



# Sacred Heart Church & Saint Gerard

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Sacred Heart St. Gerard Parish

## *Divine Mercy Sunday*

How can I observe Divine Mercy Sunday?



Come and celebrate

### *The Feast of Mercy*

Sunday, April 7th at 3PM

Sacred Heart Church  
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- ◆ Exposition & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament
- ◆ Veneration of Divine Mercy Image
- ◆ Prayers of Enthronement
- ◆ The Chaplet of Divine Mercy in Song
- ◆ Blessings of Image and Attendees with Holy Water



Come Join Us ◆ All are Welcome.



April 7, 2024

**Welcome to the Redemptorist Community of  
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Redemptorists Serving our Parish Since 1926**

We, the Eucharistic communities of Sacred Heart and St. Gerard, being faithful to the Mission of the Church as expressed by the Redemptorist way of life, seek and invite others into an ever deepening relationship with Jesus and with one another. Seeking to build up the Kingdom of God, empowered by the Holy Spirit, nourished by the Sacraments and Prayer, we commit to reaching out to everyone through evangelization, especially to those most in need.

**Fr. John Tizio C.Ss.R., Pastor   Fr. Aldrin Nunes, C.Ss.R.,   Fr. Charlie Donovan C.Ss.R.**

**Sacred Heart Masses**

Reconciliation- Sat.....3:00—3:45pm  
 Saturday Vigil.....4:00pm  
 Sunday: .....8:00 & 10:30am  
 Weekdays: ....Mon—Fri—8:00am only  
 Holy Day Vigil:.....7:00pm  
 Holy Day: Please check with the Parish Office and Bulletin for varying schedules or contact Parish Office to schedule an appointment for reconciliation.

**Sacred Heart Catholic School**

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**St. Gerard Mission Church**

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All administration is at  
 Sacred Heart Parish Office

**St. Gerard Mission Masses**

Reconciliation-Sat.....3:45—4:15pm  
**Saturday Vigil- Sat.....4:30pm**  
 Reconciliation-Sun.....9:15—9:45am  
**Sunday: ..... 10:00am**

**Mass Intentions**

**Saturday, April 6**

4:00pm Catholic Women's Association

**Sunday, April 7**

8:00am + Francis DiNicola by Katie Connor & Family  
 10:30am + Peggy Moore-Knee by Lacerenza Family

**Monday, April 8**

8:00am Molly Clennan by Bob & Sue Miller

**Tuesday, April 9**

8:00am + Joan Brown by Laura Devenoge

**Wednesday, April 10**

8:00am Austin Tanner by Ken & Karen Simon

**Thursday, April 11**

8:00am + Carmine Cortese by Jack & Julie Keating

**Friday, April 12**

8:00am + Gary Griffith by Melanie & John Barickle

**Saturday, April 13**

4:00pm + Phyllis Murray by Bible Study Class

**Sunday, April 14**

8:00am + Betty M. Peterson by Sacred Heart & St. Gerard Choirs  
 10:30am + Lee John Hadziyianis by Tom & Theresa & Candice Meyer

*Cross indicates the person is deceased. No cross the person is alive.*

**Readings for the Week of April 7, 2024**

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Sunday of Divine Mercy</b> Acts 4:32-35; Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24; 1 Jn 5:1-6; Jn 20:19-31
<b>Monday</b>	<b>Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord</b> Is 7:10-14; 8:10; Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11; Heb 10:4-10; Lk 1:26-38
<b>Tuesday</b>	Acts 4:32-37; Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5; Jn 3:7b-15
<b>Wednesday</b>	Acts 5:17-26; Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9; Jn 3:16-21
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Memorial of Saint Stanislaus, Bishop and Martyr</b> Acts 5:27-33; Ps 34:2 and 9, 17-18, 19-20; Jn 3:31-36
<b>Friday</b>	Acts 5:34-42; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Jn 6:1-15
<b>Saturday</b>	Acts 6:1-7; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19; Jn 6:16-21
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Third Sunday of Easter</b> Acts 3:13-15, 17-19; Ps 4:2, 4, 7-8, 9; 1 Jn 2:1-5a; Lk 24:35-48



**PRAYERS FOR OUR  
DECESASED**

**Eternal rest grant  
 unto them, O Lord,  
 and let perpetual  
 light shine upon them.  
 May the souls of all the  
 faithful departed, through  
 the mercy of God,  
 rest in peace.**

**Veronica Teresa Gardner  
 Janis Baird  
 Phyllis Marie Benishek  
 Mary Margaret Maldonado**

## Events Calendar

<p><b>Saturday,</b> 9am—3pm 4:00pm</p> <p><b>Sunday,</b> 8:00am 10:30am</p> <p><b>Monday,</b> 8:00am 6:00pm</p> <p><b>Tuesday,</b> 8:00am 9:00am 9:00am 9:00am</p> <p><b>Wednesday,</b> 8:00am 7:00pm</p> <p><b>Thursday,</b> 8:00am 9:00am 7:00pm</p> <p><b>Friday,</b> 8:00am</p> <p><b>Saturday,</b> 9am—3pm 4:00pm</p> <p><b>Sunday,</b> 8:00am 10:30am</p>	<p><b>April 6</b> Adoration / Chapel Mass</p> <p><b>April 7</b> Mass</p> <p><b>April 8</b> Mass</p> <p><b>April 9</b> B L I N G O Mass</p> <p><b>April 9</b> Mass Sr. Exercise / Social Hall Legion of Mary / Fr. Burke Hall Mat Ministry / Social Hall</p> <p><b>April 10</b> Mass <i>Wed Evening Bible Study / Fr. Burke Hall</i></p> <p><b>April 11</b> Mass Sr. Exercise / Social Hall <i>RCIA / Fr. Burke Hall</i></p> <p><b>April 12</b> Mass</p> <p><b>April 13</b> Adoration / Chapel Mass</p> <p><b>April 14</b> Mass Mass</p>	<p><b>Religious Article Store</b> open after all weekend Masses</p>
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## Diocesan Special Collection

April 28, 2024

### BLACK INDIAN MISSION

Mandated by the III Plenary Council in 1884, the 140 year old National Collection for Black/Indian continues as the embodiment of the Church's concern for evangelizing the African-American/ Native American's 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.

### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

Parents & Godparents are required to attend a Sacramental Preparation Class. Please call the Parish Office at 428-6426 to register.

### SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:

Couples wanting to be married at Sacred Heart Parish must be registered and practicing members of this parish. An appointment must be made with one of the parish priests at least six months in advance of the wedding. The Diocese of Orlando requires a marriage preparation program for all couples.

### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Children who are seven years or older, who have been baptized Roman Catholic, and who have participated in at least one full year of Religious education during the previous year may be eligible to prepare for the Sacraments of Eucharist.

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

At Sacred Heart Church the Sacrament of Reconciliation is available every Saturday from 3:00pm to 3:45pm or by appointment. Please call the Parish Office at 428-6426.

### ANOINTING of the SICK:

If you have a loved one who would like to receive the Anointing of the Sick please call the Parish Office at 428-6426.

### COMMUNION for Shut-Ins:

Please call the Parish Office at 428-6426 to arrange a Friday visit.

### MINISTRY to the SICK and Homebound:

If there is anyone at home who cannot get to Mass to celebrate the Sacraments because of illness or age, please call the Parish Office at 428-6426.

## Sacred Heart Weekly Offering

March 31, 2024

**Offertory Income Last Week.....\$19,293.00**  
**Online Giving this Week.....\$1,037.00**  
**Total Offertory Income.....\$20,330.00**  
**Attendance.....1583**



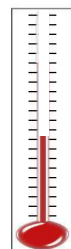
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The Catholic Foundation of Central Florida

**Our parish goal for 2024 Our Catholic Appeal**

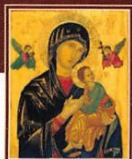
**Sacred Heart Balance is \$54,585.79**

**Paid to Date - \$43,817.21**



**\$98,403.00**

**\$43,817.21**



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*Dear Parishioners*

A story is told about a preacher who began his sermon by saying: "Brothers and sisters, here you are coming to pray for rain. I'd just like to ask you some questions. Where are your umbrellas? Do you have some doubts that the Lord will answer our prayers? Don't you have faith in the power of God?"

The expression "Doubting Thomas" has been used to refer to a skeptic who does not want to believe without direct personal and even physical evidence. It is in reference to the Apostle Thomas who refused to believe that Jesus had risen and had appeared to the disciples, until he could see and touch the wounds that Jesus had received on the cross.

While it was indeed true that Thomas doubted, he did not persist in his doubts. In fact, he uttered the greatest expression of faith in the Gospels and even in the entire Bible: "My Lord and my God." More than a declaration of faith in the event of the Resurrection, this expression was an act of adoration before the Divine Son of God risen from the dead.

Thomas made a transition: a transition from a Doubting Thomas to a Believing Thomas! That should be consoling for us. This reminds us that people can change. People can experience transformation. Thus, we can never put people in a box and condemn them to helplessness. The Lord is risen and the power of the resurrection is available to all of us. Perhaps, all that is needed is a small opening for the Lord and we can never be the same again.

Thomas transitioned from being a Doubting Thomas to a Believing Thomas because his fellow disciples did not abandon him in his unbelief and, more importantly, because Jesus did not give up on him. Jesus in His Divine Mercy and Love for all his Disciples, both as a community and as individuals, went back to appear again for the sake of Thomas. We can say that more than the physical proof of the Risen Lord's presence, what brought Thomas to believe was the compassionate, loving, merciful, forgiving and persistent presence that the Risen Jesus showed him and the other disciples. Just as Jesus had done this in his earthly presence, he continued to do the same in His Risen presence.

On this Divine Mercy Sunday, with the prayers of St. Faustina and St. John Paul II, and with Thomas the Apostle, may each of us continue to see and experience the Lord of Divine Mercy with the eyes of faith and the heart of love and hope, believing and proclaiming that he is indeed "My Lord and my God."

**Thanks to all who donated for Easter Flowers and all who helped to decorate our altar for Holy Week and Easter.**

**God Bless Us All**

**Fr. John**

**Email: [fritizio@gmail.com](mailto:fritizio@gmail.com)**

**Pastor's Pun:** Why did the Easter Bunny bang his head on the piano?  
He was playing by ear.

**Please remember: This Saturday is the last 4:30pm Mass at St. Gerard until Advent. The 10am Mass each week continues.**



SACRED HEART SCHOOL NEWS



Volusia Catholic Schools Fine Arts Show honored some of our students' best pieces of artwork. These photos showcased 5th grade Penelope N. winning artwork as well as that of 1st grader Xaida W.. Congratulations and thanks to our Art teacher Mrs. Sue Brown.



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Easter Egg Hunt 2024 at Sacred Heart Catholic Church was



so much fun!  
 Thank you,  
 Easter Bunny,  
 for dropping by and  
 making all the kids  
 and families happy!



UPCOMING EVENTS

THE ROARING 20'S  
**CASINO NIGHT FUNDRAISER**  
 CATHOLIC SCHOOLS  
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**Friday, April 12**  
 Our Lady of Hope Parish Center | 6:30 - 10:30 PM  
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When: Saturday, APRIL 27, 2024  
 Doors Open @ 11:00 – Games Start @ Noon

Where: Sacred Heart Catholic Church Social Hall  
 998 Fr. Donlan Drive (US 1), NSB

Cost: \$20.00 Per Person (includes lunch)  
 Tickets can be purchased at the door

Sponsored by: Sacred Heart / St. Gerard Catholic Women's Association

# Saint Gerard Mission

3171 S Ridgewood Ave, Edgewater, FL 32141

## Mass Schedule—

**Sunday - 10:00am**



### MASS INTENTION

<b>Saturday,</b> 4:30pm	<b>April 6</b> Andy Chunko	by Ellen Graf
<b>Sunday,</b> 10:00am	<b>April 7</b> + Frank & Stella Grabinski	by John & Jacqy Gawdun
<b>Sunday,</b> 10:00am	<b>April 14</b> + April & Dawn Morse	by Ellen Torrey

### St. Gerard Events Calendar

April 8, 2024—April 14, 2024

#### MONDAY—FRIDAY

**10am—2pm SVdP Operations Open M-F till 1:30pm**

<b>Tuesday,</b> 11:00am	<b>April 9</b> Intercessory Prayer Group
<b>Wednesday,</b> 1:00pm	<b>April 10</b> Small Church Community Meets
<b>Thursday,</b> 3:00pm	<b>April 11</b> CHOIR PRACTICE
<b>Friday</b> 10:00am	<b>April 12</b> Small Church Community Meets
<b>Sunday,</b> 9:30am	<b>April 14</b> Confession & Rosary
<b>10:00am</b>	<b>Divine Mercy Sunday</b>

**Saturday, April 6 will be the last Vigil Mass offered at St. Gerard until further notice.**

**Join your Vigil Brothers and Sisters at 4:00 pm at Sacred Heart**



**Thank you** to all parishioners who attended in support of the St. Gerard Vigil Mass for the past 4 months.

**Thank you** to Fr. Aldrin, Fr. Charlie and Fr. John for travelling to share Christ with the Edgewater/Oak Hill community on Saturday afternoons.

**Thank you** to all the ministers—Lectors, Sacristans, Altar Servers, Ushers, Eucharistic Ministers and Music Ministers for offering yourselves for the smooth operation and success of each and every Mass.

One of the most admirable effects of Holy Communion is to preserve the soul from sin, and to help those who fall through weakness to rise again. It is much more profitable, then, to approach this divine Sacrament with love, respect, and confidence, than to remain away through an excess of fear and scrupulosity.”



~ St. Ignatius of Loyola ~



### Celebrate & Pray Together on Divine Mercy Sunday

3:00 pm on Sunday, April 7 at Sacred Heart

Eucharistic Adoration & Benediction  
Scripture readings ~ Hymns ~ Quotes from St. Faustina ~ The Divine Mercy Chaplet in Song and more.



## OUR CATHOLIC APPEAL

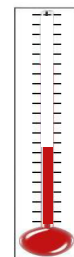
The Catholic Foundation of Central Florida

Our parish goal for 2024 Our Catholic Appeal

\$22,112.00

**St. Gerard Balance is \$14,127.66**

Paid to Date - \$7,984.34



\$7,984.34

### St. Gerard Weekly Offering

March 31, 2024

Offertory Income Last .....	\$7,839.00
Online Giving this Week.....	\$1,145.00
<b>Total Offertory Income.....</b>	<b>\$8,984.00</b>
Attendance.....	612



**Heavenly Father, we could never thank the men & women of our military, policeman, fireman and 1st responders enough for their courageous service and sacrifice to our country and its people. Show us ways in our communities, churches, and families to thank and love them better. Keep and protect these heroes and their families, in the powerful name of Jesus we pray. Amen.**



## ST. GERARD MINISTRY NEWS

### Palm Sunday at St. Gerard

At the prompting, encouragement and guidance of Pastor John, St. Gerard had its first Palm Sunday Procession! Underneath a blue sky, sunshine and oceanbreeze, approximately 70% of the congregation met outside by the Holy Family Garden to witness the Palm Blessing and hear Mark's Gospel of Jesus entering Jerusalem. Then the crowd marched back into the Sanctuary waving their palms and singing Hosanna, Hosanna in the Highest! The tide quickly turned as we read through the Passion narrative together.



**The St. Gerard Intercessory Prayer Group** gathered after Mass on Sunday, March 24 to give God a prayer of Thanksgiving specifically to recognize and honor Cancer Recovery for Linda Martin. We also took time to pray for other fellow parishioners who are going through perilous and difficult times.


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