

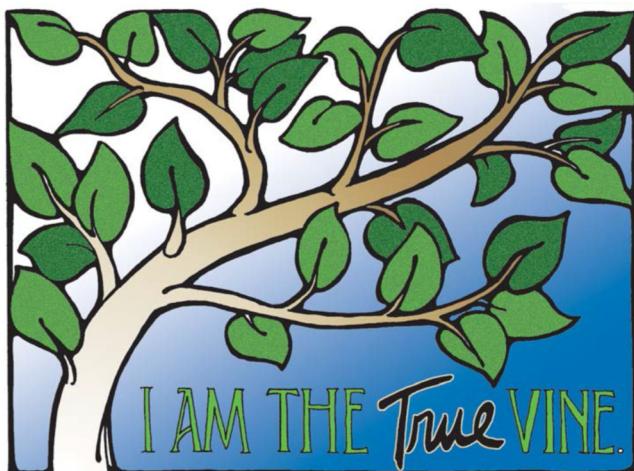
ST. MATTHIAS CATHOLIC CHURCH

St. Matthias



Fifth Sunday of Easter

April 28-29, 2018



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First Reading — The church was being built up, and grew in numbers (Acts 9:26-31).

Psalm — I will praise you, Lord, in the assembly of your people (Psalm 22).

Second Reading — Let us love not in word or speech, but in deed and truth (1 John 3:18-24).

Gospel — Remain in me, as I remain in you. I am the vine, you are the branches (John 15:1-8).

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St. Matthias is a Roman Catholic Community striving to respond to the call of Jesus through worship and sacraments, faith formation, service, and social opportunities.

Under the guidance of the pastor and pastoral staff, we seek to strengthen current lay leadership and develop and empower new leadership.

Although a small parish, we commit ourselves and parish programs to hospitality, generosity to those in need, and outreach to all those seeking a faith community.

As Catholics, we recognize the many challenges facing the Church, but we trust in the Holy Spirit to guide us into the future.

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Mass Schedule

Monday—Thursday 5:30 pm
Saturday 5:00 pm
Sunday 8:00 am & 10:30 am

Reconciliation

Saturday 3:45 pm or by
appointment

First Communion and Confirmation

Call Sabrina Harper to find out
more about these sacraments.

Baptism

Call Liz Vugrinecz to schedule an
appointment for preparation.

Marriage

Contact Deacon Rich Foley at
least six months in advance of the
wedding date.

Parish Library

Open Monday—Thursday from 9:30
am—6:00 pm; Saturday 9:30 am—6:00
pm; Sunday 8:00 am—11:30 am. Lo-
cated in the Upper Rm of Lacey Hall.

Staff Directory

Our extensions have recently be updated!

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This is the day the *Lord* has made,
Let us *Rejoice* and be glad.
-Psalm 118:24

“Rejoice and Be Glad” is the title of the recently published Apostolic Exhortation written by Pope Francis. An apostolic exhortation is a communication from the Pope encouraging people to take on an activity or effort. It does not define doctrine. Apostolic exhortations are commonly used by Popes to respond to a topic studied by an assembly of the Synod of Bishops.

In 2013, Pope Francis issued an apostolic exhortation entitled, *“The Joy of the Gospel.”* In this document, the Pope discusses the primary mission of the Church is that of evangelization in the modern world. He is calling on all of us to embrace the call to evangelization, sharing the Good News of the Gospel with others.

In 2016, Pope Francis issued an apostolic exhortation entitled, *“On Love in the Family.”* In this document, he discusses the challenges of family life, the role of the Church to accompany families and the meaning and importance of love. He is calling on all of us to take to heart the message of Jesus--to love God and love your neighbor as yourself. Love is at the center of Christian life.

This 2018 publication, *“Rejoice and Be Glad,”* discusses what it means to be holy. We are all called to holiness. The Second Vatican Council stated this clearly: *“Strengthened by so many and such great means of salvation, all the faithful, whatever their condition or state, are called by the Lord---each in his own way---to that perfect holiness by which the Father himself is perfect.”*

Over the next few weeks, we will summarize and discuss the key points made by Pope Francis in this apostolic exhortation. At the beginning of the document, our Pope writes, “My modest goal is to re-propose the call to holiness in a practical way for our own time, with all its risks, challenges and opportunities.” The title of this publication reflects the message of Easter: Rejoice and be glad, He is Risen!

Deacon Rich & Sabrina

Our Call to Family & Pastoral Care

Mass Intentions & Clergy Assignments

Saturday, Apr 28th <i>Easter Weekday</i>	5:00 pm	Bill & Phyllis Panelli and Al & Janice Sahagen†	Fr. Paul Rossi
Sunday, Apr 29th <i>Fifth Sunday of Easter</i>	8:00 am	People of St. Matthias	Fr. Paul Rossi
	10:30 am	Henri Landón †	Fr. Paul Rossi
Monday, April 30th <i>Easter Weekday</i>	5:30 pm		Fr. Paul Rossi
Tuesday, May 1st <i>St. Joseph the Worker</i>	5:30 pm	Mariquita Sambitan †	Fr. Tom Martin
Wednesday, May 2nd <i>St. Athanasius, Bishop</i>	5:30 pm		Fr. Ted Magpayo
Thursday, May 3rd <i>Sts. Philip and James, Apostles</i>	5:30 pm		Fr. Ted Magpayo
Saturday, May 5th <i>Easter Weekday</i>	5:00 pm	Bob Peruzzo †	Fr. Paul Rossi
Sunday, May 6th <i>Sixth Sunday of Easter</i>	8:00 am	Lori Cooper	Fr. Paul Rossi
	10:30 am	People of St. Matthias	Fr. Paul Rossi

Clergy assignments for Masses are subject to change.

Family Support Group Members of this group provide support to the parish community in many ways including funeral planning, emotional support and prayers. Call the parish office to find out more.

Prayer Tree Network Please contact our Prayer Phone Tree if you have someone who needs prayers for healing, grieving, loss, discernment, strength, comfort or support. Call Marilynn Donnelly at 365-5192 or Carol McAdams at 369-4365.

Pastoral Care of the Sick Do you know a parishioner ill at home, homebound, or in a care facility who would like to receive Communion or anointing? Call the parish office, and we will arrange to have a priest or deacon visit. For a priest at Kaiser or Sequoia hospital, contact Fr. Martin Muruli through the nurse's station at either hospital.

Pray for the sick in our community...

Terry Azofeifa
Patrick Boland
Carlos Chavez
Bill Colwell
Nancy Galli
Nancy Guass
Lance & Kevin Magee
Rose & Richard Marino
Robert Munn
Maria Luisa Russo
Yvonne Salinger
Sharon Spry
Kirk Vorsatz
Jennifer Yuhas

...that they may be comforted by the love of Jesus.

To add or remove a name from this list, email info@stmatthiasparish.org. Please let us know when your friend or loved one's health has improved.

NEW IN THE PARISH OR CHANGE OF STATUS FORM

To register in the parish or make a change in address, to add or remove family members, please fill out the form below. (Please cut it out and place in the collection basket).

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ Zip _____

Home Phone / Cell _____

Email _____



Our Call to Stewardship

All we have is a gift from God. What we do with what we have is our gift to God.

Sharing our gifts and returning them to God means giving generously of our time, talent, and treasure. To find out ways to share your time and talent, visit this page or www.stmatthiasparish.org.

Treasure Received

July 2017– June 2018 (income needed to balance budget) **\$300,000.00**

St. Matthias' Finance Council has suggested that income be reported on a monthly, rather than weekly, basis for this fiscal year. Income figures for the previous month will be reported the first weekend of the next month.

Year-To-Date Received (as of March 31st) **\$217,514.00**

Monthly Need **\$25,000.00**

March Sunday Collections **\$19,572.00**

+ Electronic Donations **\$6,100.00**

Total Offertory for March \$25,672.00

Difference (Need-Received) \$672.00

Easter Collection Total **\$15,437.00**

2018 AAA Campaign Assessment \$67,319

We have received \$18,460 or 27% of our assessment as of 3/15/2018.

Online Giving

Online giving is *safe, secure and easy*. Start giving online today! Visit our website at stmatthiasparish.org and click on "Support Us" then "Online Donation" to sign up.

Part Time Employee Needed— St. Anthony's Padua Dining Room

St. Anthony's Padua Dining Room is hiring a part-time employee to fill in for others who are out on sick leave or vacation. The job tasks include those of the dish washer or janitor as a relief assignment. Scheduled hours will vary depending on the need, but will be less than 20 hours total in any week. Applications are available from the office of St. Anthony's Padua Dining Room which is located at 3500 Middlefield Road, Menlo Park (650) 365-9664

Assisted Listening System

All that is needed is a small FM pocket radio with headphone jack and earphones. Turn in to 88 on the FM dial.



Photo & Announcement Deadline

Announcements and photos for the St. Matthias bulletin must be submitted by Monday at 10:00 am for the following Sunday's bulletin.

Please email announcements and photos to Sabrina Harper at info@stmatthiasparish.org with the dates you would like the announcement to be included.

Upcoming Events

Justice & Charity Survey

In 2015, our parish adopted a new Pastoral Plan, entitled *Shaping Our Future*. The plan was designed to provide a long-range focus for our community as we continue on our journey of faith that compels us to seek new and better ways to bear witness to the Gospel message of love, compassion, and mercy. The plan focuses on several areas of witness including our call to justice and charity and calls for identifying special charitable and social justice areas that can be supported by the parish as a whole. To this end, we will be asking you, this weekend, during each Mass, to complete a short survey that will help us to identify which charity-based and social justice interests you think we, as a parish should consider. We last conducted a similar survey in April 2016, two years ago. During these last two years, our priority has been homelessness, hunger, affordable housing, and poverty. Those issues will certainly remain part of our work; however, we also acknowledge that our nation, our city and our parish community have undergone major changes in this time. For that reason, we feel that a new survey is timely and will help guide our efforts in the year to come.

The survey will also be emailed to parishioners using our email blast system on April 30th. The following parishioners and staff members serve on our Justice & Charity Commission; Evie Dwyer, Bob Thompson, Nany Galli, Mariano Dagang, Liz Vugrinecz, Sabrina Harper, Deacon Rich Foley and Deacon David Rolandelli.

Mercy High School Burlingame Open House

Will be on Monday, April 30th from 4:00—6:00 pm. Register online @ www.mercyhsb.com/admission



Recording Artist Amanda Vernon in Concert!

You and your family are invited to see internationally

known recording artist Amanda Vernon in concert on Sunday, April 29th at 7:30 pm at St. Raymond Church, 1100 Santa Cruz Avenue, Menlo Park. Concert theme: "When God Wrecks Your Romance." With soulful music, personal testimony, and humorous explanations of Gospel stories, Amanda invites you to ask, "Jesus, where are you in my relationships?" Discover how God wants to work everything for the good in our lives, even relationships that are broken, and how sometimes the best blessings come through the worst heartache. Recommended for ages 11+. FREE to attend.

San Francisco Catholic Engaged Encounter

Engaged Encounter is the Archdiocese of San Francisco's recommended marriage preparation program and is accepted nation-wide. The program gives couples an opportunity for honest communication about their future lives together. Weekend Details: held Saturday 7:30 am through Sunday 12 noon at local retreat centers throughout the Bay Area. Cost: \$335 per couple which includes food and accommodations. Next Weekends: June 23-24 and September 29-30. Email questions to catholicsfee@gmail.com or call 650-619-0689

Our Call to Catechesis

First Communion 2018

On Sunday, May 6th at 10:30 am Mass, nine young people ranging from second to ninth grade will be receiving First Holy Communion for the first time. These young people have been preparing for this sacrament with their families since the fall. They regularly attend our GIFT gatherings and have attended two family retreats to learn about the True Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist. They are: *Daniel & David Silva Orencio, Elton & Jasmine Uriarte, Jocelyn Sanchez, Sara Nikraves, Bobby Vlazny, Kenzie Cochran and Julia Lewandowski*. Please pray for them during these final few weeks of preparation.

Confirmation 2018

This year, St. Pius and St. Matthias Confirmation program has been combined. There are 75 young people between the two parishes who are preparing for this Sacrament of Initiation which will take place on Friday, May 18th at 7:00 pm at St. Pius Church and will be conferred by Archbishop Salvatore Cordileone. All are invited to the celebration!

Bible Study with Deacon Rich

Continues each Monday night in Fr. Lacey Hall from 7-8:30 pm. All are welcome to join us!

GIFT: Generations in Faith Together

For families, but not limited to just families, GIFT gatherings are our intergenerational approach to Faith Formation. Gatherings are held two times each month, on a Sunday afternoon, then repeated on Wednesday evening. At each gathering, there is a meal, opening prayer and introduction of the topic. Families participate in the activities and discussion, sometimes in a large group setting, sometimes in break-out groups by family or age range.

Topics are presented in such a way as to coach parents in the practice of catechizing their own children. GIFT is intended to complement liturgical events and other parish activities.

All families who have school aged children are invited to attend these gatherings and encouraged to participate each year.

Our last gatherings for the 2017-2018 year will be on Sunday, April 29th from 11:30-1:30 pm and repeated on Wednesday, May 2nd from 6:00-8:00 pm. We take a break during the summer months, and begin registering for the upcoming year in August. If you have not attended previously, you are welcome to attend these last gatherings!

Youth on a Mission: NorCal Catholic Discipleship Training from June 28th-July 1st—St Mary's College in Moraga

The Northern California Youth Ministry Diocesan Directors (representing the Dioceses of Santa Rosa, Reno, Sacramento, Stockton, Fresno, Monterey, San Jose, Oakland & the Archdiocese of San Francisco) have collaborated to create a new summer training program for teen leaders called Youth on a Mission: NorCal Catholic Discipleship Training.

This training will empower teens as disciples and servant leaders, give them the practical skills to enliven youth ministry and engage teens in the life of the whole parish. The goal of the four days is to send teens on a mission of discipleship that will not only lead the teens to a closer relationship with Christ but also develop skills to lead vibrant ministry in your parish. To find out more information, visit www.norcalcatholicityouth.com. The cost for 4 days is \$249 which includes food, lodging and program materials. *Scholarships are available upon request.

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Parish & Preschool Events

DR = Rectory Dining Room MR = Merry Room UR = Upper Room PS = Preschool

2nd Collection: St. Vincent de Paul			
Sunday, April 29th <i>Fifth Sunday of Easter</i>	Monday, April 30th <i>Easter Weekday</i>	Tuesday, May 1st <i>St. Joseph the Worker</i>	Wednesday, May 2nd <i>St. Athanasius, Bishop</i>
8:00 am Sunday Mass 9:15 am Breaking Open the Word (MR) 10:30 am Sunday Mass 11:30 am GIFT Gathering (Hall)	5:30 pm Daily Mass (MR) 7:00 pm Bible Study (Hall)	5:30 pm Daily Mass (MR)	5:30 pm Daily Mass (MR) 6:00 pm GIFT Gathering (Hall)
2nd Collection: St. Vincent de Paul			
Thursday, May 3rd <i>Sts. Phillip and James, Apostles</i>	Friday, May 4th <i>Easter Weekday</i>	Saturday, May 5th <i>Easter Weekday</i>	Sunday, May 6th <i>Sixth Sunday of Easter</i>
5:30 pm Daily Mass (MR)	9:00 am Rosary for Peace (MR)	5:00 pm Vigil Mass	8:00 am Sunday Mass 9:15 am Breaking Open the Word (MR) 10:30 am Sunday Mass/First Holy Communion 3:30 pm Confirmation Session— St. Matthias

Ecuador Mission Trip Dinner

Thank you to all who attended our fundraising dinner last Saturday night! We thank them and their families who invited guests and other family members to an evening of good food and fun! We also thank the adult volunteers who came to help, Cheri Girardot, Filippo Adamo, Carmella Huser, and Nadine Fletcher. We raised almost \$1900 which will help offset the cost of this trip for the families.

There are seven boys who are going on the trip this year from June 19-July 4th. They are: Benjamin Schembri, Ryan McAfee, Ryan Trube, Charlie Gillet, Chicco Adamo, Brendan E. Smith and Brendan P. Smith and three chaperones: Maria Cornell, Sabrina Harper and Sam Hutkins.

We've been doing this trip every other year, since 2010. The group visits and works at Damien House, a home for patients with Hansen's disease

in Guayaquil, Ecuador. There, they accompany Sr. Annie Credidio, BVM as she ministers to the elderly who are afflicted with this debilitating disease.

Also part of the trip is time spent at the Working Boys' Center: A Family of Families in Quito, Ecuador. Founded over 60 years ago by Jesuit priest Fr. John Halligan, SJ and operated by Sr. Cindy Sullivan and Sr. Miguel, members of the Sisters of Charity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Center provides educational and vocational training for the poorest of the poor in and around Quito.

In June, we'll be hosting a collection of items for the Working Boys' Center and Damien House. Watch for more details about that. And on Father's Day, Sunday, June 17th the group will be assembled at the 10:30 am Mass for a special blessing for the trip.