MOST HOLY REDEEMER Parish

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time January 21, 2024

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 <u>Reconciliation</u> Saturday: 3:45pm to 4:30pm <u>Baptism & Marriages</u> 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

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Collection - Week of January 14, 2024

Saturday 5pm -	\$304.00
Sunday 8am -	\$184.00
Sunday 10am -	\$1,668.00
Sunday 6:30pm -	\$189.00
Misc	\$155.00
VANCO -	\$894.00
Total -	\$3,394.00
Budgeted -	\$4,200.00

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 (or by appointment)

THIS WEEK AT OUR PARISH

JAN 22 — JAN 28

<u> Monday - Friday</u>

Mass - 8am

<u>Wednesday</u>

Wednesday Night Suppers

<u>Saturday</u>

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/livestream





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

<u>Saturday, January 20</u>

5pm Jose Evans Laosantos

Sunday, January 21

8am Ryan Zuniga 10am MHR Parish 6:30pm Andrew Hinek

Monday, January 22

8am Children of the World

<u>Tuesday, January 23</u>

8am

<u>Wednesday, January 24</u>

8am Wednesday Night Suppers B. Jay Divinagracia

<u>Thursday, January 25</u>

8am

Friday, January 26 8am

Saturday, January 27

5pm Hannah & Adam Eliab (Wedding)

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.



Ryan Zuniga, Phillip Solodkin, Christian Irizary , Joshua Filho, Leigh Thorup-Murray, Moxi Haney John Johnson and Andrew Hinek

Readings for the week of January 21, 2024

Sunday:

Jon 3:1-5, 10/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 (4a)/ 1 Cor 7:29-31/Mk 1:14-20

Monday:

2 Sm 5:1-7, 10/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 25-26/ Mk 3:22-30

Tuesday: 2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19/Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10/ Mk 3:31-35

Wednesday: 2 Sm 7:4-17/Ps 89:4-5, 27-28, 29-30/ Mk 4:1-20

Thursday: Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22/Ps 117:1bc, 2/Mk 16:15-18

Friday: 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 7-8a, 10/Mk 4:26-34

Saturday: 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 16-17/ Mk 4:35-41

Next Sunday: Dt 18:15-20/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 7-9 (8)/ 1 Cor 7:32-35/Mk 1:21-28



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Contemplative Bible Study Liturgical Year B

Join us online for an in-depth exploration of the Sunday liturgical readings for the entire year. Tuesday evenings 7 - 8:30pm

Begining November 28, 2023

We will be reading from the study book (Print or ebook)

Ponder: Contemplative Bible Study for Year B by Mahri Leonard-Fleckman

Find here, in Amazon or check your favorate bookstore https://litpress.org/Products/6500/Ponder

(The text will also be on the screen during our meetings) Along with the readings and the Gospels, Holy Cross religious studies professor Mahri Leonard-Fleckman provides commentary, and questions are provided by Ron Walent, for reflection.



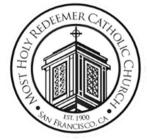
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BIBLE STUDY

To join the Zoom meeting, email us at: biblestudy@mhr.org



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God's inclusive love proclaimed here!

Share the journey with fellow parishioners, and invite a friend.



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.



U.S. BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA – SAN FRANCISCO DIVISION

In re: The Roman Catholic Archbishop of San Francisco, Case No. 23-30564

Notice of Deadline for Filing Claims: February 20, 2024

YOU MAY HAVE A SEXUAL ABUSE CLAIM OR OTHER CLAIM AGAINST THE ARCHDIOCESE OF SAN FRANCISCO

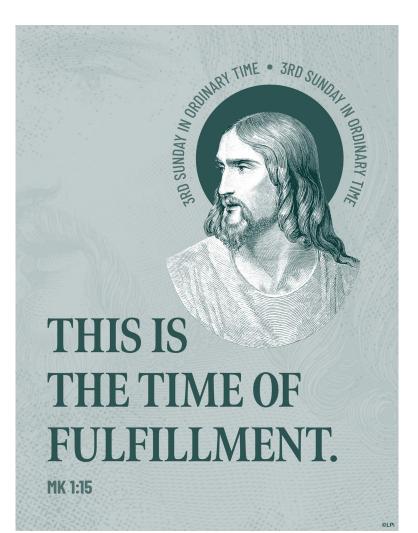
On August 21, 2023, The Roman Catholic Archbishop of San Francisco, a California corporation sole, aka Archdiocese of San Francisco (the "<u>Debtor</u>"), filed for protection under chapter 11 of title 11 of the United States Code (the "<u>Bankruptcy Code</u>").

If you were sexually abused by any person connected with the Debtor, you must file a claim so as to be received by February 20, 2024, or otherwise you will be forever barred, estopped, and enjoined from asserting such claim against the Debtor.

Claims based on acts or omissions of the Debtor that occurred before August 21, 2023, must be filed on or before February 20, 2024, even if such claims are not now fixed, liquidated, or certain or did not mature or become fixed, liquidated, or certain before August 21, 2023.

For more information on how to obtain and file a proof of claim form and associated documents, please visit <u>https://omniagentsolutions.com/RCASF</u>, or contact Omni Agent Solutions, Inc., the Debtor's claims agent via email at RCASFinquiries@omniagrt.com or by phone at 888-480-6507 (U.S. and Canada toll free) or 747-293-0084 (International), between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. (prevailing Pacific Time), Monday through Friday.

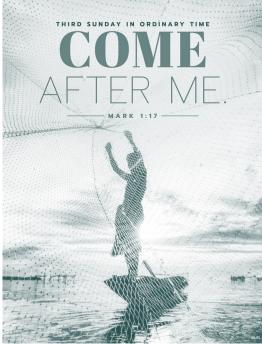
If you have questions about the bankruptcy case filed by the Archdiocese of San Francisco, please also visit the website at <u>https://sfarch.org</u> and follow the links for Chapter 11 Filing



January 21, 2024 Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Some people approach the New Testament as if it were a dogmatic history recounting what was, what ought to be and offering a privileged preview to all that is to come. If they're too fundamentalist, they'll seriously think about plucking out their eye (Matthew 18:9) — or at least strive to never look at anything that might be tempting. (In old-time religious life, sisters and brothers were admonished to keep "modesty of the eyes," an avoidance of looking at "worldly" things — especially members of the opposite sex.) In our day, we interpret Scripture in its historical and cultural context, realizing that not even our Scriptures are free from images of God that reflect our frailties, saying more about us than about God.

As we hear a bit about Jonah today, we're aware that his story isn't an historical account of a fellow who spent a while in a whale, went on to a successful preaching career and finally became furious with God for not wreaking



vengeance on a sinful but repentant people. Actually, we can read the Book of Jonah as the comic book of the Bible, a tale to make us laugh — until we recognize ourselves in the ridiculous conclusion of the story.

Today's selection from Jonah focuses only on his successful call for conversion, ending with the statement that God "repented of the evil that he had threatened." This statement needs to be understood in context. In the variety of images of God we find in Scripture, we hear about God as everything from a tender mother (Numbers 11:12) to a God of dreadful vengeance (Psalm 137: 7-9, Nahum 1:2). Our ancestors in the faith, like many of us, projected their expectations on God and counted on God to unleash divine power to destroy the unrighteous (a term often referring to their enemies). That's quite a different image from Jesus' description of his father who cares if a sparrow falls and waits patiently for a wayward child. A vengeful image of God reflects nothing of the compassion Jesus consistently demonstrated.

We hear something quite different with Mark's portrayal of the beginning of Jesus' ministry. Careful reading shows us that the only words Jesus actually preaches in the first chapters of Mark's Gospel are, "This is the time of fulfillment. The reign of God is at hand. Repent and believe in the good news." From Mark 1 to 4, Jesus calls disciples, heals people and converses with them; he also gets into arguments with religious authorities, warning them that they are in danger of blaspheming against the Holy Spirit. But through all of that, the only actual preaching we hear are those 20 words cited above. We might say that those 20 words referring to fulfillment, the reign of God, repentance and belief in good news are the core message of the entire Gospel. Everything else that Jesus said and did demonstrated the meaning of that message, emphasizing "repent and believe," two words which might ultimately signify the same thing. Jesus' call to repentance, metanoia, invited people to take on a new mindset.

Representing his Father, Jesus didn't focus on sin. He urged people to believe that the reigning of God, a world moving unstoppably toward unity in love, was happening in their midst. In calling them to metanoia, Jesus invited others to see what he saw — that the world was on the way to a future in which God would be all in all — and that future was already appearing. That message was so attractive that people began to follow him. Many continued to watch him and listen to him, gradually getting caught up in the contagious vision he offered. A chosen few accepted the invitation to throw their lot in with him and join his cause. They entered into a process of learning, of discipleship, in the course of which they found themselves transformed and giving their lives in imitation of Jesus. The more this happened, the more the announcement of the reign of God became a self-fulfilling prophecy.

Jesus' announcement of the nearness of the reign of God was not one and done. The reign of God describes a web of relationships that continually grows, drawing more and more people into unity with God and neighbor — and with all of creation. Each generation is invited to develop that web in the ways most appropriate to their context, accepting the task of adapting the Gospel message so that it remains both faithful and relevant.

Today, Christ and all our ancestors in the faith invite us to adopt the mindset that expects to see that "This is the time of fulfillment. The reign of God is at hand."

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