

MOST HOLY REDEEMER PARISH
San Francisco, California
Sunday March 3, 2013



Worship Hours

Monday - Saturday 8:00AM Mass
Saturday Vigil Mass 5:00PM
Reconciliation 3:45PM - 4:30PM
Sunday Mass 8:00AM and 10:00AM
Holy Days 8:00AM and 7:30PM

The MHR Parish is a faith community in the Roman Catholic tradition. The MHR community reflects and fosters this religious experience in an atmosphere of welcome and inclusion.

This Week at Our Parish

Monday, March 4

7pm Centering Prayer - Church

Tuesday, March 5

10am-12noon Gardening
7pm Parish Council Meeting - Rectory

Wednesday, March 6

1pm-7pm Wednesday Night Suppers - Ellard Hall
7:30pm Lent Evening Prayer - Church

Thursday, March 7

10am-12noon Gardening
7pm Choir Rehearsal - Church

Friday, March 8

Saturday, March 9
10am-12noon Gardening
10am - 12noon Reconnecting - Rectory

Sunday, March 10

9am & 11am Parish Library Open
9:15 am Choir Rehearsal - Church
Coffee Hour after each Mass - Ellard Hall

Mass Celebrants

Saturday, March 9 - 5:00pm: Fr. Brian
Sunday, March 10 - 8:00am: Fr. Kirk
Sunday, March 10 - 10:00am: Msgr. Schlitt

Daily Readings March 4 - 10

- ◇ Monday: 2Kgs. 5:1-15ab, Lk. 4:24-30
- ◇ Tuesday: Dn. 3:25,34-43, Mt. 18:21-35
- ◇ Wednesday: Dt. 4:1,5-9, Mt. 5:17-19
- ◇ Thursday: Jer. 7:23-28, Lk. 11:14-23
- ◇ Friday: Hos. 14:2-10, Mk. 12:28-34
- ◇ Saturday: Hos. 6:1-6, Lk. 18:9-14
- ◇ Sunday: Jos. 5:9a,10-12, 2Cor. 5:17-21, Lk. 15:1-3,11-32

From Fr. Brian

Dear Friends,

A long time friend and parishioner of MHR has suffered a stroke in the past week. She's a regular daily Mass attendee. I don't dare give her name (she's a very private person), but I would like you to remember her in your prayers. It is always important to remember our sick, especially those who have touched our hearts and made our lives just a little bit brighter.

Two weeks ago, after Pope Benedict XVI had announced to the world that he would be resigning the office of Peter as of February 28th, I put the Pope's picture, that usually hangs in the rectory, in the church. A handful of people told me that they would rather it not be there. They explained that the feeling was while he was Pope, as well as his time as a Cardinal, Pope Benedict had made hurtful and hateful statements regarding the LGBT Community and thus, his picture should not be placed on the altar of MHR. I was also warned, many parishioners would walk out of Sunday Mass if the picture was not removed. I spoke with a close priest friend of mine, and even though both of us were saddened by this, the wisest course, I felt, was to remove the Pope's picture. I continued to think and pray about this and started to think about the bigger picture: How do we deal with the Pope, the Archbishop, Priests, Family and Friends that don't understand or accept us as we are? Do we banish them from our lives, or do we pray as Jesus did while dying on the cross: "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they do." I think in learning to forgive, and embrace the Pope and the Church, even when they don't accept us, we learn to do the same for our own family and friends, and in the end, grow to be more accepting of our own failures and limitations. I find that forgiving people's shortcomings, including the Pope's, makes it easier for me to forgive my own shortcomings.

During this Lenten Season we need to remind ourselves of the Lord's Prayer, especially the part that reads "Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those that trespass against us." I pray for Pope Benedict XVI, who is now retired, as well as for the Cardinals of our Church who will be gathering in Rome to choose his successor. May the Holy Spirit guide them and continue to bless and guide the good and holy people of Most Holy Redeemer.

Happy Lent!
Fr. Brian

Stewardship

February 23 and 24

Saturday 5pm -	\$527.00
Sunday 8am -	\$1,121.00
Sunday 10am -	\$2,695.00
<u>Outside Mass -</u>	<u>\$75.00</u>
Collection Total -	\$4,418.00
Budgeted Amount -	\$4,800.00

Archbishop's Annual Appeal
Contributions to date: \$13,961.00
Thank you for your contributions!



LOVE and HOPE

The MHR Parish family provides a caring environment where a sense of community is nurtured and grows. This takes place through the many ministries and programs of the Pastoral, Administration, Social and Worship Committees.

MHR AIDS Support Group

Volunteers Greatly Needed for a couple of hours a week:

If you have 2-3 hours a week and can help with one or more of these needs, please call the Support Group office for more information (863-1581) or email: mhr@mhr-asg.com

A client living near Powell and Market is looking for some Sunday company and help in learning M/S Word and how to use email and the internet.

A client living in the Castro is looking for some weekday company and help in walking his dogs.

A client living in the Mount Davidson Manor area of the Ingleside is in need of company Fridays from 10 or 11 to 1:30. The location is easily reachable by car or Muni.

Catherine's House Retreat Opportunities

Retreats for persons with HIV/AIDS at Catherine's House in the Sierra Foothills are scheduled for March 11-14, April 8-11, May 6-9 and June 17-20. Requested donation of \$10-\$25 per day covers lodging, all meals and round-trip transportation from San Francisco. Call Toll Free for more information or to register: (888) 644-4584

Crab Feed: Thanks to all who supported the 2/23 dinner, either by buying tickets, or volunteering, or both. You made it an enjoyable evening.



Community Life

- **Wednesday, March 6th - 7:30pm - Church -** Lenten Evening Prayer
- **Thursday, March 7, 7:00pm-8:30pm - Ellard Hall -** Why I am Catholic: A Panel Conversation with MHR parishioners
- **Wednesday, March 13th - 7:30pm - Church -** Lenten Evening Prayer
- **Thursday, March 14, 7:00-8:30pm - Ellard Hall -** The Liturgy: Breaking Open our Sacred Ritual, presentation by Sister Marilyn Morgan
- **Saturday, March 16th - 9:30am - 1:00pm - Ellard Hall** Centering Prayer. 21st United in Prayer Day. There will be a DVD presentation of Fr. Thomas Keating's newest presentation "God is All in All".
- **Saturday, April 20th - 9:30am - 12:00pm. Ellard Hall** Adult Education - Topic is "How Being Catholic Informs my Leadership". Speaker is Mary Kay Henry.

Parish Library Notes

This week the Library features the history and workings of Papal elections, both good and bad. Next week, we will feature DVDs on the life of Jesus. The library is located across from the elevator next to Ellard Hall and is open on Sundays after the 8am and 10am Masses.

Second Collection

Today there is a second collection for the MHR Music Fund. The baskets will be passed twice. Please use the second collection envelopes located throughout the pews. **Next week** there will be a second collection for CYO Catholic Charities to help those who lost their housing in the Treasure Island Fire.

Helping Children in Lesotho

This week we focus our prayers, fasting and almsgiving on Lesotho, where many children lack access to quality education. Only 73% of primary school-age children in Lesotho are enrolled in school. Give to your Rice Bowl this week to support communities working with CRS to provide educational opportunities for children

Our Parish Community Birthdays

Mark Crandon, Ern Camisa, Nanette Miller, Maureen Flaherty, Tomas Hassan, Alberta Montero, Chris Lott, John bell, Tom O'Keefe, Donald Holsten, Sr. Cathy Cahur, Mike Gorman, John Carrillo, John Ascher, Lois Weigel and Janet Haire.

"MHR IS OUR HOME."

This is an outreach to the parish faithful, designed to reaffirm just how special and welcoming the Most Holy Redeemer community truly is. We are privileged to worship at a place renowned as a beacon of compassionate love for all people in this changing world. The message is a statement of God's abundant love and justice. We are so very pleased to call MHR our home!

Mass Intentions

Mass Intentions are published in the bulletin for those to remember a loved one or honor someone on an important date. Please contact the Parish Office if you would like to schedule a Mass Intention. The suggested offering for a Mass Intention is \$10. For those that would like to request specific dates let us know as soon as possible.

‡ Mass Intentions ‡

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

Saturday, March 2

8am The Ellards †
5pm Helen and Albert Kontura †

Sunday, March 3

8am Brenda Huerto †
10am MHR Parishioners

Monday, March 4

8am Jeffrey Howell †

Tuesday, March 5

8am Kathleen Deasy †

Wednesday, March 6

8am Alice Myrtle †

Thursday, March 7

8am Fr. Zachary Shore †

Friday, March 8

8am Giuseppe and Angelina Fazio †

Saturday, March 9

8am Mike Gelpi †
5pm Medardo Martinez †

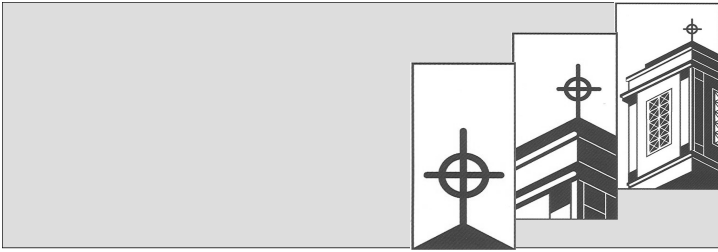
Contact the Parish Office at 415-863-6259 to donate towards the Church flowers or to have Mass celebrated for a special intention.

Prayer Requests:

Peggy Unruh, Antoinette White, Maggie Kenny, Rachel Malley, Bernard Maddox, Ronald McCann, Gerald McCann, Lenore Cuevas, Marylyn Faulk, Frank Olszewski, Edna Mailom, Don Lynch, Sr. Ellene Egan, Marge Lane, Marilyn Traynor, David and Lois Borstel, Mary Bass, John Pratt, Margo McCabe, Sr. Kaye Ashe, O.P., Dan Hurley, Elaine Martinez, Nicholas Votaw, Br. Benilde Montgomery, Terry Krohn, Patricia Fratangelo, Ann Wansley, Alex Santos, Nicolas Volante, Nicole Azurini, Monica Hubert, Flor Santos, Jane Cook and Vivi Blanquie.

MHR Community Corner

- New parishioner?
- Birthday, Anniversary, sacraments, milestones?
- Notices and announcements?
- *Did we miss your birthday? We are sorry if we did. Let us know when your birthday was, by updating your information with the Parish Office at www.mhr.org/parish-reg.2008.html*



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