

ST. MATTHIAS CATHOLIC CHURCH

St. Matthias



Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - June 29-30, 2019



First Reading -- Elisha left and followed Elijah as his attendant (1 Kings 19:16b, 19-21).

Psalm -- You are my inheritance, O Lord (Psalm 16).

Second Reading -- Beware that you are not consumed by one another (Galatians 5:1, 13-18).

Gospel -- Go and proclaim the kingdom of God (Luke 9:51-62).

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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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Archdiocese of San Francisco
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,

Today's readings speak to us about the nature of discipleship and its inherent cost. The summons of Elisha to succeed the prophet Elijah reflects two significant aspects of the call to discipleship. Elisha is tending the flock in a rather ordinary, routine way. Indeed, God calls each us to service within the context of our experience and circumstances. Another important aspect of the Lord summoning us to service is the preconditions we often place on that call. Elisha when called by Elijah tells him that he first has to say goodbye to his parents—and then and only then—is he free to answer the prophetic call to follow Elijah. It is a natural part of our human condition to say our “goodbyes” and to make sure that our affairs are in order before embarking on a move or change. Yet, the response of Elijah in the Book of Kings and Jesus in Luke's Gospel is essentially the same: surrender yourself and follow the Lord. There is often the desire to listen to and follow what the Lord is inviting us to enter into but also the congruent conditions we place on that desire.

In Luke's Gospel, Jesus invites a disciple to come and follow him. The man clearly wants to be a companion of Jesus but also understands he has family obligations and responsibilities he has to meet. “Lord, let me go first and bury my father.” The response of Jesus can seem rather cold: “Let the dead bury their dead.” In its proper perspective, the response of Jesus points to a level of freedom and detachment. Yes, there will always be things that need to get done. However, if the Lord is calling us to service we have to trust in that call, surrender ourselves, let go and submit generously and with freedom to God's will for us.

The call to mission, given to us by Baptism, compels us to “go and proclaim the kingdom of God.” We cannot proclaim the good news of salvation if we are tethered or bogged down by too many worldly distractions or limitations. Saint Paul knew this reality in a very profound way. Once imprisoned himself by the preoccupations of vanity, power and pride, he was set free from slavery by a conversion of heart. That conversion allowed him to hear the voice of Christ calling him to a more excellent way... a way of freedom rooted in love. Paul spoke with authority and credibility when he exhorted the Galatians when he instructed them: ...”you were called for freedom, brothers and sisters. But do not use this freedom as an opportunity for the flesh; rather, serve one another through love.” Thus, freedom in the Christian context draws us away from a disposition of selfishness and self-absorption towards rendering service to others. It also enables us, through much grace and the Holy Spirit, to a level of detachment that frees us to serve the Kingdom.

Luke's Gospel describes Jesus's response to two followers who ask to defer their service for noble and righteous reasons. Yet, Jesus does challenge them. The second man says, “I will follow you, Lord, but first let me say farewell to my family at home.” Jesus responds, “No one who sets a hand to the plow and looks to what was left behind is fit for the kingdom of God.” This is a very difficult proposition for us to accept, yet it is essential to living in spiritual freedom. May we, through prayer and the nourishment of the Eucharist, seek to let go and allow the Lord to work most fully through our lives of generosity, service, forgiveness, and love.

Our Call to Family & Pastoral Care

Mass Intentions & Clergy Assignments

Saturday, June 29th <i>Sts. Peter & Paul, Apostles</i>	5:00 pm	Hans Krissmayer †	Fr. Ted
Sunday, June 30th <i>Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	8:00 am	People of St. Matthias	Fr. Edgardo
	10:30 am		Fr. Ted
Monday, July 1 <i>Weekday</i>	5:30 pm	Deceased Family & Friends of Cading Tanio †	
Weds., July 3 <i>Weekday</i>	5:30 pm	Marge Bartlemus (Special Intention)	
Saturday, July 6 <i>Weekday</i>	5:00 pm	Joyce Morger †	Fr. Dave
Sunday, July 7 <i>Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	8:00 am	People of St. Matthias	Fr. Dave
	10:30 am	Marge Bartlemus (Special Intention)	Fr. Dave

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.



#KeepTheSeal

The Bishops of California are urging Catholics to oppose SB 360, a California bill that seeks to force priests to disclose information heard in the sacrament of confession. We know that can never happen. Priests will never disclose what they hear in confession. We are asking all Catholics to tell your state Assembly member that we oppose the government interfering in our right to practice our faith. You are asked to sign a letter opposing SB 360 unless it is amended. Sign a

We pray for the sick in our community...

Adelaide Sciandri

Will Richardson

Shirley Roybal

Georgia Graf

Gerard Kaz

Pamela Foley

Andres Gutierrez

Marian Deglientoni

Rose & Richard Marino

Erin Magee

Barbara Hollenkamp

...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.

letter opposing SB360 at our webpage, sfarch.org/keeptheseal.

**PROTECTING
GOD'S
CHILDREN**

If you believe you are a victim of sexual abuse, please call our hotline at (415) 614-5506.

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	\$283,791.25
Monthly Need	\$26,666
May Sunday Collections	\$18,146
+ Electronic Donations	\$5,005
Total Offertory for May	\$23,151
Difference (Monthly Need - Received)	<-\$3,515>

Online Giving

Online giving is *safe, secure and easy*. Visit our website at stmatthiasparish.org and click on "Support Us" then "Online Donation" to sign up.

Thank you to those who have recently made the switch! A monthly online donation saves on paperwork and transaction fees.

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 May 20, 2019 we have received 37% of our assessment. Thank you for supporting the work of the parish and the Archdiocese. We will continue to update you on our progress.

Second Collection for St. Vincent de Paul



Our local St. Matthias Conference of St. Vincent de Paul volunteers deliver food to needy families on a weekly basis. They also provide vouchers for furniture and other household items for the thrift store located across El Camino from Target. Your generous donations help them to continue this valuable outreach to the most vulnerable members of our community.



**CREATING A
CULTURE OF
GENEROSITY**

Our Call to Build Community

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 SEPTEMBER 14
 9AM - 9PM
 SIX FLAGS
 DISCOVERY KINGDOM
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TICKETS & INFO AT WWW.ONFIRENORCAL.COM  @ONFIRENORCAL  @NORCALCATHOLICYOUTH

Thank you to all who attended Liz's Retirement Party! Here are some photos:



Deacon Rich, Fr. Ted and Fr. Craig—Steve McCreddin, Fr. Craig



Liz's mother, Anna and husband, Patric



Bob Allen & John Lessar



Laurie Coulter & Arlene Furter



Betty Casey & Liz cut the cake!



Liz and her cake!

Happy Retirement!

High School Youth—

Mark Your Calendars for OnFire!

Saturday, September 14th from 9 am—9 pm | Six Flags, Vallejo

Join youth from St. Matthias & St. Charles for this all-day event which gathers youth from parishes and schools all over northern California and Nevada! The day features music, Mass, rides, speakers, all you can eat lunch, friends and inspiration. For more information and to purchase tickets visit: <http://onfirenorcal.com>.

Please RSVP to reserve your space on the bus to Sabrina Harper sabrina@stmatthiasparish.org. Adults are welcome to join us and serve as chaperones.

Our Call to Prayer & Worship

FISH and SALT are on hiatus during the summer months and will resume in September.

Fundraising Meeting

Monday, July 8 —7:00 pm | Fr. Lacey Hall

If you are interested in helping St. Matthias' fundraising efforts—please join us! We are inviting all those who have worked on Oktoberfest over the years, but also new folks who can share new ideas and perspectives. We are interested in changing up the event and doing something different. Oktoberfest has been our one, major fundraiser for the last 12 or so years and it's time for a change! We'll also be sharing an update on our Murder Mystery event! For more information contact sabrina@stmatthiasparish.org

Letter to a Suffering Church: A Bishop Speaks on the Sexual Abuse Crisis

Wednesday, July 31—7:00 pm | Fr. Lacey Hall

Bishop Robert Barron's recent book, "Letter to a Suffering Church: A Bishop Speaks on the Sexual Abuse Crisis" was written to all who are heartbroken about the sexual abuse scandals which have unsettled, hurt and angered many of us in the Church. In the preface of the book, Bishop Barron says, "I am not speaking in the name of my brother bishops, or of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, or of the Vatican. I have no authority whatsoever to do so. I am speaking in my own name, as a Catholic, a priest, and a bishop."

If you are interested in what Bishop Barron's message is to us, please join Sabrina for the Book Club. Copies of the book will be provided. Meeting dates are: July 31, Aug 7, 14, 2, 28 and Sept 4.

Beating Back the Gates of Hell: How a Weak Church Strengthens Saints and Sinners Alike

Friday, July 26, 6:30 pm through Sunday, July 28, 11:00 am | Vallombrosa Retreat Center, Menlo Park (650) 325-5614

Are you discouraged and heartbroken about the scandals rocking our Church? Find out how a weak Church strengthens Saints and Sinners with a 3 day retreat at the peaceful Vallombrosa Retreat Center. Bishop Robert Christian, Rector of St. Patrick's Seminary and Auxiliary Bishop of San Francisco will confront the realities of sin in the Church and show how we can still live Jesus's victory today. Full weekend rates and commuter rates at vallombrosa.org/calendar.

Together in Holiness Marriage Enrichment Conference

Saturday, August 3, 2019 from 9:00 am—4:00 pm | Church of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, Belmont

The St. John Paul II Foundation presents the fourth annual Together in Holiness marriage enrichment conference, in collaboration with the Archdiocese of San Francisco Office of Marriage and Family Life. This one-day event includes dynamic presentations, Mass celebrated by Most Rev. Robert E. Christian, O.P., Eucharistic Adoration and the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Pre-registration required. \$59 per couple or \$35 per individual. Visit togetherinholiness.org

Keeping Kids Catholic: Faith Formation Day for Parents and Catechists

Saturday, August 24 from 9:00 am—4:00 pm | St. Denis Church

Sabrina Harper and other Parish Catechetical Leaders from So. San Mateo County are pleased to present a one-day seminar for parents and catechists. Sessions will be presented about the importance of parents as primary catechists, a study of disaffiliation in young Catholics, Ten Ways to Help Children Participate in Mass, Four Things that Parents Can Do to Keep Kids Catholic, Catholic Social Teaching and Its Application in Today's World, and Developing Personal Prayer Habits. RSVP by August 1st to Lucy Soltau lsoltau@stdenisparish.org.

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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>2nd Collection:</u> <u>St. Vincent de Paul</u>	<u>Preschool Closed July 1-5th</u>		
<u>Sunday, June 30th</u>	<u>Monday, July 1st</u>	<u>Tuesday, July 2nd</u>	<u>Wednesday, July 3rd</u>
8:00 am Sunday Mass 10:30 am Sunday Mass	5:30 pm Daily Mass (Church)		5:30 pm Daily Mass (Church)
Happy Fourth of July!	Welcome Fr. Dave Giorso!		
<u>Thursday, July 4th</u>	<u>Friday, July 5th</u>	<u>Saturday, July 6th</u>	<u>Sunday, July 7th</u>
Parish Offices Closed	9:15 am Rosary for Peace (MR)	5:00 pm Vigil Mass (Church)	8:00 am Sunday Mass 10:30 am Sunday Mass

Opportunity to Support St. Matthias

Thank you to all who attended or supported our Murder on a Movie Set Murder Mystery Dinner and Silent Auction. The net profit for the event was \$9,400! The committee is well pleased at that outcome! Below are two silent auction items that did not receive any bids at the Murder Mystery event. If you are interested in either of these items, they can be yours for the "buy now" price listed below! Please contact Lisa Bamford to claim your item!

#153 Broadway by the Bay Theatre Arts Academy

Get your kids involved in theater! \$100 Gift certificate which is applicable to any summer session for the Theatre Arts Academy Value \$100.00 **Buy Now: \$25**

#303: Fiamma Donna Essentials

A gift certificate for a DoTerra AromaTouch Massage, 30 minute natural health consultation and a free iTOVi scan. Value: \$250.00 **Buy Now: \$50**

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.



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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

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