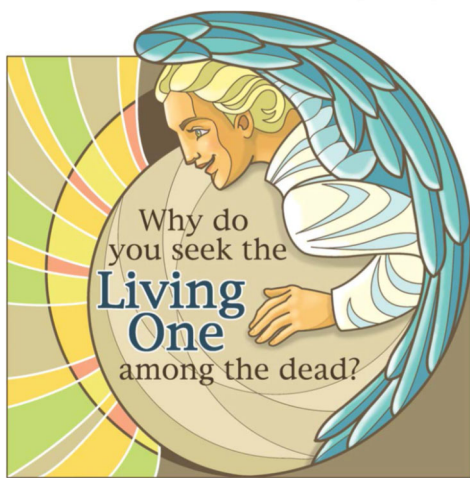


# ST. MATTHIAS CATHOLIC CHURCH

## St. Matthias



*Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord - April 20-21, 2019*



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**First Reading** — Peter is an eyewitness: The Lord is risen (Acts 10:34a, 37-43).

**Psalm** — This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad (Psalm 118).

**(1) Second Reading** — All who are baptized, set your hearts on heaven (Colossians 3:1-4) *or* **(2) Second Reading** — Christ our Pass-over is sacrificed; therefore let us celebrate (1 Corinthians 5:6b-8).

**Gospel** — Three witnesses, Mary, Peter, and John; each responds to the empty tomb (John 20:1-9) *or* Luke 24:1-12 (*or, at an afternoon or evening Mass, Luke 24:13-35*). The English translation of the Psalm Responses from *Lectionary for Mass* © 1989, 1981, 1997. International Commission on English in the Liturgy Corporation. All rights reserved.

*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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[www.sfarchdiocese.org](http://www.sfarchdiocese.org)

### 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,

“You know what has happened all over Judea, beginning in Galilee.” These words of Peter resound in our hearts as we have walked the reflective days of Lent...gathered for the sacred Triduum...and bear witness now to the resurrection of our Lord.

In his book Remember Jesus Christ, the Capuchin Father Rainero Cantalamessa echoes the words of Peter with this reflection: “Christ is more real than ever, and a creative new proclamation about him is urgent. We need to make people understand that believing in Jesus Christ is something extraordinary and marvelous and enriches life immensely. It opens up a new dimension within our being, and we never again feel alone at the core of our being and our soul. It throws open the door toward that infinite Light that John speaks of in his gospel. The extraordinary thing about the light of Christ is that, in its essence, it is supreme love.”

Soak in that profound reality: “The light of Christ is...in its essence...supreme love.” No one knew that better than Peter. We know that Peter was so close to our Lord. He loved him and counted on him. Yet, in a moment of weakness, when Jesus needed him most, Peter denied even knowing him.

Imagine how that must have made both men feel: the betrayer and the betrayed. How many times in our own lives have we been placed in these same roles. Does Jesus condemn Peter? Does he condemn us? No! Because he is supreme love, Jesus loves us even more deeply.

Peter...who has been through a harrowing experience, gets it: everything that Jesus spoke of and promised during this public ministry has come to fruition. Having faced his own cowardice and ambivalence about loyalty and love, Peter is now free to proclaim the Good News that Christ has indeed risen from the dead.

The Easter grace transforms us anew as human beings—to be more ardently configured to the person of Jesus Christ.

The late Jesuit Cardinal Carlo Maria Martini, in his book I Believe in Eternal Life encapsulates so beautifully the essence of the meaning of this Easter morning. He writes that “...eternity, the new and definitive life, has already entered my experience through the death and resurrection of Jesus. It is lived by me, here and now, in the indestructibility of the actions that I perform: of love, fidelity, pardon, friendship, honesty, responsible freedom, gestures in which I mysteriously surpass time reaching eternity in the measure in which I entrust myself to the life and eternity of the Crucified Risen One who has conquered death.”

Imagine that...eternity is not a dream deferred, but an invitation to enter into the Christian reality by trying to live as best we can the message of Peter in Acts: “This man God raised on the third day and granted that he be visible, not to all the people, but to us, the witnesses chosen by God in advance...” Because we have had a personal encounter with Jesus Christ through the sharing of the Eucharist, and because he forgives us time and time again, we are called...indeed invited...to be the face of Christ in the world.

How do we rise to this seemingly daunting challenge in our complex and dynamic society and culture? We can begin by recalling the words of Saint Paul to the Colossians: “Think of what is above, not of what is on earth.”

This does not suggest that we abandon our daily responsibilities and live in some fantasy zone. It is, rather, to emulate Jesus who was eminently “down to earth,” who met people in the rugged terrain of their lives and thus irrevocably changed and healed them.

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# Our Call to Family & Pastoral Care

## Mass Intentions & Clergy Assignments

<b>Saturday, April 20th</b> <i>Holy Saturday</i>	8:00 pm	<b>People of St. Matthias</b>	Fr. Ted
<b>Sunday, April 21st</b> <i>Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord</i>	8:00 am	<b>George &amp; Giselle Beyrouti †</b>	Fr. Ted
	10:30 am	<b>Bob, Tom, Jimmy &amp; Susie Bassett †</b>	Fr. Ted
<b>Monday, April 22nd</b> <i>Monday within the Octave of Easter</i>	<b>NO MASS—Offices Closed</b>		
<b>Weds., April 24th</b>	5:30 pm		Fr. Edgardo
<b>Saturday, April 27th</b> <i>Saturday within the Octave of Easter</i>	5:00 pm	<b>Joanne Masar †</b>	Fr. Tom
<b>Sunday, April 28th</b> <i>Second Sunday of Easter</i>	8:00 am	<b>Ross and Louella Jones †</b>	Fr. Edgardo
	10:30 am	<b>Joe Passanisi †</b>	Fr. Ted

He was accessible to them...approachable. Each of us can be the same...and when we are, we bring light to those who are burdened by the difficulties and obstacles of life. We develop the integrity to face our own shortcomings and failings...and therefore show compassion and forgiveness to others. We take stock of all that God has given to us...and magnanimously share that abundance with others.

We do not need to leave here today thinking this is beyond our capacity. If that were the case, why would God have sent flawed human beings to his tomb...profoundly human characters like Mary Magdalene and Peter? It is Peter, who loved yet betrayed his friend, who enters the tomb first. This is an expression of how God operates: with perfect love, never counting the cost of our own human weakness, transforming us anew again and again.

If we remain steadfast in our prayer, in our need for reconciliation, in our sincere desire to let go of our preoccupations and simply "come and see," we will be witnesses to the world that Christ Jesus is indeed alive.

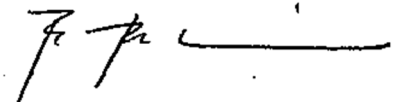
Pope Saint John Paul II spoke some words on the Boston Common in 1979 that reflect the joy but also the mission we share today. He said, "...the reason for my mission, for my journey...is to tell you, to tell everyone—young and old alike—to say to everyone in the name of Christ: 'Come and follow me!'" Follow Christ! You who are married: share your love and your burdens with each other; respect the human dignity of your spouse; accept joyfully the life that God gives through you; make your marriage stable and secure for your children's sake. Follow Christ! You who are single or who are preparing for marriage. Follow Christ! You who are young or old. Follow Christ! You who are sick and aging: who are suffering or in pain. You who feel the need for healing, the need for love, the need for a friend...follow Christ! To all of you—I extend—in the name of Christ—the call, the invitation, the plea: "Come and follow me." I call you to Christ—to call all of you to live in his love, today and forever! Amen!

*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  
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](mailto: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.

# 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 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 **\$228,076.25**

Monthly Need **\$26,666**

March Sunday Collections **\$21,777**

+ Electronic Donations **\$4,800**

**Total Offertory for March \$26,577**

**Difference (Monthly Need - Received) <\$89>**

## 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.

## 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 April 12, 2019 we have received 34% 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](http://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

St. Matthias'  
**MURDER  
MYSTERY**  
Dinner

5:30 PM

Saturday, May 11th  
\$75 PER PERSON  
LIMITED AVAILABILITY

## *Murder Mystery Dinner & Silent Auction*

May 11 | St. Matthias—Fr. Lacey Hall

Our Murder Mystery Dinner and Silent Auction is a 1950s themed whodunit mystery featuring performances by our talented musicians and youth. Enjoy a gourmet dinner in Fr. Lacey Hall with silent auction and beer and wine available for purchase. The mystery will take place in the Rectory.

Tickets are \$75 per person and are available via Eventbrite <http://www.stmatthiasparish.org/support-us/murder-mystery/>

Limited to 100 tickets so buy yours early. All proceeds after expenses support the programming

and events provided by St. Matthias.

Do you have 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.

## *Let the Good Times Roll!*

April 23rd |  
Lunch from  
11:00 am—  
2:00 pm or  
Dinner 5:00  
pm—8:30 pm  
or Take Out!



CreoLa Bistro, 344 El Camino Real, San Carlos

As part of our new fundraising strategy for the parish, we are organizing a restaurant fundraiser each month. Many of you have participated in the first two; California Pizza Kitchen in February, and Canyon Inn in March, and we are grateful!

Our next opportunity will be this Tuesday, April 23rd at local favorite, CreoLa Bistro in San Carlos. They are open from 11 am -2 pm for lunch and from 5—8:30 pm for dinner—or order take out. Mention St. Matthias or give your server one of our flyers (from the pews) and 20% of your purchase will be donated to St. Matthias. Our goal is to have 100 parishioners and friends participate. To RSVP and let us know you are planning to go, visit this link: <https://www.groupraise.com/events/94715>

## *Earth Day Clean Up*

Saturday, April 27th from 9:00 am—2:00 pm | St. Matthias

Join Sabrina, Laura Granucci and St. Matthias Youth for a St. Matthias Clean Up day. Email [Sabrina@stmatthiasparish.org](mailto:Sabrina@stmatthiasparish.org) for more info.

# Our Call to Prayer & Worship

SALT (Preschool) and FISH (K-4th) will NOT meet Sunday during 10:30 am Mass.

## *Congratulations to the Newest Members of our Catholic Faith!*

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is a process designed to guide, form and support those adults seeking full initiation into the Church through the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist.

This weekend at the Easter Vigil Mass on Saturday, our four candidates are receiving sacraments. Each has a sponsor who happens to be their husband. You have been praying for them throughout their journey, but in a special way during these last weeks as they make their final preparations and retreat.

<u>Candidates</u>	<u>Sacraments</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>
<b>Jessica Sanchez</b>	Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist	Frank Sanchez
<b>Kathy Sweeney</b>	Confirmation, Eucharist	Edward Sweeney
<b>Jessica Talavera</b>	Confirmation, Eucharist	Ben Talavera
<b>Lisa Cox</b>	Confirmation	Ed Cox

These individuals met weekly to learn about our Catholic beliefs, our sacraments and deepen their faith in our loving Savior, Jesus Christ. On the First Sunday of Lent we celebrated the "Rite of Sending." All those present were asked to pray for them as they continued their journey. Later in the day, the candidates and their sponsors gathered at St. Mary's Cathedral for the Rite of Election of all catechumens and candidates throughout the Archdiocese.

These rites of "sending" and "election" reflect the early days of the Church when local Church communities prepared, supported and celebrated the initiation of new members into God's Church. The Easter Vigil is a celebration of welcoming our new members into full communion with God's Church. We appreciate those who served on our RCIA Team who have supported our candidates throughout the year: Sandy Hobart, Kate Severin and Liz Vugrinecz.

Congratulations to the candidates, their husbands and their entire families. We ask all members of the St.

Matthias Catholic Community to keep our RCIA team in your prayers as they journey toward the Easter Vigil celebration and beyond.

Deacon Rich  
Deacon David

## *First Holy Communion*

Sunday, April 28th @ 10:30 am Mass | St. Matthias

Next weekend, seven children will receive their first Holy Communion with their families at the 10:30 am Sunday Mass. Since February, these families have been praying and studying to gain a more fuller understanding of Jesus in the Eucharist. As they continue through the final stages of their preparatory journey, keep them in prayer. Our First Communicants are: **Zoya Klein, Justin Hoppe, Alessandra Atalik, Elizabeth Madden, Taylor and Cody Cox** and **Nathan Brouchoud**. Please join us for a reception with cake, coffee and juice following the 10:30 am Mass next Sunday, April 28th.

## *CRS Rice Bowl: Encounter Lent*

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

Encounter the Risen Christ  
We prayed, fasted and gave alms—and now we celebrate Easter joy! Our Lenten journey with CRS Rice Bowl challenges us as we encounter our Risen Lord to bring the hope of Resurrection to a world in need. Don't forget to turn in your CRS Rice Bowl at the back of Church, April 27-28th. Look for the giant RICE BOWL and deposit yours there!



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# This Week @ St. Matthias

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

<u>Offices Closed</u>			
<u>Easter Sunday, April 21st</u>	<u>Monday, April 22nd</u>	<u>Tuesday, April 23rd</u>	<u>Wednesday, April 24th</u>
8:00 am Sunday Mass 10:30 am Sunday Mass <b><u>Easter Egg Hunt after 10:30 am Mass</u></b>	NO DAILY MASS	Fundraiser, Creola Bistro, San Carlos ( <i>see pg. 5 for details</i> ) 7:00 pm Murder Mystery Team Meeting (DR)	5:30 pm Daily Mass (Church) 7:00 pm Follow Christ (DR) 7:00 pm First Communion Rehearsal (Church)
<b>2nd Collection: Catholic Home Missions</b>			
<u>Thursday, April 25th</u>	<u>Friday, April 26th</u>	<u>Saturday, April 27th</u>	<u>Sunday, April 28th</u>
6:00 pm Middle School Youth Ministry (Hall)	9:15 am Rosary for Peace (MR)	9:00 am Earth Day Clean Up ( <i>see pg. 5 for details</i> ) 5:00 pm Vigil Mass (Church)	8:00 am Sunday Mass 9:15 am RCIA (Rectory) 10:30 am Sunday Mass / First Holy Communion and Reception 2:00 pm Baptism

## *Bible Study: Encountering Jesus in the Gospel of John with Deacon Rich*

Beginning Monday, April 29 through June 17 from 7:00—8:30 pm | Fr. Lacey Hall, St. Matthias Church

The Gospel of John or the Fourth Gospel is different from the other three gospels, called Synoptic Gospels. Matthew, Mark and Luke present narrative stories and descriptions of the life, death and resurrection of Jesus.

In the latter part of the 20th century, the Church established the three-year cycle of Scripture readings at Sunday Mass using the Gospels of Matthew (A), Mark (B) and cycle C for Luke. The readings from the Gospel of John are proclaimed during Lent and Easter time.

In the Gospel of John, Jesus is not just a moral teacher or spiritual guide. When we encounter Jesus in this gospel, we encounter the face of God. The humanity and divinity of Jesus is revealed through meaningful text and, at times, poetic passages. Many of the central doctrines of the Church are based on this gospel.

This seven session series will examine Jesus as he is revealed in the four parts of this book of the Bible through presentations, discussions and analysis. The four parts include: The Prologue, The

Book of Signs, The Book of Glory and the Resurrection Epilogue. Handouts will be provided.

Please bring your Bible, notepad and pen. The preferred Catholic Bibles are *New Revised Standard Version* and *The New American Bible*. Bibles are available for use in the Hall.

If you have any questions, please contact Deacon Rich rich@stmatthiasparish.org

## *A Sunday Only Retreat for Mothers with Mary Abinante*

Sunday, April 28th from 9:00 am—3:00 pm | Val-lombrosa Retreat Center, 250 Oak Grove, Menlo Park | \$49 per person | Call 650-325-5614

This day is for mothers of all ages and in all stages of life. Motherhood is a special calling. We'll reflect on how God blesses, sustains and consoles us as we live our unique vocation.

Light snacks and coffee in the morning. Lunch is included and Eucharist will be celebrated. Seating is limited.

Mary da Silva Abinante has worked in parish, retreat, and high school ministries in California and Northwest for over 30 years. She recently retired from the Adult Spirituality Team at St. Ignatius College Prep in San Francisco.