 32141



#### **MASS INTENTIONS**

Saturday, April 17

4:30pm All Parishioners

Sunday, April 18

10:00am All Parishioners

Saturday, April 24

4:30pm + Michelle Weber by Wojtkowiak Family

Sunday, April 25

10:00am Celebration by SVdP Ministry

of Ozanam Sunday

Due to some mass intentions being scheduled a year ago and no 4:30pm mass at this time,

All 4:30pm Scheduled Mass Intentions listed above are being said at St. Gerard Mission 10:00am mass by our Redemptorist Priests.

May your people exult for ever, O God, in renewed youthfulness of spirit, so that, rejoicing now in the restored glory of our adoption, we may look forward in confident hope to the rejoicing of the day of resurrection. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.





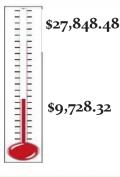
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Our parish goal for **2021** Our Catholic Appeal

St. Gerard is \$27,848.48

Paid to Date - \$9,728.32 Balance - \$18,120.16





I began my ordinary Friday routine helping my friend Richard mark up the donated bread from Publix at St. Gerard Church for St. Vincent de Paul neighbors. Well, to my wonder and amazement, cars were lined up before

7:00 am in anticipation of the Mobile Food Truck that was scheduled for 9:00 am. I was so intrigued as I watched the Second Harvest Food Truck pull into the

parking lot, so I stayed to watch as the Food Distribution System was built up to begin. It was a total community effort with representatives from St. Vincent de Paul,





Knights of Columbus, Gifts of Love, City of Edgewater Parks Department, City of Edgewater Police Department and Citizens Patrol. Everyone had a job. There were about 10 tables under pop up tents set up

to distribute each food group. Each vehicle eased along the cafeteria style line as volunteers loaded trunks with fresh produce, dairy products, canned foods, meats, bread, pastries, snacks etc.

Stats from Mobile Food Distribution: 410 families- 750 people of which 150 were children The spirit of love and concern was all around. This is faith in action.

This is evangelization! Remarkable!



### St. Gerard Weekly Offering April 11, 2021

Offertory Income Last Week......\$3,600.00
Online Giving this Week.....\$180.00
Total Offertory Income....\$3,780.00
Attendance This Week.....\$116

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