

ST. MATTHIAS CATHOLIC CHURCH

St. Matthias



Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time — June 16-17, 2018



First Reading — I have lifted high the lowly tree (Ezekiel 17:22-24).

Psalm — Lord, it is good to give thanks to you (Psalm 92).

Second Reading — Whether we are at home or away, we aspire to please the Lord (2 Corinthians 5:6-10).

Gospel — It is the smallest of all seeds, and becomes the largest of plants (Mark 4:26-34)

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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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Archdiocese of San Francisco
www.sfarchdiocese.org

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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Rejoice & Be Glad: Chapter 5

The final chapter of Pope Francis' exhortation is entitled, "Spiritual Combat, Vigilance and Discernment." Each of us fights a battle with temptation and, to some extent, evil in our world. Living a Christian way of life is a constant battle of good vs. evil. Yet, we are all called to proclaim the Gospel, love God and love our neighbor as ourselves.

Jesus gave us a special prayer to help us, the Our Father. Notice that he taught us to conclude this prayer with the words, *deliver us from evil. One way to combat evil is through prayer and the spiritual nurturing of our lives. As Pope Francis points out, "Christian triumph is always a cross, yet a cross which is at the same time a victorious banner, borne with aggressive tenderness against the assaults of evil."*

The Holy Spirit guides us along our path to holiness. At the same time, we need to pay attention to the needs of others less fortunate. How do we know God's will? Discernment help us to determine whether the Holy Spirit or the spirit of the world is guiding our decisions.

Discernment is a gift. Our Pope writes, "If we ask with confidence that the Holy Spirit grant us this gift, and then seek to develop it through prayer, reflection, reading and good counsel, then surely we will grow in this spiritual endowment."

Discernment is the result of a readiness to listen to God and to respond to the guidance provided by the Holy Spirit. We continue to grow in all aspects of our lives, especially spiritually, in order to deepen our understanding of God's plan for each one of us.

Pope Francis concludes by expressing his hope that this document will encourage the whole Church to desire to follow a path to holiness. He asks us to encourage one another in this effort. Finally, he prays that we will share a happiness that the world will not be able to take from us. Rejoice and Be Glad!

Deacon Rich & Sabrina

Our Call to Family & Pastoral Care

Mass Intentions & Clergy Assignments

Saturday, June 16th <i>Weekday</i>	5:00 pm	Maria Campos †	Fr. Paul Rossi
Sunday, June 17th <i>11th Sunday in Ord. Time</i>	8:00 am	People of St. Matthias	Fr. Paul Rossi
	10:30 am	Jose Campos † & Jose Rigo and Danny	Fr. Paul Rossi
Monday, June 18th <i>Weekday</i>	5:30 pm	Special Intentions of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Fr. Paul Rossi
Tuesday, June 19th <i>Weekday</i>	5:30 pm	Special Intentions of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Fr. Tom Martin
Wednesday, June 20th <i>Weekday</i>	5:30 pm	Special Intentions of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Fr. Tom Martin
Thursday, June 21st <i>St. Aloysius Gonzaga,</i>	5:30 pm	Special Intentions of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Fr. Tom Martin
Saturday, June 23rd <i>Weekday</i>	5:00 pm	People of St. Matthias	Fr. Tom Martin
Sunday, June 24th <i>The Nativity of St. John the Baptist</i>	8:00 am		Fr. Tom Martin
	10:30 am		Fr. Tom Martin

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 Marilyn 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
Bill Bulanti
Joseph Carlin
Carlos Chavez
Bart Coulter
Bill Colwell
Nancy Guass
Louise Leeper
Rose & Richard Marino
Severin Morger
Robert Munn
Yvonne Salinger
Sharon Spry
Mary Stewart
Jennifer Yuhás

...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 May 31st) **\$262,461.36**

Monthly Need **\$25,000.00**

May Sunday Collections **\$16,443.00**

+ Electronic Donations **\$4,275.00**

Total Offertory for May \$20,718.00

Difference (Need-Received) \$4,282.00

2018 AAA Campaign Assessment \$67,319

We have received \$23,353 or 35% of our assessment as of 4/25/2018.

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.

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.

Help St. Matthias' Financial Security—Consider Stock or IRA Contributions

Did you know you can donate to the church directly from brokerage account?

A charitable contribution of long-term (owned over one year) appreciated securities is one of the most tax-efficient ways to donate to the Church. Long-term appreciated securities with unrealized gains may be donated to the Church and a tax deduction taken for the full fair market value of the securities. Since the securities are donated rather than sold, the capital gains taxes no longer apply. You get a full deduction for the securities and don't pay taxes on the gain! The more appreciation the securities have, the greater the tax savings will be. You can reach out to Sabrina Harper for an Archdiocese form that can be used to make the request through your broker. Consult a tax professional for specific guidance.

If you are over 70 ½ you may be able to meet your minimum required distribution from your IRA.

Making a donation to St. Matthias directly from an IRA may provide a way to effectively claim a tax deduction and meet your IRA minimum distribution requirements for those 70 ½ and older. These are referred to as Qualified Charitable Distributions (QCD). Reach out to Sabrina Harper for the form that can be used to make the request through your broker. Consult a tax professional for specific guidance.

Our Call to Justice & Charity: The Two Feet of Love *in Action*

Justice and Charity Survey Results

Thank you to all who completed our Justice and Charity Survey, either in the pews on April 28-29th or online during the following weeks. One-hundred and twenty-two (122) respondents completed the survey in total.

67% of the respondents ranked poverty, hunger, affordable housing and homelessness as their most important issue. This is consistent with the results from the last survey conducted in 2016 which indicates that most parishioners are still interested in these areas of charitable work. This will continue to be our focus, however, we will also stay tuned to issues related to other areas of social justice.

The Justice and Charity Commission will be discerning how best to address not only projects that fulfill a charitable need (drives, collections—either material or financial), but also how to improve our work for justice in our community as this was something in which some respondents indicated interest.

Ecuador Donation Collection

Prior to each Mission Trip to Ecuador, we conduct a drive for donations which will be hand-delivered by our group to Damien House in Guayaquil

and the Working Boys' Center in Quito. We will set up boxes for depositing your donations next week (June 9/10) and all donations must be delivered by 10:30 am Mass on June 17th as we will be packing them up for our departure on June 19th! See



the flyers in the pews for a list of items requested by Damien House and Working Boys' Center staff. Also, at the 10:30 am Mass on June 17th, Fr. Paul and the community will bless and commission the group for the trip. Chaperones, Sam Hutkins, Maria Cornell and Sabrina Harper, along with Benjamin Schembri, Charlie Gillet, Ryan McAfee, Ryan Truby, Chicco Adamo, Brendan P. Smith and Brendan E. Smith will be present. Please keep the group in your prayers and follow our blog at www.sabrinaspence.blogspot.com for daily updates about the trip.

Catholic Charities Refugee and Immigrant Workshop

We recommend that all immigrants be informed about the changes in the laws that might affect them and to seek a legal immigration consultation. Join us on June 19 at 6:00 pm at St. Anthony's Church, 3500 Middlefield Road, Menlo Park, CA 94025 for a community Immigration Forum. The event is organized by a collective of nonprofit organizations in San Mateo County. There will be a presentation on your rights, immigration options, and the opportunities of using public benefits as an immigrant. There will be free legal immigration consultations with licensed attorneys and accredited representatives. Presented by: Collaborative Resources for Immigrant Services on the Peninsula, Immigrant Legal Resource Center (ILRC), International Institute of the Bay Area (IIBA), Asian Pacific Islander Legal Outreach (APILO), Legal Aid Society of San Mateo, Coastside Hope, La Raza Centro Legal, Community Legal Services in East Palo Alto (CLSEPA), and Catholic Charities Refugee & Immigrant Services—San Mateo.

Our Call to Catechesis

FISH: Friends in Service to Him

Our FISH program for Kindergarten—4th graders is on hiatus through the summer to give the volunteer catechists needed rest and relaxation. Children are dismissed at the beginning of the 10:30 am Mass and lead to the Merry Room in Fr. Lacey Hall where they read the readings and Gospel at their own level of understanding and complete a project to reinforce the lesson. The program will resume in mid-Sept.

NEW: SALT: Sharing and Learning Together

A group of parents have proposed a new program for our preschool-aged children during the 10:30 am Mass. SALT: Sharing and Learning Together will be led by a rotating team of parents in Room 1 of the Preschool Building. Parents will be invited to drop off their children before Mass begins. Children will engage in a brief catechetical session (10-15 minutes) and play time. We are seeking additional parent and youth volunteers for this. If you are interested, please contact Sabrina by email Sabrina@stmatthiasparish.org. The kick off for this program will be **Sunday, August 26th** during the 10:30 am Mass. Please help to spread the word!

Share Jesus: Faith Formation Day

The Parish Catechetical Leaders and Master Catechists of Deanery 11 are pleased to present a one-day seminar for parents and catechists of all ages. These sessions offer credit for certification and recertification for Basic and Master Catechetical certificates, but are also designed for parents who serve a primary role as catechists for their children. Parents teach their children about the love of God on a daily basis by how they care for them and how they model the faith. This seminar will be held on Saturday, August 25th from 9:00 am to

4:00 pm at St. Denis Church, 2250 Avy Avenue, Menlo Park. For more information, please contact Sabrina@stmatthiasparish.org.

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.*

Tools for Schools: Mercy High School, Burlingame

Summer Program for 6th, 7th & 8th Grade Girls includes visual and performing arts training, academic preparedness classes and weekly educational field trips. Tools for Schools will run from June 18th—July 13th from 8:30 am—3:00 pm. Register today or learn more at: www.mercyhsb.com/toolsforschool

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Parish & Preschool Events

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

Collection for Ecuador	Fr. Ted Magpayo in the Holy Land until June 22nd. Please pray for a safe journey for him and the group.		
Sunday, June 17th <i>11th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	Monday, June 18th <i>Weekday</i>	Tuesday, June 19th <i>Weekday</i>	Wednesday, June 20th <i>Weekday</i>
8:00 am Sunday Mass 9:15 am Breaking Open the Word (MR) 10:30 am Sunday Mass/Blessing for Mission Trip	5:30 pm Daily Mass (MR)	3:00 pm Prayer Shawl Ministry (MR) 5:30 pm Daily Mass (MR) 7:00 pm Happy Disciples (MR)	5:30 pm Daily Mass (MR)
Thursday, June 21st <i>Saint Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious</i>	Friday, June 22nd <i>Weekday</i>	Saturday, June 23rd <i>Weekday</i>	Sunday, June 24th <i>The Nativity of St. John the Baptist</i>
5:30 pm Daily Mass (MR) 7:00 pm Pastoral Council (DR)	9:00 am Rosary for Peace (MR) Last Day of School at St. Matthias Preschool	5:00 pm Vigil Mass	8:00 am Sunday Mass 9:15 am Breaking Open the Word (MR) 10:30 am Sunday Mass Donuts following 10:30 am Mass

Community News

Thank you to Joe & Kathleen Kaz for their leadership and hosting of Fr. Paul's retirement reception on Saturday, June 9th. We also thank all who brought food to share, helped with clean up, and attended to wish Fr. Paul well wishes for this next chapter of his life!

