

MOST HOLY REDEEMER *Parish*



SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
JULY 25, 2021

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
New Years and 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.

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This Week at Most Holy Redeemer

Daily Mass

8am Monday - Friday

Wednesday, July 28

4pm - 5:30pm Wednesday Supper lunch
distribution at the church gates.

Saturday, July 31

5pm Vigil Mass

Sunday, August 1

8am, 10am & 6:30pm Mass

Library open after 8am & 10am Masses

Livestream Masses on our MHR Facebook page:

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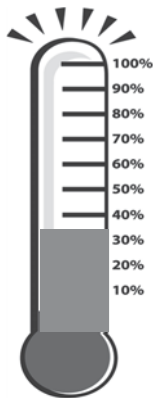
8am Monday, Wednesday & Friday

10am Sunday

*Per SF Archdiocese, face coverings are still required
while attending Mass indoors.*

Daily Readings: July 26 - August 1

- ◇ Monday: Ex. 32:15-24, 3034, Mt. 13:31-35
- ◇ Tuesday: Ex. 33:7-11, 34:5b-9, 28
- ◇ Wednesday: Ex. 24:29-35, Mt. 13:44-46
- ◇ Thursday: Ex. 40:16-21, 34-38, Jn. 11:19-27
- ◇ Friday: Lv. 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37, Mt. 13:54-58
- ◇ Saturday: Lv. 25:1, 8-17, Mt. 14:1-12a
- ◇ Sunday: Ex. 16:2-4, 12-15, Eph. 4:17, 20-24, Jn. 6:24-35



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contributed so far to the 2021
Archdiocesan Annual Appeal!**

We have collected \$18,284:

33% of our goal of \$54,609!

Thank you for your support!

Stewardship Week of July 18

5pm -	\$206.00
8am -	\$921.00
10am -	\$1,199.00
6:30pm -	\$206.00
Misc. -	\$600.00
Online Giving -	\$1,257.86
Total -	\$4,389.86
Budgeted -	\$4,500.00

Thank you for your generous support!

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

When was the last time you considered the question, "What is my calling?" That's not a question of your job, although the hope is that any occupation we engage in becomes an expression of our deeper call. The same goes for our state of life: married, single, clergy or vowed religious. Each of those commitments becomes the context through which we become who we are called to be.

St. Paul brings us this question today in the Letter to the Ephesians, a letter that scholars see as addressed to the worldwide church throughout the ages. We might imagine the great apostle looking directly at us — individually or as an assembled community — as he says with a booming voice, "I urge you to live a life worthy of your calling."

Now, look in the mirror or turn to your neighbor and dare to ask, "What is he expecting of us?" or perhaps, "What does he hope for us? What does it mean to really live our calling or vocation?"

Paul goes to the heart of the matter and says, "You were called to one hope." That hope, he explains, comes through the Lord Jesus and draws as one body in the Spirit into union with the Father so that God dwells in and through all. Our call is to be exactly who we are, offering our own gifts to the one body we are becoming.

So far, this is theory about hope and unity and vocation. Our readings from 2 Kings and John offer something more specific.

The story about Elisha is one in a series of anecdotes in which the prophet worked life-giving wonders on behalf of individuals or groups of people.

In this case, someone came from pagan territory with a small sacrificial offering. Instead of saving the gift for sacrifice, Elisha ordered a servant to distribute what would have been the equivalent of 20 rolls and some raw grain to a group of a hundred hungry people.

The sensible servant protested that such a gesture was ridiculous, if not insulting. Who would present such a paltry amount to such a large group?

Of course, as in the other situations mentioned in this section of 2 Kings, Elisha's outrageous desire to respond to the need at hand found fulfillment. The people ate and there were leftovers.

In today's Gospel, we hear the most oft-repeated story in the New Testament, the miraculous sharing of bread. Mark and Matthew each recount two versions of the story and Luke and John each tell one; every rendition has unique emphases. While John's is the longest and most theological, today we begin with the details of the incident.

Obviously, the evangelists capitalized on the parallels between this incident and Elisha's history. John adds special details including the fact that this happened around the time of Passover, the celebration of God's deliverance of Israel from slavery.

Then, even more than in Elisha's story, we hear of the preposterous disparity between the size of the crowd and the quantity of available food. Mark and John also add subtle details that reflect Psalm 23 by depicting people reclining on lush grass.

In each account, we hear echoes of the Last Supper as Jesus takes bread, gives thanks and distributes it to the people. Anyone steeped in the Hebrew Scriptures hears this as a story of one greater than Elisha offering bread as God did in the Exodus desert. Christians hear in it strains of a eucharistic celebration.

Continues:

Community Life

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

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Auto External Defibrillator is located in hallway next to the Ellard Hall women's restroom.

Our Parish Community Birthdays

John Sedlander, Connor Santos-Stevenson, Amy Miller, Lily Boucher, Fred Siegel, Christine Kosche, Kenneth Mills, Mary Kay Henry, P.D. Colfer, Thomas Miles, Fernando Dehlinger, Thomas Kearny, Mick Andrade, Christopher Punongbayan, Pierre Gousseland, John Magdziarz, and Mason Talento-Mirador

Continued:

Having relished some of the artistry and details of the story, we still ask what it says about our calling. Admittedly, the story is preposterous. One can invent rational explanations for what happened, but none of the evangelists are interested in those.

In spite of the way we often refer to the incident, no account ever says that the bread was multiplied. They only tell how a tiny amount was offered, that the multitude ate, and there was food to spare — in spite of the disciples' doubts. In the light of Paul's invitation to great hope, we can read the stories of miraculous sharing as a call to preposterous faith.

The thought that humanity can learn to act as one or that we can "live in a manner worthy" of our call appears as ludicrous as the decision to satisfy the hunger of a multitude with a few rolls and some dried fish. It is also the hope to which we are called.

According to these Scriptures, faith calls forth unreasonable expectations. Our calling is to offer the paltry stuff of our lives and assume that God will do more with us than we could ask or imagine. —*Sr. Mary McGlone, NCR*

The Wednesday Night Suppers Return August 11th!

The Wednesday Suppers will resume full operations on July 11. If you have previously volunteered and would like to continue or if you're interested in becoming a new volunteer, please send an email to us at suppers@mhr.org. Our volunteers generally arrive around 5pm and end around 7pm. We need people to serve meals as well as clean up afterwards. We also need a couple of people to help shop on Wednesday mornings for 2-3 hours starting at 7:30. For this, you need to be able to drive, lift a bit (a sack of potatoes is 50 lbs), and have some knowledge of how a meal is put together, i.e. make substitutions if something on the shopping list is not available. We hope you can join us for this very rewarding ministry.

Mass Intentions

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

Saturday, July 24

5pm Victor Gonzales (L)

Sunday, July 25

8am Benefactors, Volunteers and Clients of the MHR AIDS Support Group

10am Romeo L'Heureux †

6:30pm MHR Parishioners

Monday, July 26

8am Thomas Butler †

Tuesday, July 27

8am Carla Valerga †

Wednesday, July 28

8am Luis Legowski †

Thursday, July 29

8am

Friday, July 30

8am Dona Munoz †

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 or sponsor the weekend altar flowers, please call the parish office or email secretary@mhr.org.

Prayer Requests

Jesusa Ayala, Lena Antipeusto, Olga Barrera, Beatrix Bell, Lauren Beller, Henry Berin, Brian Carrie, Jim Cathcart, Nicholas Chang, Michael Cisneros, Joshua Daigle, Vergilio De Leon, Fr. Larry Dowling, Alex Draffan, Maribel Escobar, Tom Farmer, Brian Fisher-Paulson, Barbara Frey, Tom Gratiot, Wallace Greene, Joan James, Florence Kaloquin, Joanna Kennedy, Christine Kosche, Vicky LaFrance, Beatrice Lavirotte, Teresita Lacey, Michael Leonard, Jim Lonergan, Rita Ludeman, Warren Lubich, Bernie Maddox, Hugh Mallaney, Armindo Oliveira, Marie Prybylski, Sebastian MacLean, Erineo Maliksi, Gloria Regan, Gregory Dake Schultz, Bob Schmeisser, Nok Sojka, Randy Tichenal, Christine Lane Tracy, Joseph Vouglas and Ryan Zuniga.

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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