

Parish

Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time September 8, 2019

Worship Hours

Monday-Saturday 8:00am Mass Saturday 5:00pm Vigil Mass Sunday 8:00am, 10:00am & 6:30pm Mass Holy Days 8:00am and 7:00pm

Reconciliation

Saturday 3:45-4:30pm or by Appointment 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.

Most Holy Redeemer Catholic Church San Francisco, California 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time September 8, 2019



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This Week at Our Parish

Monday, September 9

7pm Centering Prayer - Church

Wednesday, September 11

1pm—7pm Wednesday Night Suppers

Saturday, September 14

11am - 1pm Gardening

Sunday, September 15

Coffee hour after the 8am & 10am Masses

MHR Library is open after the 8am & 10am Masses

Library Corner

A reminder that you can see what's in our library at any time by going to the Online Library at the parish website (MHR.ORG). You can also reserve a book that has already been checked out.

Daily Readings: September 9 - 15

♦ Monday: Col. 1:24-2:3, Lk. 6:6-11

♦ Tuesday: Col. 2:6-15, Lk. 6:12-19

♦ Wednesday: Col. 3:1-11, Lk. 6:20-26

♦ Thursday: Col. 3:12-17, Lk. 6:27-38

Friday: 1Tm. 1:1-2, 12-14, Lk. 6:39-42

♦ Saturday: Nm. 21:4b-9, Phil. 2:6-11, Jn. 3:13-17

Sunday: Ex. 32:7-11, 13-14, 1Tm. 1:12-17, Lk. 15:1-32 or 15:1-10

Fr. Matt's Message

"Take Up Your Cross and Come After Me," Jesus.

In the Gospel reading for this Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time, Jesus says that we are to carry our cross in order to be his disciple. In this sense our cross is not a physical thing as it was for Jesus and on which he died. Our cross or crosses are uniquely our own.

"A group of senior residents reflected on what their cross in life was for them. One said, 'The thing I am sitting in,' pointing to his wheelchair; another said that 'she couldn't hold her grandchild on her knee any more' because of her walker" (*LTP 2019 SourceBook*).

Crosses come in many different sizes and shapes and weights. And they can be different for each person, but all of them remind us of the cross of Christ. We are called to help others carry their cross. We don't usually know what another person is carrying or dealing with. But we can be assured that we all have crosses that we bear. Keeping this in mind might help us to try to be gentle with one another, and sometimes to follow that sage wisdom "If you have nothing nice to say, maybe it's better to walk away and say nothing at all." As the Mystical Body of Christ, we are human in our wounds and brokenness. We are imperfect at expressing Christ's love, but our faith gives us countless times to work toward reconciliation and keep trying to get it right.

As we reflect on the crosses that we all carry, we remember that the Cross of Christ is about love. The crosses that we carry can lead us to love him as his Cross was all about love for us.

Thank you for all you do! Have a great week, *Fr. Matt*

Stewardship August 31 & September 1 5pm -

\$624.00
\$491.00
1,327.00
\$156.00
\$275.39
\$270.61
3,144.00
4,800.00
1,974.09

Thank you for your generous support!

MHR HIV/AIDS Support Group

<u>Castro Street Fair:</u> 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.

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

There are currently 3 needs for volunteers:

<u>Dog Walkers</u> – a client in the Fillmore, having undergone surgery, needs one or more people to share walking his small, friendly dog twice a day for a month.

<u>A Client in Park Merced</u> – a man who is looking for someone with whom to play chess and occasionally go to movies.

<u>A Client in the Fillmore</u> – a bedbound man with a partner (also bedbound) 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

Ministry to the Homebound

Woman Parishioner at Buena Vista Manor Retirement

<u>Home</u> - A woman, living across from Buena Vista Park, would enjoy being taken out occasionally for rides around the city. For more information, please call the rectory.

"When you're through changing, you're through."

—Anonymous

Annual Good Shepherd Gracenter Annual Fundraiser

You are invited to the Gracenter's Annual Fundraiser, a gala luncheon benefiting the Gracenter's Mission of helping women without resources to break free of drug and alcohol addiction and create a hopeful future for themselves and others. This fabulous event will be Sunday, September 15, 2019, noon to 3 pm, at Patio Espanol and will include a wonderful lunch, DJ, photo booth, silent auction, raffle and live auction! The theme this year is *Stepping Stones to*

Success as Gracenter will be honoring the board of Stepping Stone—San Francisco Women's Rehabilitation Foundation—for their amazing support. For ticketing/sponsorship info, please go to http://GSG19.givesmart.com or contact Sr. Marguerite at sr.marguerite@gsgracenter.org or call (628) 224-2050.

Community Life

- Sunday, September 8th Annual MHR Back to School
 Picnic and BBQ After the 10am Mass
- Sunday, September 15th St. Vincent de Paul
 Sandwich Sunday after the 10am Mass in Ellard Hall.
- Tuesday, September 17th Young Adults Meeting 7:30pm in the Church. Email yag@mhr.org for info.
- Saturday, September 21st Centering Prayer Speaker Bill Dohar, PhD. Topic is Bringing The Mystics Down to Earth - Ellard Hall 10:00am-12:00pm with refreshments starting at 9:30am.
- Sunday, September 22nd 7:30pm MHR Garden Party after the 6:30pm Mass - hosted by the MHR Young Adult Group.

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On the web: www.mhr.org
Facebook: Most Holy Redeemer Church
Instagram: mhrcatholicsf

Donate to MHR by text at Give+Text

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

Our Parish Community Birthdays

Adora Anderson, Mario Donoso, Joan Guerra, Gerlando Palazzatto, Chuck Wright, Robert Yeargin, John Michael Reyes, Enrique Sanchez, Sean Vahey, Deb Enriquez, Jasmine Sandoval, Eddie Vega, Steve Foster, Ed Ludeman, Stephan Steczynski, Barbara Applegate, John Crandon, Marilee Hearn and Christine Van Aken.

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.

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)

Are you interested in the Catholic Faith? Do you need to know more about Catholicism before making a commitment? Are you already Catholic but have not received all the sacraments? If you answered, YES, to at least one of these three questions, please inquire about our RCIA program. There is no set time frame for how long the RCIA process can take, it all depends on where you are in your faith journey and relationship with God. RCIA begins with an information night on Wednesday, September 25th at 7pm in the MHR rectory. You do not need to have already decided to become Catholic in order to attend. Please email us at rcia@mhr.org if you are interested.

Mass Intentions

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

Saturday, September 7

8am Ramon Asuncion †

5pm Carmela & Ralph Quarto †

Sunday, September 8

8am Giuseppe & Angelina Fazio † 10am Gerald Titchenal † 6:30pm

Monday, September 9

8am

Tuesday, September 10

8am Thomas O'Brien †

Wednesday, September 11

8am John Michael Reyes (L)

Thursday, September 12

8am Evangeline Laosantos (L)

Friday, September 13

8am Dorothy Weiss †

Saturday, September 14

8am 5pm

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

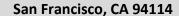
Prayer Requests

AJ Anderson, Bill Anderson, George Anderson, Patricia Allen, Dean Atkinson, Jesusa Ayala, Christine Betz, Chuck Bold, "CJ" Charlene Bostic, Junior Briones, Sally Cahur, Blanca Cervantes, Regan Chapman, Joshua Daigle, John DiQuattro, Antonia Divinagracia, Marilyn Faulk, Zane Fisher-Paulson, John Gutierrez, Steve Hatton, Joseph Hargadon, Sr. Nadine Hargadon, Patricia Hargadon, Maya Kini, Rick Levy, Jim Lonergan, Warren Lubich, Catherine De Lucchi, Bernie Maddox, Marshall Mah, Sebastian MacLean, Manny Mandapat, Ted Mazurski, Fr. Andrew Metcalfe, David Miller, Lottie Olszewski, Nancy Otchy, Nancy Paun, Olga Penagos, Patti Plantz, Kevin Robertson, Bill Ryan, Sunder Sachdev, Josephine Schneider, Gabriela Schultz, Liz Schultz, John Schwobeda, Prem Shahani, Christopher Sumner, Christine Lane Tracy, Fr. Kirk Ullery, Nala Vaughn, Joseph Vouglas, Rich Warren, Fr. Stuart Wilbur, Chuck Wright, Ryan Zuniga, †Edwin Francis† and †Margaret "Peg" Gleason†.

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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