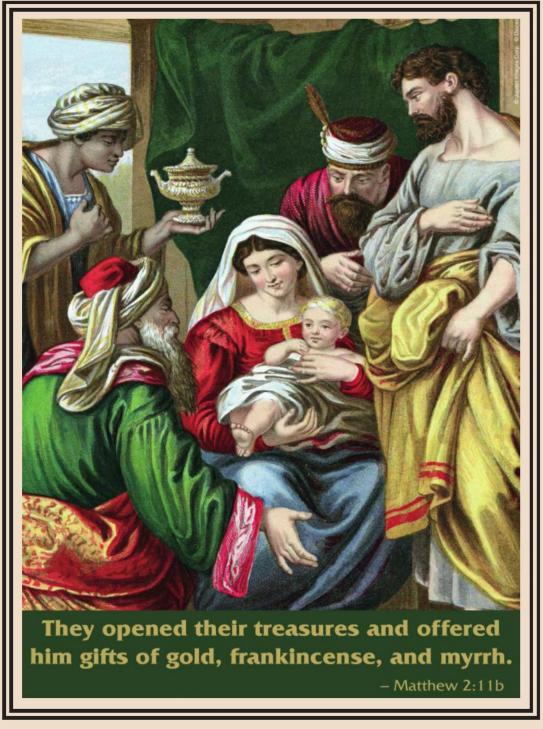


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The Epiphany of the Lord—January 5, 2025

#### 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	Mass Intentions	
Reconciliation- Sat3:00—3:45pm	<u>Saturday, January 4</u>	
Saturday Vigil	4:00pm Catholic Women's Association + James Joseph Amico Sunday, January 5	by Diana Swilling
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.	8:00am + Most abandoned Souls in Purgatory 10:30am + Alfredo & Jesuina Castanheira  Monday, January 6 8:00am All Parishioners  Tuesday, January 7	by Dave & Jan Nixon by Dina Giordano
Sacred Heart Catholic School 1003 Turnbull Street New Smyrna Beach, Fl. 32168	8:00am Living & Deceased Members of the Legion  Wednesday, January 8	n of Mary
Pre-Kindergarten - 8th Grade Principal: Mrs. Elizabeth Labreche Phone: (386) 428-4732 Fax: (386) 428-4087 Website: www.shseagles.org	8:00am All Parishioners  Thursday, January 9 8:00am All Parishioners	
St. Gerard Mission Church 3171 S. Ridgewood Ave., Edgewater, FL 32141 All administration is at Sacred Heart	Friday, January 10 8:00am + Emma Curbelo Saturday, January 11	by Tere & Bill Lemon
Parish Office  St. Gerard Mission Masses Reconciliation-Sat3:45pm—4:15pm	4:00pm Ott & Rita Homan  Sunday, January 12	by Hoffman Family
Saturday: 4:30pm Reconciliation-Sun9:15—9:45am Sunday: 10:00am	8:ooam + Dennis McLaughlin 10:30am + Harry Gillis <i>Cross indicates the person is deceased. No cross</i>	by Hoffman Family by Wife Jane athe person is alive.

#### Readings for the Week of January 5, 2025

**Sunday:** 

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 Monday 1 Jn 3:22-4:6; Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a; Mt 4:12-17, 23-25 Tuesday 1 Jn 4:7-10; Ps 72:1-2, 3-4, 7-8; Mk 6:34-44 Wednesday 1 Jn 4:11-18; Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13; Mk 6:45-52 Thursday 1 Jn 4:19-5:4; Ps 72:1-2; 14 and 15bc, 17; Lk 4:14-22 Friday 1 Jn 5:5-13; Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20; Lk 5:12-16 Saturday 1 Jn 5:14-21; Ps 149:1-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b; Jn 3:22-30 Sunday Baptism of the Lord Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Is 40:1-5, 9-11; Ps 29-1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 or Ps 104:1b-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-28, 29-30; Acts 10:34-38 or Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7; Lk 3:15-16, 21-22



## 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.

Suzanne Knight Josephine Weaver

#### **Events Calendar**

Saturday, 9am—3pm Adoration
4:00pm Mass
Sunday, January 5
8:00am Mass
10:30am Mass
Monday, January 6

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6:oopm **EUNGO** Tuesday, January 7 8:ooam Mass

8:ooam

9:00am Sr. Exercise / Social Hall 9:00am Legion of Mary / Fr. Burke Hall

Mass

9:00am Mat Ministry / Social Hall

Wednesday, January 8 8:00am Mass

7:00pm Wed Evening Bible Study

Thursday, January 9 8:00am Mass

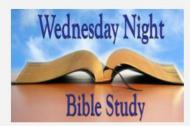
9:00am Sr. Exercise / Social Hall 7:00pm OCIA / Fr. Burke Hall

Friday, January 10 8:00am Mass Saturday, January 11

9am—3pm Adoration / Chapel

4:00pm Mass
Sunday, January 12
8:00am Mass
10:30am Mass

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



#### **SACRED HEART —Weekly Offering**

**Due to the Holidays Weekly totals for** 

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THANK YOU FOR YOUR PATIENCE!



Our parish goal for 2024 Our Catholic Appeal Sacred Heart Balance is \$1,065.22

Paid to Date - \$97,337.78



#### **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

# EVERYTUESDAY @ 9.00 AM - IN THE FR. BURKE HALL

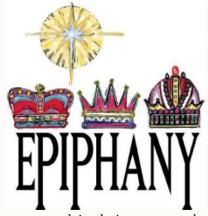
All men and women who want to deepen their Catholic Faith and find meaningful ways to express this in our community are invited to attend.

# Diocesan Special Collection January 5, 2025—Seminarians

This special collection for seminarians is used to support the formation of seminarians 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 seminarians receive adequate tuition assistance.

### Pastor's Corner



#### **Dear Parishioners**

Today we hear again the story of the wise men who, guided by the light of a star, journeyed to Bethlehem to honor the Christ-child. Theirs was a bold, courageous, and imaginative journey. Yet to many it must have appeared foolish, even a little crazy. It couldn't have been an easy journey. No doubt they encountered many difficulties, and few moments of doubt and danger in the course of their journey. Every time the star disappeared (under clouds or under the light of day) they wouldhave lost their bearings temporarily. There must have been moments when they asked themselves if they were not wasting their time. And the thought must have occurred to them: What will people think of us? Yet, in spite of doubts, difficulties, and dangers they

persevered in their quest, and were rewarded when they finally found Christ.

Though the Magi were guided by a heavenly light, a star, they did not know where the star would lead them. Hence, their journey was very much a journey of faith. And even when they saw the Child, they still had to make an act of faith. Seeing is not necessarily believing.

The story of the Magi has great meaning for us too, because we too like them, are on a journey -the journey of life. We too are like them, are following a vision. Just as the Magi were guided by the light of a star, we are guided by the light of faith. Their journey can serve as a model for our journey of faith.

However, we have one great advantage over them. We already know Jesus, and have encountered him in faith. Jesus, the light of the world, is the 'star' we are following. Nevertheless, the fact that we haven't seen him face to face means we haven't yet arrived at our final destination. The fact that we have faith doesn't mean we know all the answers. We are still searching, still travelling onwards.

We must not be surprised if we have doubts, and if we encounter difficulties. Faith doesn't guarantee an easy journey, only a meaningful one. The Magi's journey was one of searching and questioning, of pain and joy, of fear and hope. The faith journey contains elements of all of these. The Magi did not journey as individuals. They had each other. We too have each other; we have our faith community, our parish community, to support us in our faith journey.

May the lamp of faith never fail us. May its light see us through the darkness of this world, until we reach the heavenly Bethlehem where we shall see Christ in glory. Happy Epiphany!

As We come to an end of the Christmas season next week with the celebration of the Baptism of the Lord. I would like to thank all who so freely and generously gave their gifts to Sacred Heart and St. Gerard. From those who contributed to our flower collection in memory of a loved one; to our talented musicians and choirs who brought a solemn celebration to our liturgies; those who ministered at our masses; those who decorated our church both inside and outside; and all those who silently worked behind the scenes. Like the kings, thank you for sharing your gifts with your parish. A special thank you also to all in the parish who graced the rectory with your beautiful cards, kind words, delicious cookies and chocolates, and generous gifts. On behalf of the Redemptorist Community, thank you all so much!

God Bless Us All Fr. Tizio

Email: frtizio@gmail.com

Pastors Pun: What would have happened if there had been three wise WOMEN instead of three wise MEN?

They would have asked for directions, arrived on time, helped deliver the baby, cleaned the table, made a casserole, and brought practical gifts.

#### SACRED HEART SCHOOL NEWS





#### Mrs. Glynn's 2nd grade class

collaborated with Theology 6 students in building a manger. It is so heartwarming to watch our older kids support our younger students. "Teamwork makes the dream work."





Sacred Heart Middle School volleyball game was filled with energy and enthusiasm. The gym was buzzing with the support of both our students and families. Our players demonstrated great teamwork and

sportsmanship! Go Eagles! Thank you, Coaches!!!









#### **MINISTRY IN ACTION!**



*Phil's Box - The box that keeps giving!* Grand Knight Leo Decker and DGK Pat Clark presented a two thousand dollar (\$2K) check to

our principal Mrs. Labreche

at the Children's Mass. Thank you Knights of Columbus, all parishioners for always supporting our Catholic school. God bless you for the work you do!







Delivering parishioners donations to the **Pregnancy Crisis Center** in Daytona Beach. Joanne Roberts, Center's President & Rich Ross, Life Director, Kof C Council 4934.



998 Father Donlon Dr. NSB For more info - 386-428-6426

### Saint Gerard Mission

3171 S Ridgewood Ave, Edgewater, FL 32141

### Mass Schedule— Sunday - 10:00am



#### **MASS INTENTION**

Saturday, January 4 4:30pm

by SVdP Nick Bratton

Sunday, January 5

10:00am + The Gawdun Family by John & Jacqy

Gawdun

Saturday, January 11

Taylor & Emmett by SVdP 4:30pm

Boone

Sunday, January 12

10:00am + Joe Meade by Sacred Heart & St. Gerard Music Ministry

#### St. Gerard Events Calendar January 6, 2025—January 12, 2025

**MONDAY—FRIDAY** 

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

**January** 7 Tuesday,

**Intercessory Prayer Group** 10:30am

Wednesday, January 8

Small Church Community Group 10:00am

January 9 Thursday,

CHOIR PRACTICE RESUMES 3:00pm

Friday January 10

10:00am Small Church Community Meets **HOLY HOUR WITH JESUS** 2:00pm

Saturday, January 11

4:00pm Confession & Rosary

Vigil Mass for the Baptism of the Lord 4:30pm

Sunday, January 12

Confession & Rosary 9:30am Baptism of the Lord 10:00am

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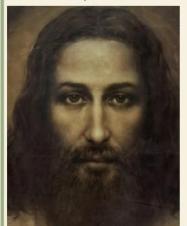
Sunday after Mass

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!

Holy Hour with Jesus 2:00 pm January 10th and 24th at St. Gerard

During Advent, St. Gerard offeres a Holy Hour each Friday where parishioners





gather to adore Jesus in the Tabernacle. The hour is laced with short readings from Saints, reflective music and periods of silent meditation.

Come and adore!



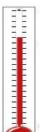
**OUR CATHOLIC APPEAL** 

The Catholic Foundation of Central Florida

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

St. Gerard Balance is \$1,356.29

Paid to Date - \$20,755.71



\$22,112.00

\$20,755.71

#### ST. VINCENT de PAUL NEWS

Thanks to the generosity of parishioners and other donors, St. Vincent de Paul collected more than 1,500 pairs of new socks in its month-long Heavenly Holiday Sock Drive. The key elves were Donna Ross and Barbara Evans, Rita Murphy and Dottie Alombro. By Dec 12th, all the socks were packaged up and delivered to God's Bath House, Frog Ministry, Edgewater Alliance Church foster care program, First United Methodist Church, Babe James Community Center and veterans and others served by





St. Vincent de Paul. The organizations were thrilled with the gift bags filled with socks and got to work right away distributing them to those in need.











St. Vincent de Paul's Food Pantry has established a PayPal account to receive monetary contributions. If you can help in this manner please click on the QR Code below to make a cash donation. Please help support St. Vincent de Paul.



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