



# Faith

The MHR Parish family is a faith community in the Roman Catholic tradition. The Worship and Faith Formation Commissions reflect and foster this religious experience in an atmosphere of welcome and inclusion.

## **Sacrament for the Sick**

- This coming Friday, December 7, we will have our monthly anointing of the sick during the 8 am Mass. All are invited to participate, especially those who need most the grace of this sacrament.
- Call the Parish Office at 415-863-6259 to request Holy Communion to be taken to someone homebound, for the anointing of the sick, or to have a name added to our prayer list. Names in the sick list published in the bulletin are kept for at least three months.

## **MHR Parish Advent Vespers Service**

Join us as we prepare for the holidays!

Every Wednesday at 7:30pm, in the Church

The speakers and presiders will be as follows:

- Dec 5: David Differding, presider; Ms. Ora Prochovnick, speaker. Ms. Ora Prochovnick is the president of the synagogue at the Shaar Zahav Congregation.
- Dec 12: Ray O'Connor, presider; Ms. Victoria McDonald, speaker. Ms. Victoria MacDonald, MA, former Program Administrator of San Damiano Retreat Center, is a Bay Area retreat presenter, workshop facilitator, and spiritual director. Receiving her Masters from the University of Creation Spirituality/Naropa, Oakland, Victoria brings creative and lively insights to the issues confronting our world today and offers meaningful ways for people of faith to respond.
- Dec 19: Nanette Miller, presider; Dr. Gina Hens Piazza, speaker. Dr. Gina Hens-Piazza's teaching and writing on the Hebrew Bible, the biblical prophets and cultural, literary and feminist studies have lead her to assist parishes and RCIA directors in developing Bible study programs. At the Jesuit School, she also teaches courses like Reading and Praying the Bible in the Parish, the Old Testament as Literature in Culture and Hebrew Language. Dr. Hens-Piazza frequently lectures at national Bible institutes, including Georgetown, College Misericordia, LA Catholic Bible Institute and the Sacred Heart Bible Institute. She serves on the editorial board for Catholic Biblical Quarterly and is the author of New Historicism-Guides to Biblical Scholarship (Fortress Press, forthcoming, Spring 2002) and Of Methods: Monarch, and Meanings-An Approach to Socio-Rhetorical Interpretation (Mercer Press, 1996).



## **THIS WEEK AT MOST HOLY REDEEMER**

### **Monday, December 3**

**7 pm Centering Prayer** in the Church

### **Tuesday, December 4**

**10 am Gardening**

**8 pm Parish Pastoral Council Meeting** in the Rectory

### **Wednesday, December 5**

**2:30 pm Thomas Aquinas Seminar** in the Rectory

**5:30 pm Wednesday Night Suppers** in Ellard Hall

**7:30 pm Advent Vespers** in the Church

**8:15 pm Liturgy Planning Grp. Mtg.** in the Rectory

### **Thursday, December 6**

**10 am Gardening**

**7 pm Choir Practice**

### **Friday, December 7**

*Monthly Anointing of the Sick during the 8 am Mass*

### **Saturday, December 8**

**8 am Mass of the Immaculate Conception of Mary**

**10 am Gardening**

**10 am Environment Planning** in the Church

**10 am Reconnecting** in the Rectory

### **Sunday, December 9**

**9 am Children's Liturgy of the Word and Catechesis**  
in the Children's Room

**9 am Choir Practice**

**9:30 am Weekly Rosary** by Our Lady's Statue near the stairs going to the Church

## **Immaculate Conception**

This coming Saturday, December 8, the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, is a holy day of obligation. Mass will be at 8 am. The 5 pm Mass is the Vigil Mass for the Second Sunday of Advent.

## **Young Adults Group Calendar of Activities**

Dec 14 MHR YAG's 2nd Annual Christmas Party

Dec 28, 7:30 pm Double Feature Movie Night  
(Saving Grace and Bella)

- Young adults in their 20s, 30s, and 40s are invited to participate. To learn more about MHR's Young Adult Group, contact Ina Acuña or Tony Vela or email them at [yag@mhr.org](mailto:yag@mhr.org).
- Come and visit the Young Adult Groups in our website at [www.mhr.org/yag.html](http://www.mhr.org/yag.html)