



ABOVE JESUS ON THE  
CROSS THERE WAS AN  
INSCRIPTION THAT READ,  
*“This is the King of the Jews.”*  
Luke 23:38

NOVEMBER 24, 2019  
OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

# St. Matthias

## ST. MATTHIAS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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**Website:** [www.stmatthiasparish.org](http://www.stmatthiasparish.org)

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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.

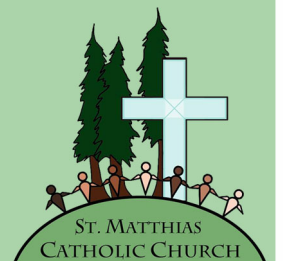
#### Marriage

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.



## **St. Matthias Staff Directory**

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## **Our Call to Community Building**

### **Thanksgiving Day Masses**

Thursday, November 28th | 9:00 am at St. Charles | 10:00 am at St. Matthias

Thanksgiving is a very special holiday when we gather with family and friends to give thanks and share a meal. Everyone is welcome to our Thanksgiving Day Mass at 10 a.m. You are encouraged to bring your Thanksgiving wine or bread for a blessing. In addition, we encourage you to bring canned goods and other non-perishables as donations to our St. Vincent de Paul Conference food pantry. The collection for this Mass will go toward supporting the good work of our St. Vincent de Paul Conference in their service to our local community. The St. Matthias parish staff wishes you a very blessed and Happy Thanksgiving.

Please note: The parish offices will be closed on Wednesday, November 26—Friday, November 28th.

### **To the Parents of our Young Children, May We Suggest...**

Relax! God put the wiggle in children; don't feel you have to suppress it in God's house. All are welcome! Sit toward the front where it is easier for your little ones to see and hear what is going on at the altar. They tire of seeing the backs of others' heads.

Quietly explain the parts of the Mass and the actions of the priest, altar servers, deacon, choir, etc. Sing the hymns, pray and voice the responses. Children learn liturgical behavior by copying you.

If you have to leave Mass with your child, feel free to do so, but please come back. There are speakers in the Hall so that you can still hear what is going on in Church. As Jesus said, "Let the children come to me."

Remember that the way we welcome children in church directly affects the way they respond to the Church, to God, and to one another. Let them know that they are at home in this house of worship.

To the Members of Our Parish...

The presence of children is a gift to the Church and they are a reminder that our parish is growing. Please welcome our children with a smile and word of encouragement to their parents. It's not easy to bring young ones to Church.

### **Lifetouch Parish Directory**

We would like to create a parish family directory and need your assistance to coordinate the project or contacting families, greeting families at photography events, etc. Our last photo directory came out in 2011 for our 50th Anniversary and it is time for a new one. This would likely take place in the spring of 2020. If you are interested in learning more, please contact Sabrina via email [sabrina@stmatthiasparish.org](mailto:sabrina@stmatthiasparish.org).

## 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. 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.



### Offer a Mass Intention for your loved one:

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. please email [lisa@stmatthiasparish.org](mailto:lisa@stmatthiasparish.org).

## Mass Intentions

<b>Saturday, Nov 23</b> <i>Weekday</i>	5:30 pm	Mimi Piparo †
<b>Sunday, Nov 24</b> <i>Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe</i>	8:00 am 10:30 am	People of St. Matthias Mueller Miles family
<b>Tuesday, Nov 26</b> <i>Weekday</i>	5:30 pm	Charlie Keyser †
<b>Thursday, Nov 28</b> <i>Thanksgiving</i>	10:00 am	Victor & Alma Balocco †
<b>Saturday, Nov 30</b> <i>St. Andrew, Apostle</i>	5:30 pm	Ricardo Hizon †
<b>Sunday, Dec 1</b> <i>First Sunday of Advent</i>	8:00 am 10:30 am	People of St. Matthias Georgia Kidwell †

## St. Vincent de Paul of San Mateo County

Strategically located in South San Francisco, San Mateo and Redwood City, St. Vincent de Paul's Homeless Help Centers offer clients basic survival necessities such as a hot meal, clothing, sleeping bags, bus tokens, ID cards, laundry and mail services.

To expand our services for our neighbors in need, SVdP recently opened a Clothing Closet in Redwood City. We are in need of volunteers to help with this effort!

Hospitality volunteers work one-on-one with SVdP clients to provide much-needed clothing, necessities and dignity. Shifts are available on Wednesdays and Saturdays from 12-4 pm.

If you are interested, please contact Alicia at [arangel@svdpsm.org](mailto:arangel@svdpsm.org) or call (650) 588-5734. Thank you for being compassion in action!

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

Anna Vugrinecz  
Kurt Wallace  
Bruce Dinkel  
Rose Herrera  
Margaret Henry  
Liz Vugrinecz  
Jim Donnelly  
Sarah Rose Hove  
Marge Bartlemus  
Erin Magee  
Will Richardson  
Shirley Roybal  
Pamela Foley  
Andres Gutierrez  
Marian Deglientoni  
Rose & Richard Marino  
Peggy Perez

**...that they may be comforted by the love of Jesus.**

# 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 2019-June 2020 (income needed to balance budget)	<b>\$332,000.00</b>
Year-To-Date Received	<b>\$85,688</b>
Monthly Need	<b>\$27,667</b>
October Sunday Collections	\$20,195
+ Electronic Donations	\$4,665
<b>Total Offertory for October</b>	<b>\$20,195</b>
<b>Difference (Monthly Need - Received)</b>	<b>&lt;-\$7,472&gt;</b>



**CREATING A  
CULTURE OF  
GENEROSITY**

## Archdiocesan Annual Appeal 2019 Called to Care & Share

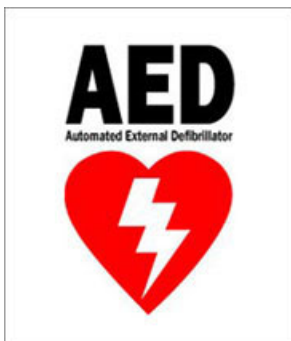
We are almost there! We need an additional \$4,971 to make our goal. On the weekends of Dec 1st and Dec 15th, we will have a special second collection to help us meet our goal. Please consider a donation to help meet our Archdiocesan Annual Appeal obligation.

<b>Total Goal</b>	<b>\$65,273</b>
Previously Received	\$32,885.00
Matching Donations	\$27,416.91
Combined Total	\$60,301.91
<b>Balance Needed to Meet our Goal</b>	<b>\$4,971.09</b>

**92%**

## Caring for Ourselves

We have an AED, "Automated External Defibrillator", located in Fr. Lacey Hall. It is to be used for a cardiac emergency of heart attack and it is to be accompanied by an immediate call to 911. Please familiarize yourself with its location. Use of an AED has significantly improved the outcomes of people suffering from a heart attack.



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.

### 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

## Giving Tree for St. Francis Center

November 30-December 15th

Our annual Giving Tree will be set up November 30th. Unwrapped gifts will be collected for children of all ages and will be distributed through St. Francis Center. The deadline to bring your gifts will be Dec 15th at 11:30 am. This is a lovely way to share our many blessings with our neighbors in need.



## Breakfast with Santa



Saturday, December 14 at 10:00 am | Fr. Lacey Hall

All St. Matthias families and parishioners are invited to bring their friends and family members to enjoy our annual Breakfast with Santa. Santa will visit and be available for photos between 10:45 am and 11:15 am. Choose the seating time that works best for your family (10 am or 11 am). Breakfast will be served by St. Matthias middle and high school youth. We Ho, Ho, Hope you can join us! Tickets are \$5 per person and are available for purchase from Eventbrite <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/breakfast-with-santa-2019-tickets-82899110471>

## December Senior Luncheon

Wednesday, December 4 at 12:00 pm | Borromeo Hall at St. Charles

"O Come, all Ye Faithful!" All registered St. Matthias parishioners 60+ years are cordially invited to lunch on the first Wednesday of each month. Please join us on Wednesday, December 4th at noon in Borromeo Hall at St. Charles. You will be treated to an appetizing lunch prepared especially for you by the "elves" of St. Charles. To reserve your spot please RSVP to Kathy Fagliano at 650-

591-7349 ext. 402 or email [kfagliano@stcharlesparish.org](mailto:kfagliano@stcharlesparish.org). Caregivers are welcome. The doors will open at 11:45 am. All reservations must be received by noon on Monday, December 2nd.

## Simbang Gabi Commissioning Mass

Tuesday, December 10 at 7:30 pm | Cathedral of St. Mary of the Assumption

The Archdiocese's Simbang Gabi Commissioning Mass heralds the beginning of Simbang Gabi Masses celebrated in its various parishes in the Archdiocese of San Francisco. Reception and fellowship immediately following Mass. Come join us as the Archdiocese sends us forth on a mission to be the light of Christ.



## Assisted Listening System

For anyone wanting to improve their ability to more clearly hear during Mass: A parishioner has donated and installed a new low-power 200 foot range FM transmitter on 88 MHZ. The transmitter is only on during Mass and can be used for those who wish to receive a clear, personal reception during Mass. All that is needed is a small FM pocket radio with headphone jack and earphones. Contact Sabrina for more information.

Our Call to Community Building



## World Wide Marriage Encounter



How would you rate your marriage? You deserve a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend! It's a weekend of experiences designed for married couples of all ages and backgrounds to enrich their marriage.

Make this season special by committing to devote one weekend to your marriage. The next Marriage Encounter Weekends include: Feb 14-16, 2020 in Sacramento and Feb 21-23, 2020 in Danville. For more information and/or to register for a Weekend, visit our website at [sanjosewwme.org](http://sanjosewwme.org) or contact Ken & Claranne at 408-782-1413.

## California Catholic Ministry Conference

December 5-7, 2019 | San Jose Convention Center | <https://cacmc.net/>

The California Catholic Ministry Conference, formerly known as the Faith Formation Conference, will be held this year at the San Jose Convention Center from Thursday, December 5th through Saturday, December 7th. Participants can attend one day, two days or all three days. Join with 3000 other Catholics from the Archdiocese of San Francisco and Dioceses of Oakland, San Jose, Stockton and Monterey.

Sessions offered will include "Young Prophetic Voices for the Church of Today ... Building the Church of Tomorrow," "Is Social Justice an Impossible Dream?," "The Mundane Mercy of Catholic Faith Life," "The Immaculate Misconception—7 Things Catholics Think They Know, but Don't," "What in the World is Reconciliation" and many, many more.

Registration brochures are on the table in the back of Church and full conference details including registration information can be found here <https://cacmc.net/>

Catechists who attend all or part of this conference earn credit towards certification and there are many offerings for spiritual enrichment. Sabrina will be attending and can share more information.

## Ecuador Pilgrimage for Youth in 2020

In July 2005, ten members of St. Matthias parish went on a parish pilgrimage trip to the Working Boys' Center: A Family of Families in Quito, Ecuador. They visited Sr. Cindy Sullivan and Sr. Miguel, members of Sr. Dee's religious community who run the Center with Fr. John Halligan, SJ. They participated in a "minga," helping to build a house for a family, and helped out around the center with their educational and trade programs.

In 2010, a tradition was born at St. Matthias of a bi-annual trip to Ecuador with high school students. The trip is lead by Sabrina Harper and Maria Cornell. Starting in 2010, then again, in 2012, 2014, 2016 and 2018, youth and leaders from St. Matthias and St. Pius parishes have visited the Working Boys' Center in Quito and Casa Damien in Guayaquil, Ecuador.

We are working on planning our 6th trip for the summer of 2020. The dates are selected – July 22-31, 2020. All young people who will be entering 9-12th grade in the Fall of 2020 are eligible to participate. If your son or daughter is interested in this trip, please email [Sabrina@stmatthiasparish.org](mailto:Sabrina@stmatthiasparish.org) for more information.

## Donut Sunday



All are invited to Fr. Lacey Hall following the 10:30 am Mass for hospitality.

*Let mutual love continue. Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers for by doing that some have entertained angels*

*without knowing it. (Hebrews 13:1-2)*

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# This Week @ St. Matthias

2nd Collection: Campaign for Human Development		Parish Offices Closed	
<u>Sunday, Nov 24th</u>	<u>Monday, Nov 25th</u>	<u>Tuesday, Nov 26th</u>	<u>Wednesday, Nov 27th</u>
8:00 am Sunday Mass 9:15 am RCIA (Rectory) 10:30 am Sunday Mass SALT & FISH Meet 11:30 am Donut Sunday 1:00 pm Confirmation Level II Meeting (Rectory)		5:30 pm Mass (Church) 6:00 pm First Reconciliation Family Meeting (UR)	
Preschool & Parish Offices Closed		2nd Collection: Archdiocesan Annual Appeal	
<u>Thursday, Nov 28th</u>	<u>Friday, Nov 29th</u>	<u>Saturday, Nov 30th</u>	<u>Sunday, Dec 1st</u>
10:00 am Thanksgiving Day Mass	9:15 am Rosary for Peace (MR)	10:00 am Advent Environment Project 5:00 pm Mass (Church)	8:00 am Sunday Mass 9:15 am RCIA (Rectory) 10:30 am Sunday Mass SALT & FISH Meet
CR = Rectory Conference Room DR = Rectory Dining Room MR = Merry Room UR = Upper Room PS = Preschool			

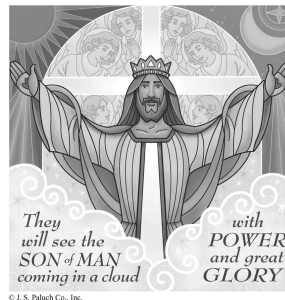
## Essential Oils of the Bible

Please note: This workshop has been postponed to March 25th from 7-8:30 pm. All are welcome. More details to follow.

## Bethlehem AD Angels

Each year, on Dec 21, 22 & 23, right here in Redwood City, you can visit Bethlehem AD, a living re-creation of the village of Bethlehem on the night of the first Christmas. This free event is fun for the whole family as visitors travel through the town and experience the town's people, Roman centurions, three wise men, shepherds tending to live camels, Brahma bulls, llamas, donkeys, sheep and other animals. The Holy Family, including a live baby Jesus is surrounded by a group of choreographed angels. On the first day of Advent, Dec 1st at the 10:30 am Mass, the Bethlehem Angels will perform two of their dances during the reflection period after communion and will have more information for parishioners to bring home.

## Advent Liturgical Environment



Our new Church year begins on the weekend of Nov 30/Dec 1st (Thanksgiving weekend). Each year on this 1st Sunday of Advent weekend we take down all the

ordinary time decorations in Church (green) and put up the Advent decorations (purple) to transform the Church. We also put up the Giving Tree for the gifts that we collect each year for the children at St. Francis Center.

We need some help with this project. If you are available at 10:00 am on Saturday, November 30th and could help for an hour or two, you would be greatly appreciated. Email Sabrina if you are available to help out, or just drop in!