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Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!

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# **St. MATTHIAS CATHOLIC CHURCH**

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#### St. Matthias Mass Schedule

Tuesday & Thursd	ay 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 a	ım & 5:00 pm

# Sacraments

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#### St. Matthias Reconciliation

Tuesday or Thursday after 5:30 pm Mass

St. Charles Reconciliation

Saturday at 3:30 pm

First Communion and Confirmation

Email Sabrina Harper for information.

**Baptism or 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.



Our this time of sheltering in place because of the coronavirus, we are doing everything possible to stay connected with parishioners. Please contact a member of our staff if you need anything. There are parishioners who are able to deliver groceries, run errands, etc. if you are in need.

Archbishop José H. Gomez of Los Angeles, president of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops, has issued the following regarding Coronavirus (COVID-19):

With the worldwide outbreak of the coronavirus, we are confronted once more with the fragility of our lives, and again we are reminded of our common humanity — that the peoples of this world are our brothers and sisters, that we are all one family under God.

God does not abandon us, he goes with us even now in this time of trial and testing. In this moment, it is important for us to anchor our hearts in the hope that we have in Jesus Christ. Now is the time to intensify our prayers and sacrifices for the love of God and the love of our neighbor. Let us draw closer to one another in our love for him, and rediscover the things that truly matter in our lives.

United with our Holy Father Pope Francis, let us pray in solidarity for our brothers and sisters here and around the world who are sick. Let us pray for those who have lost loved ones to this virus. May God console them and grant them peace.

We pray also for doctors, nurses, and caregivers, for public health officials and all civic leaders. May God grant them courage and prudence as they seek to respond to this emergency with compassion and in service to the common good.

In this time of need, I invite all the faithful to seek together the maternal intercession of Our Lady of Guadalupe, and I share this prayer with you:

Holy Virgin of Guadalupe, Queen of the Angels and Mother of the Americas. We fly to you today as your beloved children. We ask you to intercede for us with your Son, as you did at the wedding in Cana.

Pray for us, loving Mother, and gain for our nation and world, and for all our families and loved ones, the protection of your holy angels, that we may be spared the worst of this illness.

For those already afflicted, we ask you to obtain the grace of healing and deliverance. Hear the cries of those who are vulnerable and fearful, wipe away their tears and help them to trust.

In this time of trial and testing, teach all of us in the Church to love one another and to be patient and kind. Help us to bring the peace of Jesus to our land and to our hearts.

We come to you with confidence, knowing that you truly are our compassionate mother, health of the sick and cause of our joy.

Shelter us under the mantle of your protection, keep us in the embrace of your arms, help us always to know the love of your Son, Jesus. Amen.

#### St. Matthias Staff Directory

Pastor, Fr. Dave Ghiorso <u>frdave@stmatthiasparish.org</u> 650-366-9544 x 2015

Parochial Vicar, Fr. Samuel Musiimenta 650-366-9544 x 2015

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Preschool Administrative Assistants, Gigi Casey gigi@stmatthiasparish.org & Hilary Paulson hilary@stmatthiasparish.org We pray for those who are ill in our community...

Connie Barrick Diane Donnelly Nick Pacumio Mahmood Behbood Alyssa Beemer Jack Greenalch Jean Balibrera Joey Hizon Bruce Dinkel Rose Herrara Margaret Henry Liz Vugrinecz

...that they may be comforted by the loving embrace of Jesus.

See the next page for our Holy Week and Easter Sunday Schedule of Masses.

All services will be live-streamed to St. Charles' Facebook page which can be accessed on the internet at <u>https:// www.facebook.com/</u> <u>StCharlesParishSC/</u>. It is not necessary for you to be a member of Facebook to access the live streams.



# Palm Sunday - April 5th

Mass from St. Charles Chapel will be live-streamed at 9 a.m. Palms from both parishes will be blessed. After Mass, from 10:00 am until 12:00 noon, Fr. Dave will be on the corner of Tamarack and Belle, for a "drive-by" pickup of palms (only Fr. Dave will handle palms and with gloves). After the shelter-in-place order is lifted, blessed palms will be available in both Churches.

# Holy Thursday - April 9th

Mass of the Lord's Supper from St. Matthias Church will be live-streamed at 7:30 p.m. We will follow the directions of the Archdiocese (e.g., no Washing of the Feet). Priests will be the only persons receiving Communion. No Altar of repose. The Blessed Sacrament will be processed to the Tabernacle. After the liturgy, the Tabernacle will be emptied and the Blessed Sacrament transported to St. Charles.





### Good Friday - April 10th

The service will be held at St. Charles Chapel and will be live-streamed to St. Charles parish Facebook page. 12:00 pm Stations of the Cross, 12:30 pm Seven Last Words, 1:00 pm Liturgy of the Word, 2:00 pm Adoration of the Cross, 2:30 pm Holy Communion/ Spiritual Communion.

# **Easter Vigil**

Mass from St. Charles Chapel will be live-streamed at 8:00 pm. Both Easter Candles will be lit. The Exsultet will be sung. The three required Old Testament readings, New Testament Epistle and Gospel will be included. Readers will be from those present. No Sacraments of Initiation although the



Baptismal water will be blessed.



# **Easter Sunday**

Mass from St. Charles Chapel will be live-streamed at 9:00 am.