

MOST HOLY REDEEMER

Parish



Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
January 16, 2022

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

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.

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!



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CATHOLIC CHURCH**
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www.mhr.org

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THIS WEEK AT OUR PARISH

Daily Mass

Monday - Friday 8:00am

Monday, January 17

MLK Day - Parish office closed

Wednesday, January 19

RCIA via Zoom: 3pm

Wednesday Supper: 4pm - 5:30pm

Lunch distribution at the church gates.

Saturday, January 22

Vigil Mass 5pm

Sunday, January 23

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

**Coffee hour has been put on hold
until further notice.**

FACE COVERINGS MUST BE WORN AT MASS.

Livestream the 10am Sunday Mass

on our MHR Facebook page:

www.facebook.com/mhrsf



JANUARY 17 - 23

Monday: 1Sm. 15:16-23, Mk. 2:18-22

Tuesday: 1Sm. 16:10-13, Mk. 2:23-28

Wednesday: 1Sm. 17:32-33, 37, 40-51, Mk. 3:1-6

Thursday: 1Sm. 18:6-9, 19:1-7, Mk. 3:7-12

Friday: 1Sm. 24:3-21, Mk. 3:13-19

Saturday: 2Sm. 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27,

Mk. 3:20-21

Sunday: Neh. 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10, 1Cor. 12:12-30,

Lk. 1-4, 4:14-21



Collection - January 8 & 9

5pm -	\$273.00
8am -	\$624.00
10am -	\$1,046.00
6:30pm -	\$154.00
Misc. -	\$674.79
Online giving -	\$3,736.40
Total -	\$6,508.19
Budgeted -	\$4500.00

Thank you for your generous support!

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time - January 16th, 2021

"My hour has not yet come." Don't try to use that excuse with your mother! It didn't even work for Jesus.

Today's Gospel story could have been a wedding story that John picked up from the oral tradition. But whenever John retold an anecdote, every detail and word assumed layers of meaning. Just as the Josephs of Scripture were famous for dream interpretation, John knew how to uncover depth in every facet of an incident better than the finest jeweler can appreciate a cut diamond. Thus, today we hear about wine at a wedding and God's gift to a people who had lost touch with joy.

It starts out simply. Mary and Jesus and friends were at a wedding celebration. But the subject is not really the wedding. John tells us nothing about the goodness and aim of marriage. We have no idea who the newlyweds are. We know nothing about the ceremony, the dress, the music. No society page would pick up the story John tells. If the tale were to be published, it would probably go in the "Believe It or Not" section of the paper.

Here is the short version. Two people are supposed to be enjoying the happiest day of their lives with all their friends and the wine runs out. That's not just an embarrassment, but it seems a terrible omen: if there was too little wine at the wedding, what else will be lacking to the marriage? Who is to blame? The parents, godparents, steward? Maybe the people who drank too much from the get-go? Sure, blame can be spread all around, but even if a culprit is found, there is still no wine.

But for one woman.

Mary, the woman who taught Jesus to pray. She will not just sit back and watch the feast fizzle. She finds Jesus and announces: "They have no wine." Whether she used only those words or made them the centerpiece of a cajoling mother's entreaty, she got her point across.

Unfortunately, what she saw as a problem didn't fit Jesus' master plan.

At this point, John the Evangelist begins to write as much between the lines as in the text. Jesus says, "Woman, how is that our problem? My hour has not yet come." Jesus doesn't call her *immah* (mom), nor does he use her name as if he were addressing her with formal distance. No, the Greek says he called her *gune*, woman, as if she represented all of Israel, God's own bride. John is framing this incident as a symbolic depiction of God's people who have run out of joy.

In John's Gospel, Jesus does not teach about prayer as in Matthew, Mark and Luke. We might see Mary here as an image of Luke's persistent widow and the friend who comes in the night or the Syrophenician woman of Mark and Matthew's Gospels. Like the psalmists who plea, "For the sake of your name, hear my cry!" Mary believes that God's name is too great, God's generosity is too famous to allow people to remain joyless and ashamed.

"My hour has not yet come." Jesus' reply was not enough for Mary. Representing her people, representing her needy world, she simply told the servants to do what Jesus bid them, knowing that when that happened, all would be well.

Two millennia later, Martin Luther King Jr. picked up Mary's theme in his book *Why We Can't Wait*. He wrote: "Time itself is neutral; it can be used destructively or constructively." Like Mary telling the servants to obey Jesus, King said, "Human progress never rolls in on wheels of inevitability; it comes through the tireless efforts of [people] willing to be co-workers with God." King wrote about the change that was past due for people of African descent in the United States. Like him, women and impoverished people in the Catholic Church are saying that necessary changes can't wait for the "right time" because when it comes to reform, that time never arrives.

As we enter into a new church year, Mary of Nazareth, the persistent guest at Cana, urges us to believe that the hour has come. The hour has come for us to believe that the reign of God can be palpable in our midst. The hour has come for us to listen to the urgings of the Spirit. The hour has come for the church to become genuinely synodal, appreciating and listening to the voice of each of her members, especially those on the margins. The hour has come for all of us to be coworkers with God and to listen to the Gospel. The hour has come to look at Christ and do whatever he tells us. Then we will know the joy God intends for humanity.

—St. Joseph Sr. Mary M. McGlone, *Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet*



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

Saturday, January 15

5pm Louis Dunn †

Sunday, January 16

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

10am George G. Hawxhurst †

6:30pm Carmen Melendez †

Monday, January 17

8am

Tuesday, January 18

8am Patricia Hargadon †

Sr. Nadine Hargadon †

Wednesday, January 19

8am Ryan Zuniga (L)

Thursday, January 20

8am Jim and Evelyn (L)

Friday, January 21

8am Jose Evans Laosantos (L)

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, Bernie Banonis, Bob Barcewski, Joyce Bednarek, Henry Berin, Fr. Wayne Campbell, Jim Cathcart, Joshua Daigle, Vergilio De Leon, Shirley DeWan, Wallace Greene, Diane Hirasuna, Serge Hubert, Florence Kaloquin, Kenny Kehoe, Joanna Kennedy, Christine Kosche, Jim & Lisa Kunzer, Theresa Law, Michael Leonard, Rita Ludeman, Warren Lubich, Bernie Maddox, Hugh Mallaney, Anna McKenzie, Jack McDermott, Marge Meyer, Armindo Oliveira, Michael Pichura, Marcello Pucci, Gloria Regan, Ermete Rebutti, Fr. John Sakowski, Gregory Dake Schultz, James Scott, Annie & Nok Sojka, Richelle Slota, Mary Stevens, Jim Teddar, Randy Tichenal, Christine Lane Tracy, Mark Vogel, Andy Whelan, Les Young, Jane Yung, Ryan Zuniga and †Edna Bodin Broussard†, †Nedra Everett†, †Donna Granata† and †Carmen Melendez†



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 18th at
7:30pm: visit <https://www.mhr.org/events/>

Visit us:

On the web: www.mhr.org

Facebook: www.facebook.com/mhrsf

Instagram: [mhrcatholicsf](https://www.instagram.com/mhrcatholicsf)

Coffee hour is on hold until further notice as COVID cases are rising
a we want everyone to feel safe.

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

LIBRARY CORNER

Due to the rise in COVID cases, the MHR Library will
be closed until further notice. Watch this space.



OUR PARISH COMMUNITY BIRTHDAYS

Kathi Knapp, James Donaher, Barbara Squeri,
Ron Gundrum, Ginny Bowen, Jean Santos,
Bethany Rogers, Ian McNicholl, Jett Manchester,
Elizabeth Fahlgren, Chris Valle, David Lloyd,
Brian Bromberger, Bayinaah Jones and
Mary Anderson.



The Holy Father has convened a Synod and has asked the People of God to participate in the synodal process. This is your source for learning about the synodal process, and how you can participate.

Surveys open January 15th

Most Holy Redeemer is offering the Disciple Maker Index (DMI) survey from January 15 to February 15 both online as a link from our parish website at www.mhr.org and as a hardcopy survey that can be filled out in-person. We encourage you to take the survey through our parish so the data can accurately reflect the feedback from our parish community. Please return completed paper surveys to the church, parish office or by mail to:

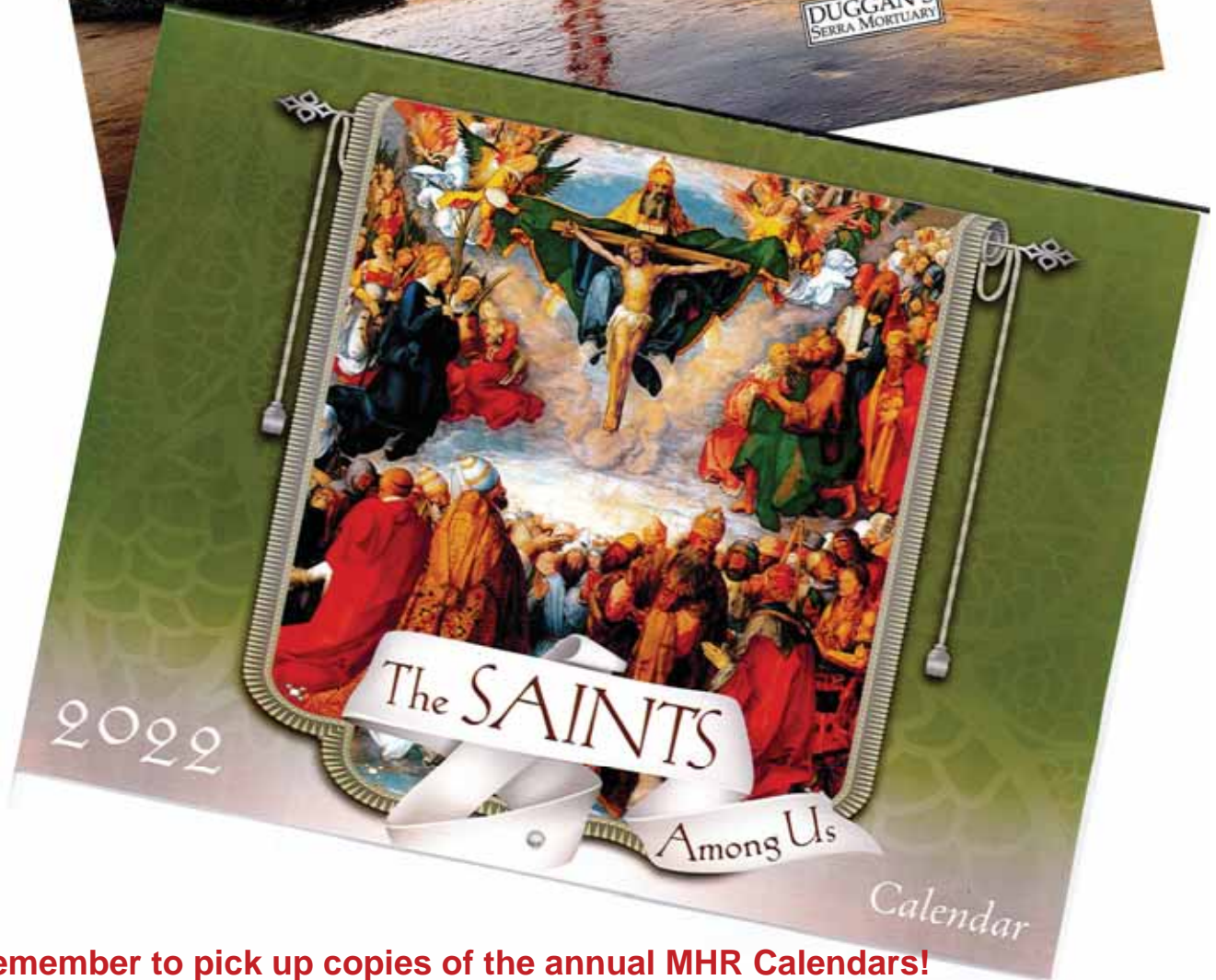
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Please do not include your name or a return address on the survey as all answers are strictly confidential and anonymous. Thank you for taking your valuable time to help us shape the church of the future.



"the world in which we live, and which we are called to love and serve, even with its contradictions, demands that the Church strengthens cooperation in all areas of her mission."

—Pope Francis



Remember to pick up copies of the annual MHR Calendars!



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