

MOST HOLY REDEEMER

Parish



Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 28, 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, August 29

Centering Prayer 7pm (Church & Zoom)

Wednesday, August 31

Wednesday Night Supper: 5pm - 7pm

Saturday, September 3

Vigil Mass: 5pm

Sunday, September 4

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:

www.facebook.com/mhrsf



AUGUST 29 - SEPTEMBER 4

Monday: 1Cor. 2:1-5, Mk. 6:17-29

Tuesday: 1Cor. 2:10b-16, Lk. 4:31-37

Wednesday: 1Cor. 3:1-9, Lk. 4:38-44

Thursday: 1Cor. 3:18-23, Lk. 5:1-11

Friday: 1Cor. 4:1-5, Lk. 5:33-39

Saturday: 1Cor. 4:6b-15, Lk. 5:1-5

Sunday: Wis. 9:13-18b, Phmn. 9-10, 12-17,

Lk. 14:25-33



Collection - Week of August 21

5pm -	\$313.00
8am -	\$395.00
10am -	\$767.00
6:30pm -	\$84.00
Online Giving -	\$1,725.82
Total -	\$3,284.82
Budgeted -	\$4500.00

Next weekend there will be a second collection the Archdiocese for Military Service. Thank you for your generous support!

Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jesus loved banquets. We never hear that he refused the offer of a good meal. Once there, he would transform the table into a space for evangelizing repartee. In today's scene, we can imagine him wryly observing as people vied to position themselves for the best seat in the house. If he wasn't actually chuckling into his beard, his eyes were surely laughing as each guest preened in the attempt to appear more distinguished than the rest.

Aware of the learning capacity of his audience, Jesus first offered advice about how to avoid humiliation: "Choose the lowliest place and nobody else can put you down." He directed this pragmatic counsel to folks highly concerned about appearances — a few of them might have been as-tute enough to grasp his wisdom.

But Jesus didn't stop with that wee bit of commentary. Although people had gathered for an ordinary Sabbath meal, Jesus wove a tale about a wedding banquet. That's a sure sign that he was talking about a lot more than the evening's dinner. Wedding banquets were one of his favorite symbols for the reign of God. A wedding celebrates something new and full of potential. It sacramentalizes the bonds of love and new relationships that can transform an entire community.

In that context, Jesus addressed his fellow guests as the probable hosts of dinners to come: "When it's your turn, break free of this old mold of a guest list written in stone. Get out of the rut of having everyone in the same position, repeating well-worn conversations, with nothing more than a change of venue. Repeating this same old, same old is hardly different from serving leftovers week after week. What about a new guest list instead of new clothes and fancy foods?"

Having gotten their attention, even if they assumed he was joking, he suggested that they plan a collective escape from the routine by hosting the most unlikely characters in the area. He wanted to startle the self-impressed diners into imaginative creativity. What if everybody at that table decided to take him up on the suggestion? Instead of inviting one another, each could seek out an eclectic group of well-known and far less prestigious people. One might invite the butcher and his apprentice, another, the milkmaid. Someone would bring in the town beggar (offering a bath as well as a foot washing before reclining at table). Another patriarch could send out a couple of sturdy sons to carry in the paraplegic lying near the town square while his daughter escorted the widow next door. Each of those guests could be invited to bring a "plus-one" to round out the company. Imagine the unexpected table conversation!

What could happen at such a dinner? The entire tenor of the gathering would change as the guests entered into the sacrament of the table where eating together can be a living expression of shared humanity. The common enjoyment of the fruits of the earth could become a celebration of the gifts of smell and taste and beauty and a sign of their common dependence. The variety of people and perspectives around the table would remind them that God's creation brims with luxuriant diversity, all there for an enjoyment that increases exponentially to the degree that it is shared.

When the original group would regather a few weeks later, instead of worrying about procuring the best places, they might burst into tales about the experience, about ideas and perspectives they had never before imagined. It's not hard to imagine Jesus saying about such groups: "This is what it is like in the reign of God and the resurrection of the righteous."

Pope Francis follows Jesus' lead in his letter, *Fratelli Tutti*. Critiquing entertainments like the dinner where the place of honor grabbed everyone's attention, Francis laments that we can feed ourselves " 'on dreams of splendor and grandeur, and ended up consuming distraction, insularity and solitude' " (*Fratelli Tutti*, Paragraph 33). He goes on to remind us that, "Human beings are so made that they cannot live, develop and find fulfilment except 'in the sincere gift of self to others' " (Paragraph 87). He wants us to constantly enlarge our table of encounter.

Following the advice Jesus and Francis offer would be an adventure — a step into the unknown. They are inviting us not just to eat and drink in the presence of others (pews apart), but enter into mutually nourishing and transforming interchange. As Francis says, " 'Life, for all its confrontations, is the art of encounter.' ... We, as a people, should be passionate about meeting others, seeking points of contact, building bridges, planning a project that includes everyone" (Paragraphs 215-216). Francis says this can be our aspiration and style of life. Jesus calls it the resurrection of the righteous. —Sr. Mary M McGlone, *National Catholic Reporter*



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

Saturday, August 27

5pm George & Cecile Hamel Hardy †

Sunday, August 28

8am Walt McCann †

10am Dan Sullivan †

6:30pm MHR Parishioners

Monday, August 29

8am Joseph G. Thomas †

Tuesday, August 30

8am Lonnie & Maya (L)

Walt McCann †

Wednesday, August 31

8am Wednesday Night Suppers

Thursday, September 1

8am Joaquin & Annabelle (L)

Friday September 2

8am Seth Lester Reyes (L)

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.



Ted Alden, Jerry Anderson, Bob Barcewski, Joyce Bednarek, Joseph Bielanski, Angela Cadigan, Sr. Juliana Casey, Becky Caylor, Juan & Maria Cobarrubias, Betty Cobb, Francis Duffy, Tom Farmer, Carol Fertudo Editha Garcia, Eileen Gayton, Wallace Greene, Deborah Hardy, Serge Hubert, Kris Johnson, Florence Kaloquin, Kenny Kehoe, Joanna Kennedy, Jim & Lisa Kunzer, David Kossman, Fr. Piers Lahey, David Lamdon, Fr. Tony LaTorre, Jill Laufenberg, Michael Leonard, Warren Lubich, Bernie Maddox, Nancy McCann, Anna McKenzie, Fr. Andrew Metcalf, Ramona Michaels, Doris Nassal, Nadia O'Donnell, Lloyd Oksen, 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, Ruth Varela, Joseph & Mary Vouglas, Maureen Vouglas, David Washington, Louis Washington, Anna Weekly, Larry Wysocki, Fr. William Young, Ryan Zuniga, †Rev. James DaLange, †Tim Faher-Wierst† and †Stephanie Gregory†.



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Centering Prayer is meeting 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.



Volunteers Needed: We are looking for volunteers to call, visit and/or help our people. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Pete Toms at 415-612-0651 or email asg@mhr.org.

A Couple in the Fillmore: Two men, one of whom is bedbound, would like someone to visit for conversation and watching movies on TV.

Drivers: Frequently people need to be driven to/from doctor's visits, or just to take a brief outing. We are looking to set up a pool of drivers. If you would be available occasionally and would like to be added to the pool, please contact Pete Toms at 415-612-0651 or email asg@mhr.org.

Community Thrift: Community Thrift returns to the Support Group a portion of the sales of items donated in our name which allows us to purchase food vouchers for the needy in our HIV community. Please bring your unwanted and usable clothing and household items to Community Thrift at 623 Valencia, between 17th & 18th Streets Be sure to mention that MHR AIDS Support Group is your charity ---Charity # 242. Thank you.

Library Corner

The parish library can be accessed online through the parish website www.mhr.org. The "MHR Community" tab will lead to the Online Library. Select "Go to the Online Library" which will take you to the catalog search. If you wish to reserve a book, an email will be sent to the librarian, who will contact you when it is available.

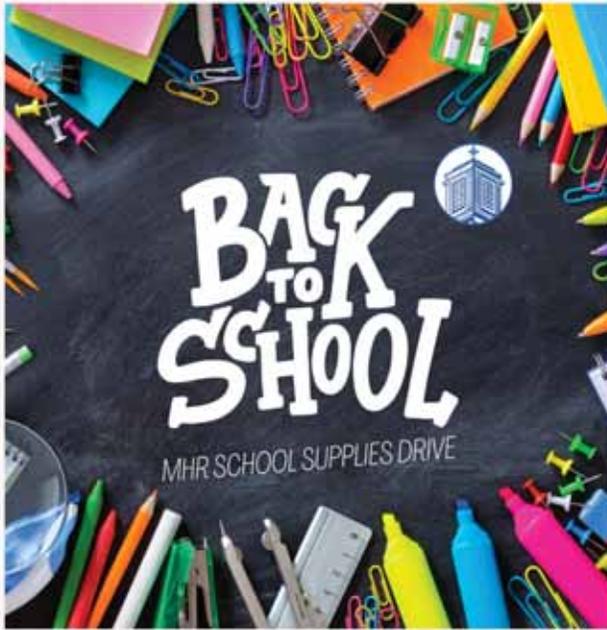


OUR PARISH COMMUNITY BIRTHDAYS

**Kathleen Wesner, Eugene McMullan, Ramon Espinoza,
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HEALING PRAYER GROUP



Then He summoned His twelve disciples and gave them authority to expel unclean spirits and to cure sickness and disease of every kind.

Matthew Ch. 10 V. 1

"I solemnly assure you, the man who has faith in Me will do the works that I do, and greater far than these. Why? Because I go to the Father, and whatever you ask in My name I will do, so as to glorify the Father in the Son."

John Ch. 14 V. 12 & 13

The main motive for the explosive growth of Christianity in the first three centuries was primarily because (people) were impressed that Christians healed the sick and cast out evil spirits.

Dr. Ramsey MacMullen, Professor of Classics, Yale University

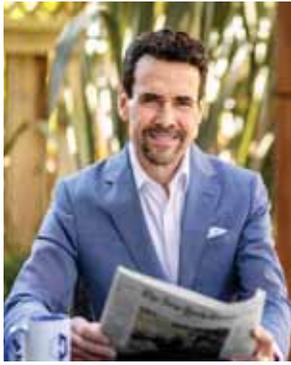
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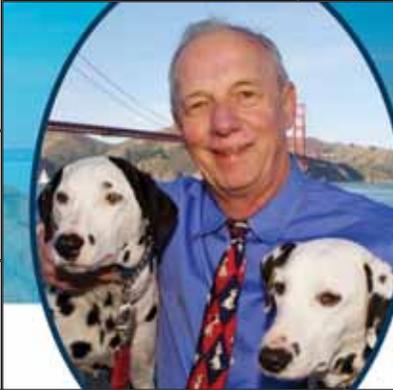
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