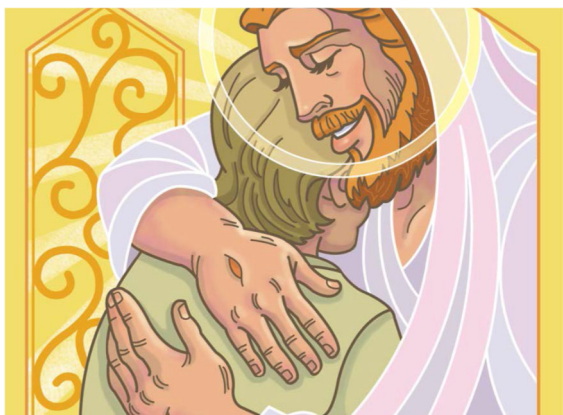


ST. MATTHIAS CATHOLIC CHURCH

St. Matthias



Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time | February 16-17, 2019



First Reading — The one who trusts in the LORD is like a tree planted beside the waters (Jeremiah 17:5-8).

Psalms — Blessed are they who hope in the Lord (Psalm 1).

Second Reading — Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep (1 Corinthians 15:12, 16-20).

Gospel — Blessed are you who are poor, hungry, weeping. Woe to you who are rich, filled, laughing (Luke 6:17, 20-26).

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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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Mass Schedule

Monday & Wednesday 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,

This past Sunday I was watching the Superbowl with some friends. At one point in the fourth quarter the Patriots possessed the ball, the down was 4th and 4. This scenario struck me in light of our readings today. We have a goal and inch ever closer to it. We strive to get that first down so we can keep moving forward. Yet, this does not always work out. In football, the pinnacle is the Superbowl championship. For us as Christians, it is to strive each day, in big ways and small, to trust more ardently in the Lord and rely less on ourselves and our human inclinations. There has to be balance, to be sure; yet, in the final analysis, it is God who loves us unconditionally and who wants us to be more fully alive in His Spirit in order to do His will. The Lord wants to deliver us to eternal life.

We find, in the Book of the prophet Jeremiah, juxtaposition between self-aggrandizement, self-trust, attachments to human sentimentality and human treasures and one who places his or her trust in Lord. Placing all importance on human trust and earthly things is foolhardy because it never lasts and can be taken away at any time. Yet, Jeremiah tells us that for the one who trusts in the Lord there is no fear even in the midst of obstacles and difficulties. "In the year of drought it shows no distress, but still bears fruit." In Luke's Gospel we see this tension or dichotomy between reliance upon God and reliance upon human considerations alone. "Blessed are you" aligns with an attachment to the things of God. "Woe to you" reflects an attachment to human vanity and pride. Jesus is confounding his disciples and followers by showing them the graces that come with detachment and freedom and not the satisfaction that comes with relying too much on earthly comfort.

The Venerable Walter J. Ciszek, S.J. whose cause for canonization has begun, was a New York Province Jesuit priest who was sent to work in the missions of Poland. During World War II, after being accused of being a Vatican spy, he was sent to prison camps and remained imprisoned by the Soviet Union for twenty-three years. In his book He Leadeth Me, a powerful reflection of his experience, he writes: "There were doubts, and one time there was even despair. It was not reason that sustained me then but faith. Only by faith could I find God present in every circumstance, only by faith could I penetrate the mystery of his saving grace, not by questioning it in any way but by fully cooperating with it in exactly the way he asked. It was then, by differing measures and with varying degrees of success, that the glimpses of his providence ruling all things would work to dispel the doubts and the fears that were constantly on the edges of the mind. So I learned by trial and error that if I wanted to preserve my interior peace and joy, I had to have constant recourse to prayer, to the eyes of faith, to a humility that could make me aware of how little my own efforts meant and how dependent I was upon God's grace even for prayer and faith itself."

I invite each of us to pray over and reflect upon these powerful works of a companion of Jesus. Father Ciszek suffered untold indignities and hardship and yet came through it all with a serene countenance. He possessed a deep appreciation of how God was working so intimately in his life even in the most unexpected ways. He can serve as a heroic model for us as we try to embrace a spirit of detachment and finding God in all things!

Our Call to Family & Pastoral Care

Mass Intentions & Clergy Assignments

Saturday, February 16th <i>Weekday</i>	5:00 pm	Barbara Ann Elward †	Fr. Tom
Sunday, February 17th <i>6th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	8:00 am	People of St. Matthias	Fr. Tom
	10:30 am	Yvonne Salinger †	Fr. Tom
Monday, February 18th <i>Weekday</i>	NO MASS—Parish Offices Closed for Presidents' Day		
Weds., February 20th <i>Weekday</i>	5:30 pm	Tito and Baby Boy Ora †	Fr. Edgardo
Saturday, February 23rd <i>Weekday</i>	5:00 pm	Bob Peruzzo †	Fr. Ted
Sunday, February 24th <i>6th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	8:00 am	People of St. Matthias	Fr. Ted
	10:30 am	Marcia McAuliffe (Sp. Int.)	Fr. Ted

Beginning February 1st, St. Matthias' daily Mass schedule will change. We will celebrate Mass on Monday and Wednesday. Our weekend Mass schedule remains the same.

The Heart of a Priest

Thursday, Feb 28th at 7:00 pm | St. Pius Church

St. Pius Church is honored to host the incorrupt heart of St. John Vianney as part of the "Heart of a Priest" Relic Pilgrimage. Don't miss this special opportunity to venerate a major relic of St. John Vianney, the patron of parish priests, whose holiness and integrity is a model for clergy and laity alike. As one family of faith, let us ask for his intercession for an increase of vocations in the Archdiocese of San Francisco. More information: <https://www.kofc.org/en/events/vianney.html#/FAQ>

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. 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.

We pray for the sick in our community...

Jim Aveggio
Patrick Boland
Bill Bulanti
Carlos Chavez
Kelly Corbett
Marian Deglioni
Cheryl DiTargiani
Don Gazzano
Rose & Rich Marino
Marcia McAuliffe
Rosemary McHale
Ivica Milicevic
Severin Morger
Peggy Perez
Sharron Sala
Michael Stewart

...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 **\$179,987.50**

Monthly Need **\$26,666**

January Sunday Collections **\$24,019.75**

+ Electronic Donations **\$7,320.00**

Total Offertory for January \$31,339.75

Difference (Monthly Need - Received) \$4,674

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 2019—Called to Care & Share

The Annual Appeal is our one chance annually to join with Catholics throughout our Archdiocese and assist those who depend on us. Your generosity supports social justice ministries, our schools, seminarians and retired priests, to name just a few. On behalf of everyone who needs and utilizes our programs and services, I invite you to support this once-a-year Appeal. **This weekend is Pledge Sunday.** Fr. Tom will be at each Mass asking parishioners to make a pledge of support. Our assessment amount is \$65,273 and every dollar raised over that amount is returned to the parish community.

Pizza with a Purpose

Thank you to all who ate at California Pizza Kitchen on Feb 6th! We will be receiving a check for **\$495** from California Pizza Kitchen!

Burgers with Benefits

Our next restaurant fundraiser will be at Canyon Inn on **March 13th.**



Offertory Envelopes

Offertory envelopes are available for parishioners who used them in 2018 and for parishioners who would like to use them in 2019. If you haven't picked up yours yet, or would like to request them, contact Lisa in the parish office.

Our Call to Build Community

Murder Mystery Silent Auction

May 11 | St. Matthias—Fr. Lacey Hall

We would like to take this opportunity to let you know about our upcoming fundraiser—St. Matthias' Murder Mystery Silent Auction & Dinner on Saturday, May 11th. In order to get the silent auction started, we would like it if you could please make a donation. It could be food items (like exotic olive oils), different wines and spirits, trips, summer homes, art, anything for the home, gift certificates for restaurants or spas (like massages and facials). Other ideas include dinner hosted in your home, fun parties, something for the kids, sporting events and/or other events. If you have items that are needed to be made up in baskets, we can help you. We really would like to make this silent auction fabulous and with your help, we can!!

All donations are greatly appreciated and are tax deductible. Please contact Rosie Grelli

jazzirosie@comcast.net with any questions. Donations can be dropped off to the Rectory during business hours.

Thank you,

Rosie Grelli & Gloria Chamorro, Silent Auction Coordinators

St. Clare's Women's Silent Retreat

March 15-17, 2019 | St. Clare's Retreat Center, 2381 Laurel Glen Rd, Soquel, CA 95073

Please join us for our annual silent retreat in March! Private room and bath is \$215 or shared room and bath is \$170. Please register directly with the St. Clare's site to reserve your room (<http://stclareretreat.com>). Then email Kim Hartman (kimhartman55@gmail.com) so she knows who will be attending. Any questions, email Kim Hartman.

Grief Support

Moving Through Loss of a Loved One

Monday's beginning Feb 4th at 7:00 pm | St. Pius

This is a focused support group being offered by the St. Pius Grief Ministry. This session is intended for those who have suffered the loss of a loved one and would like to participate in a support group focused on progressing through their personal grief journey. The sessions will be held on Monday evenings for 8 consecutive weeks, beginning Feb 4th at 7:00 pm. For more information or to register, please contact the Grief Ministry at 650-361-0655 or griefministry@pius.org.

Parent Loss Support Group

January 31—March 21st | Mission Hospice

This free 8-week group is for adults working through the loss of a parent (s). Thursday's 6:15-7:45 pm at 1670 S. Amphlett Blvd, Suite 300, San Mateo. Led by Sr. Toni Lynn Gallagher.

Spouse/Partner Loss Support Group

February 14—April 4th | San Carlos Adult Community Center

This free 8-week group is for adults dealing with the loss of a spouse or partner. Thursdays, 10:30—12:00 noon at 601 Chestnut Street, San Carlos. Led by Sr. Toni Lynn Gallagher.

Suicide Loss Support Group

March 13—May 1st | Mission Hospice

This free 8-week group offers adults a chance to work through the specific grief needs of suicide loss. Wednesdays 6:00—7:30 pm at 1670 S. Amphlett Blvd, Suite 300, San Mateo. Led by Sr. Toni Lynn Gallagher. Email tgallagher@mercywmw.org for more information

Our Call to Catechesis

SALT (Preschool) and FISH (K-4th) will be meeting Sunday during 10:30 am Mass.

Middle School Youth Ministry

Thursday, February 21st | from 6:00—8:00 pm

Our Middle School Youth Group (for 5-8th graders) will meet for dinner and a discussion about homelessness in San Mateo County and our service opportunity at Maple Street Shelter.

High School Youth Ministry

Sunday, February 24th | from 5:00—7:00 pm

Our High School Youth Group will meet for dinner and a life-sized Clue mystery game. Adults volunteer as the “suspects” and youth are the “investigators” who solve the mystery!

Our Call to Justice & Charity

Maple Street Shelter Dinner

Saturday, February 23rd | Maple Street Shelter

Our St. Matthias Justice and Charity Commission is sponsoring our annual Maple Street Shelter Dinner. This highlight of our year gives us the opportunity to provide a home-cooked meal for the residents at Maple Street Homeless Shelter in Redwood City.

Each year, parishioners make home-cooked dishes to bring, and our high school and middle school youth set up, serve and eat with the residents. Parents are asked to provide support and chaperone the event. There are many ways for you to help with this event: 1) Make and donate food, 2) donate \$5 gift cards (to Safeway, Jamba Juice or Target) to be used as Bingo prizes for the residents, 3) as a youth volunteer, 4) as a chaperone, 5) to help deliver food from St. Matthias to Maple Street Shelter. Food donations should be dropped off in Fr. Lacey Hall on Feb 23rd between 2-3:30 pm. Delivery volunteers are needed from approximately 3:00 pm—4:00 pm. Youth volunteers and chaperones are needed from 3:30-8:00 pm.

Contact sabrina@stmatthiasparish.org for questions and/or more information. Please check the table in the Hall for signups or signup online (preferred) by visiting <http://www.stmatthiasparish.org/ministries/justice-and-charity/> and clicking on the Google Sheet icon to

access the online signup sheet. Thank you for supporting this event!

Spiritual Care Service Volunteer Training at Stanford Hospital

Saturday, March 23rd | Stanford Hospital

Would you be interested in visiting Catholic patients at Stanford Hospital offering them Communion as a Eucharistic Minister? If you are a compassionate listener, empathic, well grounded in your faith, and open to serving a couple of hours a week, then, becoming a Spiritual Care Service Volunteer at Stanford might be the right opportunity for you. Stanford Health Care is offering its next training for new volunteers on Saturday, March 23rd at Stanford Hospital. To learn more about this special ministry and request an application, please contact Raksha Patel at 650-723-5101 or spiritualcare@stanfordhealthcare.org.

40 Days for Life

The national campaign, 40 Days for Life will take place between March 6-April 14th. Volunteers take turns praying outside of Planned Parenthood facilities. If interested in participating in this effort, contact Jessica Munn at 650-918-9119. For more information visit 40daysforlife.com/redwoodcity

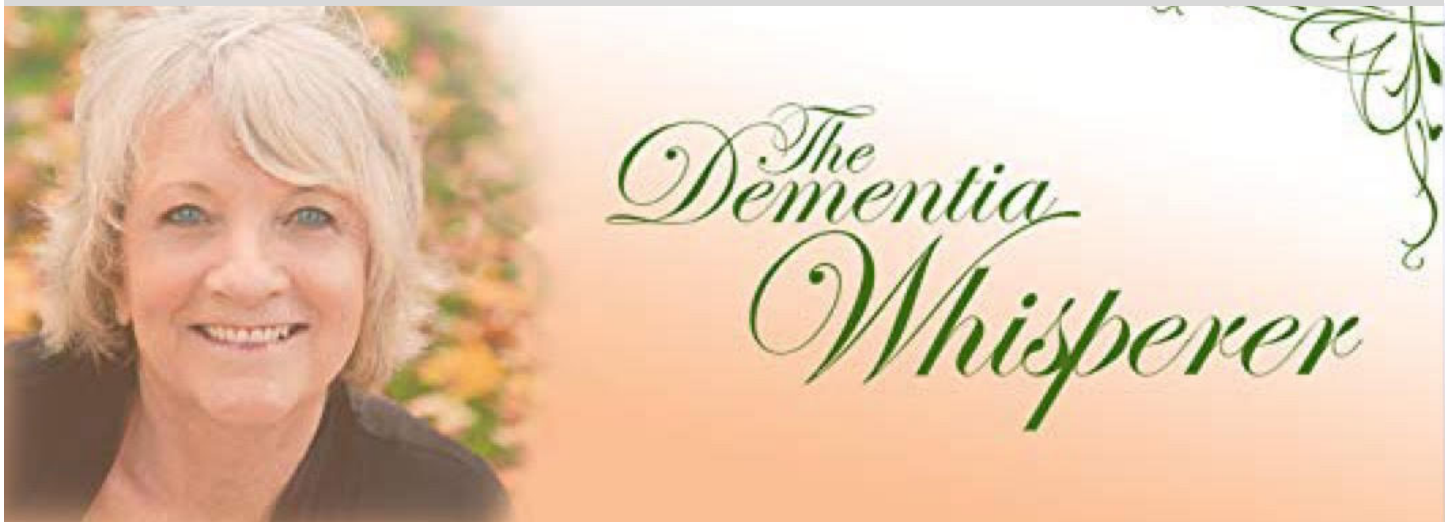
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This Week @ St. Matthias

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

AAA Pledge Weekend			
<u>Sunday, Feb 17th</u>	<u>Monday, Feb 18th</u>	<u>Tuesday, Feb 19th</u>	<u>Wednesday, Feb 20th</u>
8:00 am Sunday Mass 9:15 am RCIA (Rectory) 10:30 am Sunday Mass SALT & FISH Meet	Parish Offices Closed No 5:30 pm Daily Mass		5:30 pm Daily Mass (Church) 7:00 pm Following Christ (DR)
<u>Thursday, Feb 21st</u>	<u>Friday, Feb 22nd</u>	<u>Saturday, Feb 23rd</u>	<u>Sunday, Feb 24th</u>
1:00 pm JCC Meeting (DR) 6:00 pm Middle School Youth Group (Hall)	9:15 am Rosary for Peace (MR)	2-4 pm Deliver Food Donations for Maple Street Shelter to Fr. Lacey Hall 5:00 pm Vigil Mass (Church)	8:00 am Sunday Mass 9:15 am RCIA (Rectory) 10:30 am Sunday Mass SALT & FISH Meet 12:00 pm First Communion Family Retreat 5:00 pm HSYM (Hall)

Sr. Christina Heltsley, O.P. and St. Francis Center are featured in the February 2019 edition of Climate Magazine. Read about her work with affordable housing and the less economically advantaged!



The Dementia Whisperer

Saturday, March 23, 2019 @ 6:15 pm | St. Matthias Church

Laura Wayman is an accomplished keynote speaker, author, trainer, and a dedicated Gerontologist (A.A. degree in Gerontology, Social Services Designee Certification). Ms. Wayman's mission as "The Dementia Whisperer" and as an internationally recognized dementia care expert is to change the world in the way in which all memory care services are provided to those who suffer from various memory care impairments.

She wants to give meaning and purpose to those diagnosed with dementia or memory impairment—as well as give families peace of mind and understanding which enhances quality of life for, as well as improved quality of relationships with, their loved ones.

Who should attend? Anyone who has a family member or friend with memory loss issues, caregivers, or anyone seeking a deeper understanding of memory loss and dementia.

Call Liz 650-366-9544 for more information or with questions.