

MOST HOLY REDEEMER

Parish



The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ
Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
June 11, 2023

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 call the parish office for an appointment.

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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Collection - Week of June 4, 2023

Saturday 5pm -	\$188.00
Sunday 8am -	\$307.00
Sunday 10am -	\$1,197.00
Sunday 6:30pm -	\$160.00
Misc. -	\$470.00
VANCO -	\$1,024.00
Total -	\$3,346.00
Budgeted -	\$4,500.00
Facilities Improvements -	\$1,021.00

Thank you for your generosity!

MASS TIMES

Daily Mass: 8am (Mon ~ Fri)
Saturday Vigil Mass: 5pm
Sunday Masses: 8am, 10am & 6:30pm
Holy Days: 8am & 7pm
Reconciliation: Saturdays 3:45pm - 4:30pm

THIS WEEK AT OUR PARISH

JUNE 12 - 18, 2023

Daily Mass

Monday - Friday 8:00am

Monday

Centering Prayer 7pm (Zoom)

Wednesday

Wednesday Night Suppers 1pm - 7pm

Saturday

Vigil Mass - 5pm

Sunday

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

Join us for Coffee Hour after the 8am & 10am Masses

FACE COVERINGS ARE RECOMMENDED.

Livestream the 10am Sunday Mass

on our MHR Facebook page:

www.facebook.com/mhrsf



JUNE 12 - 18, 2023

Mon: 2 Cor 1:1-7 Mt 5:1-12
Tue: 2 Cor 1:18-22 Mt 5:13-16
Wed: 2 Cor 3:4-11 Mt 5:17-19
Thur: 2 Cor 3:15—4:1, 3-6 Mt 5:20-26
Fri: Dt 7:6-11 Mt 11:25-30
Sat: 2 Cor 5:14-21 Lk 2:41-51
Sun: Ex 19:2-6a Ro 5:6-11 Ma 9:36 - 10:8

Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ

"Get ready for a trip!" That could well be our call to worship as we begin the celebration of this "Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ."

We start this journey remembering the long trek of our Israelite ancestors in the desert. As we think of them, it's helpful to be aware that the scriptural sense of remembering implies reliving an event ourselves, entering into the story and being transformed by it in our day and our way, getting our own taste of the original participants' experience.

This is precisely what Moses calls for in our reading from Deuteronomy. Moses tells them, "Remember how ... Remember how God let you be tested so that you would learn just how faithful you were willing to be. Remember how in your hunger you were ready to give up on God until desperation helped you recognize God's care for you in ways you had never expected. Remember what happened to you as you journeyed with God for all those years. Remember, you were slaves. Now, if you are willing, you can be free." Moses invited the people to remember so that they could continue discovering God's love and care in ever-new ways. With that start, we can approach Chapter 6 of John's Gospel as a long meditation on God's new way of giving life through Jesus.

The Gospel of John, written about 60 years after Jesus' resurrection, is more a theological reflection than a historical or biographical document. At the risk of oversimplification, one might suggest that the Gospels of Matthew, Mark and Luke can be experienced as invitations to contemplate of the life of Jesus while John invites us into mysticism, the experience of word of God drawing us into union with Christ in ways that go beyond words.

Very often in John, Jesus says things that people understand on the most mundane level possible. He then invites them to think more profoundly until they become caught up in unexpected depths of insight which lead to union with him. (Remember the ideas of being born again in Chapter 3, the living water in Chapter 4, etc.) The move from the superficial to the depths is the very process through which Jesus has tried to lead disciples from the day of their/our calling through his ascension, and on through today.



Our selection from John 6 is a small excerpt from a long story and discourse which includes the miraculous sharing of bread and fish, Jesus' walking on the water, and a full discourse that includes the summary selection we hear today. Jesus' core idea here is: "Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood dwells in me and I in her/him." This teaching can be taken in such a literal way that it sounds disgusting and/or impossible. Remembering John's literary techniques, we know we need to look deeper. What was Jesus trying to say?

When we consider the experience of eating and drinking, we become aware of two things: eating and drinking are absolutely necessary for life and what we eat becomes a part of us — it literally becomes our flesh and blood. Although we rarely consider it, the most intimate connection we have in life is with what we eat. By comparing our reception of himself to food, Jesus reveals his desire for such an intimate connection with us that it can only be expressed by saying, "I dwell in you." Astoundingly, he adds, "and you dwell in me." With these words, Jesus explains that he is inviting us into the profound mutuality we call communion.

When we meditate on this, another idea draws our attention. Jesus gives us an additional explanation saying, "Just as I have life because of the father, so also the one who feeds on me will have life because of me." As we also hear in John 17:22-23, Jesus is inviting his disciples to take him in as the bread of life, to become one in him and share in his own life and relationship with the father. Paul summarizes this for the Corinthians that by saying that as they share the bread and cup, they become one body in Christ.

Where does this feast invite us to go? Like the entire Gospel of John, it invites us to venture beyond what we see and to imbibe Christ's invitation to communion. As we do so, we remember that although each of us must accept the invitation personally, we are invited into this communion with God in Christ as members of the body of Christ, a people who share the same mission to bring and be communion for all the world. This becomes the trip of a lifetime.

[Sr. Mary M. McGlone serves on the congregational leadership team of the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet and is a contributor to National Catholic Reporter.](#)



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

Saturday, June 10

Therese M. Law

Sunday, June 11

8am Carlos Rodriguez †

10am Sobhy Habib Kozman †

6:30pm Sr. Lois Marie Bulishak †

Monday, June 12

8am Edmund Murphy †

Tuesday, June 13

8am Andy Whelan †

Wednesday, June 14

8am Jane Benedict Divinagracia †

Thursday, June 15

8am Louis Dunn †

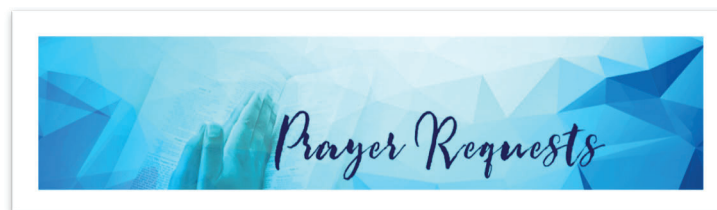
Friday, June 16

8am Walter Thomas †

Saturday, June 17

5pm Giuseppe & Angelina Fazio †

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, Ino Austria, Rodolfo Cruz Baclig, Michael Baker, Bob Barcewski, Laura Barrera, Nancy Boyd, Anna Bycholski, Rodolfo Degala, Fr. Bill Delaney, Joy Chase Dickey, Michael Dunn, Kris Eichorn, Marilyn Flynn, Barbara Frey, Carol Furtado, Torchy Garcia, Eileen Gayton, Stella Grivas, Wallace Greene, Marcia Gruskin, Zoe Holler, Serge Hubert, Donald Jones, Patricia Ligos, Christine Maierhofer, Hugh Mallaney, Anne McDermott, Ronald & Sharon Martinkus, Matt McCabe, Carol Moilan, Ben Montoya, Cliff Morrison, Peggy Myers, John Notor, Nadia O'Donnell, Pamela Pope, Meme Riordan, Maureen O'Sullivan, Pamela Pope, Roger Schachtel, Bobby Schulte, Bob Schultz, Gregory Dake Schultz, Tom & Carolyn Sherry, Annie & Nok Sojka, Joseph & Mary Vouglas, Maureen Vouglas, Yoko Yoshi, Stephen Wakefield, Sr. Teresita Weind, Ryan Zuniga and Kate Raymundo.



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

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

Christian Healing Prayer Group: Please join us on the first Thursday of each month at 2pm in the Church. Email markwbass@yahoo.com for information.

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

MOST HOLY REDEEMER HIV/AIDS SUPPORT GROUP



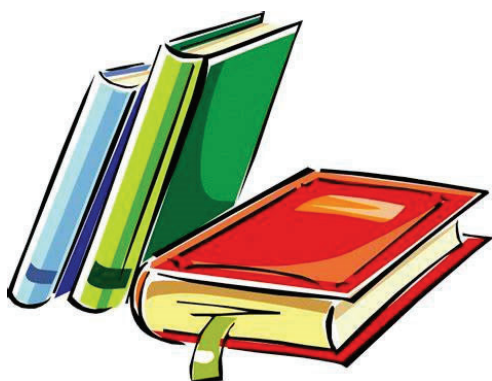
Volunteers Needed: We are looking for volunteers to call, visit and/or help our people. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Pete Toms at 415-612-0651 or email asg@mhr.org.

A Couple in ParkMerced: Two men are looking for some housecleaning help.

Spanish-speaker on Cathedral Hill: A gentleman in his 70s is looking for someone fluent in Spanish to visit.

Community Thrift: Community Thrift returns to the Support Group a portion of the sales of items donated in our name which allows us to purchase food vouchers for the needy in our HIV community. Please bring your unwanted and usable clothing and household items to Community Thrift at 623 Valencia, between 17th & 18th Streets Be sure to mention that MHR AIDS Support Group is your charity ---Charity # 242. Thank you.

LIBRARY CORNER



Please visit the MHR Library on the MHR website. You can reserve books on line for pick up from the office or on Sundays after the 8a or 10a masses.

OUR PARISH COMMUNITY BIRTHDAYS

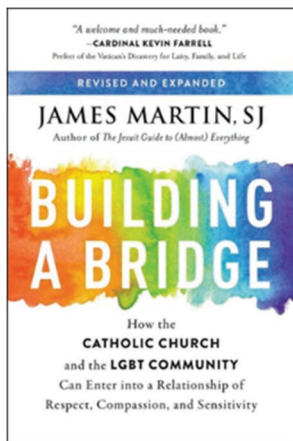
Margaret Franssen, Lyanne Melendez, Randy Damron,
Olivier Hubert, Roberto Batle, Jason Delrosario,
Sharron Zakas, Gary Ford, Randy Vanderkar,
Rose Sullivan, Sarah Ash, Saul Odoshi, Olga Barrera,
Gregory Marks and Maggie Scott.



MHR PEACE AND SOCIAL JUSTICE CORNER

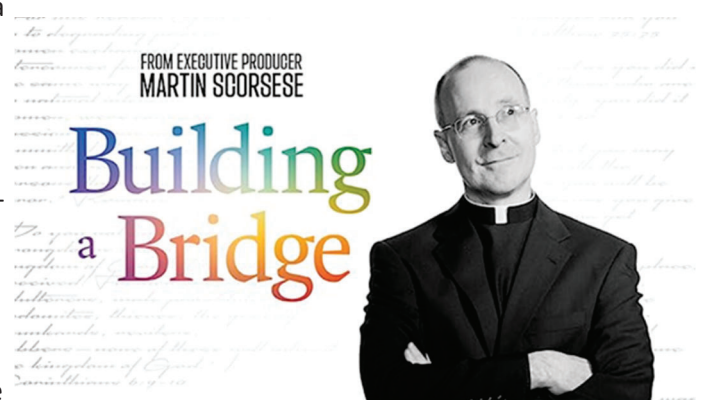
June 2023: Celebrating Pride and the LGBTQ+ Community

The month of June is universally recognized as Pride Month, and commemorates the resilience of the LGBTQ+ community stemming from a tumultuous history of systemic and sociopolitical challenges. For some LGBTQ+ parishioners, reconciling both LGBTQ+ and Catholic identities feels dissonant, especially considering the historical stances of The Catholic Church on homosexuality. Since the early years of his papacy, Pope Francis has signaled a hopeful shift in the Catholic Church to embrace the LGBTQ+ community with love and compassion for who they are, as they are. The MHR Peace and Social Justice Corner recognizes the important work of James Martin S.J. for embracing a relationship between The Catholic Church and LGBTQ+ community. Following the devastating Orlando Pulse Nightclub shooting, Father Martin took to social media to implore his fellow parishioners to “stand not only with the people of Orlando, but also with their LGBT brothers and sisters,” in which the post went viral with millions of views.



Fr. Martin has since expanded upon this, and emphasizes the importance of acceptance and support in his book, [Building a Bridge: How the Catholic Church and the LGBT Community Can Enter into a Relationship of Respect, Compassion, and Sensitivity](https://www.goodreads.com/en/book/show/34121926). Father Martin preaches a powerful and impactful message of love and advocacy for LGBTQ+ Catholics in the book, and provides a roadmap for repairing and strengthening the bonds that unite us all in God's love. Fr. Martin's primarily utilizes a pastoral approach which focuses on three key themes of respect, compassion, and sensitivity framed in the existing language of the Catechism. The book can be purchased from Amazon and online bookstores, and more information can be found here: <https://www.goodreads.com/en/book/show/34121926>

Martin emphasizes that the reciprocal relationship, the “two-way bridge,” is integral for trust, forgiveness, and reconciliation. Martin's idea of the two-way bridge highlights the mutual respect both communities must garner for one another (The Catholic Church's compassion and sensitivity for LGBTQ+ people, and the LGBTQ+ acceptance of the teachings and Sacred tradition of the Catholic Church). Fr. Martin has since elaborated on his idea of the two-way bridge in a recent 2021 documentary, “Building a Bridge,” that the bridge lanes aren't of equal size. Fr. Martin acknowledges that “the institutional church has marginalized the LGBTQ+ community, and not the other way around. I was very clear in the second edition that the onus is on the church to reach out, because they are in the position of institutional power.” The documentary is based on Father Martin's book and produced by Martin Scorsese, and follows him on a journey to bridge the LGBTQ+ and Catholic communities in the face of controversy and opposition within and around the Church. Directors Evan Mascagni & Shannon Post reiterate that “as one of the most influential religious voices in the world, the Catholic Church has the power to change the LGBTQ+ people are treated.” The directors ensured the film highlighted intersections of people's experiences with Fr. Martin's journey, and that “the conflict between conservative and liberal Catholics over LGBTQ+ issues and their efforts to shape the institution mirrors greater social and political struggles, and we hope our film will lead to a greater understanding, if not common ground, as one more brick in the path toward equality and justice.” The feature-length documentary initially premiered at the 2021 Tribeca Film Festival. More information on the film (and where to watch) can be found here: <https://www.buildingabridgefilm.com/>.





FATHER'S DAY

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