



# 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. 96<sup>th</sup> Street

Monday, 6 a.m. - 9 p.m.

Tuesday and Thursday, closed

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** — The days are coming when the LORD will fulfill the promise made to Israel and Judah (Jeremiah 33:14-16)

**Second Reading** — May the Lord make you increase and abound in love that you may be blameless in holiness; conduct yourselves so as to please God (1 Thessalonians 3:12 — 4:2).

**Gospel** — There will be signs and you will see the Son of Man coming with power and



Be vigilant  
at all times  
and pray  
that you have  
the strength  
to escape the  
tribulations  
that are  
imminent  
and to stand  
before the  
Son of Man.

*Luke 21:36*

*The Last Judgement,  
from The Small Passion*  
Albrecht Dürer  
(German, 1471-1528)  
c. 1510  
Metropolitan Museum of Art  
New York

*First* Sunday of *Advent*

November 28, 2021

## Parish Staff

### Pastor

Rev. James M. Hyland  
x 209

### Associate Pastor

Rev. Paul Guzman  
x 205

### Retired Resident

Rev. Albert R. Adamich  
x 212

### Weekend Associate

Rev. Francis Schouten

Deacon Mark Phelan

### Director of Music

Linda Maffiola  
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### MHR School Principal

Dan Turney  
708.422.8280

### Director of Religious Education

Margaret Guadagno  
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### Business Manager

Rosemary Dempsey  
x 204

## 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](mailto:lmaffiola@mostholyredeemer.org)

### *Funeral Liturgy Information*

Please visit the MHR parish website [mostholyredeemer.org](http://mostholyredeemer.org) scroll down to the "Funerals" box to find the funeral guidelines, readings, music selections, and order of liturgy.

### *Reconciliation*

Saturday at 4:00 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**

Advent begins this weekend. Counting this Sunday, the First Sunday of Advent, there are only 27 shopping days until Christmas. If we haven't already starting getting ready for Christmas, we will begin to do so now in earnest. There are so many things we have to do - decorate our homes, get our cards in the mail, get our cooking and baking and cleaning done, and maybe most important: get gifts for everyone on our list. We will be spending a lot of time in stores and on-line, trying to make sure that the people we have to get gifts for will get the electronic devices, or the toys and games, or the clothing, or the other items they want for Christmas. We will spend a lot of time looking for these items that family members and friends want for Christmas. But while we ask for them, are these really what we want for Christmas?

If you listen to one of those radio stations that's been playing non-stop Christmas music since the beginning of November, you've probably heard a song called, "My Grown Up Christmas List." Maybe you've heard it more times than you really care to. The singer sings about how her Christmas list has changed as she has gotten older. She no longer wants gifts under a tree for herself. Now, she wants gifts for a hurting world. She wants peace and the end of wars. She wants deep hurts in people's lives to be healed. She wants good to triumph over evil. She wants people to be loved and no one to be lonely.

I think we all have a Christmas list like that. We all have things we want that you just can't put under a tree. We want forgiveness and a second chance. We want to know that we are loved and cared for. We want to have family and friends who stand by us and who we can count on. We want to have greater meaning and purpose in our lives and know that we matter. We want peace in our world and in our lives. These are not gifts we can find on-line or in any shopping mall. But they are gifts we can find in Christ. These are gifts He came into the world to bring us. He can give us those gifts if we open our lives and hearts to Him.

The Advent Season is the time we focus on the coming of Christ. We look back to the time when Christ came into our world at Bethlehem. We look ahead to the time when Christ will come again in power and glory. We try to be aware of the ways in which Christ comes into our world and into our lives right now. How much do we really focus on Christ during Advent? If He is the one in whom we can find what we really want most for Christmas, shouldn't He be our main focus in the coming week? Yet so often, our Lord takes a back seat to everything else. Other Christmas preparations take precedence over prayer and worship, or receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation, or works of charity.

We do have a lot to do in the coming weeks to get ready for Christmas. We will be preparing in many ways and in many places. As Advent begins, I hope we will all think about how much Christ will be part of our preparations. He is the one whose coming we celebrate. If we have one of those grown up Christmas lists, He is the one who can bring us what's on that list. Let's make sure that the one whose coming we prepare for during Advent will have a greater role in our preparations this year.

Fr. Jim Hyland



## Spiritual Life

Do you know someone in the military and would like to add their name to our list? We would be happy to include their name and pray for them. Please call the Rectory at 425.5354 ext 203 or email [bulletineditor@mostholyredeemer.org](mailto:bulletineditor@mostholyredeemer.org).

### CHRISTMAS MASSES

This year we will have a full schedule of Christmas Masses at 4:00, 6:00, and 10:00 on the eve and 8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 on the day.

Please consider volunteering for one of the services. Signup sheets are located in the back at the usher table starting November 28 for Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Ushers, and Altar Servers.



### PLEASE KEEP OUR SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN IN YOUR PRAYERS.

Robert Leitelt	Christopher Kurtz
Jonathan Edborg	Maggie Kealy
Ryan Carrasquillo	Joe Butler
Brian P. Duffy	Anthony Boehm
Charles Cassidy	Anton Thauer
Michael McRae	Casey Hopkins
Dan Graal	Carolyn Roberts
Michael McCartin	Katie Sammon
John W. Campbell	Molly Koman
Andrew Jackson	Colleen Kaufmann
Donald L. Brady	Fr. Paul Guzman
Meliesa Brooker	Michael Pufunt
Thomas Dwyer	Liam Farrell
Ronda Verback	Jimmy Pufunt
Edward Hunt	Matthew Olsen
Christopher Mazurek	Jonathon Champion
Mitchell Moss	Alex Jones
Brad Liberio	Emma Geyer
Patrick Harrington	Frank Doyle
Michael J. Pedersen	Brendan W. Brown
John Koman	
Sean Kaufmann	
Michael Parker	
John McDoniel	
Kevin Deering	
Brendan W. Brown	

### 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.

## CELEBRATION OF GIVING

**Most Holy Redeemer is participating in the Celebration of Giving**, an effort to collect Christmas gifts for the many children and families serviced by Catholic Charities. There are two ways you can participate in the program.

You can **Sponsor a Family** by purchasing gifts for a family of 1-8 members. Approximately 500 families have been identified by Catholic Charities for this program. Without our help, there will be no Christmas for these families. To sponsor a family, email Sharon Gainer at [jsgainer@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jsgainer@sbcglobal.net) or stop by the back of church after Sunday Masses on November 21<sup>st</sup> and November 28<sup>th</sup>.

Or, simply donate a new, unwrapped toy, \$10.00-\$15.00, as part of the **Toy Shower**, designed to provide Christmas presents to over 4,500 children served by Catholic Charities. Toy Shower boxes will be placed in the back of church and outside the school office through December 5<sup>th</sup> for you to drop off your gift.



As we enter the Christmas season, let us remember, it is a special time for giving, especially to those whose needs are great. Thanks for your support!

Have you changed your phone number? Have you moved? Are you preparing to move soon? Are all of your children still at home and are they all included in your membership record? This is your chance to update records. Contact Eileen at [ebrett@mostholyredeemer.org](mailto:ebrett@mostholyredeemer.org) or the rectory office at 708.425.5354 with any changes.

If you have not been receiving email updates, please send your email address to [ebrett@mostholyredeemer.org](mailto:ebrett@mostholyredeemer.org) so we can keep you updated and encouraged!

### **EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

If you are a Eucharistic Minister and are looking to return to the ministry, please contact the rectory office at [bulletineditor@mostholyredeemer.org](mailto:bulletineditor@mostholyredeemer.org) or at 708-425-5354.

We are going to be putting together a regular schedule. Please let them know your name and preferred mass time.

## Parish Life

### BULLETIN DEADLINE CHANGE

With the upcoming holidays, our bulletin publisher has requested early transmittal dates.

December 19 bulletin ~ Deadline is December 10

December 26 bulletin ~ Deadline is December 16

January 2 bulletin ~ Deadline is December 23

Articles can be submitted to [bulletineditor@mostholyredeemer.org](mailto:bulletineditor@mostholyredeemer.org) by 12 noon. Your cooperation in meeting these early deadlines is appreciated.



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## Community News

**Christmas  
Arts & Crafts Bazaar**

Queen of Martyrs  
Altar & Rosary Society

**December 4 & 5**

DECEMBER 4 9am - 4pm	DECEMBER 5 10am - 2pm
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Sp Adobe Spark

## Community News



*Dear Friends,*

*Once again, out of an abundance of caution and concern for the safety and well-being of our community, Bob Kuenster and the family of Thompson & Kuenster Funeral Home sadly regret to inform that the annual Celebration of Life Mass will not be held this year.*

*However, we will be hosting an outdoor Winter Wonderland! Bring your family and have your picture taken with Santa Claus, and take home a Christmas ornament for your family tree. Refreshments will be served.*

*We will also be collecting non-perishable food items to be donated to local food pantries which will help those who are in great need this holiday season. Our staff will be in the parking lot to help unload any goods brought for donation.*

*This outdoor event will take place on Saturday, December 4<sup>th</sup> from 3:00 p.m. until 7 p.m.*

*Please RSVP to 708-425-0500 before December 1<sup>st</sup>. We look forward to seeing you there! Bob, his family and everyone at Thompson & Kuenster Funeral Home want to wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy, Healthy New Year.*

*Bob Kuenster*



## MASS INTENTIONS



**Sunday, November 28 ~ 1st Sunday of Advent**

8:00 The People of Most Holy Redeemer / Bill Haggerty / Kevin Gory

11:00 Mark McDonnell / Cherie Garza

**Monday, November 29**

8:30 Souls in Purgatory / Peter Wooda

**Tuesday, November 30**

8:30 Charlotte Morrison

**Wednesday, December 1**

8:30 Geraldine Getz / Michael Flaherty

**Thursday, December 2**

8:30 James Flynn

**Friday, December 3**

8:30 Kevin Murray

**Saturday, December 4**

8:30 Jean and Robert Molnar

4:30 pm Mary Ellen Long / Patricia Brett

**Sunday, December 5 ~ 2nd Sunday of Advent**

8:00 The People of Most Holy Redeemer / Ellen and Edward O'Connor

11:00 Patrick Clarkin / Mary Ellen Long

## NOVEMBER 27 / 28

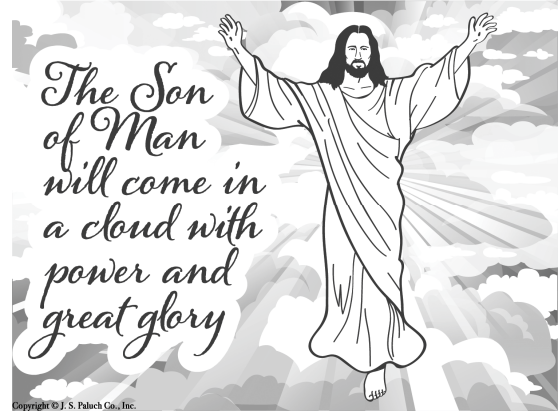
Saturday, November 27, 2021

4:30 - Colin Dickman / Julie Moran

Sunday, November 28, 2021

8:00 - Steve Lascola / Leah Ostry

1100 - Quinn Lyons / Liam Lyons



## NOVEMBER 28, 2021

There will be signs in the sun,  
the moon, and the stars.

When these signs  
begin to happen,  
stand erect and  
raise your heads  
because your  
redemption is at hand.

Luke 21:25, 28



**FIRST**

**Sunday**

OF

**Advent**

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**OUR FINANCES FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 21ST WILL BE POSTED IN THE NEXT BULLETIN.**

**PLEASE CONSIDER INCLUDING *MOST HOLY REDEEMER* IN YOUR ESTATE PLANS.**

If you wish to generously remember *Most Holy Redeemer Parish / School* in your will, ensuring its growth and vitality for years to come, you may include the following general statement: I give (the sum of \$ \_\_\_\_\_) \* to *Most Holy Redeemer Parish / School*, located in Evergreen Park, Illinois.

Please contact pastor *Fr. James Hyland* at 708 425 – 5354 or Brendan Keating, Sr. Director of Planned Giving at 312.534.5271 or [bkeating@archchicago.org](mailto:bkeating@archchicago.org) for more information.

\*You may also give a percentage of your estate, or a specific asset.

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