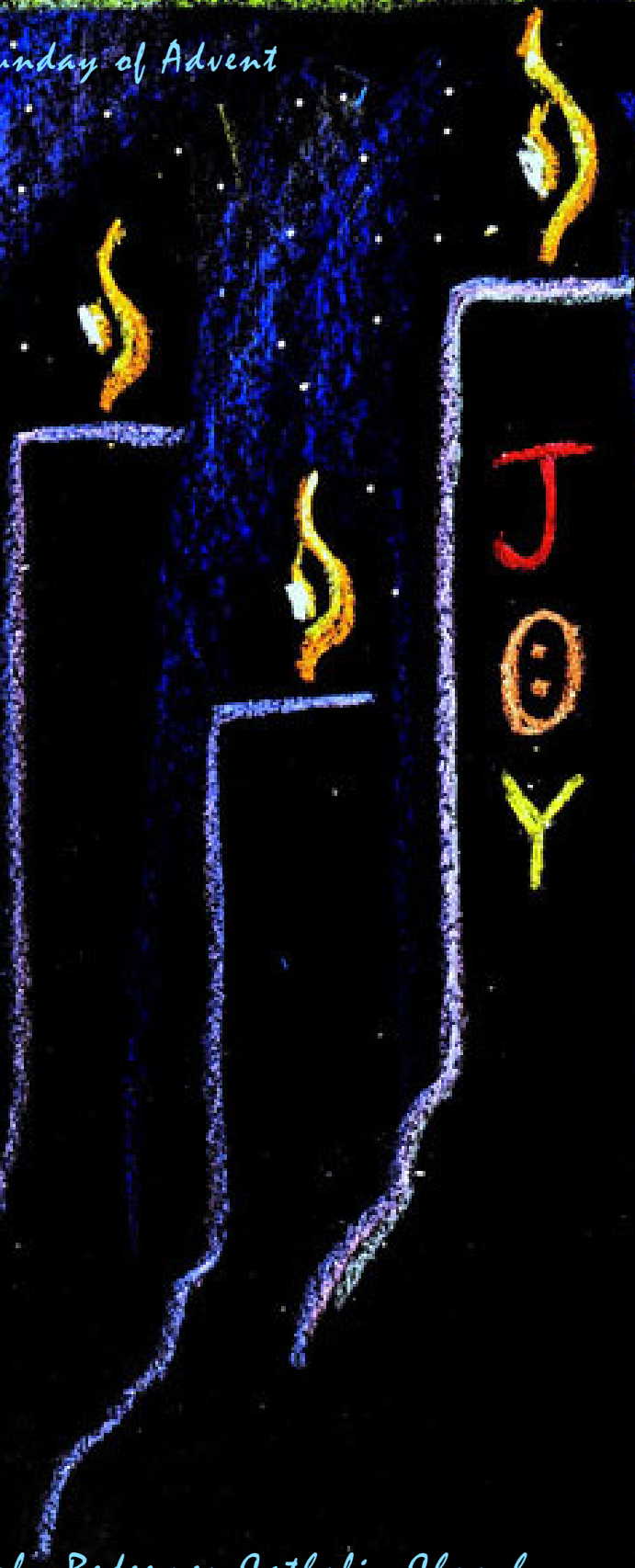
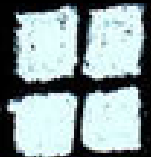


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Worship Hours

Monday - Saturday 8:00AM Mass

Saturday Vigil Mass 5:00PM

Reconciliation 3:45PM - 4:30PM

Sunday Mass 8:00AM, 10:00AM and 6:30PM

Holy Days 8:00AM and 7:00PM

This Week at Our Parish

Monday, December 17

7pm Simbang Gabi Mass - Church

Wednesday, December 19

1pm - 7pm Wednesday Night Suppers

7pm Advent Reconciliation Service

Thursday, December 20

7pm Choir Rehearsal - Church

Saturday, December 22

11am - 1pm Gardening

Sunday, December 23

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Coffee Hour after the 8am & 10am Masses

MHR Library open after 8am & 10am Masses

Monday, December 24

Christmas Eve

9:30pm Carols

10pm Mass

Daily Readings: December 17 - 23

- ◇ Monday: Gn. 49:2, 8-10, Mt. 1:1-17
- ◇ Tuesday: Jer. 23:5-8, Mt. 1:18-25
- ◇ Wednesday: Jgs. 13:2-7, 24-25a, Lk. 1:5-25
- ◇ Thursday: Is. 7:10-44, Lk. 1:26-38
- ◇ Friday: Sg. 2:8-14 or Zep.3:14-18a, Lk. 39-45
- ◇ Saturday: 1Sm. 1:24-28, Lk. 1:46-56
- ◇ Sunday: Mi. 5:1-4a, Heb. 10:5-10, Lk. 1:39-45

Advent Gospels

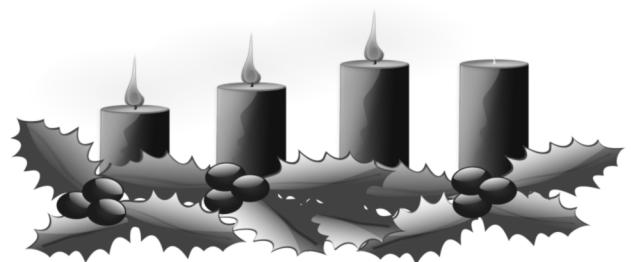
On the four Sundays of Advent, the Catholic lectionary presents a series of Gospel readings that prepare for the celebration of the birth of Christ. The Sunday Advent readings all rotate on a three-year cycle, but they always follow the same pattern.

The Gospel for the First Sunday of Advent always tells of the reign of Christ at the end of time. It echoes the theme of the previous Sunday, the solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ the King. Advent starts with the message that we await the second coming of Christ. This entire season is not just a reminder of a past birth but an anticipation of future glory.

The Second and Third Sundays of Advent always have Gospel readings about John the Baptist. John is an adult in these passages, proclaiming the nearness of the kingdom of God and serving as the prophet who bridges the Old and New Testaments. John foreshadows Jesus in his birth, his preaching, and his death. John's message on these two middle Sundays of this season inspires us to follow Christ.

The Fourth Sunday of Advent always tells part of the story that just precedes the birth of Christ. These familiar episodes set the stage for one of the Bible's best-known passages, the story of Christmas.

The Gospel readings of the four Sundays of Advent come to us in reverse chronology. We start with the end of time. We continue to the period when Jesus was an adult. We end in the days before his birth. Like a funnel, Advent opens with a giant theme, the grandness of Christ the King, and it ends with a specific one, the child lying in a Bethlehem manger.—Paul Turner



MHR AIDS Support Group

Emmanuel Tree Project: Thanks to those who have taken a gift request. Please remember to return the gift to the church or rectory by Thursday, December 20th.



Visitors Needed: Volunteers normally spend 2 hours/week visiting the client in his/her home or going for walks. **There are currently 3 men in need of a visiting volunteer:**

A Client in the Mission – a friendly man with a small dog is looking for a Spanish-Speaking volunteer for company.

A Client in the Mission – a parishioner needs ongoing help in keeping his collection of costumes organized. He is also looking for computer help with Word and changing his website.

A Client in SOMA - a friendly, chatty man interested in many different subjects. He would like someone to talk to. For more information on these clients and their needs, please call the Support Group at **415-863-6259** or email **pete-asg@mhr.org**

Mass Intentions

Mass Intentions are celebrated for those to remember a loved one, honor someone on an important date or celebrate a special occasion. To schedule a Mass Intention or sponsor the altar flowers please call the parish office or email secretary@mhr.org.

MHR Christmas Card Project

We encourage you to take part in our Christmas Card Drive to help the many victims of the horrible fires that have devastated huge swaths of our beautiful state:

- At all of our Masses this weekend, we will have blank Christmas Cards available for parishioners to take, in the Narthex by the Emmanuel Tree
- Take a card home, write a personal handwritten message inside, and include a purchased Safeway gift card, a gas card, or a VISA/MasterCard gift card for \$50
- Return your card to the rectory, or place it in the collection basket at Mass, or drop it in the mail (they will be pre-addressed and stamped), wishing the recipient of your kindness a wonderful Christmas
- If you prefer: You may drop off a check to the parish for the card drive, clearly marked, and we will purchase the gift card and write a Christmas card for you

All of this goodness will be distributed to those who will gratefully receive from the kind hearts of our people.

PLEASE NOTE: If you decide to take part in the Christmas Card project, we would ask that you write the value on the card. The **personal touch** will be your Christmas card message or your Christmas letter, wishing them God's blessings as we celebrate the birth of Christ. Thank you!

Community Life

- **Tuesday, December 18th - Young Adults Meeting** - 7:30pm in the Church. Email yag@mhr.org for information.
- **Wednesday, December 19th - Advent Reconciliation Service** - 7pm in the Church.

Visit us! On the web: www.mhr.org
Facebook: **Most Holy Redeemer Church**
Instagram: **mhr Catholics**

Simbang Gabi - Advent Novena Schedule

Dec 16: Most Holy Redeemer, 6:30 pm

Dec 17: Most Holy Redeemer, 7:00pm

Dec 18: St Ignatius, 7:30 pm

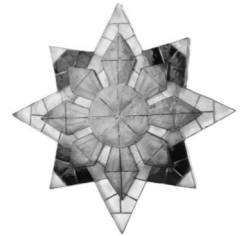
Dec 19: Star of the Sea, 6:30 pm

Dec 20: Star of the Sea, 6:30 pm

Dec 21: St Ignatius, 5:30pm

Dec 22: St Monica, 6:30 pm

Dec 23: Cathedral, 7:30am* (please note this is an early morning mass)



Our Parish Community Birthdays

Tom Fumarelli, Jim O'Dea, Rosa Perez, Jake Deignan-Levy, Lou Troga, Dean Atkinson, Greg Montana, Daniel Yturraspe, Doug Clevenger, Kevin Thomas and Tony Quarto.

"We are shaped by our thoughts;

we become what we think.

When the mind is pure, joy follows

like a shadow that never leaves."

- The Buddha



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Most Holy Redeemer Christmas Schedule

Christmas Eve - December 24

Carols 9:30pm

Mass 10pm

Christmas Day - December 25

Mass 8am & 10am

Mass Intentions

Our Mass celebrants will remember the following intentions during the celebration of the Eucharist:

Saturday, December 15

8am John Raymond Asuncion (L)

5pm Jim Macko †

Sunday, December 16

8am Jim Stockholm (L)

10am MHR Parishioners

6:30pm Audrey Simmons (L)

Monday, December 17

8am

Tuesday, December 18

8am

Wednesday, December 19

8am John Alfred Klufts†

Thursday, December 20

8am Dorothy Weiss †

Friday, December 21

8am Richard Fuselier †

Saturday, December 22

8am John Raymond Asuncion (L)

5pm Christine Prendiville †

Contact the Parish Office at 415-863-6259 to have Mass celebrated for a special intention or sponsor the weekend altar flowers.

Prayer Requests

Frances Alvarez, AJ Anderson, Bill Anderson, Jesusa Ayala, Christine Betz, Bonnie Bloom, Chuck Bold, Jill Chenron, Joshua Daigle, Antonia Divinagracia, Donna Granata, Marilyn Faulk, Steve Faegley, Margaret "Peg" Gleeson, Donna Granata, Michael Hall, Joseph Hargadon, Sr. Nadine Hargadon, Patricia Hargadon, Olivier Hubert, Christian Irizarry, Brain Lee Kissel, Michael Leonard, Malayat Likitpongsathon, Warren Lubich, Bernie Maddox, Sebastian MacLean, Fr. Andrew Metcalfe, Michal Offutt, Charlene Ohl, Hugh & Colleen Pettis, Linda Poelzl, Sunder Sachdev, Eric Schleicher, Liz Schultz, John Schwobeda, Ted Shabecoff, Julian Shedletsy, Samantha Tong, Christine Lane Tracy, Nan Tribuzio, Fr. Kirk Ullery, Gail Whitaker, John Williams, Ryan Zuniga and †Dorothy Marie Smith†.

MHR Parish Registration

- New parishioner?
- Birthday, Anniversary, sacraments, milestones?
- Notices and announcements?
- Have you moved?
- *Did we miss your birthday? We are sorry if we did. Let us know when your birthday was, by updating your information with the Parish Office at www.mhr.org and click on the contact us tab.*

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