

ST. MATTHIAS CATHOLIC CHURCH

St. Matthias



Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 3-4, 2018



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First Reading — The Lord, the God of your fathers, will give you a land flowing with milk and honey (Deuteronomy 6:2-6).

Psalm — I love you, Lord, my strength (Psalm 18).

Second Reading — Jesus is always able to save those who approach God through him (Hebrews 7:23-28).

Gospel — To love God with all your heart and to love your neighbor as yourself is worth more than all burnt offerings and sacrifices (Mark 12:28b-34).

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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.

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

On October 28th, in the United States the Church celebrated “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. Last week we read John’s story and below is 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*

I was raised Episcopalian in Marin County, and then, after studying filmmaking at the School of Visual Arts in New York City, I became Presbyterian. My journey to the Catholic Church and discernment of priesthood began in earnest, in the winter of 2005, when I started participating in a homeless befriending ministry. Before dawn, on Tuesday mornings, I volunteered as an outreach worker. On the steps of Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church, I would encounter bundled figures huddled in cardboard boxes. Many of these men and women had been living on the streets for years and were afraid to sleep in city shelters. The church steps were their sanctuary. Even though I was not yet Catholic, I had an inspiration, “What would a priest do to help their situation?”

The men and women I served had tragic, multiple reasons for their homelessness. The reality of their pain was profound. I brought them hot coffee, learned their names and listened to their stories. I helped the church to coordinate with social service organizations to understand the specific needs of a person, so that a person could begin to recover their shattered life. We helped dozens of men and women get off the streets and into housing. Many times, after serving the homeless, I would go a Catholic church to pray. I was drawn to them because I experienced a deep sense of peace. As I reflect back on those experiences, I believe God was drawing me to the Eucharist, to prepare me for my conversion and mission. I came back to California in 2010 to study theology and ministry at the San Francisco Theological Seminary.

In 2012, I converted to Catholicism through R.C.I.A. at St. Monica’s Catholic Church in San Francisco. In my long journey of faith, I sought answers that led me to the truth and beauty of Catholicism. In 2014, I entered St. Patrick’s Seminary where I am currently studying to become a diocesan priest. It is a blessing to be here at Saint Pius Church, to have the opportunity to get to know you and learn from you the art and practice of priesthood.

Our Call to Family & Pastoral Care

Mass Intentions & Clergy Assignments

Saturday, November 3rd <i>Weekday</i>	5:00 pm	Blake Bottarini †	Fr. Edgardo
Sunday, November 4th <i>31st Sun. in Ordinary Time</i>	8:00 am	Dolores & Paul Falzon †	Fr. Ted
	10:30 am	People of St. Matthias	Fr. Ted
Monday, November 5th <i>Weekday</i>	5:30 pm	Anita K. Bon †	Fr. Tom
Tuesday, November 6th <i>Weekday</i>	5:30 pm	Josefina K. Bon †	Fr. Tom
Weds., November 7th <i>Weekday</i>	5:30 pm	Jose Campos †	Fr. Edgardo
Thursday, November 8th <i>Weekday</i>	5:30 pm	Tito and Baby Boy Ora †	Fr. Edgardo
Saturday, November 10th <i>St. Leo the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church</i>	5:00 pm	Laverne Barrett (Sp. Int)	Fr. Ted
Sunday, November 11th <i>32nd Sun. in Ordinary Time</i>	8:00 am	Don Vaillancourt †	Fr. Ted
	10:30 am	People of St. Matthias	Fr. Tom

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...

Chicco Adamo
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 \$45,593 or 68% of our assessment as of 10/31/2018.



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



Raffle Prize Winners:

- 1) Grand Prize \$1000—**Don Gazzano**
- 2) \$100 Roberts Market —**Chanell Roberts**
- 3) \$50 Key Market—**Sharon McQueen**
- 4) \$50 Vino Santo Restaurant—**Jim Donnelly**
- 5) Lunch at the Vans—**Suzanne Carlson**
- 6) Framed Artwork—**Sal & Robin Calcagno**
- 7) Original Artwork—**Jim & Marilyn Donnelly**
 - 8) \$35 Buck's—**Rich Laveroni**
 - 9) \$35 Buck's— **Fr. John Glogowski**
 - 10)\$25 Alana's—**Tom Ellerhorst**
 - 11)\$25 Fandango—**Rose Borrone**
 - 12)\$25 See's Candy—**Steve Rusconi**
 - 13)\$20 Sancho's—**Liz Vugrinecz**

14)\$20 Sancho's—**Charles Ponzio**

15)\$20 Sancho's—**Pat Beckett**

16)Free Oil Change—**Ed Cox**

17)Free Oil Change—**Phil Bertetta**

18)Canyon Inn Dinner for 4—**Charles Ponzio**

Silent Auction Winners:

Custom Pet Portrait—Rosemarie Grelli

Pet Basket—Jackie Keyser

A great big THANK YOU to everyone who worked to make our Kids' Carnival and Oktoberfest event a true St. Matthias family celebration! There are many, many people to thank. We had about 100 volunteers for the event between set-up on Friday and during the event on Saturday. We needed all the hands and creativity - from those who hauled tables and chairs, set up tents, organized the bar, decorated the Haunted House to those who grilled food, served food and drinks, made or served potato salad, baked, sold tickets, gathered raffle prizes, monitored the Bounce House, scared people in the Haunted House, sat with animals, painted pumpkins, picked up rings from the ring toss, and watched the pumpkin patch -- we are grateful!



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

NO SALT for Preschoolers and FISH for kindergarten—through 4th graders during 10:30 am Mass today

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

Friends Helping Neighbors Breakfast

Tuesday, November 6 at 8:30 am | Vallombrosa Retreat Center, Menlo Park

St. Anthony's Padua Dining Room is behind St. Anthony's Church on Middlefield Road, on the border of Atherton and Redwood City. Six days a week and every week of the year, we serve about 300 people. The people, young and old, sometimes homeless, often lonely come for a delicious hot lunch, welcoming smiles of staff and volunteers and the sense of being cared about in their own community. This is truly a remarkable service so close to home for many of us. We welcome your support. Your generous donation will keep our doors open. Contact Rosemary Enthoven at (650) 323-1254 to RSVP.

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.

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.

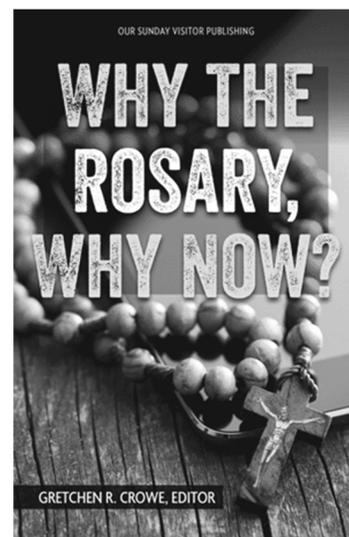
Each chapter seeks to answer the question, "Why the Rosary? Why Now?" and features material composed by men and women who experienced the power and many benefits of the Rosary in their own lifetimes.

Contact Sabrina at sabrina@stmatthiasparish.org with questions.

Rejoice! Advent Retreat

Saturday, December 1, 2018 from 1:00—4:30 pm | Fr. Lacey Hall

Our Advent Retreat this year will feature a special guest, Sam Kauffman. Sam will lead the retreat which is designed to help us to celebrate our preparation for Christmas, remembering the birth of Jesus with moving stories, inspirational songs and Scripture that focus on the themes of Advent: waiting, being ready, joy, light in the darkness and preparing a place in our hearts for Jesus to be reborn. Come start the Advent season with this wonderful journey and invite your friends to come along with you!



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This Week @ St. Matthias

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

2nd Collection: St. Patrick's Seminary Collection Masses of Remembrance			
<u>Sunday, Nov 4th</u> <i>31st Sunday in Ord. Time</i>	<u>Monday, Nov 5th</u> <i>Weekday</i>	<u>Tuesday, Nov 6th</u> <i>Weekday</i>	<u>Wednesday, Nov 7th</u> <i>Weekday</i>
8:00 am Sunday Mass 9:15 am RCIA (Rectory) 10:30 am Sunday Mass 11:30 am GIFT Gathering	5:30 pm Daily Mass (Church)	5:30 pm Daily Mass (Church)	5:30 pm Daily Mass (Church) 7:00 pm Why the Rosary, Why Now? Group (UR)
Welcome Weekend			
<u>Thursday, Nov 8th</u> <i>Weekday</i>	<u>Friday, Nov 9th</u> <i>The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica</i>	<u>Saturday, Nov 10th</u> <i>St. Leo the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church</i>	<u>Sunday, Nov 11th</u> <i>32nd Sunday in Ord. Time</i>
1:00 pm Staff Meeting 5:30 pm Daily Mass (Church)	9:00 am Rosary for Peace (MR) Preschool Closed—Staff In Service Day	11:00 am Baptism 5:00 pm Vigil Mass	8:00 am Sunday Mass 9:15 am RCIA (Rectory) 10:30 am Sunday Mass SALT & FISH Meet

St. Vincent de Paul—

Share the Warmth Drive Thank You!

Judy Caletti at the Redwood City Homeless Help Conference sent the following thank you note from the volunteers



and clients: *We recently sorted all the incredibly wonderful things that you sent to us for the homeless. There were so many new items and two bags of new socks, we were overwhelmed! We will not only have jackets for everyone we will have second layers and I put aside a lot of the new things for a Christmas giveaway. Thank you doesn't begin to cover it. God*

bless you all!"

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.