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## HOPE

*Be vigilant at all times...*

Lk 21:36



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1st Sunday of Advent—December 1, 2024

**Welcome to the Redemptorist Community of  
Sacred Heart Catholic Church and School and St. Gerard Mission  
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.  
Permanent Deacon Tom Meyer**

**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**

1003 Turnbull Street  
New Smyrna Beach, Fl. 32168  
Pre-Kindergarten - 8th Grade  
Principal: Mrs. Elizabeth Labreche  
Phone: (386) 428-4732 Fax: (386) 428-4087  
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**St. Gerard Mission Church**

3171 S. Ridgewood Ave.,  
Edgewater, FL 32141

All administration is at  
Sacred Heart Parish Office

**St. Gerard Mission Masses**

Reconciliation-Sun.....9:15—9:45am  
**Sunday: ..... 10:00am**

**Mass Intentions**

**Saturday, November 30**

4:00pm + William Etts by Family

**Sunday, December 1**

8:00am + Most Abandoned Souls in Purgatory by Jan & Dave Nixon

10:30am + Patricia Huff by Family

**Monday, December 2**

8:00am + Freda & Jim Vincent by Kathleen & Jerry Eaton

**Tuesday, December 3**

8:00am Living & Deceased Member of the Legion of Mary

**Wednesday, December 4**

8:00am + Perez Sutton by Charlotte Sutton

**Thursday, December 5**

8:00am Vanessa Bromstrup by Susie Shannon

**Friday, December 6**

8:00am + Mary & Raymond Paige by Patty & Winford Geary

**Saturday, December 7**

4:00pm Catholic Women's Association

**Sunday, December 8**

8:00am + Carmine Sanducci by Mike & Linda

10:30am + Froilan Nicholas by Emma Lombardo

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

**Readings for the Week of December 1, 2024**

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>First Sunday of Advent</b> Jer 33:14-16; Ps 25:4-5, 8-9, 10, 14; 1 Thes 3:12-4:2; Lk 21:25-28, 34-36
<b>Monday</b>	Is 2:1-5; Ps 122:1-2, 3-4b, 4cd-5, 6-7, 8-9; Mt 8:5-11
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Memorial of Saint Francis Xavier, Priest</b> Is 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17; Lk 10:21-24
<b>Wednesday</b>	Is 25:6-10a; Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Mt 15:29-37
<b>Thursday</b>	Is 26:1-6; Ps 118:1 and 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a; Mt 7:21, 24-27
<b>Friday</b>	Is 29:17-24; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Mt 9:27-31
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Memorial of Saint Ambrose, Bishop and Doctor of the Church</b> Is 30:19-21, 23-26; Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6; Mt 9:35-10:1, 5a, 6-8
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Second Sunday of Advent</b> Bar 5:1-9; Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6; Phil 1:4-6, 8-11; Lk 3:1-6



**Altar  
Flowers**

*for this  
weekend  
are in*

*Memory of*

**William**

**Etts**

*by*

**Family**



## Events Calendar

Saturday, 9am—3pm	November 30 Adoration Mass	<b>Religious Article Store</b> open after all weekend Masses <b>Come check us out</b> Gifts, Cards, stocking stuffers, religious Articles, Free book library
4:00pm	December 1 Mass	
Sunday, 8:00am	December 2 Mass	
10:30am	December 2 Mass	
Monday, 8:00am	December 3 <b>BINGO</b> Mass	
6:00pm	December 3 Sr. Exercise / Social Hall	
Tuesday, 8:00am	December 3 Legion of Mary / Fr. Burke Hall	
9:00am	December 3 Mat Ministry / Social Hall	
9:00am	December 4 Mass	
Wednesday, 8:00am	December 4 <i>Wed Evening Bible Study</i>	
7:00pm	December 5 Mass	
Thursday, 8:00am	December 5 Sr. Exercise / Social Hall	
9:00am	December 5 OCIA / Fr. Burke Hall	
7:00pm	December 6 Mass	
Friday, 8:00am	December 6 Adoration / Chapel	
Saturday, 9am—3pm	December 7 Mass	
4:00pm	December 7 Mass	
Sunday, 8:00am	December 8 Mass	
10:30am	December 8 Mass	

### SACRED HEART—Weekly Offering Due to the *Thanksgiving* Holiday

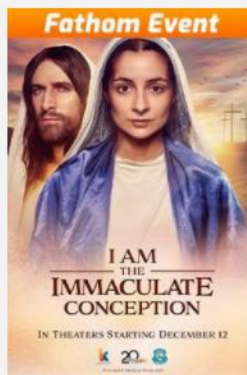
Weekly totals for November 24th & Dec 1st  
will be posted in the Dec 8th bulletin

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR PATIENCE!**



Our parish goal for  
2024 Our Catholic Appeal

Sacred Heart Balance  
is \$5,401.07



A docu-drama coming to  
Port Orange Pavillion  
Theatre.

5547 S. Williamson Blvd.,  
Port Orange.

Thurs. Dec 12th 7:00 pm

Sat. Dec 14th 4:00 pm

Tues. Dec 17th 7:00 pm

#### 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.

### Diocesan Special Collection

**December 8, 2024**

#### The Retirement Fund for Religious

We are thankful for our priests, whose lives embody the essence of giving. Many have dedicated their lives to serve us and our families at our moments of greatest need. Even though 48% of diocesan priests are retired, they still continue to bless parish life by celebrating Sunday Mass, performing baptisms and marriages, and visiting the sick in hospitals throughout the Diocese of Orlando. Now, these dedicated holy men need our support for their physical and spiritual health in retirement.



**Smart Driver Class (6 hours)**  
**December 5th and 6th**  
**9:30am to 12:30pm both days**  
**Fr. Burke Hall**  
**Call Parish Office to Register**  
**(386) 428-6426**



**Dear Parishioners**

One of the movies found on television during this time of the year is "The Sound of Music." Just the other week, in fact, there was an updated newer version of the original movie. Needless to say, it got mixed reviews. In the movie, however, there is a song called "My Favorite Things." Some of you may have seen the movie and you may know that song. If so, you will remember that the character named Maria sings about her "favorite things." One of the things that she mentions in that song is "brown paper packages tied up with string."

On Christmas morning, we will wake up to find a lot of packages under the tree. Packages wrapped in brightly colored paper and tied up with pretty ribbons and bows. What if there was one package under the tree wrapped in plain brown paper tied up with string -- and what if that package had your name on it? Would that be the package you would choose to open first? I don't think so! After all, a gift is supposed to come in a beautiful package, isn't it?

You know, I think that is why a lot of people have missed out on the gift that God sent to them. You see, God's Gift didn't come in a beautifully wrapped package. God sent Jesus, His only Son, as His gift to us. His mother was a young virgin... his earthly father was a poor carpenter... He was born in a stable. Not a very pretty package, is it? But do you know what? It was the greatest gift the world has ever known. It was the gift of salvation and it had your name on it... and yours... and yours... and mine!

The Bible tells us that when Mary found out that she had been chosen to be the one to deliver God's gift to the world, she was filled with joy. She sang a song glorifying God for choosing her. "The Mighty One has done great things for me," she sang.

Well, the Mighty One has done great things for us too. He has sent us the gift of His love, but some people are so busy unwrapping the beautifully wrapped packages that this world offers that they have missed out on the greatest gift. This Christmas, don't miss out on this gift. The best gift of all just might come to you wrapped in brown paper tied up with string! Watch for it this Advent season!

In closing, we have made available Christmas Flower envelopes in the back of the church. The donations in these envelopes will help in the cost of the beautiful flowers that will adorn our altars for the Christmas season. You will see on the back, a place to write the names of your loved ones that you would like the remembered and prayed for. We will keep all donated envelopes on the altar throughout the Christmas Season to pray for their intentions.

**God Bless Us All**

**Fr. John**

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

**Pastors Pun:** Why was the boxer who turned priest so happy to visit his former ring opponents who were now old and sick?  
**He wanted to administer a few last rights.**

**Since December 8, 2024 is the Second Sunday of Advent, the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary is transferred to Monday, December 9. The obligation to attend Mass, however, does not transfer.**



## SACRED HEART SCHOOL NEWS



Storytelling with Theology 8 students- Our 3rd and 4th graders listened to the story of the Ten Commandments and enjoyed looking at the tree houses the 8th grade students built for Moses. The major lesson learned is God's unfailing love for us. Thank you, Mrs. Searfoss and Mr. Rush for the opportunity to collaborate with you.



Representatives from the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, led by president Mrs. Dottie Alombro, were presented a check and 15 boxes of Thanksgiving food distributed to families in need. Thank you, Sacred Heart families, for your donations!



## NEWS & UPCOMING EVENTS AROUND THE PARISH

**SANTA'S WORKSHOP**

**CRAFT SHOW**

Saturday, December 14<sup>th</sup>  
9:00 AM to 5:30 PM  
Sacred Heart Church  
Social Hall

Crafters interested in participating please contact  
Joyce Inderrieden @ 419-852-1319

**Stavro's night!**  
CWA presented a plaque, card, and plant to Martha Stavros to thank them for their many years of financial support to the CWA.



**DEC 8th** **Breakfast with SANTA!**

SUNDAY 8:30am - 12:00pm  
SACRED HEART SOCIAL HALL

Sponsored by Council #4934 Knights of Columbus  
Come watch the children and enjoy a FREE breakfast with SANTA!

# Saint Gerard Mission

3171 S Ridgewood Ave, Edgewater, FL 32141

## Mass Schedule—

**Sunday - 10:00am**



### MASS INTENTION

**Saturday, November 30**  
4:30pm + Ann Pulzello by Tues., Rosary Group  
Fri., Small Church Comm

**Sunday, December 1**  
10:00am + Lea Bernard by Sacred Heart & St. Gerard  
Ministry Comm

**Saturday, December 7**  
4:30pm + Ann Pulzello by Tues., Rosary Group  
Fri., Small Church Comm

**Sunday, December 8**  
10:00am Immaculate Conception by SVdP

### St. Gerard Events Calendar

December 2, 2024—December 8, 2024

#### MONDAY—FRIDAY

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

Tuesday, December 3  
10:30am Intercessory Prayer Group

Wednesday, December 4  
1:00pm Small Church Community Meets

Thursday, December 5  
3:00pm CHOIR PRACTICE

Friday, December 6  
10:00am Small Church Community Meets  
2:00pm ADVENT HOLY HOUR

Saturday, December 7  
4:00pm Confession & Rosary  
4:30pm Vigil Mass

Sunday, December 8  
9:30am Confession & Rosary  
10:00am 2nd Sunday of Advent

### **ST. GERARD—Weekly Offering**

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will be posted in the Dec 8th bulletin

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### **AFTER MASS TODAY DECEMBER 1st**

#### **Meet you in the Gathering Place!**

The St. Gerard Hospitality Team invites all to join your fellow parishioners for a light snack and coffee after Mass on December 1. We offer healthy choices, sweet treats, and fresh coffee to share over friendly conversation. **Aloha!**

**Aloha!**



### **Advent Holy Hour Began at St. Gerard on November 29th**

In an effort to prepare our hearts for the coming of Savior Jesus Christ, there will be an Advent Holy Hour held each week during Advent at St. Gerard beginning on Friday, November 29th at 2:00 pm. ALL are welcome to gather around the Tabernacle to join our voices in sung prayer to our God, hear scripture



readings/reflections and take advantage of periods of silent meditation before the Blessed Sacrament.

**God speaks in the silence.**

**Come and spend time with Jesus; adore Him;  
express your love by presence.**

Please note: Exposition will not be offered.

### **An Advent Candle Lighting Ceremony -**

**Jesus,  
The Light of the World**

**Advent begins today,  
Sat., Nov., 30th with  
the traditional**

**Advent Wreath**

**Blessing and lighting of a weekly  
candle. This year the assembly will be  
able to celebrate with full participation  
in this ceremony before the start of the  
Mass (hymn, response litany, and  
candle-lighting.)**







On behalf of Sacred Heart Church, School and St. Gerard community, I want to express my sincere gratitude for your donations and support to Raise the Roof 2. This year's event raised over **\$30,000.00!** Thank you and God Bless you!



St. Vincent De Paul Ministers having a great night out at the 2nd Raise the Roof fundraiser. God Bless everyone who help with such a fun night out.



“Salute to Veterans” rang through the halls with the kick-off song “God Bless America” sung by Ava Grace B., a Sacred Heart school 6th grader, followed by a heartwarming bugler and a 21 Gun Salute by Edgewater’s American Legion HONOR GUARD, Post 285.

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