

Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 10, 2019

Most Holy Redeemer Catholic Church



A Faithful Steward

A little humor: One day a gathering of money of various denominations was chatting about all the places they had been. The 100-dollar bill said that he had been traveling all over the world, "I've been to Rio, to Paris, to Barcelona and then back to the USA". The 50-dollar bill said, "Oh, I've been on so many gambling boats in Shreveport, Vicksburg, and Baton Rouge." The 1-dollar bill said, "I've been traveling from Catholic Church to Catholic Church."

More serious: The last book of the Old Testament comes from the prophet Malachi. In his last chapter, the Lord speaks,

"Can anyone rob God? But you are robbing me!
And you say, 'How have we robbed you?'
Of tithes and contributions!
Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse,
That there may be food in my house.
Put me to the test, says the Lord of hosts,
And see if I do not open the floodgates of heaven for you,
and pour down upon you blessing without measure!"

God owns everything. But he has entrusted us with things he owns and has allowed us to be his stewards. He gave us authority to use the things that belong to him. And returning those things to him is part of our salvation. The parable of the talents from Christ makes it clear, he expects a return on his investment. To keep something back, to keep something that belongs to someone else is in God's mind 'robbing them', stealing. Don't think that you are going to steal from God and not hear about it.

The word 'tithe' simply means tenth. It came about in the 14th chapter of Genesis when Abraham gave one tenth of all his goods to Melchizedek. Later on, in chapter 28, Jacob promised that he would give a tenth to the Lord. And that same tithe was kept in Israel during the time of Moses.

Of all the ministries of our parish, the most important in my mind is Stewardship. Because without the good people who are responsible financially to the Lord, this Church would not be here. The ministry of this parish would not be present. I would not be present. There would be no roof over our heads. That's right, nothing comes for free. So, let's be most thankful to the faithful stewards of our parish. Their love for him keep us in business.

The Church has been established by Christ to depend on the hospitality of people. We cannot tax you or charge you a 'fair price' for coming to Mass. (Though I wish we could). But what do you think would be a fair price? How much would you pay for a lunch? Or a haircut? Or a movie? Does Christ Jesus who is present in the Word and the Eucharist not deserve as much? What would you charge for such a venue?

Give to the Lord what **belongs** to the Lord,
Fr. Anthony

**"I know that my
Redeemer Lives"
-Job 19:25**

Mass Times

<u>Sunday:</u> 8:00 am 10:00 am 12:30 pm (Spanish)	<u>Thursday:</u> 6:45 am 8:30 am (School Mass) 6:00 pm
<u>Monday:</u> 6:45 am 6:00 pm	<u>Friday:</u> 6:45 am 6:00 pm
<u>Tuesday:</u> 6:45 am 6:00 pm	<u>Saturday:</u> 8:30 am 5:00 pm (Vigil)
<u>Wednesday:</u> 6:45 am 6:00 pm 7:00 pm (Spanish)	

*All Weekday Masses are
Celebrated in the St. Anthony
Retreat House, except for
Wednesday 7pm Spanish
mass.*

Parish Office Hours

<u>Monday:</u>	9am - 3pm
<u>Tues. - Thurs:</u>	8am - 3pm
<u>Friday - Sunday:</u>	Closed

Clergy

Pastor:

Fr. Anthony Coppola

Parochial Vicar:

Fr. Jonathan Loverita

Deacons:

Kevin Dwyer

Joseph Krzanowski

Ted Martin

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"He is not God of the dead, but of the living for to him all are alive" - Luke 20:38

Mass Intentions

Saturday, November 9th

5:00pm In memory of Flor de Maria Diaz

Sunday, November 10th

8:00am + Bill Terlop Jr
10:00am Christina Perez (Birthday Blessing)
12:30pm Sexto Aniversario de MDS

Monday, November 11th

6:45am Shirley Conway (Healing Grace)
6:00pm NO MASS (Veteran's Day)

Tuesday, November 12th

6:45am For those struggling in their Faith

6:00pm Ada Nunez & Fernando Strube (Birthday Blessing)

Wednesday, November 13th

6:45am + Oren Swisher
6:00pm For all the Youth of MHR
7:00pm + Carlos Salas Picado



Liturgy Intentions For The Week

Thursday, November 14th

6:45am + Gabriel Carrasquil
8:30am Vocations to Priesthood - Morning Star School
6:00pm In Thanksgiving

Friday, November 15th

6:45am For all souls in Purgatory
6:00pm St. Andrew School of Evangelization

Saturday, November 16th

8:30am + Francis Nguyen Duy
5:00pm + Williams & N'diay deceased family members

"Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May all the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen"

Parish Events & News

Monday Nov. 11th -

Parish office will be closed in observance of the Veterans Day holiday

Saturday Nov. 16th -

8:30am - 11:30am All hands needed at our MHR Church & Garden Clean Up Day. Come help beautify OUR Parish

Sunday Nov. 24th -
Sunday Dec. 8th -

MHR Food Pantry Giving Tree is back! There is an overwhelming number of needy children in our area. We need your help to brighten their Christmas morning. See the insert for more info or contact Debbie Jahnigen @ 813-363-3980

Tuesday Nov. 26th -

7:00pm - 9:00pm Wine & Crafts - (PR) For more information and to RSVP contact Laura - Laura.dickerson@sallie mae.com

Wednesday Nov. 27th -
Friday Nov. 29th -

Parish office will be closed in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday

Sunday Dec. 1st -

7:00am - 2:00pm (MS) Christmas Boutique & Cookie Sale

8:00am - 1:00pm (DH) Men's Club Breakfast

Wednesday Dec. 4th -
Thursday Dec. 12th -

7:00pm (DH) Novena to Our Lady of Guadalupe

Friday Dec. 6th -

6:30pm - 9:00pm (SAC) First Friday Adoration

Saturday Dec. 7th -

8:30am First Saturday Mass (outdoors)

50/50 Raffle Tickets -

3 for \$5 or 12 for \$10 Please contact Joanne Guggino before Dec. 1st @ 813-935-0531 or 813-817-3557 to purchase your ticket

Spanish Community Events

Lunes Nov. 11

La oficina estará cerrada, en celebración del Día de Veteranos

Martes Nov. 12

7:00pm (MC) Novena a la Virgen de la Divina Providencia. Para mas información llamar a Carmen al (813)770-6216

Sábado Nov. 16

8:30am - 11:30am Se necesitan todas las manos de MHR en nuestro día de limpieza. Ven y ayuda a embellecer nuestra parroquia

Domingo Nov. 17

12:30pm Celebración a la Virgen de la Divina Providencia durante la misa

Miércoles Nov. 27 - Viernes Nov. 29

La oficina de MHR estará cerrada en observación al día de Acción de Gracias

Miércoles Dec. 4 - Jueves Dec. 12

7:00pm (DH) Novena a la Virgen de Guadalupe

Boletos para la rifa 50/50 -

3 por \$ 5 o 12 por \$ 10 Comuníquese con Joanne Guggino antes del 1 de diciembre al 813-935-0531 o 813-817-3557 para comprar su boleto

"Porque Dios no es Dios de muertos, sino de vivos, pues para el todos viven".

- Lucas 20-38

Pray for the Sick



Patricia Strickland, John Wakefield, Jr, Alexis Herrera, Anita

Digangi, Antonio Nieves, Betty LaRue, Isabel Rodriguez, Jorge Cruz, Frank Ciampaglia, Marie Wood, Deacon Joseph Krzanowski, Mary Anne Obusek, Rose Hurley, Eila O'Connor, Cecilia Lopez, Cathe Varn, Willie Davis, John O'Brien, Noreen Haebig, Michael Moody, Hector Perez, Angeles Rivera, Carolyn Kreiling, Jason Capitano, Herman E. Caceres, Veronica N. Chavez, Maria Sol Montel, Laura A. Caceres, Veronica Rodriguez, Luz A. Bringas, Carolina S. Brizuela Perez, Andrea E. Bernabey, Rodolfo M. Arruabarrena, Angel E. Arrua, Gustavo Caceres.

Let's Collect in God's Presence

There is a very special prayer at the beginning of every Mass that's easy to overlook. Right after the Gloria is sung, Father Anthony or Father Jonathan will extend their hands and say, "Let Us Pray". Father will pause, and after a brief moment of silence to place ourselves in God's presence, he will recite the prayer known as the Collect. The word Collect means to gather, and from the earliest times in the Catholic Church, this has been an important part of our Liturgy of The Word. In ancient times, people would assemble at a certain location before Mass. The Collect or gathering prayer would be recited, and then the entire assembly would process to the actual church where Mass would be celebrated.

Nowadays, we all gather as a faith community here at Most Holy Redeemer and we should listen intently to this very special prayer. Sometimes in our eagerness to get to the readings and the Gospel we don't give the Collect the attention it deserves.

So, it's good to know this fun fact: Most of the time, the Collect will give us a clue about the messages contained in the readings known as "Liturgy of The Word".

While the Collect is a short prayer, it always follows the formula of **YOU, WHO, DO** and **THROUGH**.



YOU Names God the Father to whom the prayer is addressed. **WHO** names what good God has done for us. **DO** addresses our petition to God, asking our desires for the day, **THROUGH** always ask for our petition through Jesus Christ in union with the Holy Spirit, Amen. Here is how our Collect is divided for this week, the 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time.

YOU, "Almighty" **WHO** "and merciful God" **DO** "graciously keep from us all adversity, so that, unhindered in mind and body alike, we may pursue in freedom of heart the things that are yours **THROUGH** Through Our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen When we say the AMEN we are agreeing to the celebrant's recitation of the Collect. Let's be attentive to this very powerful and often unnoticed part of our Liturgy.

Blessings, Deacon Ted

Most Holy Redeemer Statement of Income & Expenses

Income	FY 2019 Actual	FY 2020 Budget	Expense	FY 2019 Actual	FY 2020 Budget
Operation Revenue (Offertory, Mass Stipends & Other)	252,983	521,200	APA	102,524	107,668
APA Contributions	92,414	90,000	School Support	19,884	22,100
Food Pantry	25,856	25,000	Diocesan Support Totals	122,408	129,768
Programs (Music & Worship, Religious Ed., Youth Ministry)	8,514	9,500	General Administration		
Rentals & Fundraisers (Duffy Hall, Legacy School & Others)	178,475	185,000	Clergy, Religious & Rectory (Salaries, Health, Rectory & Others)	157,787	172,568
			Administration & Facilities (Salaries, Employee Benefits, Property Insurance, Electric & Others)	349,360	366,100
			Charity & Programs		
			Food Pantry (Excluding Electric & Others)	13,141	15,500
			Programs (Music & Worship, Religious Ed., RCIA, Youth Ministry & Other)	100,077	106,500
			Rentals & Fundraisers (Duffy Hall, Legacy School & Others)	46,669	31,200
Total	831,242	830,700	Total	789,442	821,636
			Income - Expense	41,800	9,064

"Honor the Lord with your wealth, with first fruits of all your produce; Then will your barns be filled with plenty, with new wine your vats will overflow" - Prov. 3:9-10