

JESUS
ANSWERED,
"I AM THE WAY
AND THE TRUTH AND
THE LIFE.
NO ONE
COMES TO
THE
FATHER
EXCEPT
THROUGH
ME."

JOHN 14:6

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Worship Hours

Monday - Saturday: Daily Mass 8:00AM
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
Thanksgiving & New Years Day: 10AM

Due to "Shelter in Place", Masses will be celebrated by Fr. Matt and livestreamed on Facebook:

[facebook.com/mhrsf](https://www.facebook.com/mhrsf)

Sunday, May 10

Join us for virtual Coffee Hour after the 10am Mass: visit www.mhr.org for details.

Wednesday, May 13

Noon - 3pm: Church open for private prayer

Friday, May 15

Noon - 3pm: Church open for private prayer with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Proper Social Distancing will be observed at all times.

Daily Readings: May 11– 17

- ◇ Monday: Acts 14:5-18, Jn. 14:21-26
- ◇ Tuesday: Acts 14:19-28, Jn. 14:27-31a
- ◇ Wednesday: Acts 15:1-6, Jn. 15:1-8
- ◇ Thursday: Acts 1:15-17, 20-26, Jn. 15:9-17
- ◇ Friday: Acts 15:22-31, Jn. 15:12-17
- ◇ Saturday: Acts 16:1-10, Jn. 15:18-21
- ◇ Sunday: Acts 8:5-8, 14-17, 1Pt. 3:15-18, Jn. 14:15-21

Stewardship

Misc. -	\$985.00
Online Giving -	\$2,419.84
Total -	\$3,354.84

Thank you for your continued support!

Fr. Matt's Message

"In my Father's house there are many dwelling places." A priest was visiting a family who had just moved across the country from upstate New York. The pastor asked the man if he was originally from New York and he said: "No, my family transferred around quite frequently and there is really no one place that I can say was home." He went on to say: "I suppose that wherever mother was that is where home was."

Maybe, hopefully, a lot of us can identify with this story. A house is a physical place. A home is where our loved ones are gathered. "Home is where the heart is" certainly comes to mind.

On several of these Sundays in the Easter Season we hear from the Last Discourse. The section of John's Gospel where Jesus, the beloved teacher, shares his Last Supper with the disciples. As he tells them he's about to leave them for a while, they are afraid. And their fears reveal a lack of understanding about Jesus.

When Thomas protests, "Master, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?" Jesus replies, "I am the way, and the truth and the life." And Philip, who is even more confused, "Just show us the Father," he says, "and everything will be okay." A seemingly exasperated Jesus responds, "after all this time and you still don't know me?"

Now the last discourse isn't just a nice farewell speech by Jesus. It's a chance for the early church to present the struggle of the Christian way of life in any age. We really are just like the disciples and like many who came after them; alike in our fears and in our doubts.

Christians have always had to find ways to cope with problems and reconcile life situations that were not covered in the teachings left by the apostles. We are certainly living in one of those situations in this time and place. In every age, we have to re-learn that Jesus is the word made flesh who welcomes us into an intimate, loving relationship with God. Yes, in my Father's house there are many dwelling places ... so where I am you also may be. In that place where love is gathered.

Our Easter readings are rich, encouraging, hopeful. They provide a short course in the basics of our faith. And in Jesus own words, "Whoever believes in me will do the works that I do and will do greater ones than these..." Stay safe and be well.

With love and prayers,
Fr. Matt



MHR HIV/AIDS Support Group

Help with Shopping: A man in SOMA would welcome someone with a Costco membership willing to do some grocery shopping for him. If you can help, please call the Support Group at 415-863-6259.

Happy Mother's Day!

A teacher gave her class of second graders a lesson on the magnet and what it does. The next day in a written test, she included this question: "My full name has six letters. The first letter is **M**. I pick up things. What am I?" "When the test papers were turned in, the teacher was astonished and touched to find that about 50 percent of the students answered the question with the word "**Mother**".

On Mother's Day, we celebrate all moms and mother-figures, for their love, strength and willingness to put the needs of their children and others first. Mothers also bring something else vital to their families and to our world, and that's tenderness.

Pope Francis spoke about the need for tenderness a few years ago in his message to the TED Conference in Vancouver. "Tenderness," the pope said, is "the love that comes close and becomes real." "Tenderness means to use our eyes to see the other, our ears to hear the other, to listen to the children, the poor, those who are afraid of the future."

"Tenderness is not weakness; it is fortitude," he said. "It is the path of solidarity, the path of humility." As we honor mothers everywhere this Mother's Day, let us emulate the tender love that leads us to act for the good of others.

A Mother's Day Blessing

On this Mother's Day we ask God to bless all the mothers, mothers to be, grandmothers, godmothers, mother figures and all of the special women in our lives. We also hold the memory of a mother's love in our hearts for many of our moms have gone before us and we know their love can never die.

Loving God, as a Mother gives life and nourishment to her children, so you watch over your Church.

Bless these women, our Mothers and Mother Figures, that they may be strengthened in their vocations.

Let the example of their faith and love shine forth.

Grant that we, their daughters and sons, may love and honor them always.

Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Community Life

Centering Prayer is meeting via Zoom on Monday evenings @ 7:00pm. Email centering@mhr.org for login details.

We are livestreaming Masses on our Facebook Page:
facebook.com/mhrsf

Visit us:

On the web: www.mhr.org

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Our Parish Community Birthdays

Michael Dunn, Kate Fitzpatrick, Peter Dresel, Owen Orndorff, Ray Herman, Peter Flanders, Freddy Chavez, David O'Connor and Jason Pinost.

Online Course on Women in Catholic Mystical Tradition

Tuesday, May 12 – Tuesday, June 30, 7:00 – 8:00 pm

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sfarch.org/mystics*

Bring a professor from St. Patrick's Seminary & University into your home to give you a college-level course on mystical theology (The fee is nominal; and there are no grades). This live online course of eight weekly meetings is "Women and the Mystical Tradition of the Church." The instructor is the renowned Dr. Anthony Lilles, of St. Patrick's Seminary and the blogspot BeginningToPray.com. Each meeting is a live thirty-minute lecture and a twenty-minute question-and-answer period.

Dr. Lilles will guide students through the lives and teachings of illustrious saints: Therese of Lisieux, Catherine of Sienna, Hildegard of Bingen, and others. Topics addressed include such elements of mystical wisdom as the mystery of the Church, love of the truth, devotion to Christ, contemplative prayer, Divine Mercy, and the Indwelling of the Trinity.

Act quickly. The course begins on May 12.

Registration is required.

The first class meeting is free; those who sign up for the full eight-week course will be asked to pay only \$20 — for an academic course worth hundreds of tuition dollars. All paid enrollees will also have access to the archive of class-meeting recordings, for viewing and reviewing later at any time. For complete information and enrollment, visit the webpage above.

Mass Intentions

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

Saturday, May 9

8am

Sunday, May 10

10am Fran & Al Marcial †

Barbara Colelli †

Monday, May 11

8am

Tuesday, May 12

8am Dorothy Weiss †

Wednesday, May 13

8am Wednesday Night Suppers

Thursday, May 14

8am Tom Taylor (L)

Friday, May 15

8am Jim Harrod †

Saturday, May 16

8am

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

Prayer Requests

Jerry Anderson, Robyn Anderson, Karen Appe, Jesusa Ayala, Keri Barrett, Beatrix Bell, David Bloom, Mylene Bombon, Florinda Brewster, Junior Briones, Sally Cahur, Jim Cathcart, Regan Chapman, Davyd Collinson, Fr. Brian Costello, Fr. Harry Cronin, Joshua Daigle, Alice Jane Davenport, Maria Diamond, Joyce Doran, Tom Farmer, Keith Fitzpatrick, Craig Henderson, Les Hribar, Jr., Joanna Kennedy, Warren Lubich, Catherine De Lucchi, Bernie Maddox, Sebastian MacLean, Jim & Cathy McSweeny, Fr. Andrew Metcalfe, David Miller, Roy Miller, Tom Norris, Bill Osuna, Nancy Otchy, Mary Beth Pitcher, Aida Reyes, Richard Ryan, Tim Ryan, John Schwobeda, Michael Shriver, Christopher Sumner, Randy Tichenal, Christine Lane Tracy, Joseph Vouglas, Bob Webster, Ryan Zuniga, †James Schultz† and †Nina Wells†.

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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