

# MOST HOLY REDEEMER *Parish*



Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
July 3, 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.

*God's Inclusive Love Proclaimed Here!*



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**THIS WEEK AT OUR PARISH**

Daily Mass

**Monday - Friday 8:00am**

Monday, July 4 Independence Day

**Parish office closed**

**Centering Prayer 7pm (Church & Zoom)**

Wednesday, July 6

**Wednesday Night Supper: 5pm - 7pm**

**Young Adults Meeting - 7pm**

Saturday, July 9

**Vigil Mass 5pm**

Sunday, July 10

**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:**



**Collection - Week of June 26**

5pm -	\$308.00
8am -	\$510.00
10am -	\$668.00
6:30pm -	\$27.00
Misc. -	\$339.79
<u>Online giving -</u>	<u>\$1,032.70</u>
<b>Total -</b>	<b>\$2,885.49</b>
Budgeted -	\$4500.00
Peter's Pence -	\$750.60
<b>Thank you for your generous support!</b>	

**This weekend is a second collection for the MHR AIDS Support Group.**



**JULY 4 - 10**

**Monday: Hos. 2:16, 17c-18, 21-22, Mt. 9:18-26**

**Tuesday: Hos. 8:4-7, 11-13, Mt. 9:32-38**

**Wednesday: Hos. 10:1-3, 11-13, Mt. 1:1-7**

**Thursday: Hos. 11:1-4, 8e-9, Mt. 10:7-15**

**Friday: Hos. 14:2-10, Mt. 10:16-23**

**Saturday: Is. 6:1-8, Mt. 10:24-33**

**Sunday: Dt. 30:10-14, Col. 1:15-20, Lk. 10:25-37**

## Fourteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time

How good to be the chosen ones! As the United States celebrates Independence Day, we revel in our founding myths. Colonial preachers described their American venture in biblical terms, calling our early settlements a City on a Hill; they painted the nation-in-the-making as the new Israel, chosen by God, a New World alternative to the wearing-out European monarchies. Abraham Lincoln told the nation that we were "conceived in liberty and dedicated to the proposition that all men are created equal." In hindsight, we realize that those ideals, like so many human endeavors, were as flawed as they were lofty. The founders' dream of equality applied to white males. The image of being a new Israel was corroded from the start by the fact that instead of fleeing slavery, early settlers bought and sold slaves and treated the Native Americans and their cultures with contempt — all for their own gain.

While Israel also had moments of high nationalism and pride, they remembered that those moments led to their downfall. What we hear from Isaiah today is written to the exiles whom God had just accused with these words: "I was ready to respond to those who did not ask. I said, Here I am, here I am, to a nation that did not invoke my name" (Isaiah 65:1). Perhaps the biggest difference between us and the chosen people is that we write our history as one of heroic victory and manifest destiny while they wrote theirs as one of sin and conversion. It's easy to think that God is with us when we win anything from wars to ballgames but our Scriptures challenge us every time we promote an image of God leading the conquerors.

On this Fourth of July weekend, Paul's letter to the Galatians, nicknamed the gospel of Christian freedom, challenges us with an image of power and glory that undercuts all sorts of pride.

Paul's voice booms humbly through the Scriptures, saying, "May I never boast of anything but the cross." According to Paul, no attempt at virtue can make us worthy of God's love and grace; those are ours free and unmerited. As with Israel, Christ came saying, "Here I am" to people who too often wanted something else. God took flesh to identify humbly with us while we seek a God who conforms to our ideals of power and might.

Jesus spent his life in mission to give living witness to God's vulnerability and noncompulsory interaction with humanity. Thus, when Jesus commissioned the 72 disciples (an image of all the apostles who would come after), he sent them "as lambs among wolves." Jesus sent his disciples to serve, equipped with nothing more than the Gospel message of the reign of God. They were to demonstrate that the reign of love is the only future worth working for and the only one that will last. In order for the disciples to understand the message they were preaching (one always learns best by teaching), Jesus insisted that their gift to others be couched in poverty. As unshod missionaries without money or provisions, they needed bed and board at the same time as they sought new homes for their message.

In Jesus' methodology, the missionaries could not preach their message of mutual love and vulnerability unless they were living it and learning from it from moment to moment.

To everyone's amazement, their mission succeeded. Jesus told them that he had seen Satan fall like lightning — a vivid image of how effectively they were undermining the coercion and competition rampant that reigned in their day (and ours). That was also a warning — a fallen Satan will get up again. Of course, their first missionary journey was but a practice round. Even after doing it over and over, they would comprehend its depths only through the experience of Jesus' death and resurrection. What are we to take from these readings on this holiday weekend?

We need to pay attention to how countercultural our Gospel is. We may live in the "most powerful nation on earth," but the might of our country has very little to do with the vulnerable, noncoercive character of divine power.

Jesus sent his disciples out without snack packs, credit cards or hotel reservations. In our version of that type of vulnerability, we are called to give humble witness to the Gospel of peace-making, solidarity and justice for the marginalized in a society filled with violence, individualism and private privilege. Suddenly, being chosen begins to sound more dangerous than special.

Like our ancestors, we are called in spite of our flaws. Sometimes we will knock Satan down; sometimes we will fall. But if we remember who has chosen us, we won't need to worry about the wolves. —*Sr. Mary M. McGlone, National Catholic Reporter*



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

**Saturday, July 2**

8pm

**Sunday, July 3**

8am

10am Ralph & Mamie Quarto †

6:30pm MHR Parishioners

**Monday, July 4**

8am Jose Laosantos, III (L)

Ellen Flanagan †

**Tuesday, July 5**

8am Enrico Deza (L)

**Wednesday, July 6**

8am

**Thursday, July 7**

8am

**Friday July 8**

8am Giuseppe & Angelina Fazio †

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](mailto:secretary@mhr.org).



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Centering Prayer is meeting both in the church and via Zoom on Monday evenings @ 7:00pm.  
Email [centering@mhr.org](mailto: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](mailto:biblestudy@mhr.org) for login and for more information.

Young Adults Meeting: New Time! 1st & 3rd Wednesdays at 7:00pm.  
Email [yag@mhr.org](mailto: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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## MINISTRY TO SENIORS

**Male Parishioner in SOMA/Mid-Market:** A senior, living on Mission Street, Mid-Market, would appreciate a weekly visitor for conversation. He would feel more comfortable with a gay man. For more information, please call the rectory.



## OUR PARISH COMMUNITY BIRTHDAYS

Laurie Baker-Flynn, Steven Fung, John Mulcahy,  
Kevin Askew, Rory Desmond, Jorge Gonzales,  
Monica Sandoval, Louie Tasista, Jeffrey Taylor,  
D.J. Fleury, Darryl Lim, Bob Barcewski and  
Brad Chavez.

## 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 [jniguez@ioaging.org](mailto:jniguez@ioaging.org).



**The Wednesday Night Suppers is seeking donations of new or very gently used backpacks for our guests.**

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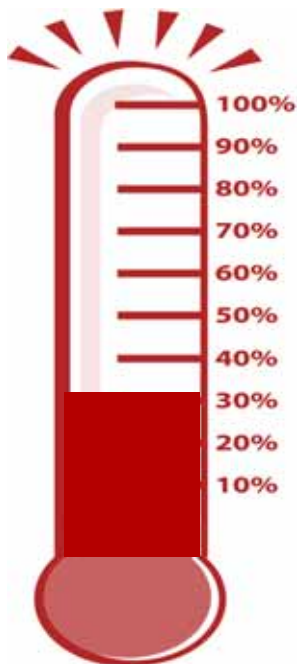
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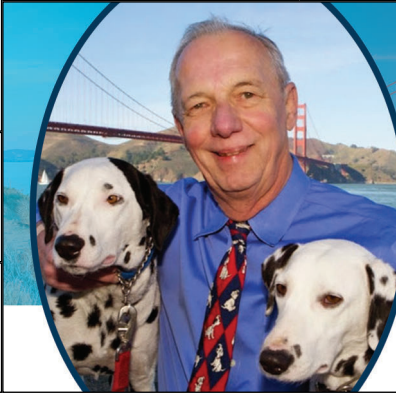
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