

MOST HOLY REDEEMER

Parish



30th Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 29, 2023

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

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!



**MOST HOLY REDEEMER
CATHOLIC CHURCH**
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Collection - Week of October 29, 2023

Saturday 5pm -	\$359.00
Sunday 8am -	\$440.00
Sunday 10am -	\$1,246.00
Sunday 6:30pm -	\$242.00
Misc. -	\$160.00
VANCO -	\$1,556.00
Total -	\$4,003.00
Budgeted -	\$4,200.00

*Thank you for your
generosity!*
Give online



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
(or by appointment)

THIS WEEK AT OUR PARISH

OCT 30— Nov 5

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*

Livestream the 10am Sunday Mass

@ www.MHR.org

www.mhr.org/livestream



OCT 30 — Nov 5

Mon: Rom 8: 12-17 Lk 13:10-17
Tue: Rom 8:12-17 Lk 13:10-17
Wed: Rv 7:2-4 9-14 1Jn 3: 1-3 Mt 5:1-12a
Thu: Wis 4:7-14 Rom 5:17-21 Mt 11:25-30
Fri: Rom 9:1-5 Lk 14:1-6
Sat: Rom 11:1-2a, 11-12, 25-29 Lk 14:1, 7-11
Sun: Mal 1:14b-2:2b, 8-10 1 Thes 2:7b-9,
13 Mt 23:1-12



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

Saturday, October 28

5pm Ernest A. Maggioncalda †

Sunday, October 29

8am Pete Cuomo †

10am MHR Parish

6:30p Emerita & Benedicto Deza †

Monday, October 30

8am Sophia Athena Breana Villena

Tuesday, October 31

8am Ma. Lilibeth Villena

Wednesday, November 1

8am Tom Farmer †

Patrick Hargadon †

7pm Carlos Rodriguez †

Thursday, November 2

8am Irma Gonzalez †

Lucy Morgan †

Friday, November 3

8am Maria Palma

Saturday, November 4

5pm Tomasina Sandoval †

**To schedule a Mass Intention
or sponsor the weekend altar flowers,
please call the parish office at 415-863-6259
or email office@mhr.org.**



**Joe DeStasi, Bryan Vogel, Jerry Anderson, Bob
Barcewski, John Colelli, Meme Riordan
and Maria Palma**

**We invite you to make an intentional effort
to commit to praying this Prayer for the Synod
daily through October.**

**We believe that our unity in prayer
can make a difference.**

Thank you



Prayer for the Synod

**We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather to-
gether in Your name.**

**With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home
in our hearts;**

**Teach us the way we must go and how we are to
pursue it.**

Do not let us promote disorder.

**Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path
nor partiality influence our actions.**

**Let us find in You our unity so that we may jour-
ney together to eternal life**

**and not stray from the way of truth and what is
right.**

**All this we ask of You, who are at work in every
place and time,**

**in the communion of the Father and the Son,
forever and ever.**

Amen.



REMINDER

Solemnity of All Saints Mass

First of November 2023

Mass times

8am and 7pm (livestream)

All are welcome!



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100 Diamond Street
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ALL
SOULS
DAY

THE COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

November 2

8am

All are welcome!



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LIFE

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On the web: www.mhr.org

Facebook: www.facebook.com/mhrsf

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

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 Monday of each month at 2pm in the Library. Email markwbass@yahoo.com for information.



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.

The Synod on Synodality:

What Does it Mean & Why Does It Matter?

Please join us in MHR's Ellard Hall for an informative presentation and stimulating small group discussions on a "Church of Synodality" a vision for the present and the future

Saturday, November 11, 2023 – 9:30am to 12:00pm

with Mary Romo, D. Min.

Mary Romo, D.Min. is the Director of the R.C.I.A Program at St. Ignatius Church in SF and participates in its leadership Committee. Drawing upon her background in Ignatian Spirituality, she is a spiritual director for both men and women of all ages and facilitates retreats through the Bay Area.

All are welcome!

THANKSGIVING PIE BAKE OFF



SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19

Enter to win prizes and be crowned the
MHR Pie King/Queen of 2023.

Rules:

- All pies must be home-baked
- List ingredients for possible allergies

PLEASE DELIVER PIES TO ELLARD HALL BEFORE THE 10 A.M. MASS. FOLLOWING THE MASS, OUR ESTEEMED JUDGES WILL CONDUCT THE JUDGING, AND A CHAMPION WILL BE CROWNED. EVERYONE WILL THEN SAVOR THE DELICIOUS PIES.

October 29, 2023 : 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

When we peruse the Bible, especially the Hebrew Scriptures, we encounter narratives and poems describing the many hardships, struggles and injustices of biblical times. Nations and kingdoms rival one another. Assyrian, Egyptian, Babylonian, Persian, Greek and Roman empires rise and fall. Monarchs, princes, wealthy landlords and dishonest merchants enforce corrupt laws to enrich themselves — leaving many people, especially small farmers, disenfranchised. Wars pollute the land, destroying human and non-human life as women and children become widowed and fatherless, respectively. Political and social oppression leads to forced migration, exile and landlessness.

Biblical times were not so different from contemporary times. Countries are at war with one another as U.S. leaders work to maintain the nation's empire status. China, Russia and North Korea form new alliances in their quest for power. The Israeli and Palestinian conflict rages on. Oligarchs control the global economic system. Corporate agribusinesses gobble up small family farms. Landlords raise rents as lenders increase mortgage rates, making it difficult for middle income and low wage earners to either stay in their rentals or buy homes and property. The power brokers of the Global North continue to self-enrich at the expense of the Global South.

Ironically, in 2023, economic statistics show that poverty has increased in the U.S., the land of plenty. Economic data also indicates that the recent global pandemic created many new billionaires among the western technology and pharmaceutical companies, making their CEOs and presidents our new global bio-techno-feudal lords. We live in a changed world with more changes on the horizon. Now is the time to become more economically, socially and politically astute, as we try to navigate the new terrain upon which we have yet to gain our footing.

Reading and interpreting this Sunday's biblical texts from the perspective of the world in front of the text and in dialogue with contemporary experiences, we discover that both the first reading from the book of Exodus and the Gospel reading from the book of Matthew are clarion calls to right relationship. Despite all our advancement on so many levels throughout three millennia, human beings have yet to be able to live peacefully and justly with one another. In the Exodus reading, focus is on those who are "other," harshly translated as "aliens" as if they were not part of humanity. In this narrative, the Israelites are reminded not to oppress the "other" among them because as Israelites, they were once a people living in a land not their own, migrants seeking asylum from severe famines and massive starvation.

For many countries today, immigration and fair and just treatment of immigrants continue to be a major challenge, especially in the United States where immigration reform has yet to happen as people of different ethnicities, cultures and races seek asylum from horrific political and social oppression. How do we non-Native American U.S. citizens whose ancestors were immigrants "others" themselves — treat today's immigrants? Sadly, some of us who are descendants of immigrants have forgotten who we are, and some of us continue our history of colonization, disenfranchisement and oppression. It's time for history to stop repeating itself by "othering." It's time to work for political, social, economic and environmental justice ever more arduously to abolish sexism, racism, ableism, colorism, ethnocentrism, Islamophobia, xenophobia, sexual orientation discrimination and the many more forms of discrimination that keep the "other" disenfranchised and on the margins.

The Holy One is part of the margins, lives on the margins, is embodied in the margins, is actively listening to and working for the margins with active divine compassion. The litmus test for people of any faith and spirituality today is the measure of how deep their active compassion is for the "other" among them which also includes non-human life, the new migrants of climate change. Active compassion entails changing oppressive structures, systems and ways of thinking. The Gospel reading from the book of Matthew complements the first reading from Exodus. Increasingly, nations' governments are moving toward authoritarianism even among democracies. Fundamentalism and literalism are on the rise as people search for absolutes, law and order and certainty among sacred texts, constitutions and religious systems of thought. In some countries, political, social and economic laws are now shaped by culturally conditioned religious laws and culturally conditioned religious attitudes, making the separation between church and state an experience of the past. The United States is no exception.

Yet, the Gospel is clear. Law is not the means to the deep transformation needed in our world today; relationships create the pathways. For believers, the deeper the relationship one has with the Divine, the greater the flow of positive energy into self, an energy felt as love, that enlarges hearts and minds, compelling all to do the hard work of all-embracing justice without which no right relationship or transformation is possible.