

MOST HOLY REDEEMER

Parish



Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 4, 2020

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

New Years and Thanksgiving Day 10:00am

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.

God's Inclusive Love Proclaimed Here!

**Most Holy Redeemer Catholic Church
San Francisco, California
27th Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 4, 2020**



Worship Hours

Monday - Friday: 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

New Years & Thanksgiving Day: 10AM

Due to SF City guidelines we are celebrating one weekend Mass on Sunday at 10am. Please join us for the livestream on our Facebook page:

www.facebook.com/mhrsf

New in-person Mass guidelines will be issued by the City and we will keep you apprised of any changes.

Please join us for daily Mass in the church at 8am beginning Monday, October 5th.

Face coverings are required and
Social Distancing Guidelines must be followed.

Sunday, October 4

Join us for virtual Coffee Hour after the 10am

Mass: visit www.mhr.org for details.

Wednesday, October 7

4pm - 5:30pm

Wednesday Supper lunch
distribution at the church gates.

Friday, October 9

Noon - 3pm Eucharistic Adoration
in the MHR Garden

Face coverings must be worn and Social Distancing
Guidelines must be observed.

Daily Readings: October 5 - 11

- ◇ Monday: Gal. 1:6-12, Lk. 10:25-37
- ◇ Tuesday: Gal. 1:13-24, Lk. 10:38-42
- ◇ Wednesday: Gal. 2:1-2, 7-14, Lk. 11:1-4
- ◇ Thursday: Gal. 3:1-5, Lk. 11:5-13
- ◇ Friday: Gal. 3:7-14, Lk. 11:15-26
- ◇ Saturday: Gal. 3:22-29, Lk. 11:27-28
- ◇ Sunday: Is. 25:6-10a, Phil. 4:12-14, 19-20, Mt. 22:1-14
or 22:1-10

Fr. Matt's Message

St. Francis of Assisi

This time last year, we celebrated a Blessing of Animals at our Sunday Masses, in honor of St. Francis of Assisi. Today, October 4 is the Feast Day of St. Francis. We will be celebrating the Solemnity Feast of Saint Francis, Co-Patron of the Archdiocese of San Francisco. On this Sunday, with special feast day readings and prayers, we will pray for the intercession of St. Francis and give thanks for all of God's creatures and the many gifts God has given us. We will pray too for all of our animal companions with prayers of gratitude, comfort and healing. Ministry of care is not just for humans. For so many of us, pets are part of the family, and those who lose one also suffer grief. Let us keep on praying for one another in all of our needs.

One of our most common sayings is "Preach the Gospel at all times, and if necessary use words." This quote is popularly attributed to St. Francis of Assisi. The saying is often used as a recommendation for how we should primarily or even exclusively evangelize. But, did St. Francis of Assisi really say this? And, did he really live this out as his primary means of evangelization? Well, the truth is, there is no evidence that St. Francis said this. It is clear that St. Francis' life and actions did provide a great deal of evangelization on their own. In the context of a society where many clergy lived extravagant lifestyles, St. Francis' vow to poverty was a stunning image of the Gospel. And yet, what is often lost amid a portrayal of a man who is usually pictured with animals is a saint who was not afraid to preach the Gospel verbally to others. It was said that he would go to the extravagant parties of the rich and preach the Gospel to them. When walking the paths of Assisi, St. Francis would often preach the Gospel to those he met. In fact, St. Francis is pictured with birds because the story goes that St. Francis even preached the Gospel to them. If he went so far as to preach to birds than surely he wasn't afraid to preach to the men and women he met.

There is no doubt that our lives should proclaim the Gospel. But, we should also be able to articulate the Gospel to others. St. Francis lived this both/and rather than an either/or. If Francis did ever say, "Preach the Gospel at all times and if necessary use words" then he must have thought it was necessary to do so on a consistent basis.

Wherever two or more gather...

Our little faith community has been so grateful to be able to gather in the garden for the weekday morning 8:00 a.m. Mass. The garden is beautiful and feels almost as if it were designed to accommodate such gatherings. As of the beginning of October we are able to gather inside of the church during as long as we limit our numbers and have a safety plan in place. Beginning Monday, October 5, we will resume the weekday Mass, Monday through Friday at 8:00 a.m. inside the church.

We are very close to being able to gather inside the church on Sundays as well. We are all anxious and ready to come together. Our bulletin deadline is Tuesday each week. We have not received official word but will keep you posted through email and on our website as soon we receive the official word from the Archdiocese of San Francisco about our full reopening.

Thank you for your continued presence, your patience, and your support.

May God continue to bless us. May Jesus always be our cornerstone!

Fr. Matt



MHR HIV/AIDS Support Group

Please keep our clients in your prayers. The Community Thrift store is open for curbside pick up. Donation drop-offs are accepted by appointment only. Call 415-862-4910 or visit them online at www.communitythrifsf.org/drop-off

Dear MHR Family,

My name is Mike Price and normally I would be introduced to the MHR community with a full church, but due to our current situation, you may have heard my name in the livestream Masses a few times instead.

I am a Precious Blood Volunteer, a designated volunteer to Most Holy Redeemer through the invitation of Fr. Matt. I arrived on July 31 and reside in the rectory and I will potentially be here through the end of July 2021.

As some of you may remember, I was here during 2019 Holy Week and the following three weeks during my Jesuit pilgrimage. Since then, I have joined the Precious Blood Volunteers to give myself in service to MHR.

I will be volunteering and assisting in various ministries like Wednesday's sandwich-making, our current version of Wednesday Night Suppers and the MHR AIDS Support Group Ministry and their work. I've also been assisting with the broadcasting of the daily and weekend Masses with our new and enhanced equipment. There are many other needs around the parish that I will assist with as well. It has been a joy to reconnect with some of you, and I am also excited to get to know more of you here at Most Holy Redeemer.

I look forward to the day when we all can be back together in our beautiful sanctuary. Until then, check out our Facebook page for our livestream Masses and current posts, our website for current parish information and also our MHR Instagram page ([mhrcatholicsf](https://www.instagram.com/mhrcatholicsf)).

Pray for me as I pray for you!
Mike Price

Stewardship Week of September 27

Misc. -	\$1,409.79
<u>Online Giving -</u>	<u>\$1,788.08</u>
Total -	\$3,197.87
Budgeted -	\$3,600.00

Thank you for your continued generosity!

Community Life

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

Per directive from our Archbishop with the City of San Francisco, **we will celebrate one weekend Mass.** Please join us at 10am for the Sunday Mass livestream on our Facebook page: www.facebook.com/mhrrsf
We will begin to celebrate daily Mass (M-F) indoors this Monday, October 5th at 8am in the Church.



Visit us:

On the web: www.mhr.org
Facebook: [facebook.com/mhrrsf](https://www.facebook.com/mhrrsf)
Instagram: [mhrcatholicsf](https://www.instagram.com/mhrcatholicsf)

Our Parish Community Birthdays

Michael Vargas, Marguerite Engel, Sheila Thompson, Randy Damron, Lauren May, Philip Soliz, Tony Zapotoczny, Gabriel Domenech, Victor Ngai, John Solaegui, Mike Mamone, Joseph de la Rosa, Trudy Miller, Francisco Salazar, Zach Palacies, John Golding, Linda Robertshaw and Bobby Cupp.

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.

RCIA at Most Holy Redeemer

Our parish RCIA program is underway and meets via Zoom on Wednesdays. If you have not yet been confirmed or are interested in becoming Catholic or learning more about the church, please call the office at **415-863-6259** or you can send us an email to rcia@mhr.org

Are you lonely?

You can call the Friendship Line @ 800-971-0016. It's the only 24/7 toll-free warmline for older adults. Whether you're feeling alone or in crisis, you can count on the Friendship Line for a lifeline of hope and a compassionate voice. It's free to anyone in the U.S. or Canada.

Volunteer: you can also volunteer for the Friendship Line to talk to callers. Contact 415-750-4136 or fivolunteer@ioaging.org.

Mass Intentions

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

Sunday, October 4

10am Thomas Elking Westerberg †
Emmerzon Hernandez †

Monday, October 5

8am

Tuesday, October 6

8am Ellen Jane Adams †

Wednesday, October 7

8am Steve Hutcheon †

Thursday, October 8

8am

Friday, October 9

8am Emerita J. Deza †

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

Prayer Requests

Karen Appe, Jesusa Ayala, Bernie Banonis, Beatrix Bell, David Bloom, Florinda Brewster, Junior Briones, Margaret Cittadino, Davyd Collinson, Fr. Harry Cronin, Joshua Daigle, Alice Jane Davenport, Tom Farmer, Keith Fitzpatrick, Tom Gratiot, Tan Huimeng, Anna Kane, Joanna Kennedy, Karen Kenny, Warren Lubich, Catherine De Lucchi, Bernie Maddox, Sebastian MacLean, Amber Martinez, Fr. Andrew Metcalfe, David Miller, Roy Miller, Bill Osuna, Nancy Otchy, Mary Beth Pitcher, Aida Reyes, Sol Rodriguez, Bill Ryan, Richard Ryan, Tim Ryan, Kathy Schroeder, Gregory Dake Schultz, John Schwobeda, Christopher Sumner, Randy Tichenal, Christine Lane Tracy, Joseph Vouglas, Ryan Zuniga, and †Richard Wagenhofer†.

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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