

Be like servants
who await their master's return
from a wedding.

LUKE 12:35

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

AUGUST 11, 2019

St. Matthias

ST. MATTHIAS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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St. Matthias Mass Schedule

Tuesday & Thursday	5:30 pm
Saturday	5:00 pm
Sunday	8:00 am & 10:30 am

St. Charles Mass Schedule

Monday—Saturday	8:30 am
Fridays	6:30 am
Saturday	5:00 pm
Sunday	8:30 am, 11:00 am & 5:00 pm

Sacraments

Reconciliation

Saturday 3:45 pm or by
appointment

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.**

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.



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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 for August 10-18th

Saturday, Aug 10 <i>St. Lawrence, Martyr</i>	5:00 pm	
Sunday, Aug 11 <i>Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	8:00 am 10:30 am	People of St. Matthias
Tuesday, Aug 13 <i>Satins Pontian, Pope and Hippolytus, Priest and Martyrs</i>	5:30 pm	
Thursday, Aug 15 <i>Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i>	5:30 pm	
Saturday, Aug 17 <i>St. Lawrence, Martyr</i>	5:00 pm	
Sunday, Aug 18 <i>Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	8:00 am 10:30 am	People of St. Matthias

Holy Day of Obligation

Thursday, August 15th is the **Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary** into Heaven.

St. Matthias will celebrate this feast day at our 5:30 pm Mass. St. Charles will celebrate with a 7:00 pm Mass.

Father in heaven, all creation rightly gives you praise, for all life and all holiness come from you.

In the plan of your wisdom she who bore the Christ in her womb was raised body and soul in glory to be with him in heaven.

May we follow her example in reflecting your holiness and join in her hymn of endless love and praise.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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

Jim Donnelly
Sarah Rose Hove
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.

Our Call to Family & Pastoral Care

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 August 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.

St. Francis Center Collection—August 24-25th

Our annual collection for St. Francis Center will be held the weekend of August 24-25th. Sister Christina is requesting the following donations to help our local families: baby clothes, teen and tween clothing, towels. As storage space is limited at the Center, please only bring the requested items before or after all Masses that weekend. Thank you, St. Matthias' St. Vincent de Paul Conference and Justice & Charity Commission

FAITH AND HOPE

Faith and hope are closely united in today's readings. The Israelites knew when the Passover was coming, and so were not in fear, but had faith and courage, "putting into effect with one accord the divine institution." In this we can see a foretelling of the Eucharist that we celebrate according to Christ's command, "Do this in memory of me."

We see that Abraham, Sarah, Isaac, and Jacob died in faith, although they did not see fulfillment of the promise. We live in hope that our faith will be fulfilled every time we celebrate this sacrament. We too are not to be afraid, but to have hope that our faith will be fulfilled in the coming of Christ. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

Installation of Fr. Dave Ghiorso as St. Matthias' 10th Pastor

Sunday, August 11th @ 10:30 am Mass



On Sunday, August 11th at the 10:30 am Mass, we will welcome Bishop William Justice as he celebrates a Mass of Installation of Fr. David Ghiorso, St. Matthias' tenth pastor since 1961. Since Fr. Thomas Lacey received the commission to establish a new parish in the Emerald Hills area of Redwood City, our community has been lead by Fr. Thomas Lacey, Fr. John Kavanaugh, Fr. Alfred Kelly, Msgr. Eugene Gallagher, Fr. George Meyer, Msgr. James Flynn, Fr. John Glogowski, Fr. Craig Forner, Fr. Bill Thornton, Fr. Paul Rossi, Fr. Tom Martin (*Fr. Paul and Fr. Tom both served as Parish Administrators*) and now, Fr. Dave Ghiorso. You can read more about the history of St. Matthias Church on our parish website www.stmatthiasparish.org. Here's a brief description of the Rite of Installation:

When a bishop presides at Mass, the ceremony begins after the Gospel. The bishop presents the pastor-elect and invites parishioners to express their approval.

After giving the homily, the bishop presents other priests, deacons and parish officials such as trustees, pastoral council and finance committee members to the pastor-elect as people who will assist him in the care of the parish; in turn, the pastor-elect pledges to seek their guidance.

At the request of the bishop, the pastor-elect, with his hand on a Bible or a Book of the Gospels, leads the congregation in the Profession of Faith, recites an Oath of Fidelity and signs a Decree of Possession.

A reception will follow Mass in Fr. Lacey Hall. All are invited to attend.

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.

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.

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.

Our Call to Build Community

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

Began 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

Mini-Women's Retreat at St. Charles

Saturday, September 7th from 9:00 am—3:00 pm | Borremeo Hall St. Charles Church
St. Charles' Women's Club invites all St. Matthias women to a Mini-Retreat called, "Hearing the Prophetic Voice of Our Biblical Sisters" led by Mary Romo, PhD. Advance registration of \$25 required and includes continental breakfast and a box lunch.

Please contact Donna McKay at 650-575-6471 for more information and to register.



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Sunday, Aug 11th	Monday, Aug 12th	Tuesday, Aug 13th	Wednesday, Aug 14th
8:00 am Sunday Mass 10:30 am Sunday Mass Fr. Dave's Installation!		5:30 pm Daily Mass (Church) 7:00 pm St. Vincent de	7:00 pm Book Club "Letter to a Suffering Church" (Hall)
Assumption of Mary		Missionary Co-Op	
Thursday, Aug 15th	Friday, Aug 16th	Saturday, Aug 17th	Sunday, Aug 18th
5:30 pm Mass (Church) 7:00 pm Mass (St. Charles)	9:00 am Contemplative Rosary (Church)	5:00 pm Vigil Mass	8:00 am Sunday Mass 10:30 am Sunday Mass 1:00 pm Sharing Christ Retreat (Rectory)
CR = Rectory Conference Room DR = Rectory Dining Room MR = Merry Room UR = Upper Room PS = Preschool			

MISSIONARY CO-OP — August 17-18th

Next weekend, St. Matthias will be hosting Fr. Raphael Makori from the Diocese of Musoma in East Africa. Fr. Makori will celebrate all three of our parish Masses. The Catholic Diocese of Musoma in Tanzania is located between two famous landmarks: Lake Victoria, the second largest fresh water lake in the world (after Lake Superior) and the Serengeti National Park, a home of millions of wild animals.



This request intends to seek financial support towards the construction of a Church...

Saint Stanislaus Church in Maburi -Serengeti was heavily damaged when a strong storm blew the roof off the church building last year. No one was injured during the storm. Christians were thankful the storm did not happen during the day when there could have been worship services. Christians are seeking support of about \$70,000 to construct another Church building. Please consider a generous donation for this appeal.

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).

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