

ST. MATTHIAS CATHOLIC CHURCH

St. Matthias



The Baptism of the Lord | January 12-13, 2019



First Reading — Isaiah speaks of the Servant whom the Lord upholds; he shall bring forth justice to the nations (Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7) or *Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11.*

Psalm — The Lord will bless his people with peace (Psalm 29) or *Psalm 104.*

Second Reading — Jesus was anointed by God with the Holy Spirit; he went out healing and doing good (Acts 10:34-38) or *Titus 2:11-14; 3:4-7.*

Gospel — A voice comes from heaven proclaiming Jesus as the beloved Son, with whom God is well pleased (Luke 3:15-16, 21-22).

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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 parish administrator 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.

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Fr. Tom's Column

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Today the Church celebrates the Baptism of our Lord. In the first reading from Isaiah, the prophet foretells the coming of the Messiah. Jesus is the fulfillment of the Covenant, the “chosen one upon whom I have put my spirit.” Jesus comes to us as light, healer, and liberator. Isaiah paves the way, in a sense, and points the people of Israel towards the promise of God’s fidelity to us through the Incarnation. As Peter states so powerfully in the second reading, when he is speaking in the house of Cornelius, “God shows no partiality.” God’s grace and God’s love is available to anyone who seeks Him, no matter the circumstance or station in life. We see that God is pressing His plan of salvation history beyond the Jewish people and Jesus, doing good and healing the oppressed, is available to all who seek him.

Luke’s Gospel opens with the quite beautiful expression of the deep longings of the people who seek an encounter with the Messiah. Luke writes that the “people were filled with expectation, and all were asking in their hearts whether John might be the Christ.” This speaks to our deepest human longings to be connected to and with God in a way that transcends our everyday routine and encounter. Each of us has deep longings. Our prayer and reflection helps us to discern and clarify how these longings impel us towards a deeper awareness and experience of Jesus Christ and how we, through the gift of Baptism, reflect that relationship in our daily lives.

Pope Francis, in his homily in 2017 on the Baptism of the Lord wrote, “In baptism we are consecrated by the Holy Spirit. The word “Christian” means this, it means to be consecrated like Jesus, in the same Spirit in which Jesus was immersed in his whole earthly existence. He is the ‘Christ,’ the Anointed one, the consecrated one. Thus, by virtue of our own baptism, we ourselves are anointed and consecrated and called by the Spirit to exercise the proclamation of the Good News in our own lives. Pope Francis reflects further that “Baptism inserts us into the body of the Church, into the holy people of God. And in this body, in the people who are walking, faith is transmitted from generation to generation.” (Homily, Baptism of the Lord, January 11, 2015). We realize in this expression of the Holy Father our interdependence and the relational aspect of Baptism that helps us to realize that we are all part of the plan of salvation history and that the Lord invites us, day by day, to express that reality in our Christian identity.

In the Rite of Baptism of Children, in the Blessing and Dismissal, there is a beautiful and powerful prayer that expresses the depths of God’s love for each one of us and how our hope and desire is fulfilled in placing our trust totally in the hands of the One who loved us first and wishes for us, through the grace of the Holy Spirit, to be a reflection of that love. “By God’s gift, through water and the Holy Spirit, we are reborn to eternal life. In his goodness, may he continue to pour out his blessings upon these sons and daughters of his. May he make them always, wherever they may be, faithful members of his holy people. May he send his peace upon all who are gathered here, in Christ Jesus our Lord.”

Amen!

Our Call to Family & Pastoral Care

Mass Intentions & Clergy Assignments

Saturday, January 12th <i>Christmas Weekday</i>	5:00 pm	Harriet Dixon †	Fr. Tom
Sunday, January 13th <i>The Baptism of the Lord</i>	8:00 am	People of St. Matthias	Fr. Ted
	10:30 am	Mr. Lynn Fairbairn †	Fr. Ted
Monday, January 14th <i>Weekday</i>	5:30 pm	Tina Zanoni †	Fr. Tom
Tuesday, January 15th <i>Weekday</i>	5:30 pm	Intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Fr. Edgardo
Weds., January 16th <i>Weekday</i>	5:30 pm		Fr. Ted
Thursday, January 17th <i>St. Anthony, Abbot</i>	5:30 pm		Fr. Ted
Saturday, January 19th <i>Weekday</i>	5:00 pm	Joyce Morger †	Fr. Tom
Sunday, January 20th <i>2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	8:00 am	People of St. Matthias	Fr. Tom
	10:30 am	Ruth Warnock †	Fr. Edgardo

***Clergy assignments are subject to change.
Thank you for your patience and understanding.***

What is a Mass Intention?

A Mass Intention is a special way to honor a beloved friend or family members, whether in death, for healing, in celebration of a special day, or simply for prayers and guidance. If you would like to request a Mass Intention, please email

lisa@stmatthiasparish.org, call 366-9544, or stop by the office to schedule it for any of our weekday/weekend Masses. Please note that the calendar fills up quickly for the weekends, but weekday Masses are generally available. We can only take ONE intention per Mass, so if you have a specific date in mind, it is a good idea to plan ahead. A \$10 donation is suggested.

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.

*We pray for the sick in
our community...*

Chicco Adamo
Jim Aveggio
Eric Alvarez
Patrick Boland
Bill Bulanti
Carlos Chavez
Kirk Knostman
Marcia McAuliffe
Rosemary McHale
Ivica Milicevic
Severin Morger
Al Nuti
Peggy Perez
Sharron Sala
Michael Stewart
Jeannine Tavernier
*...that they may be
comforted by the love
of Jesus.*

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

Tax Letters

We invite all parishioners who desire a tax letter for their donations made during 2018 to contact Lisa lisa@stmatthiasparish.org in the parish office to request a letter.

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 2018– June 2019 (income needed to balance budget) **\$320,000.00**

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 **\$148,647.75**

Monthly Need **\$26,666**

December Sunday Collections **\$30,478.50**

+ Electronic Donations **\$4,455.00**

Total Offertory for December \$34,933.50

Difference (Monthly Need - Received) \$8,268

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.

Archdiocesan Annual Appeal 2018 COMPLETE!

Thank you for helping us to exceed our assessment! We have submitted all donations received for the 2018 Archdiocesan Annual Appeal and are expected a refund of \$3,413 as of January 8, 2019. All monies received over the assessed amount benefit the parish community.

We are so grateful for your generosity!

Fundraising Meeting

Monday, January 14—7:00 pm |
Fr. Lacey Hall

If you are interested in helping St. Matthias' fundraising efforts—please join us! We are inviting all those who have worked on Oktoberfest over the years, but also new folks who can share new ideas and perspectives. We are interesting in changing up the event and doing something different. Oktoberfest has been our one, major fundraiser for the last 12 or so years and it's time for a change! For more information contact Sabrina@stmatthiasparish.org

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 _____

() new to the parish () change of address () would like information

() moving, remove from list () would like a visit

Prayer and Worship

UNDERSTANDING THE MASS

The Second Vatican Council described the Catholic Mass as the “source and summit of our Christian life.” The St. Matthias Prayer and Worship Commission has designed opportunities for parishioners to learn more about the Mass.

While all of us go to Mass and participate in prayer and singing, do we fully understand each part of the liturgy, the movements and gestures of the priest, the role of the deacon and why those in the pews stand, kneel or sit? We hope these and other questions will be answered during these upcoming presentations.

During each Mass on the weekend of January 12th and 13th, the reader will share the purposes and meanings of each part of our Mass. It is hoped that

Welcome Weekend

This is **Welcome Weekend**. Name tags will be available for all upon entering the Church. Any new or returning parishioners will be invited to stand for a special blessing and welcome by the community.

Then, following Masses, all are invited to join together in Fr. Lacey Hall for hospitality. Please come and enjoy coffee and donuts with the community.



each one of us will deepen our understanding of the Mass.

For those who would like to learn more and have questions about the Mass, please come to a special session presented by Deacon Rich on Sunday, January 20th at 9:30 a.m. and repeated at 11:45 a.m. in the parish hall. These 45-minute sessions will include a brief video by Bishop Robert Barron as well as an opportunity to pose questions.

Learn more about the Mass by--

1. Attending Mass on January 12 or 13th
2. Attending a Presentation by Deacon Rich entitled, “The Mass: A Privileged Encounter: (Sunday, January 20th, 9:30 a.m. and repeated at 11:45 a.m. in Father Lacey Hall)

MagnifiKid!

Each week we provide a special Mass aide just for our younger Mass-goers? MagnifiKid is a fun and colorful booklet published weekly to give young readers their own way to follow along with the prayers and readings of the Mass. It includes cartoons, prayers and activities to do at home, definition of unfamiliar words and suggestions for families.

While the use of a missal may not be something familiar to many children today, following along with MagnifiKid can truly add to their understanding of the parts of the Mass and the Scriptures. Look for MagnifiKid on the rolling rack at the back of the church. Copies from previous weeks may also be found in the children’s book cart near the parking lot-side doors.



Our Call to Catechesis

SALT (Preschool group) in Room 1 & FISH (K-4th) will be meeting Sunday during 10:30 am Mass.



Wednesdays at 7:00 pm | St. Matthias Upper Room—Please feel welcome to begin attending at any time! See remaining meeting dates below

Join Sabrina for a series about the Rosary using the recently published book, “Why the Rosary, Why Now?” from Our Sunday Visitor Publishing. We’ll be meeting on Jan 9, 16, 23, and 30 to read about, discuss and pray the Rosary together. Contact Sabrina at sabrina@stmatthiasparish.org with questions.

St. Matthias Preschool Open House

Sunday, January 20, 2019 | St. Matthias Preschool

Our Preschool is hosting an Open House on Sunday, January 20th from 10:00 am—1:00 pm. Please come by to meet our teaching team and see the amazing learning that is happening at our school. We would love to talk further with those of you that have preschool-aged children. It is perfect timing for prospective families. We also invite you to pass this information on to family and friends that have preschool-aged children (2.5—5 years old). Please stop by and see the amazing program that we have to offer.

Our Call to Justice & Charity

Catholic Charities—Faith in Action

Catholic Charities is partnering with the Archdiocese of San Francisco to find good Catholic families who would like to mentor migrant unaccompanied minors. A lot of these kids need very basic needs like being driven to court hearings, getting help applying for a library card, getting enrolled in school and other things many kids take for granted. Time commitment is flexible and there will be a half day training course. To learn more about the program, go to <http://www.sfarch.org/care>

MAY GOD BE CALLING YOU TO HELP MENTOR AN UNACCOMPANIED MINOR?

We need a few faith-filled people willing to drive these kids to doctor appointments, help with school applications, and to offer encouragement through difficult times.

Please visit sfarch.org/care or call (415) 614-5569.



Movie Screening “I Am Still Here”

Saturday, January 26 at 6:15 pm | Howley Hall, St. Mary’s Parish, Los Gatos

Sunday, January 27 at 6:15 pm | Los Altos United Methodist Church

This film explores the serious issue of human trafficking in our country. The event will feature a Q&A with writer/director Mischa Marcus and the producer. Movie is for a mature audience. High school students should be accompanied by an adult. For more information contact ecavalos@comcast.net

Sponsored by: The Diocese of San Jose and the Social Justice Committee of the Diocese of San Jose, BACAR — Bay Area Conference of Associates and Religious, CNEHT—Catholic Network to End Human Trafficking, Daughters of Charity and BVM Sisters.

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This Week @ St. Matthias

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

Welcome Weekend / Understanding the Mass			
<u>Sunday, Jan 13th</u>	<u>Monday, Jan 14th</u>	<u>Tuesday, Jan 15th</u>	<u>Wednesday, Jan 16th</u>
8:00 am Sunday Mass 9:15 am RCIA (Rectory) 10:30 am Sunday Mass SALT and FISH Meet 12:30 pm Confirmation Candidate, Parent & Sponsor Meeting	5:30 pm Daily Mass (Church) 7:00 pm Fundraising Meeting (Hall)	5:30 pm Daily Mass (Church)	5:30 pm Daily Mass (Church) 7:00 pm Why the Rosary, Why Now? Group (UR)
<u>Thursday, Jan 17th</u>	<u>Friday, Jan 18th</u>	<u>Saturday, Jan 19th</u>	<u>Sunday, Jan 20th</u>
1:00 pm Justice and Charity Commission Mtg (DR) 5:30 pm Daily Mass (Church) 6:00 pm Middle School Youth Group Meeting (Hall)	9:15 am Rosary for Peace (MR)	5:00 pm Vigil Mass (Church)	8:00 am Sunday Mass 9:30 am The Mass (Hall) 10:00 am Preschool Open House 10:30 am Sunday Mass SALT and FISH Meet 11:30 am The Mass (Hall) 5:00 pm High School Youth Group Meeting (Hall)

MLK Jr. Multifaith Day of Service

Monday, January 21 |

<https://pmcmk2019.eventbrite.com>

Please plan to join us for this unique opportunity to work side by side with those of other faiths and cultures to benefit our local community. The day begins with an inspiring welcome from faith leaders at our volunteer breakfast. After breakfast, groups of volunteers work together on 20+ family friendly projects. Register by January 13 at <https://pmcmk2019.eventbrite.com>

Our very own Maggie Wilde is the Library Project Captain at Hoover Elementary School in Redwood City. If you would like to enable children to further develop their reading skills, please contact Maggie at wildemagie235@gmail.com or 650-283-0147 for further details.



Walk for Life West Coast 2019

Saturday, January 26 | San Francisco

Join fellow Catholics and Pro-Lifers from all over California and beyond as we stand up for the littlest among us at the 15th Annual Walk for Life West Coast in San Francisco on January 26, 2019. There will be Mass at 9:30 am celebrated by Archbishop Salvatore Cordileone at St. Mary's Cathedral. The rally begins at 12:30 pm in San Francisco's Civic Plaza, and the Walk down the city's Market Street, begins at 1:30 pm. Last year's walk drew 50,000+ people. For complete information about the event, visit www.walkforlifewc.com or call 415-658-1793.



Recycling in Fr. Lacey Hall

We have discontinued our recycling program for light bulbs, batteries and printer cartridges in Fr. Lacey Hall.