



Most Holy Redeemer Parish

Mass Schedule

Weekend Liturgies

Saturday

4:30 p.m.

Sunday

8, and 11 a.m.

Weekday Masses

8:30 a.m.

Saturday

8:30 a.m.

Rosary

Recited daily after the 8:30 a.m. Mass

Holy Cross

Adoration Chapel

3650 W. 96th Street

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Wednesday, 9 a.m. - 9 p.m.

Friday, Saturday and Sunday

9 a.m. - 12 noon

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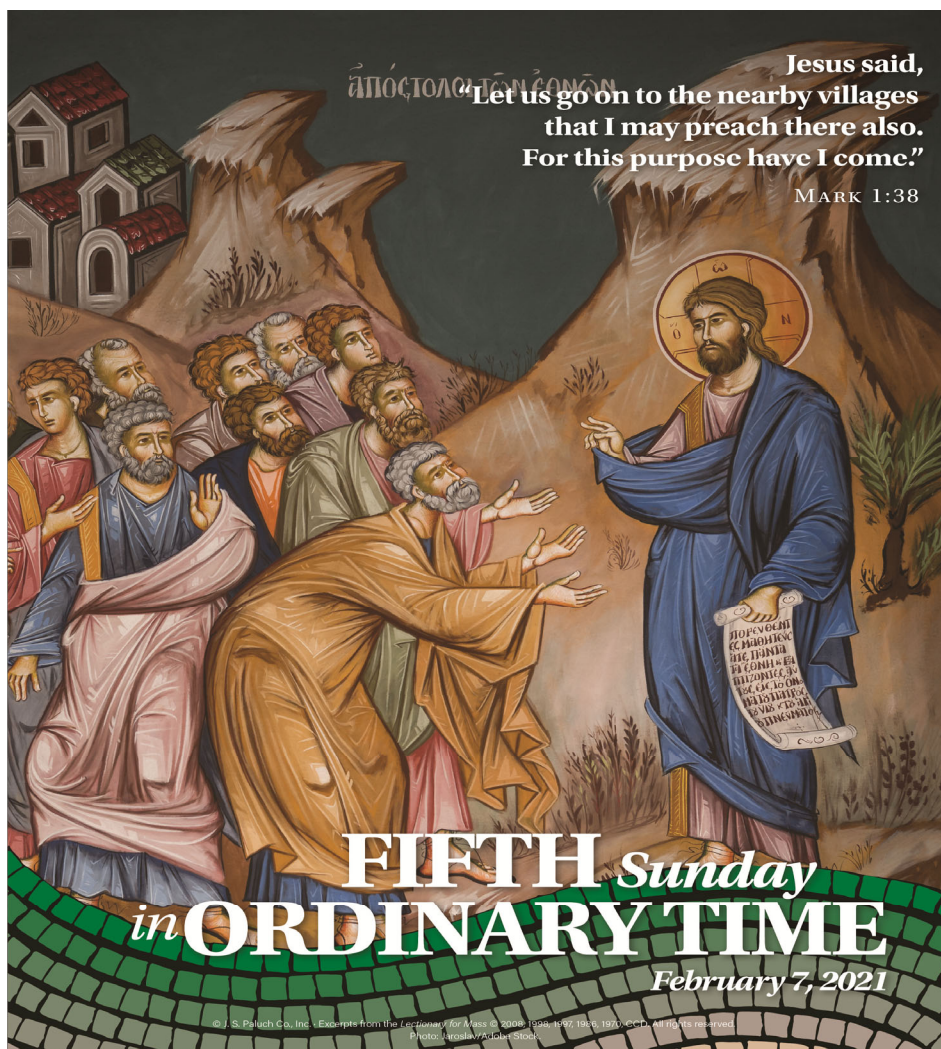


Today's Readings

First Reading — Job finds life on earth to be drudgery; he is filled with restlessness (Job 7:1-4, 6-7).

Second Reading — Woe to me if I do not preach the gospel. I have become all things to all, to save at least some (1 Corinthians 9:16-19, 22-23).

Gospel — Jesus cured many who were sick with various diseases (Mark 1:29-39).



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x 209

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WELCOME

If you are new to our Church or just visiting, please stop and introduce yourself. We are pleased to have you share in this celebration of the Eucharist. If you do not have a Church home, or your Church is not a home to you, we invite you to become part of our parish family. Our Church is open to anyone looking for a spiritual home. Contact the Parish Office at 425.5354 ext 203 to register.

We're glad you're here and hope you'll join us!

SACRAMENTS

Baptism

Call 708-425-5354 to make arrangements with the Rectory for the Baptism and the Enrichment Program. Baptisms will take place on the first and third Sundays at 12 noon.

Marriage

Couples intending to marry should call the Rectory and speak to one of the priests.

Wedding Music Selections

Contact the Director of Music at lmaffiola@mostholyredeemer.org

Funeral Liturgy Information

Please visit the MHR parish website mostholyredeemer.org scroll down to the "Funerals" box to find the funeral guidelines, readings, music selections, and order of liturgy.

Reconciliation

Saturday at 3:30 p.m.

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MISSION STATEMENT

We, the family of Most Holy Redeemer Parish, commit ourselves to enriching our relationship with God by following the teachings of Jesus Christ. With the guidance of the Holy Spirit, we continue to build the Kingdom of God in our midst. Our vision is to foster the faith of all through prayer, service, education, and ministry.

A MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR

With this being Commitment Weekend for the Annual Catholic Appeal, we will be hearing a recorded message from Cardinal Cupich rather than a homily based on the Scripture readings for this Sunday. Even though we won't be hearing about the readings, there is something in the second reading this weekend from St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians that is worthy of some reflection on our part.

St. Paul talks about being a slave to all even though he is free. He talks about becoming all things to all people in the hope of saving at least some. He does all this for the sake of the gospel. He is willing to do whatever is necessary to preach the gospel and spread the message of Christ. He does this to win people to Christ and so they will believe.

Hearing St. Paul talk like this makes me ask, "What am I doing for the sake of the gospel? What am I willing to do to try to spread the message of Jesus and help others believe in Him? What am I doing to win people to Christ and help save some? What are any of us doing in this regard?"

Spreading the gospel message, being witnesses of our faith to win people to Christ and help them to believe is something we are called to do. We do this by the example of our lives. We do this by our willingness to do whatever our Lord may ask of us. We do this by our willingness to place ourselves at the service of others, being willing to do whatever we can for them that will help win them to Christ. We may have to endure hardship and suffering for the gospel, but that can be an even greater example to others of the power and importance of our faith.

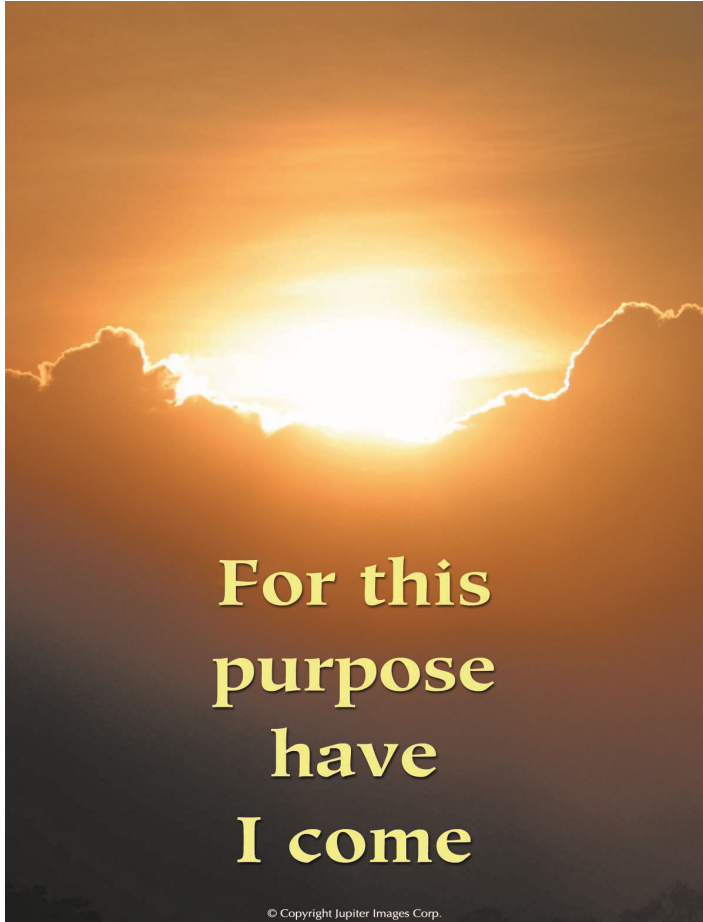
St. Paul was willing to do whatever it took to spread the gospel message and win others to Christ. How much are we willing to do? Are we willing to do whatever it takes to spread the message of Jesus in the hope of winning people to Him? Or do we draw the line and say, "I'll spread the gospel message up to this point, but no farther?"

Ash Wednesday is just around the corner and as with all things these days, the COVID-19 pandemic is bringing some changes. I mentioned previously that the distribution of ashes on Ash Wednesday would be different this year. We were told originally that ashes would be sprinkled on the head of the person receiving them. Since then, another option has been offered. Ashes may also be distributed by dipping a cotton ball or cotton swab in the ashes and then applying them to the forehead of the person receiving them. A new cotton ball or cotton swab would have to be used for each person. This is the method of distributing ashes we will be using. I want to let you know so you won't be surprised. Distributing ashes in this way may also take a little bit longer than usual.

We will be asking people to register for Masses on Ash Wednesday and for the Liturgy of the Word and Distribution of Ashes in the afternoon. Please watch the parish website (www.mostholyredeemer.org) to see when sign up for Ash Wednesday begins. I know a lot of people just like to show up, walk in and get ashes, and walk out right after that. That may not be possible this year because of social distancing and attendance limits. If you don't make a reservation, you may have to wait until the Mass or service is over before you can come in and receive ashes. There will be more information about this next week.

Fr. Jim Hyland

Spiritual Life



PLEASE KEEP OUR SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN IN YOUR PRAYERS.

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2021 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

COME, FOLLOW ME ... AND BRING HOPE TO THE WORLD

The Annual Catholic Appeal is much different than a one-time special collection: It is a pledged commitment to make a gift over time. Your pledge can be made payable in installments. Each pledge makes a difference because all parishes participate in the campaign and the gifts of many enable our archdiocese to deliver needed ministries and services to answer the call of Jesus to “Come, follow me ... and bring hope to the world.” If you received your pledge form in the mail, please complete it and mail it back. This year, we also encourage our parishioners to make their Annual Catholic Appeal gifts online or via text message: annualcatholicappeal.com or text the word “ACA2021” to 345345.

Digital Accompaniment



Members of our Youth & Young Adult Ministry program have felt the need to be there for one another in this weird time. This in mind, we asked different age groups what they were struggling with most during this time of uncertainty and challenged them to give insight, advice, and solace to the group behind them.


We hope this space can bring you comfort as it continues to grow.

Our first sections are written by members and supporters of our program from 8th Graders to grandparents and we thank them all for their time, participation, and openness.

Check out our Youth Ministry page at: www.sjfmhrym.com for more information!



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A TIME TO LAMENT

The poignant description of human suffering in our reading from the book of Job echoes the cries we have heard throughout the world with the coming of the coronavirus. We grieve many losses: of life and health, of jobs and security, of freedom to be with those we love. We are reminded that many of the psalms are prayers lamenting that the world is often not what it ought to be. In these coronavirus times, we the Church are first called to prayerfully lament: to weep with those who are weeping and to ache for a better world. Our prayer can remind us that, as Paul described in Romans 8, all creation is groaning, and the Holy Spirit is groaning in wordless, shared suffering.

We also live in God's promise to transform our tears into joy. God is eager to bring healing to the world, and we are God's instruments in doing so. We bring God's gifts of creativity, resourcefulness, and perseverance to the task. Our prayerful lamentation reminds us of the urgency of God's work through us.

The first chapter of Mark's Gospel is very fast-paced, as Jesus begins his ministry on the move. The first scene in today's passage happens so quickly that it's easy to miss: Jesus heals Simon's mother-in-law, and she promptly begins to serve Jesus and the disciples. This woman is never named, and only noted by her relationship with Simon. But she is the first person in Mark, once healed by Jesus, to clearly respond as a disciple. Her healing frees her to serve Jesus and others, and sparks the healing of many others.

Throughout the Gospels, Jesus' healings restore health, dignity, and a place in the community. They are also a summons to service. Mark's brief story highlights that God is always raising up persons and communities, healed of illness or sin or sadness, to join in God's healing work for others.

Today's Readings: Jb 7:1-4, 6-7; Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6; 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23; Mk 1:29-39

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ST. VINCENT DEPAUL

MHR St Vincent DePaul's mission is to assist people living in MHR Parish boundaries in times of need.

If you are having difficulty due to illness, employment changes, caring for a loved one, etc, PLEASE CONTACT us through the rectory office at 708-425-5354. We can help with utility bills and other housing expenses, help pay for food, and find additional resources that can offer additional aid. We often get requests for help too late in the situation to help effectively. The sooner you contact us, the more we can help and find relevant resources to assist you. If you, or someone you know, needs help we are here for you.

All contact is strictly confidential.

MASS INTENTIONS



Sunday, February 7 ~ 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 The People of Most Holy Redeemer / Benefactors of the Fr. Franzen Scholarship Fund

11:00 Ellsworth and Norma Marbach / Karen Holland

Monday, February 8

8:30 Souls in Purgatory

Tuesday, February 9

8:30 Rev. Joseph Ruiz

Wednesday, February 10

8:30 Ann Goodpaster

Thursday, February 11

8:30 Rev. Richard Dempsey

Friday, February 12

8:30 William Callahan

Saturday, February 13

8:30 Jean and Robert Molnar / Mary Barry

4:30 pm Living and deceased members of the Higgins and Montgomery Families / Jim Cullen

Sunday, February 14 ~ 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 The People of Most Holy Redeemer / Ciss Lafferty

11:00 Margaret M. Flaherty

LECTORS FOR FEBRUARY 6 / 7

Saturday, February 6, 2021

4:30 p.m. - Don Grochocinski / Jean Hanlon

Sunday, February 7, 2021

8:00 - Sean Maxwell / Kristen Maxwell

11:00 - Liam Lyons / John Rowan

LECTORS FOR FEBRUARY 13 / 14

Saturday, February 13, 2021

4:30 p.m. - Winnie Ligda / Jennifer Busk

Sunday, February 14, 2021

8:00 - Leah Ostry / Steve Lascola

11:00 - Matt Doyle / Jennifer Hynes

CANTORS FOR FEBRUARY 6 / 7


Saturday, February 6, 2021

4:30 - Eileen Van Haren


Sunday, February 7, 2021

8:00 - Linda Maffiola

11:00 - Madonna Pufunt



Letters from Heaven



Start with the letter in the shaded square. Draw a path from letter to letter to complete the Biblical statement. Move one square at a time, up, down, right, left and diagonally until all letters are used once. Ignore any black squares.

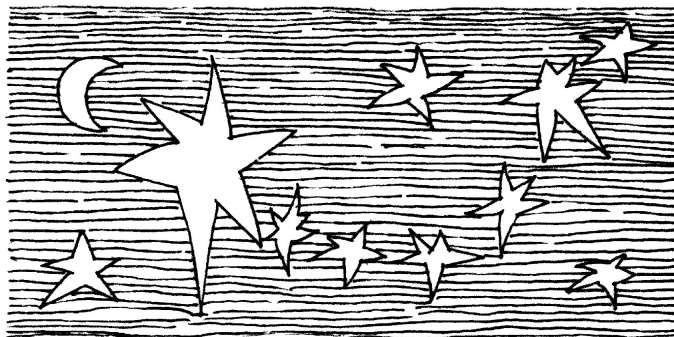
Jesus told Simon and those who were with him, "Let us go on to the nearby villages that I may preach there also. For this ..."

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purpose have I come

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Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time February 7, 2021

[The LORD] tells the number of the stars
and calls them by name.

— Psalm 147:4

Our Finances

WEEKEND COLLECTION

Week of 01 / 24

In church and drop off envelopes	\$5,004
Electronic Offering	\$5,656
Total Offering	\$10,660
Budgeted	\$12,500
Amount under / over budget	(\$1,840)

FISCAL YEAR TO DATE

Offering	\$325,301
Budget	\$377,500
Surplus / (Deficit)	(\$52,199)

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