PALM SUNDAY

APRIL 10, 2022 MOST HOLY REDEEMER CATHOLIC CHURCH SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA



MOST HOLY REDEEMER CATHOLIC CHURCH 100 Diamond Street San Francisco, California 415-863-6259 www.mhr.org 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 - Wednesday 8:00am No Daily Mass on Holy Thursday or Good Friday Wednesday, April 13 Wednesday Supper: 4pm - 5:30pm Lunch distribution at the church doors. Stations of the Cross in the Castro Join the MHR Young Adults at 7pm at the Church Holy Thursday, April 14 Mass of the Lord's Supper 7pm Good Friday, April 15 Church open for quiet prayer Noon - 3pm Passion of the Lord 7pm Holy Saturday, April 16 Easter Vigil Mass 8pm Easter Sunday, April 17 Masses: 8am. 10am & 6:30pm Coffee hour after the 8am & 10am Masses

FACE COVERINGS ARE HIGHLY RECOMMENDED. Livestream the 10am Sunday Mass on our MHR Facebook page: www.facebook.com/mhrsf



APRIL 11 - 17 Monday: Is. 42:1-7, Jn. 12:1011 Tuesday: Is. 49:1-6, Jn. 13:21-33, 36-38 Wednesday: Is. 50:4-9a, Mt. 26:14-25 Holy Thursday: Ex. 12:1-8, 11-14, 1Cor. 11:23-26, Jn. 13:1-15 Good Friday: Is. 52:13-53:12, Heb. 4:14-16:5:7-9, Jn. 18:1-19:41 Holy Saturday: Gn. 1:1-2:2, Gn. 22:1-18, Ex. 14:15-15:1, Is. 55:1-11, Ez. 36:16-17a, 18-28, Rom. 6:3-11, Lk. 24:1-12 Easter Sunday: Acts 10:34a, 37-43, Col. 3:1-4, Jn. 20:1-9

Fr. Matt's Palm Sunday Message

Palm Sunday ushers in the dramatic events of Holy Week. As Jesus triumphantly enters Jerusalem, we might be a little struck with the oddity of this "triumphant Jesus." So different from the down-to-earth, humble Jesus we know, intimately loving, healing, and serving. Always gazing upon us with a heart that is so often moved.

The gospel that we read at the entrance rite has Jesus poised just outside of Jerusalem. The journey to this point has been long and difficult. The gospel highlights the journey as it traces the Lord's movement from Jesus' ministry around Galilee to its ending place of Jerusalem where he will be tried, die a cruel death and be raised to new life by God.

Jerusalem is more than a geographical place, but a symbol of Jesus' whole aim, his trajectory, where he is going and where he is taking us. The words from one of my favorite hymns come to mind, "*I have set my sights on the hills, Jerusalem my destiny*." Jerusalem – yes, the end of Jesus' earthly journey, but, more importantly, the place of new beginnings, the place of Paschal Mystery.

Lent has provided for us the chance to spiritually prepare to live into Jesus' death and resurrection, that paschal mystery which we often ponder. Each day we live it in the cross that we carry, in our own dying and rising. Lent invited us to journey with Jesus on his journey for us. Becoming for us a moving away from the things that get in the way of God's love. Jesus enters the city, revered as a King and we, who know the rest of the story, realize that this is but a fleeting moment.

Jesus' kingship is one of servant leadership – not lording over others, not dangling salvation as if it were a prized to be earned. No, Jesus kingship is one of attending to the needs of the poor in spirit; anyone in need of the ministry of the ultimate king, Jesus the Christ.

And this service comes at such a cost, ending with brutal death. The words of another beautiful hymn come to mind, "*What Wondrous Love is this O My Soul*." Jesus enters Jerusalem on a colt. The people respond with great joy. Far too quickly that joyful response turns bitter. From the hosannas of Palm Sunday to the jeers and condemnation of Good Friday. Such a long leap in such a very short time. What a fickle lot we are! We really do need a Messiah, someone to rescue us. Jesus is God's offering of that grace, that gift.

This week, let us do the best job we can, to create the space needed to hear and see and feel the love of God, made flesh in Jesus, the One who always loves us, loves us from death into life.

With gratitude, love, and prayers,



Fr. Matt



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

<u>Saturday, April 9</u> 5pm Jullien Bettina Villena <u>Sunday, April 10</u> 8am 10am Richard Gianoli † Fr. Loras Otting † 6:30pm MHR Parishioners <u>Monday, April 11</u> 8am Jayel Bennet Divinagracia (L) <u>Tuesday, April 12</u> 8am Julio Villena (L) <u>Wednesday, April 13</u> 8am William Oakes †

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, Bob Barcewski, Cheryl Beck, Joyce Bednarek, Henry Berin, Sue Bessmer, Fr. Wayne Campbell, Jim Cathcart, Sr. Juliana Casey, Becky Caylor, Joshua Daigle, Vergilio De Leon, LaVon Dennison, Shirley DeWan, Tom Farmer, Barbara Golding, Wallace Greene, Deborah Hardy, Charles Herbers, Serge Hubert, David Johnson, Florence Kaloquin, Penny Kang, Kenny Kehoe, Joanna Kennedy, Richard Klapp, Christine Kosche, Jim & Lisa Kunzer, Sr. LaSallette Fuselier, Theresa Law, Michael Leonard, Rita Ludeman, Warren Lubich, Bernie Maddox, Barb Mandernach, Nancy McCann, Anna McKenzie, Jack McDermott, Maria Mendoza, Hunter Mills, Lou Montoya, Tom Nelson, Michal Offutt, Maureen O'Sullivan, Zach Patterson, Laura Records, Dorothy Rodtz, William Salaver, Bobby Schulte, Bob Schultz, Gregory Dake Schultz, Joe Schwartz, James Scott, Annie & Nok Sojka, Mary Stevens, Jim Teddar, Randy Tichenal, Christine Lane Tracy, Joseph & Mary Vouglas, David Washington, Louis Washington, Toyoko Yamagi, Les Young, Jane Yung, Ryan Zuniga and †Martha Calderon†.



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

Bible Study on upcoming Sunday readings meets via Zoom on Tuesday evenings at 7pm. Email biblestudy@mhr.org for login and for more information.

MHR Young Adult Meeting: Tuesday, April 19th at 7pm. Email yag@mhr.org for information.

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



We are once again looking for fully vaccinated volunteers to visit and/or help our fully vaccinated clients. If you are interested in volunteering, please call the rectory (415-863-6259).

MHR HIV/AIDS SUPPORT GROUP

<u>Client in Park Merced</u>: We have a client who uses a wheelchair and greatly enjoys going to the movies. He would like someone with access to a car that could accommodate the wheelchair, and who would like to accompany him to the movies every month or so; in addition to just visiting, going for walks,

and playing video games.

<u>A Couple in the Fillmore.</u> Two men, one of whom is bedbound, would like a someone to visit for conversation and watching movies on TV; also, to help them in walking their small dog.

MINISTRY TO SENIORS / HOMEBOUND

<u>Client in Noe Valley / Mission Dolores:</u> An 85-year-old gentleman, living near Dolores Park, would like someone to go with him for walks and conversation. He is a retired English professor, interested in literature, poetry, art, classical music, and Buddhism.



OUR PARISH COMMUNITY BIRTHDAYS Carlos Rodriguez, Jim Lonergan, Benjie Enverga, Susan Mortell, Perry Littrell, Anthony Harrison, Joel Gonzales, Karl Lopez and Erik Lopez.

Holy Week & Easter at Most Holy Redeemer

Holy Thursday, April 14th: Mass of the Lord's Supper - 7pm

Good Friday, April 15th: Church open for quiet prayer Noon - 3pm Good Friday Service - 7pm

Holy Saturday, April 16th: Easter Vigil Mass - 8pm

Easter Sunday, April 17th: Mass at 8am, 10am & 6:30pm

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Thank you to all who have contributed so far to the 2022 Archdiocesan Annual Appeal! We have collected \$15,748: 31% of our goal of \$50,461! You can make a one-time donation or set up recurring donations at www.mhr.org by clicking on the donation button or by using the pamphlets

located in the pews or the church entrance.

Thank you for your amazing support!

For Grownups Only!

The Easter Bunny is asking for donations of plastic Easter Eggs filled with candy or small toys for the annual MHR Easter Egg Hunt after the Easter Sunday 10am Mass. Please drop the eggs off at the Rectory during business hours by Thursday, April 14th. Please be sure that the eggs are taped so they do not fall open! Thank you!

Spread the Good News & Commemorate History & Preach Love **Stations** Stand with Women & Evangelize & Fight Injustice in the **Castro**

Wednesday April 13 at MHR 7pm

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