



# Sacred Heart Church & Saint Gerard

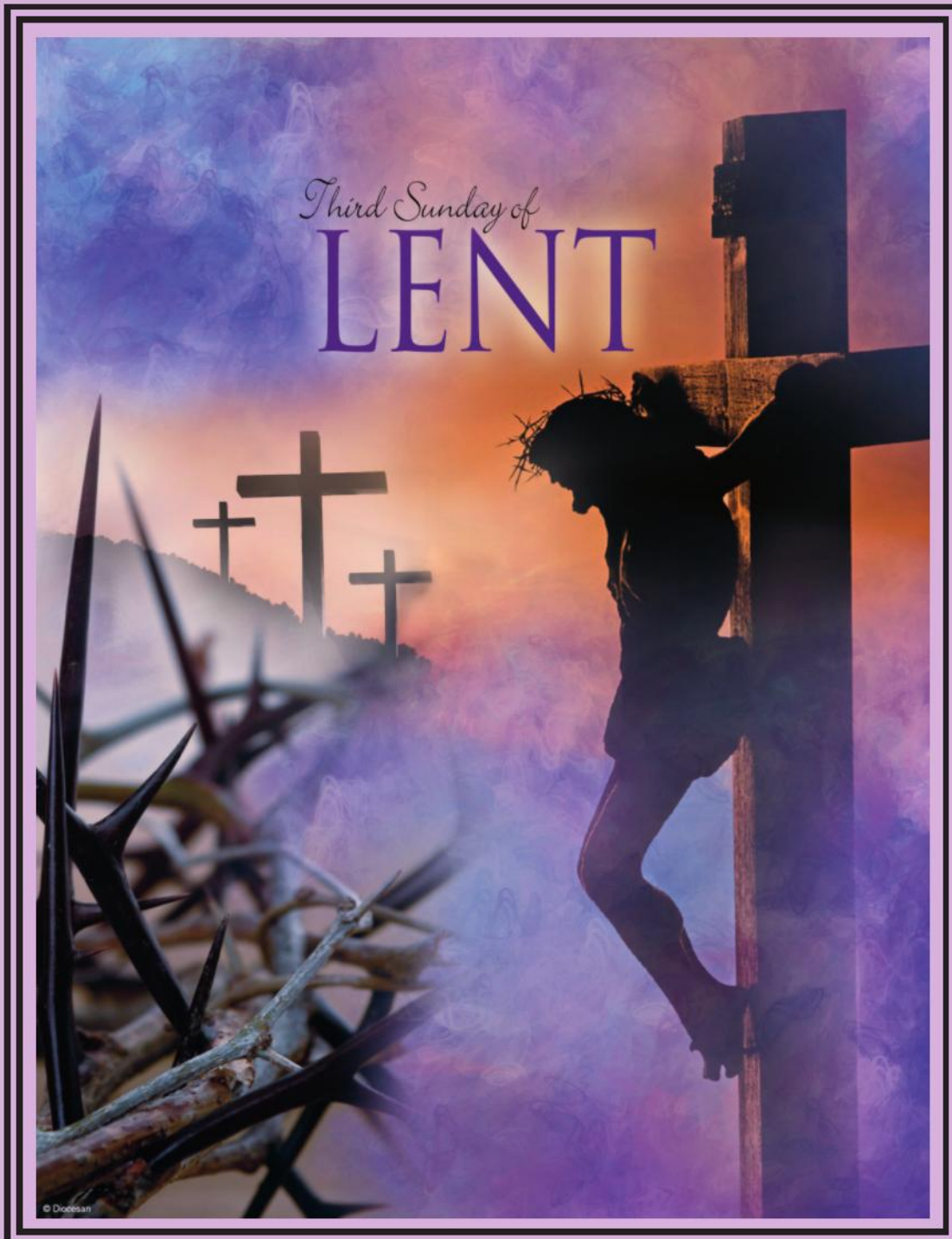
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March 23, 2025

**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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**St. Gerard Mission Church**

3171 S. Ridgewood Ave.,  
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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, March 22**

4:00pm + Frank Benedict by Sue & Jim Patania

**Sunday, March 23**

8:00am + Heather Bilodeau by Mary Ann & Elaine  
10:30am + Jean Maggiore by Maggiore Family

**Monday, March 24**

8:00am + Frank Straub by Friends

**Tuesday, March 25**

8:00am + John Barnickle by Larry & Shirley Conniff

**Wednesday, March 26**

8:00am + Pat McKinney Dodson by Friends & Family

**Thursday, March 27**

8:00am + Luka Lukic by Wife Prena

**Friday, March 28**

8:00am + Elvira Leone by Leone Family

**Saturday, March 29**

4:00pm + Dan Karwoski by Wife Pat

**Sunday, March 30**

8:00am + Becky Routh by Dr. Robert & Jane Routh  
10:30am + Alfredo & Jesuina Castanheira by Daughter Dina

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

**Readings for the Week of March 23, 2025**

**Sunday**

**Third Sunday of Lent**

Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15; Ps 103: 1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8, 11; 1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12; Lk 13:1-9  
*Scrutiny Readings:* Ex 17:3-7; Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9; Rm 5:1-2, 5-8; Jn 4:5-42 or Jn 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42

**Monday**

2 Kings 5:1-15ab; Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4; Lk 4:24-30

**Tuesday**

**Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord**

Is 7:10-14, 8:10; Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11; Heb 10:4-10; Lk 1:26-38

**Wednesday**

Dt 4:1, 5-9; Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20; Mt 5:17-19

**Thursday**

Jer 7:23-28; Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9; Lk 11:14-23

**Friday**

Hos 14:2-10; Ps 81:6c-8a, 8bc-9, 10-11ab, 14 and 17; Mk 12:28-34

**Saturday**

Hos 6:1-6; Ps 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab; Lk 18:9-14

**Sunday**

**Fourth Sunday of Lent**

Jos 5:9a, 10-12; Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7; 2 Cor 5:17-21; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32  
*Scrutiny Readings:* 1 Sam 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a; Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Eph 5:8-14; Jn 9:1-41 or Jn 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38



**MARCH**

**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. Richard Basso**
- Dcn. Al Castellana**
- Dcn. Elias Coll**
- Dcn. James Coughlin**
- Dcn. John Farrell**
- Dcn. Louis Klein**
- Dcn. Maurice Pujol**

## Events Calendar

<p>Saturday, 9am—3pm 11am 4:00pm</p> <p>Sunday, 8:00am 10:30am</p> <p>Monday, 8:00am 6:00pm</p> <p>Tuesday, 8:00am 9:00am 9:00am</p> <p>Wednesday, 8:00am 7:00pm</p> <p>Thursday, 8:00am 9:00am 7:00pm</p> <p>Friday, 8:00am 4pm-7pm 7:00pm</p> <p>Saturday, 9am—3pm 4:00pm</p> <p>Sunday, 8:00am 10:30am</p>	<p>March 22 Adoration <b>BUNCO!</b> / Social Hall Mass</p> <p>March 23 Mass Mass</p> <p>March 24 Mass <b>BINGO</b></p> <p>March 25 Mass Sr. Exercise / Social Hall Legion of Mary / Fr. Burke Hall Mat Ministry / Social Hall</p> <p>March 26 Mass Wed Evening Bible Study/Fr. Burke Hall</p> <p>March 27 Mass Sr. Exercise / Social Hall OCIA / Fr. Burke Hall</p> <p>March 28 Mass KofC FISH FRY / Social Hall STATIONS OF THE CROSS/ Church</p> <p>March 29 Adoration / Chapel Mass</p> <p>March 30 Mass Mass</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Religious Article Store</b> open after all weekend Masses <b>Come check us out</b> Gifts, cards, religious articles, free book library</p>
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# FISH FRY

*Fridays*

EVERY FRIDAY 4PM - 7PM DURING LENT

STARTING EVERY FRIDAY  
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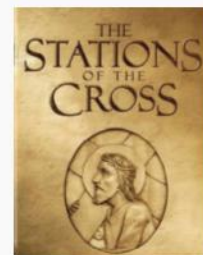
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### FRIDAYS DURING LENT - 7:00PM AT SACRED HEART

*Enter into the Season of Lent by accompanying our Lord as He journeys through His suffering and death by praying the Stations of the Cross every Friday starting March 7th through April 11th.*



### Gluten Free Host



If you require a gluten free host during communion you will need to receive the host from the priest.

### Sacred Heart Weekly Offering March 16, 2025

Offertory Income Last Week.....	\$8,584.23
Online Giving this Week.....	\$1,146.55
<b>Total Offertory Income.....</b>	<b>\$9,730.78</b>
Attendance.....	842

## THIS SUNDAY—BLOOD DONATIONS SAVE LIVES



Sacred Heart Church of New Smyrna

Sunday, March 23rd

8:00AM—1:30PM

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Dear Brothers and Sisters of the Redemptorist Family,

**Peace to you and greetings in Christ, Our Most Holy Redeemer!**

I am writing to share with you some information about a significant process of discernment that we Redemptorists have engaged in regarding our apostolic commitments. The reality of our aging, coupled with a significant decline in vocations to religious life and priesthood, is one of several factors that have brought us to the difficult, yet honest realization that we simply cannot continue to staff and serve all the pastoral commitments that we currently have in our care. Our awareness of our current reality of fewer Redemptorists has called us to engage in a formal process by which we will discern and decide which ministry commitments we are being called to continue to staff and which ones we will have to entrust to others so that the pastoral care and service we have rendered for many years may continue. In the midst of the challenges before us, we embrace this process as a community of faith with abiding trust in the love of God our Creator, the saving love of Christ our Redeemer, and the inspiring love of the Holy Spirit. As God's people, holy and beloved, we trust that God's goodness will lead us into our future with courage and strength.

The General Council of our Redemptorist Congregation has long encouraged the individual Provinces of Redemptorists throughout the world to engage in a process of review, discernment, and decision-making. In response, the January 2025 Second Session of the 18th Provincial Chapter of our Baltimore Province overwhelmingly approved the following directive: "That the 18th Provincial Chapter of the Baltimore Province directs the Extraordinary Provincial Council (EPC) to continue the province pastoral planning process with a view to making decisions by June 2025 about maintaining, changing, and/or drawing to completion current apostolic commitments. These decisions would be implemented no later than June 2026."

The stark clarity of the Chapter's Directive and its timeframe come from an honest review of our current Redemptorist reality. Our Province currently has 104 members, 45 of whom are aged 75 and above this year, 26 of whom are age 70 and above, leaving 33 members of our community between 69 and 29 years of age. Our current level of ministry commitments numbers 17 parishes and 1 Retreat Center, along with internal ministries of Province Administration and caring for our elderly and infirm confreres. For many years and indeed unto this present moment, we have been incredibly blessed by the zeal of many senior confreres who have continued to serve in ministry well into their elder years. Notwithstanding their generosity and dedication to ministry, we believe that the present reality summons us to make changes for the good of both our Redemptorist community and for the good of the People of God. Be assured that we are not discerning and deciding on changes for lack of zeal or for lack of hope in our future. On the contrary, we trust that we are being called to this discernment to galvanize renewed energy, zeal, and hope for our mission and charism.

In responding to the directive of the Provincial Chapter, the Provincial Council is faithful to its obligation and responsibility to follow through and implement such decisions through its ministry of leadership. While previous Provincial Councils have made changes in our commitments, including bringing some of our ministries to closure, the process of making such difficult choices is an arduous and challenging one. With the realization that our current situation is not a sustainable one, and being cognizant of the emotional intensity and challenges of reaching painful, yet necessary decisions, we have engaged a church management professional to help us proceed with our discernment process with as much objectivity and integrity as possible. The facilitation has helped us to remain true to our commitment and responsibility to make these difficult decisions.

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**"WITH HIM IS PLENTIFUL REDEMPTION"**

Over these past months the whole community has been in dialogue and prayerful reflection on establishing criteria for the review of our ministries and for gathering relevant information to help the Provincial Council arrive at decisions regarding changes in light of our missionary and apostolic priorities. No decisions have yet been made, but they will be forthcoming. The Provincial Council intends to make decisions after careful dialogue and prayerful discernment in the coming months and to communicate these decisions by May 5, 2025.

We Redemptorists are clear that prudence, stewardship, and the good of our community and the People of God make these decisions necessary at this time. We also recognize the challenges, difficulties, and stressors that readily accompany such decisions for all who are impacted by them. This is especially the case when these decisions involve saying farewell to cherished ministries and beloved faith communities that have blessed us and that we have served so well and for so long with deep joy and great gladness. For these reasons, I earnestly ask for your prayers for the light and guidance of the Holy Spirit upon all of us – the Redemptorist Provincial Council, the Redemptorist Community, and all the people we serve in our beloved communities of ministry – during this time of transition.

I write this letter to every one of our Redemptorist family in the spirit of transparency and with gratitude to God for the grace and light of the Holy Spirit within and among us. These times summon all of us to call upon our shared faith in God’s abundantly providential love to guide us through whatever changes are to come. May we hold one another in prayer and trust in God’s promise to lead us to fullness of life through Christ, Our Redeemer, as we move forward in faith, with hope, and in love.

Sincerely and prayerfully yours in Christ,

Very Rev. John Collins, C.Ss.R.  
Provincial Superior

**Pastor’s Pun:** Why did the little boy spend five hours staring at the orange carton?  
The Carton said “concentrate.”

“WITH HIM IS PLENTIFUL REDEMPTION”

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## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS

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Leo Decker and Patrick Clark of the Knights of Columbus presented a \$700 check to Katie Connor, Pat Adams and Mary Ann Murray of the Bereavement Ministry from the Knights Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser. Thank you to all who supported the Fundraiser and GOD BLESS the Bereavement Ministry.



Father John, Father Aldrin and Father Charlie along with Priests from other Churches kicking off the Casino Night Fundraiser. The Fundraiser was very successful and benefited Sacred Heart School and Catholic Schools in Eastern Volusia County. Thank you for all who supported this wonderful cause. GOD BLESS Catholic Schools!

On Sunday, March 9th at mass, The Knights of Columbus welcomed six new members to their Council to help serve our parish, school and community. GOD BLESS the Knights of Columbus!  
Don’t forget to stop by the Social Hall every Friday during Lent for FISH FRY FRIDAY!



# Saint Gerard Mission

3171 S Ridgewood Ave, Edgewater, FL 32141

**Mass Schedule—Saturday - 4:30pm  
Sunday - 10:00am**



## MASS INTENTION

**Saturday, March 22**  
4:30pm + Janet Sparks by Carol Payton & Jerry Bedenk

**Sunday, March 23**  
10:00am + Andy Chonko by Terry Meade

**Saturday, March 29**  
4:30pm + Bob Cochran by Chuck & Maggie Van Loo

**Sunday, March 30**  
10:00am + Andy Chonko by Chuck & Maggie Van Loo

*Working on Praying more during Lent???*



*Every Man's Way of the Cross is prayed weekly during lent at St. Gerard on Fridays beginning at 3:00 pm. Come early to attend a Holy Hour with Jesus at 1:45 pm.*



**Knights of Columbus Family of the Month: Julia Guyt and family.** Julia serves at the St. Gerard community as a Lector, Altar Server and leader of Rosary. She also participated in the 2024 OCIA as a sponsor for her grandson, Christopher.



## St. Gerard Events Calendar

March 24, 2025—March 30, 2025

### MONDAY—FRIDAY

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

**Tuesday, March 25**  
10:30am Intercessory Prayer Group

**Wednesday, March 26**  
1:00pm Small Church Community Group

**Thursday, March 27**  
3:00pm CHOIR PRACTICE

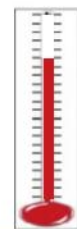
**Friday, March 28**  
10:00am Small Church Community Meets  
1:45pm Holy Hour with Jesus  
3:00pm Way of the Cross Lenten Devotion

**Saturday, March 29**  
4:00pm Confession & Rosary  
4:30pm Vigil Mass—4th Sunday of Lent

**Sunday, March 30**  
9:30am Confession & Rosary  
10:00am 4th Sunday of Lent

Our parish goal for  
2024 Our Catholic Appeal

St. Gerard Balance  
is \$20,710.00



\$27,596.00

\$6,886.00

## St. Gerard Weekly Offering

March 16, 2025

Offertory Income Last .....\$3,445.00  
Online Giving this Week.....\$625.00  
**Total Offertory Income.....\$4,070.00**  
Attendance.....327

## St. Gerard Liturgical Ministries

Contact the following for details on how you can begin serving God at St. Gerard's today

Altar Servers	Jesse Diaz	386-690-6805
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Music Ministry	Ellen Graf	386-689-7828
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## Upcoming Events

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**TO ALL DINERS AT FRIDAY FISH FRY**

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### SACRED HEART ANNUAL PARISH PICNIC

PALM SUNDAY, APRIL 13<sup>th</sup>

11:30am—3:00pm

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*the dedication of*

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