

# ST. MATTHIAS CATHOLIC CHURCH

# St. Matthias



## Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

### September 23-24, 2017



**First Reading** — Turn to the LORD, who is generous in forgiving (Isaiah 55:6-9).

**Psalm** — The Lord is near to all who call upon him (Psalm 145).

**Second Reading** — Live your lives in a way worthy of the gospel of Christ (Philippians 1:20c-24, 27a).

**Gospel** — The last will be first, and the first will be last (Matthew 20:1-16a).

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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.*

### St. Matthias Catholic Church

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**Preschool Phone (650) 367-1320**

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[www.stmatthiasparish.org](http://www.stmatthiasparish.org)

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Archdiocese of San Francisco  
[www.sfarchdiocese.org](http://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.

# Our Call to Catechesis & Evangelization

## Staff Directory

\*please take note of our new email addresses!

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**Preschool Director— Kim Nave**

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## Confirmation Program Youth Masses

Our Confirmation program begins next weekend, on Sunday, September 24th, with an Orientation Gathering for the youth, their parents and sponsors at 3:30 pm in Fr. Lacey Hall. One of the highlights for this program is the addition of occasional YOUTH MASSES at St. Matthias on Sunday's at 5:00 pm. Confirmation sessions will alternate locations between here and St. Pius. Each time (4 times this year) we host a Confirmation session, a Youth Mass will be celebrated. All are invited to attend these added Masses which will be youth driven. Youth or young adults who are interested in helping are invited to contact Sabrina for more information.

## GIFT: Generations in Faith Together

Our family faith formation program, GIFT: Generations in Faith Together, will continue in the Fall. All families who have young people preparing for sacraments are required to register and attend. All those who were enrolled in GIFT last year are encouraged to continue attending GIFT as this is our life-long faith formation program. We believe that faith development is continuous; it does not end after the reception of a sacrament. The first GIFT gathering will be on October 1st and repeated on October 4th—visit this website to subscribe to updates: <http://mailchi.mp/a4dbeaf2bca0/register-for-gift-youth-ministry-fish-first-communion-etc>. If you have any questions about the program, or would like more information, please email [sabrina@stmatthiasparish.org](mailto:sabrina@stmatthiasparish.org)

## Hospitality Ministry 2018 ... Join Us!

NEW NEXT YEAR! Starting in January, we are planning to provide hospitality twice a month after the 10:30 mass. It would be held on the 2nd and 4th Sunday of every month. With regards to the 4th Sunday, ministers would need to arrive at 10:00 to set up the hall since hospitality would not be provided after the 8:00 mass on those Sundays. But to make this all happen, more "hands" are needed! Please consider joining this ministry! It's a great time of fellowship and service, and commitment is minimal...possibly three or four times during the year. Hospitality will also continue on the 2nd Sunday of every month after the 8:00 mass as well as after the 5:00 mass on the 2nd Saturday. If you would like to help during these times, we'd love to have you aboard. Also, we are looking for someone to coordinate hospitality on Saturdays after the 5:00 mass. If you would like to be a part of this wonderful ministry on Sundays, give Lynda Allen a call at (650) 363-1139 or email her at [bljcfamily@sbcglobal.net](mailto:bljcfamily@sbcglobal.net). If you would like to help with hospitality on Saturdays or be interested in coordinating it, email Liz Vugrinecz at [liz@stmatthiasparish.org](mailto:liz@stmatthiasparish.org). And if you and your family would like to sign up as a team after any of these masses, this would be a fun opportunity for all!

Your response by September 25 is greatly appreciated...thank you!

# Our Call to Family & Pastoral Care

## Mass Intentions & Clergy Assignments

|  |          |   |                 |
|--|----------|---|-----------------|
| <b>Saturday, Sept 23rd</b><br><i>Saint Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest</i>           | 5:00 pm  | <b>People of St. Matthias</b>                                     | Fr. Paul Rossi  |
| <b>Sunday, Sept 24th</b><br><i>25th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>                  | 8:00 am  | <b>Dee Viola †</b>  | Fr. Paul Rossi  |
|  | 10:30 am | <b>Gertrude Sullivan †</b>  | Fr. Paul Rossi  |
|  | 5:00 pm  |   | Fr. Paul Rossi  |
| <b>Monday, Sept 25th</b>   | 5:30 pm  | <b>Joyce Morger †</b>   | Fr. Paul Rossi  |
| <b>Tuesday, Sept 26th</b><br><i>Sts. Cosmas and Damien, Martyrs</i>              | 5:30 pm  |   | Fr. Nick Paloso |
| <b>Wednesday, Sept 26th</b>  | 5:30 pm  |   | Fr. Ted Magpayo |
| <b>Thursday, Sept 28th</b>   | 5:30 pm  |   | Fr. Ted Magpayo |
| <b>Saturday, Sept 30th</b><br><i>St. Jerome, Priest and Doctor of the Church</i> | 5:00 pm  | <b>Bill &amp; Phyllis Panelli &amp; Al &amp; Janice Sahagun †</b> | Fr. Nick Paloso |
| <b>Sunday, Oct 1st</b><br><i>26th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>                    | 8:00 am  | <b>People of St. Matthias</b>                                     | Fr. Nick Paloso |
|  | 10:30 am | <b>Daniel Patrick Schorr †</b>                                    | Fr. Nick Paloso |

## Pray for the sick in our community...

Terry Azofeifa  
Patrick Boland  
Elwood Boutyer  
Nancy Guass  
Camille Hammer  
Bill Henry  
Richard Marino  
Robert Munn  
Sr. Susan Ostrowski  
George Salinger  
Yvonne Salinger  
Ruby Vasquez  
Kirk Vorsatz

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

To add or remove a name from this list, please call 366-9544 or email [info@stmatthiasparish.org](mailto:info@stmatthiasparish.org).

## Our Call to Justice & Charity

### St. Anthony's Dining Room, Menlo Park—Saturday, September 30, 2017

St. Anthony's Padua Dining Room provides hot, nutritious meals fifty-two weeks a year. It charges no fees, asks no questions and turns no one away. On a similar basis, the Clothing Distribution Center provides the basic apparel needs of women, children and men two days per week. All clients being served a meal, provided with apparel or receiving health care advice are treated with dignity and respect and received in a spirit of hospitality.  
[www.paduadiningroom.com](http://www.paduadiningroom.com)

Meet at St. Matthias at 8:00 am. Carpool to St. Anthony's to prepare and serve food from 8:30 am-1:00 pm. Limited to 10 volunteers. RSVP by September 15th. Contact Mariano Dagang to sign up [sunnydag@gmail.com](mailto:sunnydag@gmail.com)

### Scarves, Hats and Gloves/Mittens for the Homeless

Our Justice and Charity Commission is sponsoring a drive for warm winter gear for the homeless. It's that time of year to pick up your needles. Whether you knit or crochet, please help us by donating handmade hats, scarves, and gloves or mittens for the guest of StreetLife Ministries. This group offers food and prayer at two locations: Redwood City at 1300 Middlefield Road (Mondays and Wednesdays) and the Train Station in Menlo Park (Tuesdays and Thursdays). We need scarves in dark or neutral colors which are long enough to wrap around their head and neck, as well as hats for men, women and children. Gloves and mittens can be handmade or purchased. There will be a container in the back church door starting this weekend. We will be collecting on the weekend of November 11-12. Contact Liz in the office if you have any questions.

# 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](http://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.

Monthly Need **\$25,000.00**

August Sunday Collections \$18,241.00

+ Electronic Donations \$4,359.00

**Difference <\$2,400>**

**2017 AAA Campaign Assessment \$59,420**

**Thank you for your generosity to our 2017 Archdiocesan Annual Appeal! As of 7/11/2017 we have received in donations or pledges — \$39,140 — 66% of our goal!**

## Online Giving

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

## Lost & Found

Jackets, umbrellas, and glasses, oh my! Our Lost and Found box is overflowing with items. Please come by the Hall to see if you've misplaced anything.

## Immigration: Welcoming the Stranger

We are one human family whatever our national, racial, ethnic, economic, and ideological differences. We are our brothers' and sisters' keepers, wherever they may be. Loving our neighbor has global dimensions in a shrinking world. At the core of the virtue of solidarity is the pursuit of justice and peace. Pope Paul VI taught that "if you want peace, work for justice." The Gospel calls us to be peacemakers. Our love for all our sisters and brothers demands that we promote peace in a world surrounded by violence and conflict. (USCCB/What We Believe)

<http://www.sfarchdiocese.org/home/ministries/social-justice-life/peace-justice/immigration>

The Archdiocese of San Francisco has pledged it's support for immigrants in our communities. The above statement is from the Archdiocesan website. More information can be found there including Archbishop Cordileone's statement to Pastors.

**San Mateo Rapid Response Network  
HOTLINE 203-666-4472  
(203-NOMIGRA)**



### 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](mailto:info@stmatthiasparish.org) with the dates you would like the announcement to be included.

# Our Call to Catechesis & Evangelization

## Altar Servers Needed

All children, after receiving their First Communion, are eligible to become Altar Servers. The Altar Server provides a very important ministry at each Mass. Servers assist the priest and deacon in the procession to the altar, holding the Roman Missal for prayers, helping to set the table and leading the recession at the conclusion of Mass.

Being a server is also a spiritual and prayerful experience for a young girl or boy. This ministry helps our children grow in their faith. It also involves them in our St. Matthias Community in the practice of our faith through Mass.

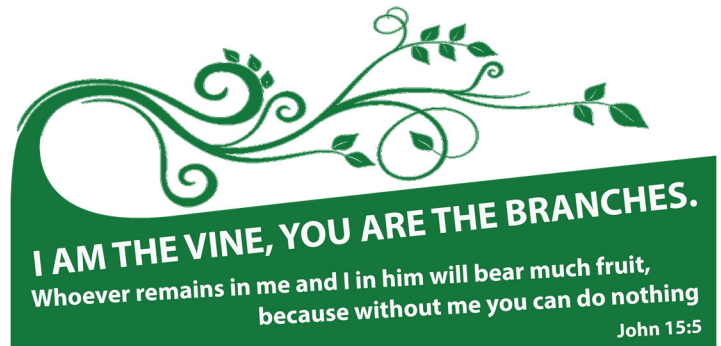
Deacon Rich provides training for new servers. A guidebook will also be provided to parents so they can be supportive. New servers will be paired with experienced servers during the first year of this ministry.

If you would like to schedule a time for training, please contact Deacon Rich. A new schedule begins in October. We need more altar servers to help us ensure that we have Altar Servers at all of our weekend Masses. Adults who are interested in serving at Mass are also invited to serve and should contact Deacon Rich.

## Strong Catholic Families Sessions— Sept 27 from 7-8:30 pm

During the month of September we are offering parent-only workshops, called Strong Catholic Families, as an orientation to our philosophy regarding faith formation. Parents are encouraged to attend the session to learn more about our parish mission to build and support Strong Catholic Families. Sessions are designed to give parents support in raising their children in the Catholic faith.

Remaining Topic: *How Catholics Read the Bible*. Contact Sabrina [sabrina@matthiasparish.org](mailto:sabrina@matthiasparish.org) for questions or more information.



## DISCOVERING CHRIST

Please join us for a seven-month series called, Discovering Christ. It is a powerful series of gatherings where we would get together for social time and enjoy refreshments, listen/watch a dynamic teaching and join in a small group discussion about the meaning of life in Jesus Christ.

We will offer it once a month on Wednesday nights: October 18, November 29, December 20, January 24, February 28, April 25 and May 16th. There is a special retreat which will be held on Saturday, March 10th from 10:00 am—4:00 pm. Childcare will be provided for families if needed. To sign up, email [sabrina@stmatthiasparish.org](mailto:sabrina@stmatthiasparish.org).



Liturgical  
Environment

## Liturgical Environment

Have you ever wondered who cleans the Church, washes the linens, provides flowers or makes sure the plants are watered? Who decorates the Church for special liturgical seasons like Advent, Christmas, Lent and Easter? We have a group formerly called the Altar Society, but now called the Liturgical Environment Committee that does all of these “behind the scenes” jobs to make sure the Church atmosphere is conducive to worship and enhances the experience of parishioners and visitors.

Currently there are three teams who rotate and do this work on Saturday mornings or early afternoons in preparation for weekend Masses. If you are interested in serving the parish community in this way or would just like more information, please contact Liz at [liz@stmatthiasparish.org](mailto:liz@stmatthiasparish.org). We will be hosting a meeting soon and will invite you to attend.

# Our Call to Community Building

## *Shaping Our Future ~ Prayer & Worship for 2017-18*

Our Pastoral Plan, Shaping Our Future, is our guide to continuous improvement for the St. Matthias Parish Community. Long term goals in each of the areas of parish effectiveness contribute to developing a culture of caring, belonging and service to one another. One of the most important areas of parish life is prayer and worship.

Our Prayer and Worship Commission (formerly called Liturgy Committee) plays a vital role in planning parish liturgies and prayer opportunities for our parish community. Several members of this commission coordinate specific ministries.

The Prayer and Worship Commission is composed of clergy (priests and deacons), parish staff (Liz and Randall) and parishioners. Parishioner members are as follows: Pam and Fred Tavernier (Family Support), Marti Engh (Music), Sandi Machado (Altar Society) and Bob Allen (Ushers/Greeters). Our overall goal is to ensure that St. Matthias provides high quality liturgical experiences (music, homilies, worship space and pastoral support).

The Prayer and Worship Action Plan for 2017-18 seeks to enhance and enrich liturgies and involve more parishioners in at least one special liturgy or prayer activity. Our goals for 2017-18 are as follows:

- Identify our parish traditions and engage participants in the spiritual significance of each event. Over a number of years, worship traditions have developed and are valued by our community. For example, we honor the saints and those who have died during the beginning of November. In addition, we celebrate the Jewish tradition of a Seder Supper prior to the Mass of the Last Supper.
- Invite and train new liturgical ministers. Commission members coordinate training and support for all liturgical ministers (e.g. altar servers, Eucharistic ministers, readers). There is a need for more parishioners to serve in one or more ministries which support our liturgies and prayer/worship activities.
- Provide timely information and coordinate any parish-wide responses to community, national or worldwide needs. The commission helps the parish with requests for prayer or donations in response to a crisis. For example in the upcoming weeks, parishes are asked to "Pray for Peace and Racial Justice" and to donate to Catholic Charities as they assist the victims of Hurricane Harvey. The commission also ensures that our parish is aware of prayer events (e.g. retreats, rosary gatherings, and contemplative prayer sessions) in the community as well as special liturgies held at neighboring churches and at St. Mary's Cathedral.

Our parish plans states. . . "It is by praying together and celebrating the sacraments that we grow in faith and holiness." As we come together in the Eucharist, we most fully realize our identity as a community of faith.

*Deacon Rich*

### **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

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

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# Parish & Preschool Events Sept 24-Oct 1, 2017

MR =Merry Room UR = Upper Room PS = Preschool

| 2nd Collection: Building Fund  |   |   |   |
|--|---|---|---|
| Sunday, September 24th<br><i>25th Sun in Ordinary Time</i>   | Monday, September 25th<br><i>Weekday</i>                                    | Tuesday, September 26th<br><i>Sts. Cosmas and Damian, Mar-<br/>tyrs</i>         | Wednesday, September 27th<br><i>St. Vincent de Paul, Priest</i>   |
| 8:00 am Sunday Mass<br>9:00 am RCIA (Rm 5)<br>9:15 am Breaking Open the Word (MR)<br>10:30 am Sunday Mass<br>3:30 pm Confirmation Orientation (Hall)<br>5:00 pm Youth Mass (all are welcome) | 5:30 pm Daily Mass (MR)<br>7:00 pm Bible Study Series                       | 5:30 pm Daily Mass (MR)<br>7:00 pm AFF/Liz's Group (MR)                         | 5:30 pm Daily Mass (MR)<br>7:00 pm Strong Catholic Families: How Do Catholics Read the Bible? (Hall)  |
| Thursday, Sept 28th<br><i>Weekday</i>  | Friday, September 29th<br><i>Sts. Michael, Gabriel, Raphael, Archangels</i> | Saturday, September 30th<br><i>St. Jerome, Priest and Doctor of the Church</i>  | Sunday, October 1st<br><i>26th Sun in Ordinary Time</i>   |
| 5:30 pm Daily Mass (MR)  | 8:45 am Rosary for Peace (MR)   | 9:00 am JCC—Serve at St. Anthony's Dining Room Menlo Park<br>5:00 pm Vigil Mass | 8:00 am Sunday Mass<br>9:00 am RCIA (Rm 5)<br>9:15 am Breaking Open the Word (MR)<br>10:30 am Sunday Mass<br>11:30 am GIFT Gathering<br>5:00 pm Youth Mass @ St. Pius |

## SAVE THE DATE: Rosary Rally and Consecration of the Archdiocese to the Immaculate Heart of Mary

All the faithful are invited to St. Mary's Cathedral on Saturday, October 7th, for the annual Rosary Rally and the Consecration of the Archdiocese to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. The day will include:

9:00 am Gathering and Rosary (Joyful Mysteries)  
10:00 am Mass Celebrated by Archbishop Cordileone  
11:30 am Procession of the Blessed Sacrament and the Pilgrim Statue of Our Lady of Fatima. The procession will be followed by the Benediction and the Consecration of the Archdiocese to the Immaculate Heart of Mary by Archbishop Cordileone.



Please visit the archdiocesan website for details, [www.sfarchdiocese.org/IHM](http://www.sfarchdiocese.org/IHM). Bring your family and friends.

## Bible Study with Deacon Rich: St. Paul's Letters



According to theologian Fr. Raymond Brown, "Next to Jesus, Paul has been the most influential figure in the history of Christianity." Although Paul was not one of the twelve Apostles, he called himself "The Apostle to the Gentiles." In his letters, St. Paul describes the implications of Jesus's ministry and his teachings for particular communities of believers.

Deacon Rich will lead a seven week Bible Study series on Paul's "First Letter to the Thessalonians" and "Letter to the Galatians." Sessions will be held in Fr. Lacy Hall from 7 – 8:30 p.m. each Monday from September 11th through October 23rd. Please bring your Bible, notepad and pen. Please join us for any or all of the sessions. If you have any questions, please contact Deacon Rich.