



# 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.

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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** — Hannah gives her son Samuel back to the LORD, leaving him in the temple at Shiloh: “As long as he lives, he shall be dedicated to the LORD” (1 Samuel 1:20-22, 24-28) or *Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14*.

**Second Reading** — We are children of God when we believe in the name of God’s Son, Jesus Christ, and love one another just as he commanded us (1 Jn 3:1-2, 21-24) or *Colossians 3:12-21 [12-17]*.

**Gospel** — Joseph and Mary find the lost Jesus in the temple in the midst of the teachers, listening to them and asking questions (Luke 2:41-52).

December 26, 2021



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## *The Holy Family*

OF JESUS, MARY, AND JOSEPH

After three days Jesus' parents found him in the temple,  
sitting in the midst of the teachers,  
listening to them and asking them questions.

Luke 2:46

## 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

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### Director of Music

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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**

I heard the host of a program on the radio a few weeks ago talking about Thanksgiving. He said he had spent ten hours with his family on Thanksgiving. He said that those ten hours were plenty of time to spend with them, and he probably wouldn't be seeing them at Christmas as a result. Sadly, that seems to be the way a lot of people feel about their families today. They want to spend as little time with them as possible. Many people dread the holidays because it means they have to spend time with their families.

Today, on the Sunday after Christmas, we celebrate the Feast of the Holy Family. Jesus, Mary, and Joseph are held up to us as the model of family life. If we think that the Holy Family is not a good model for our own families, we should think again. The Holy Family had their share of problems and hardships. There were misunderstandings. There was a crazy relative who lived in the desert and ate bugs. Maybe they were happy they only had to see him at Passover and Rosh Hashanah.

The Holy Family was no different from our own families in having problems, hardships, misunderstandings, and crazy relatives. Where they may be different is that they loved each other and were willing to forgive each other. They stayed together, helping and supporting one another. They were also open to God's will and would do whatever God asked of them. That's what made them the Holy Family. If we are willing to do that, our families can certainly be holier families. We might then appreciate more the gift our families are. And who knows? We may even want to spend more time with them.

On December 13, members of our Grouping Feedback and Discernment Team presented the summary of the feedback from our September parish meetings to the *Renew My Church* Executive Committee. We were able to present our feedback and have a discussion about the local realities of our parishes and communities.

What happens next?

The Executive Committee will form a recommendation for the full *Renew My Church* Commission.

The Commission will convene and discuss the recommendation, ensuring that the Grouping Team's feedback and the foundational principles for structural viability and vitality have been fully considered.

Per Canon Law (Church Law), the Commission forwards the recommendation to the Presbyteral Council (an elected body of priests) for their consultation with Cardinal Cupich.

The Cardinal will discuss the recommendation with the Presbyteral Council and after this consultation, the Cardinal will make a final decision.

We expect to learn of the Cardinal's decision in January. The tentative date for this is January 25. As more details emerge specific to the timing, we will share that with everyone.

What should we do as we wait with so much hanging in the balance? When we are uncertain as to what the future holds? When the Lord invites us to step out of the boat into the water? St. Paul writes in the First letter to the Thessalonians, "Rejoice always. Pray without ceasing." We should pray for Cardinal Cupich, our bishops, the members of the *Renew My Church* Commission, the members of the Presbyteral Council, the people of the parishes in our grouping, and all involved in the work of renewal.

## MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR CONT.

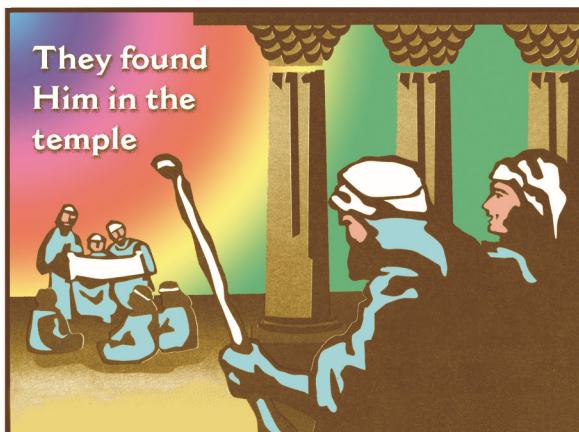
Remember too, that this is only the beginning of the renewal process in our parish. Once the decision has been made, we enter into the next phases of *Renew My Church*: Organizational Transition and Building the New Reality – phases which focus on structural and spiritual renewal within our parish. Let's keep in mind that our Lord is with us, and we are His instruments in the work of renewal. He will use us to make disciples, build communities, and inspire witness.

As always, for more information visit [www.RenewMyChurch.org](http://www.RenewMyChurch.org), or talk to me or any of the team members.

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).



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## GRIEFSHARE

Christ the King parish is establishing the GriefShare program, a Christ-centered support group for those experiencing the loss of a loved one to death. It is a 13 week program, each session including a video of subject pertinent to the grief experience, scripture-based study and reflection, and small group discussion. Participants can enter the program at any week in the session. The program will begin Tuesday, January 4, 2022 at 630pm in the basement meeting room of the rectory.

Information about the GriefShare design is available at [GriefShare.org](http://GriefShare.org). Anyone interested in participation or volunteering or with any questions please contact Tom Bianciotto at: [Griefshare@ckchicago.org](mailto:Griefshare@ckchicago.org) or call Tom @ 773-398-4682.

## 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.

## EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Most Holy Redeemer has a, opening for a part time administrative assistant for School of Religion.

If you are interested, please call or email Fr. Hyland at 708-425-5354 x 209 or [jhyland@mostholyredeemer.org](mailto:jhyland@mostholyredeemer.org)

## A PRAYER FOR "RENEW MY CHURCH"

Lord Jesus, you speak to us today, as you spoke to holy men and women who have gone before us. In every age in our own time, you call us to say : Renew My Church . Pour out the gift of your Holy Spirit upon us, and so enable us  
To hear you clearly  
To listen to each other attentively  
To imagine our future boldly  
To discern your direction wisely  
To persevere in your holy will courageously  
To stay together in charity  
To embrace the greater good  
To hand on your gifts to the future generations  
May we remain in the holy company of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the apostles, and all the saints. May their examples and presence inspire us with patient confidence in the work of your grace. We ask this of you who live and reign with the father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.



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## **WOMEN'S CENTER NEWS**

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Kids toys  
Lanolin  
Nursing pads  
Nylon/cotton hats  
Post-partum products  
Receiving blankets  
Shampoo and conditioner  
Sleepers: All sizes, especially 0-3m & 3-6m

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Baby swings  
Bassinets  
Combo strollers  
Clothes: All sizes, especially Boys 7-8 & 14-16 and Girls 14-16  
Exersaucers  
High chairs  
Infant car seats/carriers (by law all car seats must be less than 7 years old)  
Lightweight dressers  
Single strollers  
Toddler beds

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### SEEKING VOLUNTEERS:

Have spare time on Saturdays and want to make a big difference for Life?! The Women's Center is in need of volunteers! If you can donate a few hours on Saturdays, please email [csanchez@gotwc.org](mailto:csanchez@gotwc.org).



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# Community News



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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!

## God's Word for Children

Joseph and Mary brought Jesus along to the Passover feast in Jerusalem. But when they left for home, he wasn't with them! So they went back to the city to find him. Do you know where he was? Write the first letter of each picture to get the answer. Then draw a big smile on Joseph and Mary's faces.

3   elephant   flower   sandwich   padlock   balloon

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**The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph**  
Below is part of a letter that Paul wrote to the Colossian people. Remember this phrase when you are going through tough times. See how quickly you can fit the underlined words into this crossword. Some letters have been put in to give you a little help.

**“LET THE PEACE OF CHRIST CONTROL YOUR HEARTS”**

Colossians 3:15

## MASS INTENTIONS



### Sunday, December 26 ~ The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph

8:00 The People of Most Holy Redeemer / Loise Crivellone

11:00 Rosemary Sheehan / Ann Goodpaster

### Monday, December 27

8:30 Souls in Purgatory / Raul Gonzalez

### Tuesday, December 28

8:30 Kenneth Freeman

### Wednesday, December 29

8:30 Patricia Brett

### Thursday, December 30

8:30 Mary Therese Johnson

### Friday, December 31

8:30 Jean and Robert Molnar / Will Kellogg

### Saturday, January 1

9:00 Living and Deceased Members of Most Holy Redeemer

### Sunday, January 2 ~ Epiphany of the Lord

8:00 The People of Most Holy Redeemer / Almaquio Polido / Mary Bliss

11:00 Cathy Kellogg / Susie Brett / Kevin Gory

## BANS OF MARRIAGE

II Emily Daniels and Connor McDonald



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## LECTORS FOR DECEMBER 26

Sunday, December 26, 2021

8:00 - Kristen Maxwell / Sean Maxwell

11:00 - Vince Crivellone / Craig Miller

## LECTORS FOR JANUARY 1 / 2

Saturday, January 1, 2022

9:00 - Winnie Ligda / Steve Lascola

Sunday, January 2, 2022

8:00 - John Lavin / Maureen Bradley

11:00 - Aine Hynes / John Rowan

## LECTORS FOR JANUARY 8 / 9

Saturday, January 8, 2022

4:30 - Jean Hanlon / Judy Crudele

Sunday, January 9, 2022

8:00 - Rick Schultz / Terri Schultz

11:00 - Jennifer Busk / Dan Ward

## LECTORS FOR JANUARY 15 / 16

Saturday, January 15, 2022

4:30 - Winnie Ligda / Lucy Diaz

Sunday, January 16, 2022

8:00 - Julie Moran / Steve Lascola

11:00 - Leah Ostry / Robert Speski

## LECTORS FOR JANUARY 22 / 23

Saturday, January 22, 2022

4:30 - Mary Riccio / Don Grochocinski

Sunday, January 23, 2022

8:00 - Kristen Maxwell / Sean Maxwell

11:00 - Liam Lyons / Quinn Lyons





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