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Beloved, we are God's children now;
what we shall be has not yet been revealed.

— 1 John 3:2a

The Holy Family—December 29, 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
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Pre-Kindergarten - 8th Grade
Principal: Mrs. Elizabeth Labreche
Phone: (386) 428-4732 Fax: (386) 428-4087
Website: www.shseagles.org

St. Gerard Mission Church

3171 S. Ridgewood Ave.,
Edgewater, FL 32141

All administration is at Sacred Heart Parish Office

St. Gerard Mission Masses

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

Mass Intentions

Saturday, December 28

4:00pm + Theresa Perkins & June Sack by Patty & Winford Geary

Sunday, December 29

8:00am + Art & Florie Moeller by Daughter Nancy & Tom Homan

10:30am + Bob Ward by Katie Connor

Monday, December 30

8:00am + Philomena Goh by Kuttu

Tuesday, December 31

8:00am All Parishioners

7:00pm All Parishioners

Wednesday, January 1

8:00am + Patricia Durdle by The Hoffman Family

Thursday, January 2

8:00am + Fr. Tom Burke C.Ss.R. by Frank & Cathy Walton

Friday, January 3

8:00am + Molly Clennan by Family

Saturday, January 4

4:00pm Catholic Women's Association
+ James Joseph Amico by Diane Swilling

Sunday, January 5

8:00am + Art & Florie Moeller by Daughter Nancy & Tom Homan

10:30am + Bob Ward by Katie Connor

Readings for the Week of December 29, 2024

Sunday Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph
Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or 1 Sm 1:20-22, 24-28; Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 or Ps 84:2-3, 5-6, 9-10; Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17 or 1 Jn 3:1-2, 21-24; Lk 2:41-52

Monday 1 Jn 2:12-17; Ps 96:7-8a, 8b-9, 10; Lk 2:36-40

Tuesday 1 Jn 2:18-21; Ps 96:1-2, 11-12, 13; Jn 1:1-18

Wednesday Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God
Num 6:22-27; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21

Thursday Memorial of Saints Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops and Doctors of the Church
1 Jn 2:22-28; Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4; Jn 1:19-28

Friday 1 Jn 2:29-3:6; Ps 98:1, 3cd-4, 5-6; Jn 1:29-34

Saturday Memorial of Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious
1 Jn 3:7-10; Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9; Jn 1:35-42

Sunday The Epiphany of the Lord
Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12



DECEMBER

**Deceased Deacons
Diocese of Orlando
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.**

**Dcn. Leonard Lapointe
Dcn. Chester de Marsh
Dcn. Robert Pleus
Dcn. James Sowinski
Dcn. John Timmes**

Events Calendar

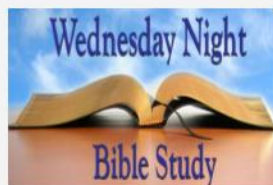
Saturday, 9am—3pm 4:00pm	December 28 Adoration Mass	Religious Article Store open after all weekend Masses Come check us out Gifts, cards, stocking stuffers, religious articles, free book library
Sunday, 8:00am 10:30am	December 29 Mass Mass	
Monday, 8:00am 6:00pm	December 30 Mass BUNGO	
Tuesday, 8:00am 7:00pm	December 31 Mass Vigil Mass	
Wednesday, 8:00am 7:00pm	January 1 Mass Wed Evening Bible Study—Resumes-1/8/2025	
Thursday, 8:00am	January 2 Mass	
Friday, 8:00am	January 3 Mass	
Saturday, 9am—3pm 4:00pm	January 4 Adoration / Chapel Mass	
Sunday, 8:00am 10:30am	January 5 Mass Mass	



NEW YEAR'S EVE EVE BINGO MONDAY DEC 30TH!

Join us for great fun and prizes
Doors open at 4pm—Games start 6:00pm.

Wednesday Evening Bible Study resumes on January 8th with the Book of Isaiah. All are welcome.



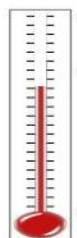
SACRED HEART —Weekly Offering

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December 22nd, 29th & January 5th
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THANK YOU FOR YOUR PATIENCE!



Our parish goal for
2024 Our Catholic Appeal
Sacred Heart Balance
is \$2,315.22



\$98,403.00

Paid to Date - \$96,087.78

\$96,087.78

New Year's - Eve & Day

Mass Schedule

Sacred Heart

Dec 31st—7pm Vigil

Jan 1st—8am

Office closed

reopens Thurs, Jan, 2nd.



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.

Diocesan Special Collection

January 5, 2025—Seminarists

This special collection for seminarists is used to support the formation of seminarists as they discern their vocation to the priesthood. Preparing for the Sacrament of Holy Orders is a nine year process of intellectual, spiritual, pastoral and human formation that prepares men to answer the call they have received to serve God's people in love and humility. The full cost of a seminary tuition, insurance and books exceeds \$400,000 during the nine year formation period. Your support ensures that our seminarists receive adequate tuition assistance.

Pastor's Corner



Dear Parishioners

A woman who has two young sons told me this story. She said that one Saturday morning she was making pancakes for the two boys: Kevin, who was five, and Ryan, who was three. The boys began to argue over who would get the first pancake, and their mother saw the chance for a lesson. She said to them, "You know, if Jesus were here, He wouldn't be arguing. He would say, 'Let my brother have the first pancake. I can wait.' With that, Kevin turned to his younger brother and said, "Okay, Ryan. You be Jesus."

I tell you this on today's feast of the Holy Family to assure you that I know that raising a family is not an easy thing. The life of the Holy Family was anything but the tranquil scene pictured on holy cards, or like that on the photo to the left. Life for Mary and Joseph was, in fact, a litany of struggles and surprises: ---a betrothed man feels jilted; words spoken at a child's presentation in the temple predict a troubled future; the threat of a murderous monarch forces them into exile; ---a boy runs away in Jerusalem; ---a mother finds difficulty in trying to understand her Sons' plans; ---that Son is arrested and put to death in the prime of His life. We celebrate today not the feast of the Perfect Family but the feast of the Holy Family. Truly, theirs was a life filled with all the emotional ups and downs, joys and sorrows, problems and difficulties, like that of our own families. Yet despite it all, they were hopeful and trusting; preserving in knowing and believing that they were not alone, but that God was with them. That is the call of each of us as individuals and within our family, as well as that of our parish family and church family; to bear with one another and forgive one another, being a witness of mercy.

Today we stand on the threshold of a "New Year" a "New Beginning." This week, we will get rid of an old year and look forward to a new one. This is indeed a time to reflect and think about what the past year that has just ended has brought, and what the New Year lying right ahead of us could bring. So, the beginning of a new year provides us with an opportunity to reflect on the special gifts of time and family. We recall the events of the previous year and express our gratitude to God for all the good things that have happened in our personal lives and in that of our family, all the while being aware that there have also been sad and painful experiences and perhaps sinful realities for which we feel sorry, and also the missed opportunities for which we might regret. We joyfully celebrate the promise of a new set of months with new opportunities and happiness. Like the Blessed Mother whom we honor on the first day of the New Year as the Mother of God, and like the Holy Family, we try to be hopeful and trusting, in spite of uncertainties and the unknown that lies ahead. It is a day the church also celebrates the World Day of Peace. We pray for peace; peace in our troubled world; peace in our country; in our families, homes and hearts. It is a day to pray for God's blessings upon each one of us as we proceed in the New Year with fresh resolutions. Yes, it is God's blessing we all need on this first day of the New Year. This week

begins the year 2025 A.D. Those initials stand for Anno Domini, in the year of Our Lord. May it be so for each of us---a year of the Lord---a year for regular conversation with the One Who loves us most.

I close with this little story. A son called his parents to wish them 'A Happy New Year' and when his Dad answered the phone, he asked his dad, "Well Dad, what's your New Year's resolution?" His dad replied, "To make your mother as happy as I can all year," When his mom got on the phone he asked her the same question and she replied, "To see that your dad keeps his New Year's resolution."

On behalf of the Redemptorist Community
Happy New Year!

God Bless Us all

Fr. Tizio

Email: frtizio@gmail.com

Pastors Pun: What should you do right before the clock strikes midnight on Dec. 31st?

Make sure you raise your left leg. That way you start the year off on the right foot.

SACRED HEART SCHOOL NEWS



“Come, Holy Spirit...fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love.” Sacrament of Confirmation’s Renewal of Baptismal Promises. Let us keep our Confirmation candidates in our prayers! We thank Fr. Aldrin for presiding the Confirmation Session with parents and candidates.



“Santa’s Secret Helpers” have been busy crafting for months to bring the Sacred Heart Catholic School students in to shop for last minute Christmas gifts! AMAZING doesn’t quite describe how busy these helpers have been creatively making over 2,000 gifts for sale. The students had a wonderful



time and managed to buy some fantastic holiday gift items too! Many thanks goes out to all those Santa helpers that made this event possible and an overwhelming success!



MINISTRY IN ACTION!



Sacred Heart St Gerard’s Catholic Women’s Associations December meeting opened up with festive Christmas decorations, music & songs sung by our volunteer choir, Emma, Jun and Esper

along with beloved Father Aldrin Nunes. Two new members were welcomed, Karen Vargo & Leah Teel. The official CWA business followed by the board of officers and reviews of upcoming events were discussed. Plenty of food, drink and merry conversation ensued and ended with presentations of gifts to our President Joyce Kemper Inderrieden and our piritual director Father Aldrin. Ministries in Action on Pg 7.



Saint Gerard Mission

3171 S Ridgewood Ave, Edgewater, FL 32141

Mass Schedule—

Sunday - 10:00am



**January 1st
Mary,
Mother of God**

10 am Mass at St. Gerard

MASS INTENTION

- Saturday, December 28**
4:30pm + Ann Pulzello by Tues, Rosary Group
Fri., Small Church Comm
- Sunday, December 29**
10:00am + Ann Pulzello by Tues, Rosary Group
Fri., Small Church Comm
- Wednesday, January 1, 2025**
10:00am + Don Frerking by Ellen Graf
- Saturday, January 4**
4:30pm + Nick Bratton by St. Vincent de Paul
- Sunday, January 5**
10:00am + The Gawdun Family by John & Jacqy
Gawdun



Make 2025 the year **YOU** make a choice to share your time and talents with your faith community. St. Gerard Mission Ministers are supporting two Masses each week are welcoming....

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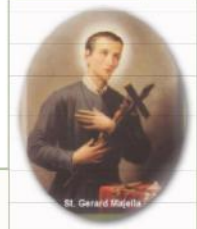
St. Gerard Events Calendar

December 30, 2024—January 5, 2025

MONDAY—FRIDAY

- 10am—2pm** SVDP Operations Open M-F till 1:30pm
- 10:30am** Novena to St. Gerard-Anniversary Prayer
- Tuesday, December 31**
- 10:30am** Intercessory Prayer Group
- 10:30am** Novena to St. Gerard-Anniversary Prayer
- Wednesday, January 1**
- 10:00am** Holy Day Mass-Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God
- 11:00am** Novena to St. Gerard-Anniversary Prayer
- Thursday, January 2**
- 10:30am** Novena to St. Gerard-Anniversary Prayer
- 3:00pm** Choir Practice—CANCELLED TODAY
- Friday, January 3**
- 10:00am** Small Church Community Group
- 10:30am** Novena to St. Gerard-Anniversary Prayer
- Saturday, January 4**
- 10:30am** Novena to St. Gerard-Anniversary Prayer
- 4:00pm** Confession & Rosary
- 4:30pm** Vigil Mass-Epiphany of the Lord
- Sunday, January 5**
- 9:30am** Confession & Rosary
- 10:00am** Epiphany of the Lord
- 11:00am** St. Gerard Anniversary Celebration in Gathering Place

Novena to St. Gerard commemorating our 25th Anniversary



What better way to celebrate the 25th Anniversary of Gerard Redemptorist Mission Community than **PRAYER!!**

All are invited to gather at St. Gerard daily beginning December 28th-January 5th at 10:30 am for Communal Novena to St. Gerard. We are specifically praying for St. Gerard's intercession in thanksgiving of 25 years of existence; and continued growth and presence of this mission in Edgewater.

If you cannot attend physically each day, and would like to participate from home, copies of the St. Gerard Novena are available at St. Gerard near the entrances.

An Anniversary Gathering will take place after Mass on Sunday, January 5th.

ST. GERARD—Weekly Offering
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MORE UPCOMING EVENTS AT ST. GERARD!

**Happy Anniversary
St. Gerard Mission!!**

**January 5th
after Mass**

Join your faith family for fellowship and snacks as we raise our coffee cups to the patron Saint of the Catholic Mission in Edgewater—
St. Gerard Majella.

Be sure and thank a Redemptorist today and continue to pray for Vocations to the Priesthood!

MINISTRY IN ACTION! - Continued from page 5



The Knights of Columbus had their Breakfast with Santa Sunday December 8th. Mrs. Claus also was there and they handed out toys to over 60 children. The Knights also served breakfast for over 200 parishioners and friends. The Knights thank all the parishioners at Sacred Heart and St. Gerard's for all their support throughout the year. Thank you, Merry Christmas and GOD BLESS!



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