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.
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, September 30
7pm Centering Prayer - Church

Wednesday, October 2
1pm—7pm Wednesday Night Suppers

Friday, October 4
First Friday
8am Anointing of the Sick - Church

Saturday, October 5
11am - 1pm Gardening

Sunday, October 6
Coffee hour after the 8am & 10am Masses
MHR Library is open after the 8am & 10am Masses

Daily Readings: September 30 - October 6
- Monday: Zec. 8:1-8, Lk. 9:46-50
- Tuesday: Zec. 8:20-23, Lk. 9:51-56
- Wednesday: Neh. 2:1-8, Mt. 18:1-5, 10
- Thursday: Neh. 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12, Lk. 10:1-12
- Friday: Bar. 1:15-22, Lk. 10:13-16
- Saturday: Bar. 4:5-12, 27-29, Lk. 10:17-24
- Sunday: Hab. 1:2-3, 2:2-4, 2Tm. 1:6-8, 13-14, Lk. 17:5-10

RCIA
If you are interested in joining the Catholic Church, you’ll hear about something called RCIA. The initials stand for the *Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults*, the book ministers use to guide you through the stages and steps of church membership.

If you’ve never been baptized, and you are old enough to read this, you begin your preparation with the **precatechumenate**. During this time you have some spiritual conversation about God and the church.

Once you decide to follow Jesus Christ, you celebrate the **rite of acceptance into the order of catechumens**. As a catechumen, you are considered a member of the Church in a broad sense. Unmarried catechumens may have a Catholic wedding; deceased catechumens may have a Catholic funeral.

During the period of the **catechumenate**, you become acquainted with what the church teaches, you follow the Christian way of life, you engage in liturgical prayer, and you help spread the gospel. The time span for this preparation varies.

This period of formation closes with the **rite of election**, when the church proclaims that God has chosen you for the sacraments. Usually the bishop leads this ceremony at the cathedral on the First Sunday of Lent.

During the period of **purification and enlightenment**, you make your spiritual preparation for baptism. This period usually coincides with Lent.

Finally you celebrate the **sacraments of initiation**: baptism, confirmation and communion. This usually takes place during the Easter Vigil at your parish.

As a new Catholic, you deepen your participation through the period of **mystagogy** by meditating, praying and doing works of charity.

If you have already been baptized, this preparation can be tailored to your needs.—*Paul Turner*

**The flowers for the altar are dedicated in loving memory of Vincent & Barbara Colelli.**

"*Winter is an etching, spring a watercolor, summer an oil painting, and autumn a mosaic of them all.*"

—*Stanley Horowitz*
MHR HIV/AIDS Support Group

**Castro Street Fair:** If you are available for a few hours on Castro Street Fair Day (Sunday, October 6th), we are looking for "greeting volunteers". Volunteers would greet guests at one of the entrances, accept free-will donations, and give out discount beverage stickers. Funds are Given to The Support Group based on the number of Volunteer Hours Worked. Shifts are: 10:00-1:30, 12:30-3:30, and 2:30-5:30. Please call the Support Group at 415-863-6259.

**Visitors Needed:** Volunteers normally spend 2 hours/week visiting the client in his/her home or going for walks.

**There are currently 2 needs for volunteers:**
- **A Client in Park Merced** – a man who is looking for someone with whom to play chess and occasionally go to movies.
- **A Client in the Fillmore** – a bedbound man with a partner (also bedbound) who would like someone with whom to watch old movies.

For more information on these clients and their needs, please call the Support Group at 415-863-6259 or email to pete-asg@mhr.org

**Retreat Opportunities:** There are upcoming retreats at Catherine’s House and San Damiano.

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**Library Corner**

In memory of Toni Morrison and the 1619 anniversary, for the next few weeks, we are highlighting African-American literature and history.

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**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 please call the parish office or email secretary@mhr.org.

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**Stewardship**

**September 21 & 22**

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**Thank you for your generosity!**

**This week** there is a second collection for the St. Vincent de Paul Conference. **Next weekend** there will be a second collection for the MHR On-going Maintenance Fund.

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**Community Life**

- **Tuesday, October 1st and 15th 7:30pm in the Church** - Young Adults meeting - email yag@mhr.org for info.
- **Sunday, October 6th - Blessing of the Pets** at the 10am & 6:30pm Masses and in the MHR Garden from 1pm to 2pm.
- **Sunday, October 6th 11am to 6pm - Castro Street Fair** - Visit your friendly MHR Volunteers at the Diamond Street Gate and the MHR Outreach Booth!
- **Saturday, November 9th – Centering Prayer Speaker** – Fr. Tom Bonacci, C.P. | Topic is *Let Your Light So Shine* – A Dynamic Re-reading of Matthew 5: 13-16 | Ellard Hall -10:00am-12:00pm with refreshments starting at 9:30am.

**Visit us:**

On the web: [www.mhr.org](http://www.mhr.org)
Facebook: [Most Holy Redeemer Church](https://www.facebook.com/mhrchurch)
Instagram: [mhrcatholicsf](https://www.instagram.com/mhrcatholicsf)

Donate to MHR by text at Give+Text

Text donation amount to 650-262-0965 and follow the prompts.

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**Our Parish Community Birthdays**


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**Liturgical Ministry Training Nov 2&9**

Do you want to be more involved at Most Holy Redeemer? Do you feel called to serve at Mass with reading or distributing communion? The next liturgical ministry training in San Francisco is in November so please contact the parish office ASAP to register. These trainings only happen once a year, so don’t miss this opportunity!
Mass Intentions
Our Mass celebrants will remember the following intentions during the celebration of the Eucharist:

Saturday, September 28
8am
5pm

Sunday, September 29
8am
10am Mohandas Kini †
6:30pm Maxine Yates †

Monday, September 30
8am Vincent and Barbara Colelli †

Tuesday, October 1
8am

Wednesday, October 2
8am Wednesday Night Suppers

Thursday, October 3
8am Dorothy Weiss †

Friday, October 4
8am

Saturday, October 5
8am
5pm Ellen Jane Adams †

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

Prayer Requests

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
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