

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

# Most Holy Redeemer Catholic Church

## The Eucharist

As Roman Catholics, we center ourselves a great deal on the Eucharist. It is known as the source and summit of who we are as believers. We believe, through the study of sacred scripture, that the whole Christ is present in the consecrated host and the wine. When I was a seminarian, I had to take my exit exam. One of the questions that I did not answer correctly had to do with the Eucharist. The question was, "Is the consecrated bread and wine considered to be the Body of Christ prior to the Resurrection or his Body after the Resurrection."

In my mind, I thought that since the Mass is a celebration of the Last Supper, then it must be his Body prior to his death. But I apparently answered incorrectly. The teaching of the Catholic Church states that it is the Resurrected and glorified body and blood of Christ with his soul and divinity. The only ones who ate his Body before his death were the Twelve Apostles. (Interesting isn't it. And yes, there is a difference.)

In my mind, I later reconciled it with one very important passage from Luke: **The Road to Emmaus.** I love that passage and you should too. After Jesus had died, he appeared on the road and he conversed with two disciples. He reprimanded them for not believing what scripture taught about the Suffering Servant of God. And then it happened, he broke the bread. And their eyes were opened. Suddenly they realized that it was Jesus who had been conversing with them. Their hearts were burning. Those two disciples returned to Jerusalem and told everyone what had happened and how Jesus was made known in the breaking of the bread.

That passage is very important for us Roman Catholics. Because it reminds people such as myself that Jesus Christ is still celebrating the Eucharist even after he dies. He is still breaking the bread. It is for this reason, that we believe the priest stands in the Person of Jesus Christ during the Holy Mass. When I celebrate Mass with you, I am in-persona-Christi. Jesus is acting in me in the breaking of the bread.

Now, let me clarify all of this with you. The word 'transubstantiation' has to do with the ordinary bread and wine becoming the extra-ordinary Bread of Life and Precious Blood. It all happens by the Word of God. The Eucharist looks like bread and smells like wine but underneath it is truly his Body and Blood. Take that teaching a little further. You may look upon me or Father Jonathon and see only the men that we are but in actuality we are standing in as the person of Jesus Christ.

I hope that when you attend Mass here at Most Holy Redeemer, you are able to see through the physical person of Father Jonathon and myself and feel the presence of Christ during the Consecration. The Spirit moves through us, through our hands and in our voices to make the change. It is a very sacred moment. I really do not like people walking in front of the altar during that time. I hope you understand. Jesus is truly present there, not only in the Eucharist but also in the priests.

Finally, we priests are not the only ones who stand in the person of Christ. We do so during the Mass but there are other times when you do so. In my next bulletin article, I will note some moments when you stand in the person of Jesus Christ. (Think of the conversion of St. Paul). - Fr. Anthony

### Mass Times

#### Sunday:

8:00 am  
10:00 am  
12:30 pm  
(Spanish)

#### Thursday:

6:45 am  
8:30 am  
(School Mass)  
6:00 pm

#### Monday:

6:45 am  
6:00 pm

#### Friday:

6:45 am  
6:00 pm

#### Tuesday:

6:45 am  
6:00 pm

#### Saturday:

8:30 am  
5:00 pm (Vigil)

#### Wednesday:

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.*

### Confessions

Saturday 3:30pm - 4:30pm  
or by appointment

### Parish Office Hours

Monday: 9am - 3pm  
Tues. - Thurs: 8am - 3pm  
Friday - Sunday: Closed

### Clergy

#### Pastor:

Fr. Anthony Coppola

#### Parochial Vicar:

Fr. Jonathan Loverita

#### Deacons:

Kevin Dwyer

Joseph Krzanowski

Ted Martin

## Pray for the living & the dead



+ - Deceased  
HG - Healing Graces  
BB - Birthday Blessings

### Saturday, February 8th

5:00pm Emelhi Romero

### Sunday, February 9th

8:00am Johnny Crespo - Safety  
in Iran

10:00am + Robert Taylor

12:30pm Nelson Costoso

## Mass Intentions

### Monday, February 10th

6:45am For conversion of  
sinners

6:00pm All souls of Purgatory

### Tuesday, February 11th

6:45am Lulu Lozano (BB)

6:00pm Bob & Gloria Fisher -  
Family Blessings

### Wednesday, February 12th

6:45am Unity of Christians

6:00pm + German Bonilla Jr.

7:00pm Coby Nunez (BB)

### Thursday, February 13th

6:45am In Thanksgiving

8:30am Vocations to Religious  
Life

6:00pm Children Preparing for  
Sacraments

### Friday, February 14th

6:45am End of discrimination

6:00pm Yolanda Diaz (BB)

### Saturday, February 15th

8:30am Marie Terlop - Blessings

5:00pm Joe Obusek (BB)

### Prepare for next Sunday, February 16, 2020

**First Reading** - "If you trust in God, you too shall  
live." (SIR 15: 15-20)

**PSALM** - "Blessed are they who follow the law of  
the Lord." (PS 119: 1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34)

**Second Reading** - "We speak a wisdom to those  
who are mature, not a wisdom of this age."

(1 COR 2: 6-10)

**Gospel** - "Whoever obeys and  
teaches these commandments will  
be called greatest in the kingdom  
of heaven." (MT 5: 17-37)

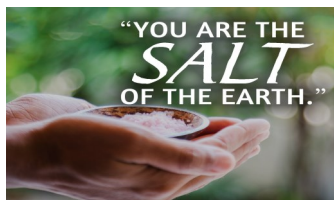


### Pray for the Sick



Isabel Rodriguez,  
Jorge Cruz,  
Marie Wood,  
Rose Hurley,  
Eila O'Connor,  
Cecilia Lopez,

Cathe Varn, Willie Davis,  
John O'Brien, 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, Carl Hinson,  
Gertrudis Pineda, Pete  
Perez, Daniel Sutter,  
Shirley Conway,  
Angelica Espinosa,  
Barbara Cowne,  
Lucy Perez, Betty LaRue,  
Stanley Janosky.



### Saturday Feb. 8th

**9:15am - 11:30am Faith  
Formation  
Reconciliation Prep-  
Class. 2nd Class "The  
Good Shepard"**

### Monday Feb. 10th

**7:00pm - 8:00pm (PR)  
Men's Club Meeting**

### Tuesday Feb. 11th

9:00am - 11:00am Food  
Pantry distribution. For  
more information  
contact parish office

### Wed. Feb. 12th

**3:00pm - 5:45pm  
Exposition & Adoration  
of the Blessed  
Sacrament**

7:00pm - 9:00pm RCIA -  
(PR) For more  
information or to  
register contact Maureen  
& Deacon Ted @  
Tjm@mhr Tampa.org

## Parish Events & News

### Sunday Feb. 16th

9:00am - 11:00am (PR)  
Hospitality, Join us in  
the Duffy Hall for coffee,  
donuts & fellowship

### Tuesday Feb. 18th

9:00am - 11:00am Food  
Pantry distribution. For  
more information  
contact parish office

### 7:00pm - 9:00pm

**Handmaids of Mary  
(PR) All ladies of the  
parish are welcomed to  
join. For more  
information contact  
Beverly @813-610-3223**

### Wed. Feb. 19th

**3:00pm - 5:45pm  
Exposition & Adoration  
of the Blessed  
Sacrament**

7:00pm - 9:00pm RCIA -  
(PR) For more  
information or to  
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& Deacon Ted @  
Tjm@mhr Tampa.org

### Sunday Feb. 23rd

9:00am - 11:00am (PR)  
Hospitality, Join us in  
the Duffy Hall for coffee,  
donuts & fellowship

### Tuesday Feb. 25th

9:00am - 11:00am Food  
Pantry distribution. For  
more information  
contact parish office

### Wed. Feb. 26th

**1:00pm - 3:00pm (BR)  
Prayer Shawl. For more  
information contact Pat  
@ pkrzanow@msn.com**

**3:00pm - 5:45pm  
Exposition & Adoration  
of the Blessed  
Sacrament**

### Ash Wednesday Mass Schedule

**Wed. Feb. 26, 2020**

All masses will be celebrated in  
the Main Church

**English - 8:30am & 6:00pm  
Spanish - 7:00pm**

**St. Paul Center presents Scott Hahn** - The Road to Emmaus and Ongoing Conversion & Silent Knight, Holy Knight. On Saturday February 15th, 2020 from 8:30am - 12:00pm at St. Paul Catholic Church 12708 N. Dale Mabry Hwy Tampa, FL 33618. Admission Fee \$25.00 Registration & Details @ [STPAULCENTER.COM/Tampa](http://STPAULCENTER.COM/Tampa)  
For more info email [office@stpaulcenter.com](mailto:office@stpaulcenter.com) or call 740-264-9535

**Cristo Rey Tampa Salesian High School invites you to an Open House - Thursday Feb. 13th, 2020 from 5:30pm - 7:00pm**

**Join us to:**

- Tour our campus
- Meet the staff
- Learn more about our Corporate Work Study Program

**Discover the Cristo Rey Experience:**

- Safe, faith base environment
- Affordable tuition
- 100% College acceptance rate
- Real world work experience



Register at [www.cristoreytampa.org/admission/tour/](http://www.cristoreytampa.org/admission/tour/) or call 813-621-8300



## ABUNDANCE

Diocesan Holy Hour for Vocations Sponsored by the Sierra Club

Adoration with Chanted Evening Prayer, starting at **7:00pm** @ the **Cathedral of St. Jude the Apostle**

**SPRING DATES:**

February 19th, March 25th, April 22nd, May 27th, & June 24th.

**Office of Marriage and Family Life** - The Marriage Jubilee Mass of Thanksgiving with Bishop Gregory Parkes will take place at the Cathedral of St. Jude the Apostle on **Sunday, February 23rd at 3:00 pm**. This event honors couples throughout the diocese who will celebrate 25, 50 or more years of marriage during the 2020 calendar year. **Please RSVP to the parish office by Tuesday, February 4th**

**10th Annual Tampa Bay Men's Conference:**

**"Who Do You Say That I Am"** - Join a thousand other Catholic men from parishes around West Central Florida for a day of prayer, reconciliation,

learning and fellowship! **Saturday, February 22, 2020 @ Higgins Hall, 5225 N**

**Himes Avenue, Tampa**. This conference will feature two dynamic, nationally-

known speakers: **DR. TIM GRAY: President of the Augustine Institute**, plus,

**PETER HERBECK: TV/radio host, author and vice president of Renewal**

**Ministries**. Tickets are \$40 per person with Father/Son combo tickets at two for

\$40 (includes lunch and free parking) For more information and to register

visit [SuncoastCatholicMinistries.com](http://SuncoastCatholicMinistries.com)



## Spanish Community Events & News

**Clases de preparación para los sacramento de la Reconciliación y Confirmación**

**Reconciliación** - Sábado febrero 1, 8, y 22 de 9:15am a 12:00pm en la cafetería de la escuela

**Confirmación** - Domingo febrero 16 y Domingo marzo 1 de 11:10am a 3:15pm en el Duffy Hall (MS)

Para mas información contar a Theresa al 813-933-2859

## Weekly Offering

01/25/20 - 01/26/20

Mass Time	Amount Collected	Adult Attendees
5:00pm	\$775	138
8:00am	\$1,121	72
10:00am	\$1,996	204
12:30pm	\$1,164	310
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$5,056</b>	<b>724</b>
<b>Attd. incl. children</b>		<b>888</b>
<b>Online Giving</b>		<b>\$2,115</b>
<b>Total Offertory</b>		<b>\$7,171</b>

## 2019 APA

<b>Assessment</b>	\$107,668
<b>Pledged</b>	\$109,020
<b>Paid</b>	\$108,725
<b>Contributors</b>	240

## Spanish Ministries

**RICA: 1:30pm** Todos los domingos en el Duffy Hall - (BR)

**Dialogo Matrimonio: 7:00pm** Todos los lunes en el Duffy Hall - (MS/BR)

**Escuela San Andrés 7:00pm** Todos los martes en el Duffy Hall - (SAR)

**Grupo de Oración 7:00pm** Todos los martes en el Duffy Hall (MS)

**Juan XXIII 7:00pm** Todos los miércoles en el Duffy Hall - (MS/BF)

**Legión de María: 7:00pm** Todos los miércoles en el Duffy Hall (KOC)

**Juan XXIII Noche de Formación 7:00pm** Todos los jueves en el Duffy Hall