

Parish

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time July 17, 2022

Current Worship Hours

Monday - Friday Daily Mass: 8:00am

Saturday Vigil Mass: 5:00pm

Sunday Masses: 8:00am, 10:00am & 6:30pm

Holy Days: 8:00am and 7:00pm

Thanksgiving Day: 10:00am

Reconciliation

Saturday: 3:45pm to 4:30pm

Baptism & Marriages

Please contact the Parish Office.
For marriages please call the parish
office six months in advance.

Our Mission at Most Holy Redeemer Catholic Church

Most Holy Redeemer Parish is a Roman Catholic Christian Community. The parish
draws people from isolation to community, from searching to awakening,
from indifference to concern, from selfishness to meaningful service,
from fear in the midst of adversity to faith and hope in God.

The community of Most Holy Redeemer shares God's compassionate love with all people. The parish offers a spiritual home for senior citizens and youth; single people and families; those who are straight, gay, lesbian, and transgender; the healthy and the sick, particularly persons with HIV.

As a parish community, we celebrate God's loving presence in our lives. In worship and sacrament, especially the Eucharist, we are nurtured and challenged to extend God's kingdom of justice, truth, love and peace by growing in the spirit of Jesus, the Most Holy Redeemer.



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Collection - Week of July 10

5pm -	\$122.00
8am -	\$927.00
10am -	\$765.00
6:30pm -	\$207.00
Misc	\$854.79
Online giving -	\$1,590.07
Total -	\$4,465.86
Budgeted -	\$4500.00

Thank you for your generous support!

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Daily Mass: M - F 8am

Saturday Vigil Mass: 5pm

Sunday Masses: 8am, 10am & 6:30pm

Holy Days: 8am & 7pm

Reconciliation: Saturdays 3:45pm - 4:30pm

THIS WEEK AT OUR PARISH

Daily Mass

Monday - Friday 8:00am

Monday, July 18

Centering Prayer 7pm (Church & Zoom)

Wednesday, July 20

Wednesday Night Supper: 5pm - 7pm

Saturday, July 23

Vigil Mass 5pm

Sunday, July 24

Masses: 8am, 10am & 6:30pm

Coffee hour after the 8am & 10am Masses

FACE COVERINGS ARE HIGHLY RECOMMENDED.

Livestream the 10am Sunday Mass on our MHR Facebook page:

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JULY 18 - 24

Monday: Mi. 6:1-4, 6-8, Mt. 12:38-42

Tuesday: Mi. 7:14-15, 18-20, Mt. 12:46-50

Wednesday: Jer. 1:1, 4-10, Mt. 13:1-9

Thursday: Jer. 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13, Mt. 13:10-17

Friday: Sgs. 3:1-4b or 2Cor. 5:14-17,

Jn. 20:1-2, 11-18

Saturday: Jer. 7:1-11, Mt. 13:24-30

Sunday: Gn. 18:20-32, Col. 2:12-14, Lk. 11:1-13

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Why do we have such bitter disagreements about the Eucharist, over who should celebrate and who can receive? Are we betraying Christ? Perhaps. If it's any comfort, this is nothing new. St. Paul himself warned the Corinthians that their eucharistic celebrations did them more harm than good and that discrimination at the Communion table gave them membership in the company of those who crucified Christ (1 Corinthians 11:17-33).

The Martha and Mary story we hear today has been variously interpreted as a sign of women's discipleship, an affirmation of the value of the contemplative over the active life, as a critique of excessive busyness in the ministry, and — just about anything else you want to suggest.

Those who designed our lectionary placed this story in dialogue with that of Abraham, Sarah and their visitors. In that story, the Lord appeared to Abraham in the guise of three men. Abraham, the welcoming host, could hardly have gone further overboard in ordering their meal. The three measures of flour Sarah kneaded added up to about 60 pounds — before adding water. The steer, of course, was heavier — around 1,200 or 1,300 pounds. With those quantities, we might imagine that Abraham dug a swimming pool where they could bathe their feet!

Obviously, this story highlights Abraham's hospitality. Our lectionary relegates the rest of the story, Sarah's astounded and delighted laughter at the visitor's outlandish promise that she would bear a son, to be heard every other year on a Saturday. With the legend of Abraham as a background and the good Samaritan as its immediate Gospel predecessor, we hear of Jesus' visit to Martha and Mary. These sisters appear here and in John 12 as Jesus' friends and disciples.

As Luke tells the story, Martha appears to be the head of the household, the one who welcomed Jesus into their home. Then, as she goes about working, Mary sits in the position of a disciple at Jesus' feet. Both Martha and Mary were stepping outside a woman's traditional role. In a home where there is no mention of a man — Luke mentions neither brother nor husband — Martha acts as the hostess, an alternative version of the hospitable Abraham. Then, while Martha works like Sarah, Mary takes the Abrahamic role of accompanying and listening to Jesus. Martha asked Jesus to intervene because the work (daikoneo) was left to her while Mary took in Jesus' word (logos).

This story is unique to the Gospel of Luke. Its closest parallel in the New Testament comes from Acts 6, where we hear that as the number of disciples grew, the community chose seven "deacons," to do table service, freeing the apostolic leaders to preach the word.

Understanding the connection that Luke makes between the two incidents, we realize that he may be describing Martha's service as akin to that of a deacon. The community needed some to serve as hosts at the table doing diakoneo, leaving others free to be itinerant preachers of the word (logos).

As we listen to this story, we should realize that although our translation says that Mary chose the "better," Luke quoted Jesus as saying, "Mary has chosen the good part." After the story of the good Samaritan, it would seem unthinkable to suggest that preaching or studying the word takes absolute priority over direct service.

We should notice that in this story, both Martha and Mary step out of women's traditional roles. Martha's service is described as literally diaconal; she was serving like Jesus served. (See Luke 22:26-27.) Mary was sitting at the feet of her rabbi, a physical position and communal role traditionally restricted to men. Perhaps the deepest conflict reflected here is not the difference between the sisters but the consternation of a community trying to adjust as Christian women assumed previously restricted roles of religious leadership.

In reality, almost any time that Jesus was a guest or shared a meal, conflict came to the table. He consistently stretched accepted limits. Jesus scandalized many of his contemporaries because he ignored rules that restricted anyone's full participation in God's reign. According to Jesus, that reign resembles a banquet as lavish as the spread Abraham offered his guests and remains open to anyone who desires it, no matter their social or religious status.

Today, if we want to enjoy the company of Christ, we need to find the balance between action and contemplation. This will allow us to join in Jesus' rejection of roles, rules and regulations that demean others. Whenever Jesus came to a house, he became the host. Then he made a place at his table for everyone. The only requirement for communion with Christ is acceptance of the others he invites. We choose the good part when we enjoy his open and lavish banquet.

—Sr. Mary M. McGlone, National Catholic Reporter



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

Saturday, July 16

5pm

Sunday, July 17

8am Isabel Santos †

10am Bill Mathews †

6:30pm MHR Parishioners

Monday, July 18

8am

Tuesday, July 19

8am

Wednesday, July 20

8am Alvaro Joshua Deza (L)

Thursday, July 21

8am

Friday July 22

8am

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 weekend altar flowers, please call the parish office at 415-863-6259 or email secretary@mhr.org.



Jerry Anderson, Bob Barcewski, Joyce Bednarek, Joseph Bielanski, Sr. Juliana Casey, Becky Caylor, Francis Duffy, Tom Farmer, Editha Garcia, Eileen Gayton, Barbara Golding, Wallace Greene, Deborah Hardy, Serge Hubert, Florence Kaloquin, Kenny Kehoe, Joanna Kennedy, Jim & Lisa Kunzer, David Kossman, Fr. Tony LaTorre, Jill Laufenberg, Michael Leonard, Rita Ludeman, Warren Lubich, Bernie Maddox, Nancy McCann, Anna McKenzie, Fr. Andrew Metcalf, Doris Nassal, Carmen Macias, Maureen O'Sullivan, Bruce Pray, Laura Records, Rose Rodenberger, Bobby Schulte, Bob Schultz, Gregory Dake Schultz, Annie & Nok Sojka, Mary Stevens, Michael Nicholas Taylor, Jim Teddar, Randy Tichenal, Ruth Varela, Joseph & Mary Vouglas, Maureen Vouglas, David Washington, Louis Washington, Anna Weekly, Larry Wysocki, Fr. William Young, Ryan Zuniga, †Shinzo Abe†, †Ethan Marvel† and †John McDermott†.



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Save the Date: Most Holy Redeemer Parish Retreat - Saturday, August 13, 9am - 5pm. Details to come.

Centering Prayer is meeting both in the church and via Zoom on Monday evenings @ 7:00pm. Email centering@mhr.org for Zoom login details.

Bible Study on upcoming Sunday readings meets via Zoom on Tuesday evenings at 7pm. Email biblestudy@mhr.org for login and for more information.

Young Adults Meeting: New Time! 1st & 3rd Wednesdays at 7:00pm. Email yag@mhr.org for info.

An Auto External Defibrillator is located in hallway next to the Ellard Hall women's restroom.



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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Friendship Line, the warmline devoted to those 60+ years of age, is looking for volunteers. If you're interested, contact **Jaime Iñiguez** at 415-748-9409 or jiniguez@ioaging.org.

OUR PARISH COMMUNITY BIRTHDAYS

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A NIGHT OF FUN AND FULL OF EXCITEMENT

WEDNESDAY JULY 20TH @ 7PM



2022 Parish Retreat



Saturday, August 13, 2022 9:30 AM—6:00 PM Ellard Hall (ends after 5:00 PM Vigil Mass)

Registration after masses the weekend of July 17 & 24 or E-mail: retreats@mhr.org

Cost: \$35.00/person (includes box lunch & refreshments)

Don't wait as space is limited.

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A Future Full of Hope

For I know well the plans
I have in mind for you, says the Lord,
plans for your welfare, not for woe,
plans to give you a future full of hope.

Jeremiah 29, 11

Presenter: Fr. Joe Nassal, C.PP.S.

Our retreat this year will offer us an opportunity to gather as a parish family to recharge, renew and refresh ourselves in our faith as we look forward to "a future full of hope". After two and a half years of living through the pandemic and a world divided on so many levels, we seek a fresh start, a new beginning. We are guided by our belief that God has plans for us that will spark hope in our hearts. Where do we look for his hope today? How do we nurture hope in ourselves and in one another? How do we experience it at Most Holy Redeemer?



Joe Nassal, C.PP.S. is the author of eight books including *The Conspiracy of Compassion, Rest Stops for the Soul, Premeditated Mercy, Moments of Truth,* and *Stations of the Crib*. A missionary of the Precious Blood, he has been engaged in retreat, renewal and reconciliation ministry since 1988. He was involved in establishing the Precious Blood Ministry of Reconciliation on the south side of Chicago. Ordained in 1982, Fr. Joe has served in parish, justice and peace ministry and in formation, vocation and leadership for his religious community. He presently serves on the leadership team for the United States Province as assistant provincial director and lives in Berkeley, CA.



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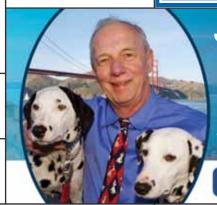
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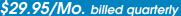
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