

ST. MATTHIAS CATHOLIC CHURCH

St. Matthias



Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 27-28, 2018



First Reading — I will lead the people to brooks of water, on a level road, so that none shall stumble (Jeremiah 31:7-9).

Psalms — The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy (Psalm 126).

Second Reading — It was not Christ who glorified himself, but rather the one who said to him: You are my son: this day I have begotten you (Hebrews 5:1-6).

Gospel — Immediately the blind man received his sight and followed Jesus on the way (Mark 10:46-52).

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.

St. Matthias Catholic Church

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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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Priesthood Sunday

Today in the United States the Church celebrates “Priesthood Sunday.” We are grateful for the generous service so many men have and continue to render unselfish service to the People of God. We are privileged to have with us this year two seminarians who are on their Pastoral Year. Zach Alspaugh and John Hwang are living at Saint Pius and serving both Saint Pius and Saint Matthias. I have asked them to share a reflection on their vocation story. Today we will read John’s story and next week Zach’s. I am so grateful the Lord has brought these brothers to us and please pray for our priests and for an increase in vocations to the priesthood and religious life. *Fr. Tom*

My mother and aunt had a great influence on my vocation, most especially my aunt who is a religious sister. She always asked me to be a priest since I was very young, and growing up I thought that I had to be a priest. I had no doubts about joining the seminary and becoming a priest.

I really enjoyed my seminarian life even though it was really strict. After my sophomore year, I had to fulfill my military service for two years, which is an obligation for Korean men. One day, I watched a movie *Notebook*. One dialogue inspired me to think about what I wanted to be: “Would you stop thinking about what everyone wants and what your parents want. What do you want?” I was in a panic after watching the movie because I could not come up with any idea about what I really wanted. This is because I got so used to doing my duties in accordance with the commands and rules for four years.

I started doubting my vocation: “Do I want to be a priest?” Unfortunately, I could not say “yes” with confidence. Also, I recognized that my family wanted me to be a priest more than I wanted to be. I could not help but accept the fact that I was brainwashed. Then I started to pray to God that I might acknowledge which vocation God wanted for me, regardless of any expectation from other people such as my mother and aunt. I was sure that my vocation should be confirmed only between God and me at first. After a month of prayer, I attended a four-day retreat and I sincerely prayed and asked God to let me know his will: “Do You want me to be a priest?”

On the last night of the retreat, I was able to listen to his calling. Surprisingly, it was neither yes nor no. He did not say “you should be a priest” nor “you should not be a priest.” He just said to me: “You are my beloved son.” I started weeping. Everyone was compelling me to be a priest but God never did. He just loved me. Also, I realized that He was calling me through my family and people around me, gently but unceasingly, and I in return accepted the effect on my vocation from my family as a tremendous gift from God. He has always been devoted to me. I decided to say “yes” to his steadfast calling as his faithful servant and beloved son.

I went back to the seminary again after finishing my military service. After two years, the faculty asked me to go to the United States to finish my seminary coursework. I said “yes” because I was sure it was another calling from God as well as a great opportunity for me.

Our Call to Family & Pastoral Care

Mass Intentions & Clergy Assignments

Saturday, October 27th <i>Weekday</i>	5:00 pm	Bill & Phyllis Panelli and Al & Janice Sahagun †	Fr. Ted
Sunday, October 28th <i>30th Sun. in Ordinary Time</i>	8:00 am	Emma Aveggio, Quaccia, Cigliutti and Petrocchi Families †	Fr. Coleman
	10:30 am	People of St. Matthias	Fr. Coleman
Monday, October 29th <i>Weekday</i>	5:30 pm	Margarita Wintroath †	Fr. Ted
Tuesday, October 30th <i>Weekday</i>	5:30 pm	Amalia K. Bon †	Fr. Edgardo
Weds., October 31st <i>Weekday</i>	5:30 pm	Alfredo K. Bon †	Fr. Ted
Thursday, November 1st <i>All Saints Day</i>	7:00 pm*	Yvonne Salinger †	Fr. Edgardo
Saturday, November 3rd <i>Weekday</i>	5:00 pm	Blake Bottarini †	
Sunday, November 4th <i>31st Sun. in Ordinary Time</i>	8:00 am	Dolores & Paul Falzon †	
	10:30 am	People of St. Matthias	

Clergy assignments for Masses are subject to change.

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.

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

We pray for the sick in our community...

Eric Alvarez
Patrick Boland
Bill Bulanti
Carlos Chavez
Candy Gray
Nancy Guass
Jean Kucic
Louise Leeper
Rose & Richard Marino
Marcia McAuliffe
Rosemary McHale
Severin Morger
Robert Munn
Peggy Perez
Sharron Sala
Sharon Spry
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.

out more about this valuable ministry, please email liz@stmatthiasparish.org or call 366-9544 x 2012.

Reminder : Sunday, November 4th daylight savings time ends (set your clocks back Saturday before bedtime)



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 **\$67,516.75**

Monthly Need **\$26,666**

September Sunday Collections **\$21,498.00**

+ Electronic Donations **\$4,160.00**

Total Offertory for September \$25,658.00

Difference (Monthly Need - Received) <\$1,008>

2018 AAA Campaign Assessment \$67,319

We have received \$44,477 or 66% of our assessment as of 9/26/2018.



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 sabrina@stmatthiasparish.org with the dates you would like the announcement to be included.



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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.

Parish Registration

All families who regularly 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 below, or visit 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

Community Events



Thank you to all who helped with the Kids' Carnival and Oktoberfest! Next weekend, we'll include a list of the raffle prizes and winners!

This is truly a community event which requires the dedication and commitment of many people. We are grateful for each and every person who supported the event in some way.

The Challenge of Peace

Saturday, November 3, 2018 at 9:00—3:00 pm | Notre Dame de Namur University, Taube Hall, 1500 Ralston Avenue, Belmont

Sr. Patricia Chappell, SNDdeN, Executive Directory of Pax Christi USA will give the keynote address on the challenge of peace and its relationship to immigration, racism, poverty, nationalism, and other societal problems.

To pre-register, send check to Pax Christi Northern California, c/o Stan Taylor, Treasurer, 421 Sautner Dr., San Jose, CA 95123. Or pay \$25 at the door. Students are free.

Mother Daughter Program

Saturday, November 3, 2018 at 9:00—12:30 pm
Tweens — 1:30-5:00 pm Teens | St. Bartholomew Church, 600 Columbia Drive, San Mateo

The Mother Daughter Programs, presented by the Office of Marriage and Family Life, are designed to help you and your daughter explore God's special gift of human fertility together. Help her see the beauty and wonder of God's plan for growing up as a young girl or teenager and becoming a woman. The two programs cover similar subject matter while differing in depth and scope. All presentations are pure, light-hearted and affirming! For more details visit: sfarch.org/MD or email: HopfnerE@SFArch.org



Happy Birthday, Rita!

On October 13th, we celebrated the 99th birthday of long-time parishioner, Rita Brox at our Saturday 5:00 pm hospitality. Many people were in attendance to wish Rita a very Happy Birthday. Rita would like to thank the parish community for this celebration:

"My heartfelt thanks to all who contributed to the celebration of my 99th birthday. It was such a wonderful surprise!" - Rita Brox

Our Call to Catechesis

SALT for Preschoolers and FISH for kindergarten—through 4th graders will be meeting Sunday during 10:30 am Mass!



ALL SAINTS DAY

All Saints Day | Day of the Dead Table

We will have Mass at 7:00 pm on Thursday, November 1st, the Feast of All Saints—a Holy Day of Obliga-

tion. Beginning November 3rd we will have a Day of the Dead table (*ofrenda*) in the back of the Church. All are invited to place photos or mementos of loved ones. Please put a label on the back of your photos so we will know who to return them to at the end of the month.

Masses of Remembrance

Saturday, November 3 and Sunday, November 4, 2018 | St. Matthias Church

We will celebrate our annual Masses of Remembrance at all three of our weekend Masses on November 3 & 4th. Family members are invited to Mass where the names of all those who have died over the past year are read aloud. Loved ones light a candle in memory of their loved one. If you have someone who has passed away since November 2017 and would like their name included in this celebration, please contact Liz Vugrinecz at 366-9544 X 2012 or email liz@stmatthiasparish.org

St. Matthias' Family Thanksgiving Dinner

Sunday, November 18 at 5:00 pm | Fr. Lacey Hall

The somewhat annual Thanksgiving Dinner will be held on Sunday, November 18 at 5:00 pm. If you are interested in joining the Planning Committee, please contact Maggie Wilde at wildemaggie235@gmail.com. Sign-ups for the event will be available after Oktoberfest but be sure to mark your calendars now to celebrate the holiday with old and new friends in our St. Matthias family.

The 177 Project National Adoration Tour

Saturday, October 27, 2018 at 6:45 pm | St. Pius Church

On the eve of Priesthood Sunday, St. Pius Church is hosting an evening of Adoration as part of The 177 Project National Adoration Tour, in collaboration with the Office of Youth Ministry and Young Adult Ministry of the Archdiocese. This is a FREE EVENT but we ask that you reserve tickets so that we have an idea of attendance for the night. You may reserve individual tickets or a block of tickets through: www.itickets.com/events/407477, and print out as you wish. Join us as we pray for all priests, healing in our Church, and an increase in vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life.

There will be opportunities to celebrate the sacrament of Reconciliation as well.

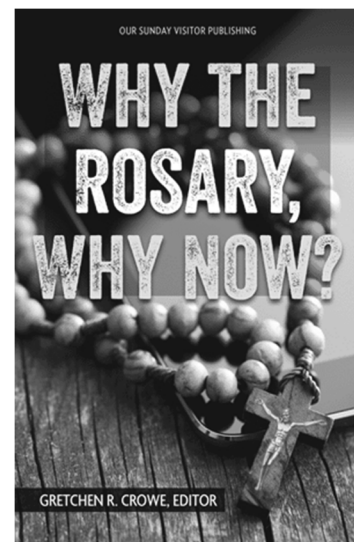
Why the Rosary, Why Now?

Begins Wednesday, November 7th at 7:00 pm | St. Matthias Upper Room

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 Nov 7, 14, 21, Dec 5, 12, 19 and Jan 9 and 16th to read about, discuss and pray the Rosary together. Purchase the book from the Pauline Book Center at 3250 Middlefield Road, Redwood City.

Each chapter seeks to answer the question, "Why the Rosary? Why Now?" and features material composed by men and women who experienced the power and many benefits of the Rosary in their own lifetimes.


Contact Sabrina at sabrina@stmatthiasparish.org with questions.



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This Week @ St. Matthias

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

<u>Sunday, Oct 28th</u> <i>30th Sunday in Ord. Time</i>	<u>Monday, Oct 29th</u> <i>Weekday</i>	<u>Tuesday, Oct 30th</u> <i>Weekday</i>	<u>Wednesday, Oct 31st</u> <i>Weekday</i>
8:00 am Sunday Mass 9:15 am Breaking Open the Word (MR) 9:15 am RCIA (Rectory) 10:30 am Sunday Mass SALT & FISH Meet 6:00 pm Archbishop Listening Session at IHM, Belmont	5:30 pm Daily Mass (Church)	5:30 pm Daily Mass (Church)	Halloween 3:15 pm Preschool Halloween Parade 5:30 pm Daily Mass (Church) 
		2nd Collection: St. Patrick's Seminary Collection Masses of Remembrance	
<u>Thursday, Nov 1st</u> <i>Feast of All Saints—Holy Day of Obligation</i>	<u>Friday, Nov 2nd</u> <i>All Souls Day</i>	<u>Saturday, Nov 3rd</u> <i>Weekday</i>	<u>Sunday, Nov 4th</u> <i>31st Sunday in Ord. Time</i>
7:00 pm Feast of All Saints Mass (Church)	9:00 am Rosary for Peace (MR)	5:00 pm Vigil Mass	8:00 am Sunday Mass 9:15 am Breaking Open the Word (MR) 9:15 am RCIA (Rectory) 10:30 am Sunday Mass SALT & FISH Meet 11:30 am GIFT Gathering



share the
warmth

*St. Vincent de Paul—
Share the Warmth Drive*

Special thanks to all of our generous parishioners for their donations of coats, blankets and socks. We collected 30 large bags of items. These will provide some comfort to the many homeless in Redwood City.

Share Your Sewing Talent with Catherine Center

Parishioners, Claire Felong and Angie Sullivan spent many Fridays from 3-5 pm at Catherine Center, a safe house in Menlo Park, sharing sewing skills with the women who live there. We are seeking another sewer or two to become part of our group as it is good for us to have a core of 4-5 so that 2-3 can always be there on a given Friday. All the women have been incarcerated at some point in their lives. All are recovering from addiction, all are happy to have this second chance to bring their lives together with concerted caring from counselors and therapists, spiritual directors and guidance from the community in areas including finance, health and beauty, nutrition and food prep among others. If interested, contact Claire Felong — Claire@redwoodhouse.com or 722-0366.