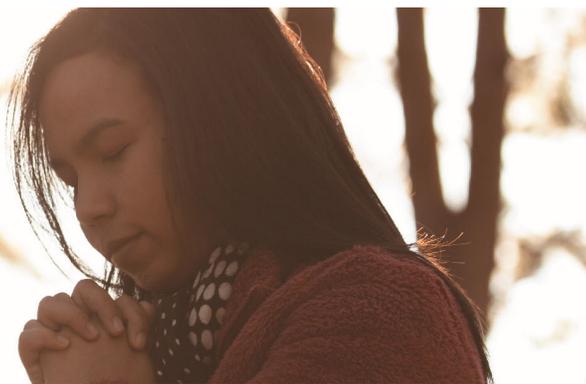


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Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



St. Matthias

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Sacraments

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
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First Communion and Confirmation

Email Sabrina Harper for information.

Baptism

Email Deacon Rich Foley for information.

Marriage

Email Deacon Rich Foley for information.

**See the Staff Directory Inside the
Cover for Contact Information.**

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. Located in the Upper Rm of Lacey Hall.

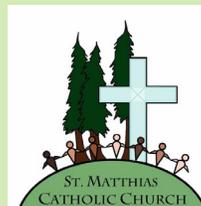
**Ask and you will receive; seek and you will find;
knock and the door will be opened to you.**

LUKE 11:9

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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 Staff Directory

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Our Call to Catechesis

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.

St. Matthias Faith Formation & Youth Ministry Programs

Registration Begins in August | Email Sabrina@stmatthiasparish.org for information.

All families with school-aged children are welcome to participate in our many faith formation and youth ministry programs including GIFT (Generations in Faith Together), Youth Ministry for Middle School and High School youth, and Sacramental Preparation programs for reconciliation, first Holy Communion and Confirmation.

Our GIFT (Generations in Faith Together) program, is our primary form of faith formation for the entire parish community. This intergenerational approach features gatherings that include children, teens and their parents as well as adults without children. Our gatherings are held on the first Sunday of each month from 11:30-1:30 pm and will resume October 6th.

Registration for our faith formation programs for families, children and teens begins in August. If you have previously attended our programs, look for an email to re-register for the coming year. If you are new to our programs – please email Sabrina to express interest or ask questions.

Women's Catholic Scripture Study

Thursdays, Sept 12—May 7 from 9:45 am—12 noon | St. Mark Catholic Church

The Women's Catholic Scripture Study of San Mateo County invites you to join us for our 2019-20 study, Participants prepare by reading the Bible passages and the lesson pages. Writing responses to the questions is optional. For more info, please visit our website, www.cssbelmont.com. To receive an application to join us, please contact Diane Masetti at diane@cssbelmont.com or (650) 593-2681.

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 call the parish office at (650) 366-9544.



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.



PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN

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

Mass Intentions & Clergy Assignments

Saturday, July 27 <i>Weekday</i>	5:00 pm	Kevin Nelson ✝	Fr. Dave
Sunday, July 28 <i>Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	8:00 am 10:30 am	Rose & Richard Marino	Fr. Dave Fr. Dave
Monday, July 29 <i>St. Martha</i>	5:30 pm		
Weds., July 31 <i>St. Ignatius of Loyola</i>	5:30 pm	Marge Bartlemus	
Saturday, Aug 3 <i>Weekday</i>	5:00 pm	People of St. Matthias	Fr. Samuel
Sunday, Aug 4 <i>Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	8:00 am 10:30 am	Anniversary Alan & Sabrina Harper	Fr. Samuel Fr. Samuel

Change to Daily Mass Schedule

Beginning Tuesday, August 6th, our Daily Mass schedule will change from 5:30pm on Mondays and Wednesdays to 5:30pm on Tuesdays and Thursdays. This new schedule better accommodates the availability of Fr. Dave and Fr. Samuel, and spreads our masses out more evenly across the week. We hope you will find this to be a convenient adjustment.

Member Notes...

Adelaide Sciandri, a regular 10:30 am Mass attendee, is now home from The V. She had fallen and broken her ankle and was receiving rehab and physical therapy. She wishes to share her sincere gratitude to all who visited, sent cards or flowers and prayed for her during her recovery. Adelaide will pray for all the wonderful people who remembered her and she wishes good health to each of you. "Bless all the people of St. Matthias." - Adelaide

We pray for those who are ill in our community...

Alan Alaimo
Roxanna Bulger
Barbara Hollenkamp
Adelaide Sciandri
Will Richardson
Shirley Roybal
Gerard Kaz
Pamela Foley
Andres Gutierrez
Peggy Perez
Marian Deglientoni
Rose & Richard Marino
Erin Magee
Marge Bartlemus

...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.

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
Year-To-Date Received	\$310,275.75
Monthly Need	\$26,666
June Sunday Collections	\$22,004.50
+ Electronic Donations	\$4,480
Total Offertory for June	\$26,484
Difference (Monthly Need - Received)	<-\$182>



**CREATING A
CULTURE OF
GENEROSITY**

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 July 1, 2019 we have received 44% of our assessment. Thank you for supporting the work of the parish and the Archdiocese. We will continue to update you on our progress.

Dining Out for St. Matthias



On Wednesday, July 31st, mention St. Matthias when you place an order at Canyon Inn and 20% of your check will be donated back to the parish. This offer is good all day for eat-in orders only. Come and enjoy the side patio! Canyon Inn is located at 587 Canyon Rd. in Redwood City.

ASKING FOR HELP

The Beatitudes praise the poor in spirit. One characteristic of those who are poor in spirit is their ability to ask for help; they know when others can provide what they lack. Today's readings encourage us to practice poverty in spirit by asking God for what we need. What could be more natural than to ask God for good things? God is, after all, the inventor of goodness and the giver of all good things.

Asking God for help puts us in conversation with God. These conversations take many forms. The reading from Genesis shows Abraham bantering with God like a skilled negotiator, while Saint Paul's letter to the Colossians praises God for answering us even when we don't deserve it. In Saint Luke's Gospel, Jesus not only gives us words to use in our conversations with God (the Our Father), but also promises that God always listens to our prayers. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

Family Outdoor Game Night

Mark your calendars! Saturday, October 26, 2019

On Monday, July 8th, a group of parishioners met with Deacon Rich and Sabrina to debrief about our Murder Mystery fundraiser and to begin planning our next fundraising event.

The good news is that we exceeded our overall fundraising goal for the fiscal year which just ended June 30th. Our goal was \$15,000. We raised \$26,453 which included proceeds from Oktoberfest, the monthly restaurant fundraisers and the Murder Mystery event. Thank you to everyone who has supported these efforts!

We have a working title for the October event, "Family Outdoor Game Night" and some ideas for the featured events and activities. While we have volunteers ready to work on coordinating aspects of the event, we need a coordinator. The Coordinator's role is to convene meetings, gather reports from the volunteers and serve as point person for decision making. Deacon Rich and Sabrina actively support the Coordinator in their role. If you are interested in serving as the Coordinator for this event, please contact Sabrina for more information.

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, Eucharistic Adoration and the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Speakers include the "Dynamic Deacon," Deacon Harold-Burke Sivers, Rev. Michael Hurley, O.P.; and Roland Millare, S.T.D. Onsite child care is available (2-12 yrs), pre-registration required. \$59 per couple or \$35 per individual. Visit togetherinholiness.org or email Conference Coordinator Susie Lopez at Susie@forlifeandfamily.org.

Marriage Encounter

Aug 9-11 or Nov 8-10th | By offering Married Couples the beautiful experience of a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend, the Catholic Church is affirming and supporting you in your chosen vocation — marriage. Take advantage of this great gift to enhance your relationship and enjoy a love-filled weekend away together. The next Marriage Encounter Weekends include: Aug 9-11, 2019 in San Francisco and Nov 8-10, 2019 in Menlo Park. For more information and/or to register to attend, visit our website sanjosewwme.org or contact Ken & Claranne at applications@sanjosewwme.org or 408-782-1413.

Mass for LGBTQ and Allies

August 18 @ 7:30 pm | San Damiano Retreat Center, Danville

All are welcome to evening Mass at 7:30 pm in the San Damiano Chapel located at 710 Highland Dr, Danville, CA 94526. Fr. Rusty Shaughnessy will be presiding. Why not make a day of it? Prior to Mass, enjoy the sounds of the Industrial Bluegrass Band at 3:00 pm followed by pasta dinner at 4:30 pm.

"You Are Wonderfully Made: Welcome and Respect for Transgender Individuals and Their Families"

November 8-10 | San Damiano Retreat Center, Danville

Presenter Deacon Ray Dever serves pastorally at St. Paul Parish, Tampa, Florida. In a *US Catholic* article, he writes on his experience as both a Catholic deacon and a proud dad to a transgender daughter. The retreat will provide a safe and inclusive environment to reflect on the experience of being transgender or having a loved one who is transgender.

Senior Luncheon @ St. Charles

Wednesday, August 7 @ 12:00 pm |
Borromeo Hall, St. Charles, 880 Tamarack
The Senior Luncheon is an ongoing event which takes place in Borromeo Hall at St. Charles Parish on the first Wednesday of each month. You are invited to join us for our 100th Senior Luncheon on August 7th at 12 noon. The doors open at 11:45 am. Come meet new friends and enjoy a delicious meal prepared by the "BBQ King" aka, Fr. Dave! Please RSVP to Kathy Fagliano (650) 591-7249 ext. 402 or email her at kfagliano@stcharlesparish.org by noon on Monday, August 5th, as we need to shop. We hope to see you there!

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 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." Bishop Barron seeks to share his reflections which he hopes will encourage Catholics who are attempting to navigate these very choppy waters.

If you are interested in Bishop Barron's message, 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 at 7:00 pm in Fr. Lacey Hall.

Christ Life Evangelization

The ChristLife evangelization process is a proven method of igniting the new evangelization by providing a relational context to begin to make missionary disciples at the parish level. ChristLife helps parishes make missionary disciples by helping people discover Jesus Christ personally, follow Him in their daily lives as Catholic disciples, and share Him with others.

ChristLife is designed to be repeated and become the "core curriculum" for evangelizing and forming adults as missionary disciples. Once a person discovers Jesus, begins to follow Him, and learns to share Him, they want to invite more people on a life-changing adventure with Jesus Christ!

There are three essential steps: Discovering, Following, and Sharing. A group at St. Matthias is currently in the Sharing Christ module.

If you are interested in participating in this life-changing, spiritually enriching process, the series will begin again in September. Contact Sabrina for more information.

Introducing Pamela Mancía, St. Matthias' Preschool Director



I am thrilled to have the opportunity to serve as your new Preschool Director. The first time I visited the school I could tell that it was a special place, and I wanted to become a part of the St. Matthias Preschool Learning community.

I can assure you that early childhood education (ECE) is my passion, and that I believe in the importance of providing high-quality ECE programs. I have 75 ECE units as well as a Master's degree in Early Childhood Education from SFSU, and have been serving preschool families since 2009.

I will close by sharing that I was raised in Redwood City and find this community very near and dear to my heart.—Pamela Mancía

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<u>Sunday, July 28th</u>	<u>Monday, July 29th</u>	<u>Tuesday, July 30th</u>	<u>Wednesday, July 31st</u>
8:00 am Sunday Mass 10:30 am Sunday Mass donuts following 10:30 am Mass	5:30 pm Daily Mass (Church)		5:30 pm Daily Mass (Church) 7:00 pm Book Club “Letter to a Suffering Church (Hall)
<u>Thursday, Aug 1st</u>	<u>Friday, Aug 2nd</u>	<u>Saturday, Aug 3rd</u>	<u>Sunday, Aug 4th</u>
	9:15 am Rosary for Peace (MR)	10:00 am Sharing Christ Retreat (Rectory) 11:00 am Daines Baptism 5:00 pm Vigil Mass	8:00 am Sunday Mass 10:30 am Sunday Mass

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

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

The pilgrim experience of going by foot to Santiago de Compostella, the shrine of St. James, reached its high point this week at the feast of the Apostle, with tens of thousands of pilgrims on the road. Typically, they cover twelve to twenty miles a day through rough territory. The difficult journey and the often primitive lodging facilities are made bearable by the joy of the pilgrims, their songs and prayers. When their journey is documented properly, they receive the scallop shell, a reminder not only of James the fisherman, but also his call to fish for human beings and to baptize the nations. In the Middle Ages, those who wore this badge on their hats were granted lodging and hospitality wherever they went. Next to the palm, the sign of a Jerusalem pilgrim, the scallop shell was most highly prized.

In the Middle Ages, some people so enjoyed the pilgrim road, although it was filled with discomfort and danger, that they spent most of their lives on the road. Today, some people take up the route for exercise, but are drawn gradually into the spirituality of the journey. As you make your summer travels, always fold in an element of pilgrimage: a long walk through beautiful countryside, a visit to a church, a prayer of gratitude for your journey through life’s hills and valleys.

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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.



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).

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