



The Holy Family
Most Holy Redeemer Catholic Church

December 26, 2021
San Francisco, California



**MOST HOLY REDEEMER
CATHOLIC CHURCH**
100 Diamond Street
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CURRENT WORSHIP HOURS

Daily Mass: M - F 8am
Saturday Vigil Mass: 5pm
Sunday Masses: 8am, 10am & 6:30pm
Holy Days: 8am & 7pm
Reconciliation: Saturdays 3:45pm - 4:30pm

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THIS WEEK AT OUR PARISH

Daily Mass

Monday - Friday 8:00am

Wednesday, December 29

RCIA via Zoom: 3pm

Wednesday Supper: 4pm - 5:30pm

Lunch distribution at the church gates.

New Years Day, January 1

Mary, Mother of God

5pm Mass

Sunday, January 2

Masses: 8am, 10am & 6:30pm

Coffee hour after the 8am & 10am Masses!

FACE COVERINGS MUST BE WORN AT MASS.

Livestream the 10am Sunday Mass

on our MHR Facebook page:

www.facebook.com/mhrsf



Collection Week of December 12

5pm -	\$385.00
8am -	\$472.00
10am -	\$1,409.00
6:30pm -	\$759.00
Misc. -	\$289.79
Online giving -	\$1776.00
Total -	\$5,090.79
Budgeted -	\$4500.00
Rel. Retirement Fun -	\$800.00

Thank you for your amazing support!



DECEMBER 27—JANUARY 2

Monday: 1Jn. 1:1-4, Jn. 20:1a, 2-8

Tuesday: 1Jn. 1:5-2:2, Mt. 2:13-18

Wednesday: 1Jn. 2:3-11, Lk. 2:22-35

Thursday: 1Jn. 2:12-17, Lk. 2:36-40

Friday: 1Jn. 2:18-21, Jn. 1:1-18

Saturday: Nm. 6:22-27, Gal. 4:4-7, Lk. 2:16-21

Sunday: Is. 60:1-6, Eph. 3:2-3a, 5-6, Mt. 2:1-12

Fr. Matt's Message - The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

How happy are they who dwell in your house, O Lord.

There's a beautiful scene that opens the 2006 film, 'The Nativity Story.' Mary's mother, Anne, is in the kitchen, telling a story from the Torah to a group of children from the village.

It's a timeless scene of Mothers passing on faith to their children: an image of the domestic church in action through word.

The movie goes on to tell the story of the journey of Mary and Joseph together bringing Jesus safely to birth. A story of commitment and trust in a relationship judged harshly by the people of the day in world that was cold and unwelcoming. A story of a family coming into being through trust in God and an acceptance of God's plan. A plan unseen but constantly unfolding.

The story of the Holy Family is a story of the domestic church. Most of us learned our faith and continue to grow in our faith in our homes, the place where God resides with us – Emmanuel, God with us, and where God brings us to life in the person of Jesus.

The story of the Holy Family is certainly our story church of the Most Holy Redeemer.

I've mentioned before that holidays are often a time of weddings and baptisms. It makes perfect sense. It's a time when "Faithful friends who are dear to us gather near to us once more," and since we are gathered near it makes sense to plan and celebrate those big family moments. Around Thanksgiving we as a parish family welcomed a new little brother into our own holy family. James Augustus was presented by his parents to the church and baptized in a beautiful ceremony. And his family could not have been happier or more thankful.

"Each year Jesus' parents went to Jerusalem for the feast of the Passover, and when he was 12 years old they went up according to festival custom." We help create holiness in our own families by adopting practices of shared respect, forgiveness, love, and caring. In Luke's Gospel passage for the celebration of Holy Family, Jesus gets separated from Mary and Joseph when he stays behind in the temple. Mary and Joseph must have been frantic when they discovered him missing. Yet when they find him they are not harsh. They simply tell him they are not pleased and that they have certain expectations. Jesus, fully human, was entering into those transition years familiar to parents of teenagers.

It was in a family setting that Jesus first knew the joy of being loved. It is in this family setting of the Church that God, who created us in Love, chose to come to us and be among us.

I'll close with the prayer said over the parents at the end of the Baptismal Rite. It's a beautiful prayer reminding the parents and the entire family of our ongoing responsibility to live and pass on our faith. I feel like it's a good prayer as we close out the year that is now gone and look ahead to the year that is just before us.

May almighty God, who gives life on earth and in heaven, bless the parents of this child and bless all parents and all those who pass on and share the gift of faith. They will be the first teachers of their child in the ways of faith. May they always be the best of teachers bearing witness by what they say and what they do.

They thank God for the gift God has given them. May they always show their gratitude in action by loving and caring for their children. May we always show our gratitude by loving and caring for each other and for whomever God places in our lives.

May God bless all of our holy families!

With love and prayers,

Fr. Matt





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

Saturday, December 25

8am

10am Laura Gambini †

Sunday, December 26

8am Ann Heng †

10am MHR Parishioners

6:30pm Tom Gratiot †

Monday, December 27

8am

Tuesday, December 28

8am

Wednesday, December 29

Wednesday Night Suppers

Thursday, December 30

8am Thomas Sullivan †

Friday, December 31

8am

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 at 415-863-6259 or email secretary@mhr.org.



Jerry Anderson, Rudy Baclig, Bob Barcewski, Joyce Bednarek, Henry Berin, Jim Berkemeyer, Fr. Wayne Campbell, Jim Cathcart, Judy Chang, Joshua Daigle, Barbara Elliot, Vergilio De Leon, Shirley DeWan, Wallace Greene, Diane Hirasuna, Florence Kaloquin, Larry Goombah Kelleher, Joanna Kennedy, Karen Kenny, Christine Kosche, Michael Leonard, Jim Lonergan, Rita Ludeman, Warren Lubich, Bernie Maddox, Hugh Mallaney, Anna McKenzie, Jack McDermott, Marge Meyer, Armindo Oliveira, Michael Pichura, Marcello Pucci, Gloria Regan, Fr. John Sakowski, Gregory Dake Schultz, James Scott, Jan Skorupa, Annie & Nok Sojka, Richelle Slota, Mary Stevens, Jim Teddar, Randy Tichenal, Paul Tipp, Christine Lane Tracy, Mark Vogel, Andy Whelan, Ryan Zuniga, †Louis Dunn†, †Neil Kleinberg†, †Judie Neitge† and †Chayton Sweet†.



COMMUNITY LIFE

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

Young Adults Meeting: Tuesday, January 4th at
7:30pm in the Church. Email yag@mhr.org for info.

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



MHR HIV/AIDS SUPPORT GROUP

EMMANUEL TREE PROJECT

Many thanks to all who gave so generously to the Emmanuel Tree Project. You have given joy to so many people. God bless you.

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and will reopen January 16.

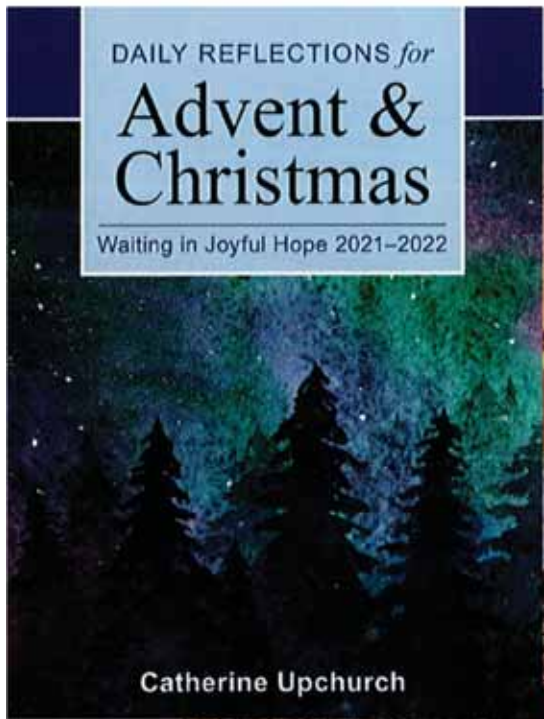


OUR PARISH COMMUNITY BIRTHDAYS

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and Edward Center.



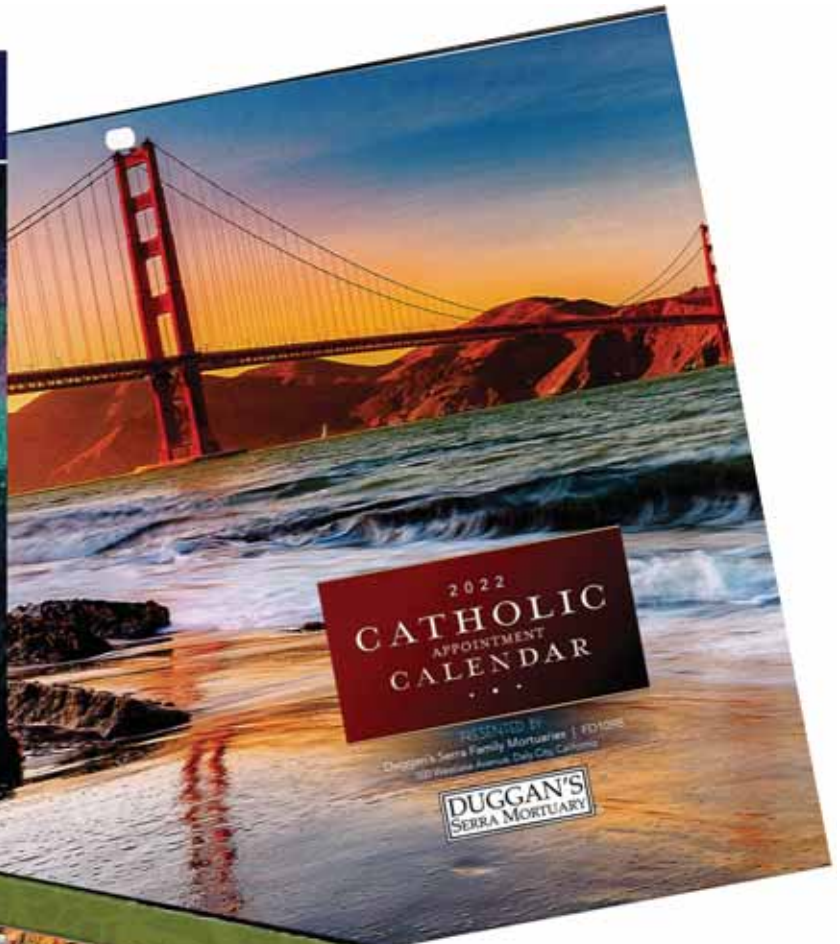
*Fr. Matt and the parish staff
of Most Holy Redeemer wish
you and yours a
Merry Christmas and
a Blessed, Happy New Year!*



DAILY REFLECTIONS *for*
Advent & Christmas

Waiting in Joyful Hope 2021-2022

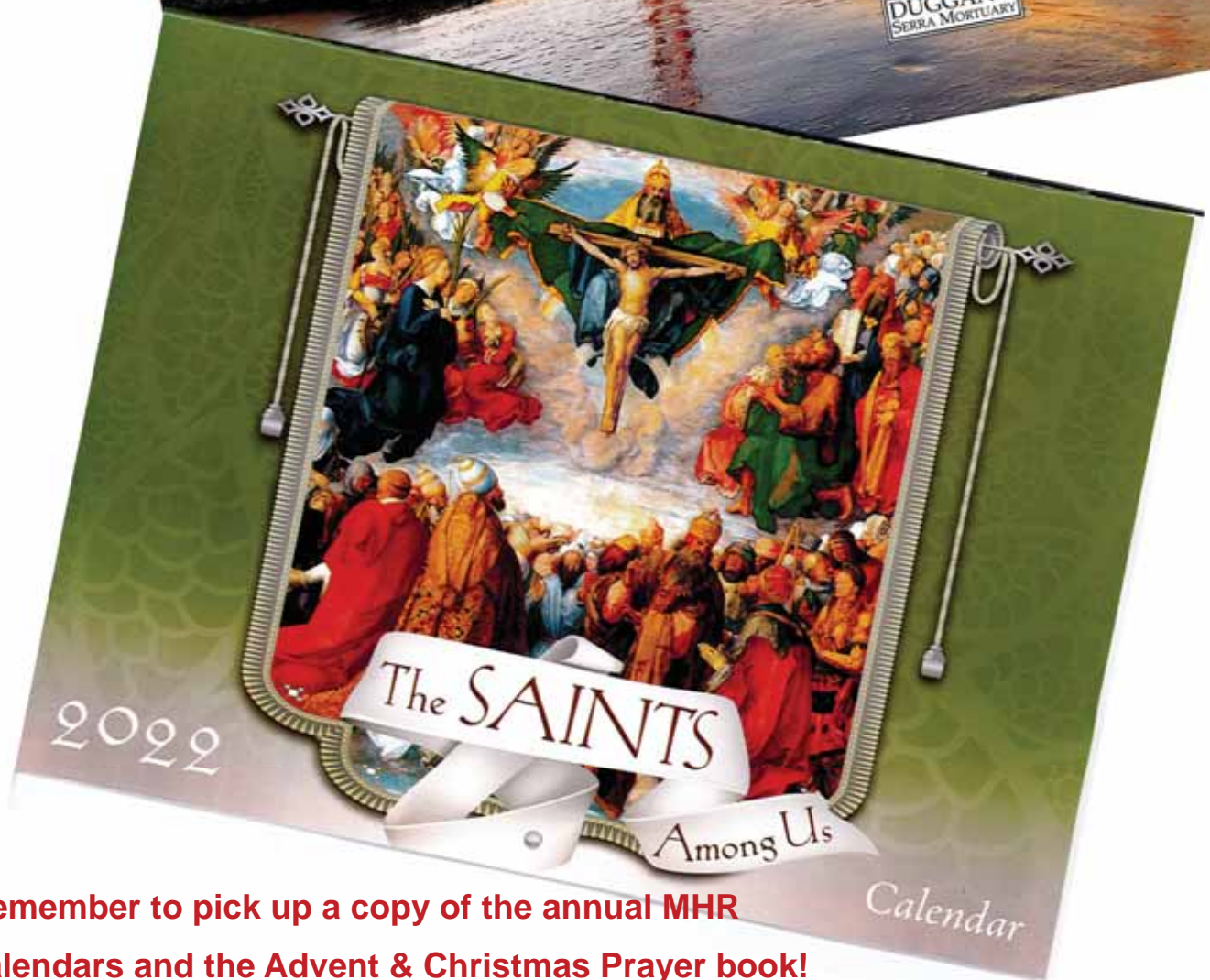
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2022

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