

MOST HOLY REDEEMER

Parish



Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
June 26, 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, June 27

Centering Prayer 7pm in the Church & via Zoom

Wednesday, June 29

Wednesday Night Supper: 5pm - 7pm

Saturday, July 2

Vigil Mass 5pm

Sunday, July 3

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

Coffee hour after the 8am & 10am Masses

Monday, July 4 - Independence Day

Parish office closed

FACE COVERINGS ARE HIGHLY RECOMMENDED.

Livestream the 10am Sunday Mass

on our MHR Facebook page:

www.facebook.com/mhrsf



Collection - Week of June 19

5pm -	\$359.00
8am -	\$303.00
10am -	\$1,754.00
6:30pm -	\$138.00
Misc. -	\$939.79
<u>Online giving -</u>	<u>\$1,640.24</u>
Total -	\$5,134.03
Budgeted -	\$4500.00

Thank you for your generous support!

**This weekend there will be a second collection
for Peter's Pence.**



JUNE 27 - JULY 3

Monday: Am. 2:6-10, 13-16, Mt. 8:18-22

Tuesday: Am. 3:1-8, 4:11-12, Mt. 8:23-27

**Wednesday: Acts 12:1-11, 2Tm. 4:6-8, 17-18,
Mt. 16:13-19**

Thursday: Am. 7:10-17, Mt. 9:1-8

Friday: Am. 8:4-6, 9-12, Mt. 9:9-13

Saturday: Am. 9:11-15, Mt. 9:14-17

**Sunday: Is. 66:10-14c, Gal. 6:14-18,
Lk. 10:1-12, 17-20**

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Who in their right mind would take up with an unarmed, violence-avoiding preacher headed to the big city to face jealous, powerful foes who will stop at nothing to get rid of him? He seems as naively hopeful as the "tank man" of Tiananmen Square who stood before oncoming armored vehicles, as imaginatively courageous as Ukrainians who hand cellphones to young Russian soldiers so they can call their mothers. Facing impossible odds, such people proclaim that hope and love are stronger than brute force.

While the latter examples come from our era, we meet the first in the Gospel of Luke. His name is Jesus.

Today's liturgy asks, "What does it take to be a follower of Jesus?" In his book *Jesus of Nazareth*, theologian Fr. Gerhard Lofink comments that there is no New Testament noun for followers of Jesus. The word disciples simply means students. The verb "follow" occurs 80 times in the New Testament, but it is never rendered as a noun.

There is no dogma, rule or rite that makes one a follower. Following is not a status, but an activity. Today's Gospel reflects on four expressions of that activity. Jesus and the group we meet on the road are quite vulnerable. Jesus had just told them that the temple authorities were determined to eradicate him (Luke 9:22), and with that, he "set his face" for Jerusalem.

When a Samaritan village refused them hospitality, the disciples, imagining that they possessed some magical or divine power, proposed destroying it as if it were Sodom. Jesus (how exasperated was he?) simply told them to look for a more hospitable spot. Contrary to some traditions, Jesus and his Father are not in the business of obliterating unbelievers and evildoers. Love cannot be coerced.

Even with the precariousness of their venture, someone soon volunteers to join the group. Jesus responds with a poetic warning, saying that foxes and birds (probable allusions to Herod and the Romans) make themselves at home in the land, but that, from his birth through the day he walked to Emmaus, he would possess no place to lay his head.

After this, perhaps because one volunteer bravely joined them, Jesus invites two others to follow. The first sounded a bit like the guests who made excuses for skipping a banquet (Luke 14:15-24). This person liked the idea, but wanted to defer Jesus' offer because of family obligations. There is no indication that there was a funeral in the offing; rather, he saw care for his parent (s) as a more immediate priority. That didn't work for Jesus. This was a decisive moment; he was on the road to Jerusalem; he had no time to waste.

After one person turned him down, Jesus invited another. The problem for the second seemed to be a love for the past that kept him/her longingly looking backward rather than plowing wholeheartedly into the future. Jesus told this person that God's reign is about hope for what can be, not nostalgia for what once was. (The good old days misremembered can be a stumbling block to God's future.) What are we to learn from watching Jesus and these folks? Some followed and some didn't. None of them were perfect, none totally lost.

First of all, those who didn't accept Jesus' invitation weren't put off by the threats or hardship. It was a question of motivation. When we act like the first one, we avoid the urgency of following Jesus. Whether it's a question of making a life choice or deciding when to dedicate time to prayer, we put it off, forgetting that, as a popular saying intimates, not to decide is to decide not to. We can recognize ourselves in the person who kept looking back whenever our comfort with the familiar or fear of being wrong prevents us from venturing out in risky hope. Disciples will surely make mistakes, but the worst mistake is to become stagnant.

St. Paul reminded the Galatians that the love that leads to following Jesus is a free response to God's love. Those who had left behind their nets and boats, like Elisha who used the tools of his trade to throw a farewell feast, were so captivated by Jesus' offer that they kept following him and kept learning. Love alone frees us to follow Christ. When that love captivates us, danger, uncertainty and the lure of the past lose their power. We must not forget that while Jesus said he had no place to lay his head, he also said that those who leave home for him and the Gospel will find themselves enjoying hundreds of homes.

Who in their right mind will follow him now? Only those who allow themselves to be so loved and captivated by his vision that they decide nothing else could matter nearly as much.

—*Sr. Mary M. McGlone, National Catholic Reporter*



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

Saturday, June 25

8pm John James McDermott †

Sunday, June 26

8am

10am Maureen Lonergan Zapula †

6:30pm MHR Parishioners

Monday, June 27

8am

Tuesday, June 28

8am Louis Dunn †

Wednesday, June 29

8am Sevorino & Lucila (L)

Thursday, June 30

8am

Friday July 1

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, Mona Armstrong, Thomas Balderramos, Bob Barcewski, Joyce Bednarek, Sue Bessmer, Sr. Juliana Casey, Becky Caylor, Shirley DeWan, Bob Etzler, Tom Farmer, Editha Garcia, Barbara Golding, Wallace Greene, Deborah Hardy, Serge Hubert, Florence Kaloquin, Kenny Kehoe, Joanna Kennedy, Jim & Lisa Kunzer, David Kossman, Fr. Tony LaTorre, Jill Laufenberg, Rita Ludeman, Warren Lubich, Bernie Maddox, Nancy McCann, Anna McKenzie, Jack McDermott, Fr. Andrew Metcalf, Doris Nassal, Michal Offit, 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, David Washington, Louis Washington, Anna Weekly, Larry Wysocki, Ryan Zuniga, †Francesca Guitron†, †Jack McDermott†, †Peggy Kang† and †John Ventura†



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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.



We are once again looking for fully vaccinated volunteers to visit and/or help our fully vaccinated clients. If you are interested in volunteering, please call the rectory (415-863-6259).

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

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Vince Schmidt, Joseph Bielanski, Nick Donatiello,
Matt Valdez, Hector Trejo, Robert Williams,
David Aleman, Maria Brann, Arlene Cavan,
Richard Shaw, Marian Hernandez, Kevin O'Donnell and
Lawrence Ku.

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.



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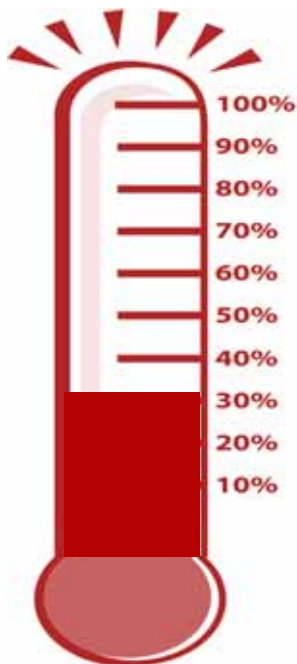
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Thank you for your amazing support!



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

Something with zippers and pockets is preferred.

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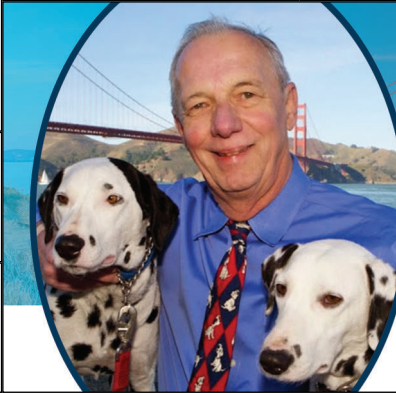
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