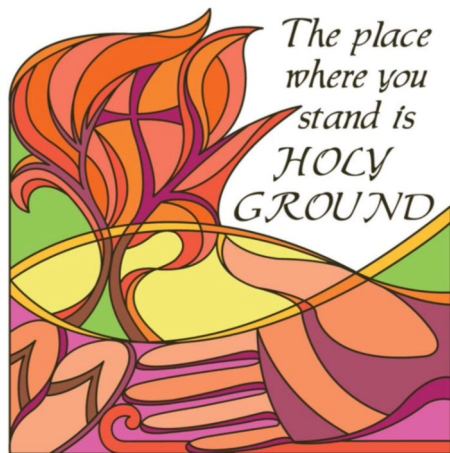


ST. MATTHIAS CATHOLIC CHURCH

St. Matthias



Third Sunday of Lent - March 23-24, 2019



The place
where you
stand is
**HOLY
GROUND**

First Reading — "I have witnessed the affliction of my people in Egypt and have come to rescue them" (Exodus 3:1-8a, 13-15) or *Exodus 17:3-7*.

Psalm — The Lord is kind and merciful (Psalm 103) or *Psalm 95*.

Second Reading — Those who think they are standing secure should take care not to fall (1 Corinthians 10:1-6, 10-12) or *Romans 5:1-2, 5-8*.

Gospel — I shall cultivate the ground around the fig tree and fertilize it; it may bear fruit in the future (Luke 13:1-9) or *John 4:5-42 [5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42]*.

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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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Lenten Events

REJA—Scrutinies

At the Rite of Election on Sunday, March 10, several hundred catechumens and candidates for the Sacraments of Initiation gathered at St. Mary's Cathedral. Archbishop Cordileone blessed them and asked everyone in the Archdiocese to keep them in prayer as they continue their spiritual journey to the Easter Vigil.

At our 10:30 Mass on the 3rd, 4th and 5th Sundays of Lent, our catechumens (elect), Jessica Sanchez will participate in the Scrutinies. At the Easter Vigil, Jessica will be Baptized, then receive Confirmation and Eucharist.

The Scrutinies are ancient rites of the Church which are intended to "heal all that is sinful and bring out, then strengthen, all that is upright, strong and good" in the elect. These Scrutinies (prayers) are about the overwhelming grace of God and grace-filled encounters with the healing power of the Spirit.

Please keep our St. Matthias catechumens, **Jessica Sanchez**, and our candidates **Jessica Talavera**, **Kathy Sweeney** and **Lisa Cox** in your prayers.

A Parish Mission: A Lenten Journey with Jesus

Monday and Tuesday, April 1-2nd from 7-8:30 pm | St. Pius Church

St. Pius Church invites you to its annual Parish Mission: Three hours that will transform your life and prepare you for Holy Week and the Sacred Triduum. Come and listen to retreat director Bishop Carlos Sevilla, S.J., Bishop Emeritus of the Diocese of Yakima, Washington. Bishop Sevilla was a former Auxiliary Bishop of San Francisco who was named the sixth bishop of Yakima in 1996. He became Bishop Emeritus in 2011 and now lives with the Jesuit community at Bellarmine Prep, San Jose. He continues to be an active spiritual director and presenter at retreats and conferences. This mission will be time well spent in reflection as we take in the insights of Bishop Sevilla. Admission is free. For information, contact Elvira Cabahug-Garcia, Elvira@pius.org 650-361-1411.

The Passion of Jesus Christ: A Sacred Concert

Saturday, April 6th from 7:30-8:30 pm | St. Pius Church

"The Passion of Jesus Christ According to Matthew, Mark, Luke and John" is a musical setting for chorus and orchestra composed by Tony Eiras. Draw deeper in your encounter with the suffering Christ through "The Passion of Jesus Christ," set to music. The stirring melodies of this original work will enrich your spirit and prepare your heart for Holy Week and Sacred Triduum. Tickets are available at stpius.eventsmart.com

Our Call to Family & Pastoral Care

Mass Intentions & Clergy Assignments

Saturday, March 23rd <i>Lenten Weekday</i>	5:00 pm	Kevin & Shirley Nelson †	Fr. Ted
Sunday, March 24th <i>Third Sunday of Lent</i>	8:00 am	People of St. Matthias	Fr. Ted
	10:30 am	Georgia Graf (Sp. Int.)	Fr. Ted
Monday, March 25th <i>The Annunciation of the Lord</i>	5:30 pm	Joseph LoSchiavo †	Fr. Ted
Weds., March 27th <i>Lenten Weekday</i>	5:30 pm	Barbara & Gene Clare †	Fr. Ted
Saturday, March 30th <i>Lenten Weekday</i>	5:00 pm	People of St. Matthias	Fr. Ted
Sunday, March 31st <i>Fourth Sunday of Lent</i>	8:00 am	June Miles †	Fr. Coleman
	10:30 am	Kevin Bledsoe †	Fr. Edgardo

Fasting and Abstinence During Lent

In the United States, the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) has declared that “the age of fasting is from the completion of the eighteenth year to the beginning of the sixtieth.”

The USCCB also allows the substitution of some other form of penance for abstinence on all Fridays of the year, except for the Fridays of Lent. The rules for fasting and abstinence in the United States are:

- Every person 14 years of age or older must abstain from meat (and items made with meat) on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and every other Friday or Lent.
- Every person between the ages of 18 and 59 must fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Fasting consists of one full meal per day, with two smaller meals that do not add up to a full meal, and no snacks.

Prayer Tree Network

Our Prayer Tree Network is a very special group of people who regularly pray for the needs of the community. All may request prayer for a special need or intention for healing, grieving, discernment, strength, comfort or support by contacting our Prayer Tree Network. The members spend some time every day in prayer for the requests that are received. We are seeking more members to pray in this way. If you are interested in finding out more about this valuable ministry, please email liz@stmatthiasparish.org or call 366-9544 x 2012.

We pray for the sick in our community...

Patrick Boland
Bill Bulanti
Carlos Chavez
Kelly Corbett
Marian Deglientoni
Cheryl DiTargiani
Pamela Foley
Georgia Graf
Andres Gutierrez
Gerard Kaz
Rose & Rich Marino
Marcia McAuliffe
Rosemary McHale
Ivica Milicevic
Severin Morger
Peggy Perez
Julie Polati
Adam Rak
Shirley Roybal
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.

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 visit.

Low Gluten Hosts

If you require low-gluten hosts, simply check in with Deacon Rich or David before Mass.

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 **\$201,499.25**

Monthly Need **\$26,666**

February Sunday Collections **\$17,356.76**

+ Electronic Donations **\$4,155**

Total Offertory for February \$21,511.76

Difference (Monthly Need - Received) <\$5,154>

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

On behalf of everyone who needs and utilizes our programs and services, we invite you to support this once-a-year Appeal. **Please forward your pledge envelope to either the parish office or to the Archdiocese.** Our assessment amount is \$65,273 and every dollar raised over that amount is returned to the parish community. As of March 14, 2019 we have received 30% of our assessment. Thank you for supporting the work of the parish and the Archdiocese. We will continue to update you on our progress.

Parish Registration

All families who attend St. Matthias Church are asked to register in the parish. This helps us to know who our members are and to provide services that meet your needs. You may use the form to the right, or visit www.stmatthiasparish.org and register online.



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

Our Call to Build Community

Film Screening: Romero

Sunday, March 24th at 4:00 pm | Upper Room

Join us on the Feast Day of St. Oscar Romero for a film screening and discussion of the Special Collectors Edition of the film: *Romero* starring Raul Julia. The film will be introduced by Fr. Edgardo Rodriguez who attended the canonization of St. Oscar Romero late last year.

St. Oscar Romero was the Archbishop of San Salvador, El Salvador until his assassination on March 24, 1980. He spoke out against poverty, social injustice, and torture. The film is appropriate for adults and mature high school students.

Murder Mystery Dinner & Silent Auction

May 11 | St. Matthias—Fr. Lacey Hall

Do you remember how much fun it was to play Clue? Or to read Agatha Christie mysteries? Well, dust off your fedoras and sport coats, poodle skirts and sweater sets and come to St. Matthias' Murder Mystery Silent Auction & Dinner to experience that nostalgia on Saturday, May 11th at 5:30 pm.

Can't come on May 11th? Consider making a donation to help underwrite the expenses for event. This helps us offset the costs and maximize our profit.

Various gift levels are available:

- \$75 napkins
- \$75 wine glasses
- \$150 table cloths
- \$150 decorations
- \$350 china

Case of red or white wine

Contact Sabrina for more information about how to underwrite these expenses.

Do you own a local business? Would you like to sponsor this community event and advertise your business? Sponsorship levels of \$100, \$250, \$500 or \$1000 available. Monies received will help to



offset the cost of the event. For this sponsorship, your business card will be included in the program. Contact Sabrina for more information.

Donations for the silent auction are still being accepted. Please contact Rosie Grelli jazzirosie@comcast.net with any questions. Donations can be dropped off to the Rectory during business hours.

Restaurant Fundraiser—Canyon Inn

Thank you to all who ate at the Canyon Inn on March 13th. We just received our check for **\$615!** Parishioners and friends of St. Matthias ordered ~\$2500. Tim, the owner, contributed another \$100 in gratitude for our support of his business!

Our Call to Prayer & Worship

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

Lenten Stations of the Cross & Soup Suppers

Stations of the Cross is a traditional devotion focusing on the events of the passion and suffering of Jesus, Our Savior. Stations of the

Cross consists of 14 stations, highlighting the events of Jesus' last day as a human being.

Stations of the Cross is a mini-pilgrimage. As the group moves from station to station, the scene is described. Followers hear about the event along the way of the cross, pray, sing and meditate. It is common practice to offer this devotion on the Fridays of Lent.

St. Matthias will offer the Stations of the Cross each Friday during Lent at 6:00 pm followed by a simple soup supper. Each week, a different scriptural based text will be used. Leaders will provide booklets for participants to use as they pray the 14 stations.

All are welcome. We encourage parishioners to bring their own bowl and spoon. You may also choose to bring a vegetarian soup or bread and butter to share with the group. Drinks will be provided.

Friday, March 29th Stations of the Cross will be hosted by the Following Christ group and will use the "Stopping Along the Way" Stations of the Cross.

The Light is on for You

Tuesdays During Lent from 6-8 pm | St. Pius

This Lent, all parishes in the Archdiocese of San Francisco will undertake an initiative to encourage greater participation in the Sacrament of Reconciliation, especially among those who have not



received this sacrament recently. "The Light is on for You" began in the Washington D.C. metro area and has spread across the country over the last decade. Archbishop Cordileone says, "Ultimately, the 'light being on' throughout the whole Archdiocese is a sign to our people of God's desire for reconciliation with them and His great delight in bestowing His mercy upon them."

The sacrament of Reconciliation will also be available at St. Matthias every Saturday at 3:45 pm.

CRS Rice Bowl: Encounter Lent

Beginning Ash Wednesday,
March 6th through April 30th
| St. Matthias Church



The Dhathcroos family returned home, after fleeing violence in their country, to build a prosperous farm and become a vital contributor to their community. How can you assist refugees in your community to rebuild their lives? How can you support refugees worldwide who are fleeing violence in their country? Visit crsricebowl.org for more.

Morning Reflection for Ministers of Consolation

Thursday, March 28th from 9:30—11:45 am | St. Charles Parish Center, 880 Tamarack Ave., S.C.

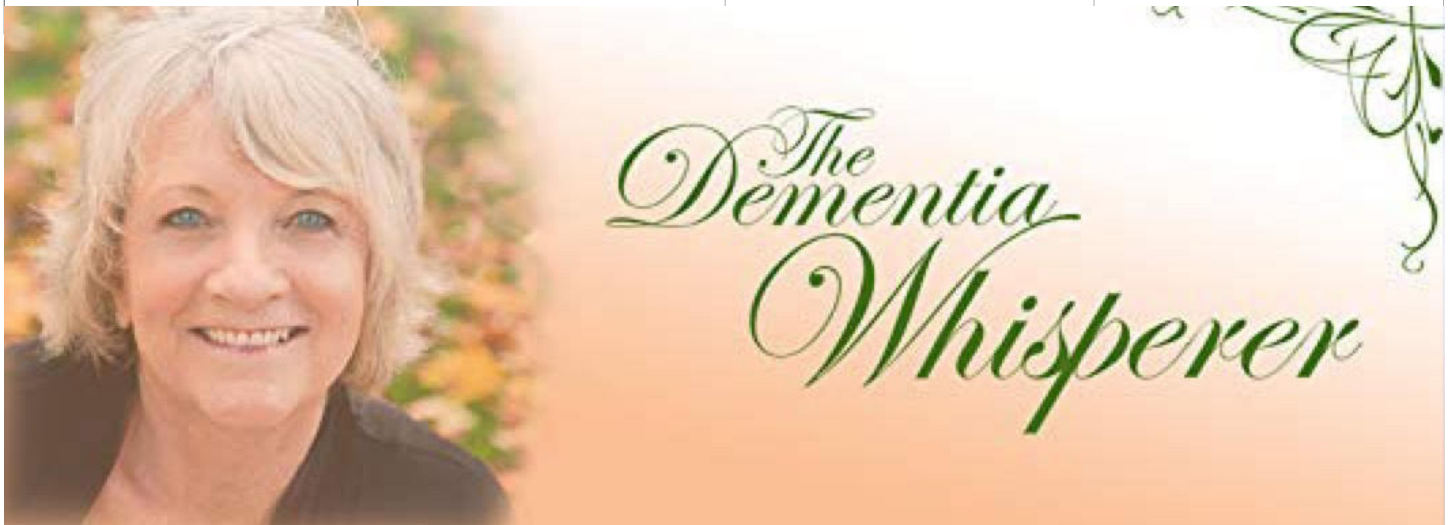
This morning reflection is for Ministers of Consolation and their friends, and the theme is "Comforting a Compassionate Heart." Presenters are Sr. Eloise Rosenblatt, RSM, and Sr. Toni Lynn Gallagher, RSM. This time together will begin with prayer, followed by a reflection question, a Gospel story, quiet time, and a closing ritual. The hope is that these ministers will find this time beneficial as they are thanked for their presence to those who wish to share their stories and receive affirmation and comfort. Please RSVP to Kathy Fagliano at kfagliano@stcharlesparish.org or 650-591-7349 ext. 402.

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This Week @ St. Matthias

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

2nd Collection: CRS			
<u>Sunday, March 24th</u>	<u>Monday, March 25th</u>	<u>Tuesday, March 26th</u>	<u>Wednesday, March 27th</u>
8:00 am Sunday Mass 9:15 am RCIA (Rectory) 10:30 am Sunday Mass & Donuts after Mass 12:00 pm First Communion Meeting (UR)	5:30 pm Daily Mass (Church)		5:30 pm Daily Mass (Church) 7:00 pm Following Christ (DR)
2nd Collection: St. Vincent de Paul			
<u>Thursday, March 28th</u>	<u>Friday, March 29th</u>	<u>Saturday, March 30th</u>	<u>Sunday, March 31st</u>
1:00 pm JCC Meeting (DR)	9:15 am Rosary for Peace (MR) 6:00 pm Stations of the Cross & Soup Supper (Hall)	5:00 pm Vigil Mass (Church)	8:00 am Sunday Mass 9:15 am RCIA (Rectory) 10:30 am Sunday Mass 11:30 am GIFT Gathering (Hall)



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.