St. Matthias

## **ST. MATTHIAS CATHOLIC CHURCH**

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St. Matthias Mass Schedule Saturday 5:00 pm\* St. Charles Mass Schedule Monday-Saturday 5:00 pm\* Sunday 8:30 am\*, 11:00 am & 5:00 pm \*Live streamed Masses. See details inside. St. Matthias Reconciliation By appointment, call the parish office. St. Charles Reconciliation Saturday 3:30 pm

**First Communion and Confirmation** Email Sabrina Harper for information.

**Baptism** Email Deacon Rich Foley for information.

#### Marriage

Email Deacon Rich Foley for information. See Staff Directory inside for contact information.

Jesus said, "I say to you, you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church, and the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it."

Matthew 16:18

**Twenty-first** Sunday in Ordinary Time August 23, 2020

> Saint Peter, undated Conte Anton Maria Zanetti Italian, 1680–1767 Chicago Institute of Art (CCO)

# We're In This Together! Stay Safe & Healthy!

## Reading 1 IS 22:19-23

Thus says the LORD to Shebna, master of the palace:

"I will thrust you from your office and pull you down from your station. On that day I will summon my servant Eliakim, son of Hilkiah; I will clothe him with your robe, and gird him with your sash, and give over to him your authority. He shall be a father to the inhabitants of Jerusalem, and to the house of Judah. I will place the key of the House of David on Eliakim's shoulder; when he opens, no one shall shut when he shuts, no one shall open. I will fix him like a peg in a sure spot, to be a place of honor for his family."

## **Responsorial Psalm**

## PS 138:1-2, 2-3, 6, 8

# R. (8bc) Lord, your love is eternal; do not forsake the work of your hands.

I will give thanks to you, O LORD, with all my heart,

for you have heard the words of my mouth; in the presence of the angels I will sing your praise;

I will worship at your holy temple.

R. Lord, your love is eternal; do not forsake the work of your hands.

I will give thanks to your name,

because of your kindness and your truth: When I called, you answered me;

you built up strength within me.

# R. Lord, your love is eternal; do not forsake the work of your hands.

The LORD is exalted, yet the lowly he sees, and the proud he knows from afar.

Your kindness, O LORD, endures forever; forsake not the work of your hands. R. Lord, your love is eternal; do not forsake the work of your hands.

## Reading II <u>ROM 11:33-36</u>

Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How inscrutable are his judgments and how unsearchable his ways! For who has known the mind of the Lord or who has been his counselor? Or who has given the Lord anything that he may be repaid? For from him and through him and for him are all things. To him be glory forever. Amen.

## Alleluia

MT 16:18

## R. Alleluia, alleluia.

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## Gospel <u>MT 16:13-20</u>

Jesus went into the region of Caesarea Philippi and he asked his disciples,

"Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" They replied, "Some say John the Baptist,

others Elijah, still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets."

He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" Simon Peter said in reply,

"You are the Christ, the Son of the living God."

Jesus said to him in reply,

"Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah. For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my heavenly Father. And so I say to you, you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church, and the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it. I will give you the keys to the kingdom of heaven. Whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven; and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven." Then he strictly ordered his disciples to tell no one that he was the Christ. We pray for those who are ill in our community...

Roberta Thurston Josefina Garcia Barbara Soria Henry Harper

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

And for those who have recently passed away including...

> Joe Allen Mahmood Behbood

...that they may be welcomed into the loving embrace of Jesus.

Patience is the companion of wisdom. -St. Augustine

## To Access Live Streamed Masses

St. Matthias and St. Charles are live streaming Masses each week.

**Saturday at 5:00 pm** on St. Matthias' YouTube page <u>https://www.youtube.com/channel/</u> <u>UCRRy371aMVoldjaDoj8droA</u>. Please subscribe to receive email notifications. *No outdoor Masses are being held at St. Matthias at this time.* 

**Monday-Saturday at 5:00 pm and Sunday at 8:30 am** on St. Charles' Facebook page <u>https://</u>www.facebook.com/StCharlesParishSC/.

St. Charles' Sunday 8:30 am Mass is celebrated outdoors and is open to a limited number of people. If you wish to attend, please bring your own chair, wear a mask and maintain social distance.

On Wednesday, July 29, 2020, Governor Newsom announced that San Mateo County was placed on the State of California's COVID-19 Watch List. Additional restrictions are imposed for some businesses which went into effect at 12:01 a.m. on Saturday, Aug. 1.

Please regularly check the "COVID-19 Updates" page of the parish website for updates.

## STAFF DIRECTORY

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## MASS INTENTIONS

Aug 22 — 5:00 pm John & Janette McAfee (Special Intention) Aug 29 — 5:00 pm William Pacumio (+)

Parishioners that had previously scheduled Mass Intentions for the Sunday 10:30 am Mass were contacted and intentions were rescheduled for St. Charles' Daily Masses.

#### SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday:Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary TimeMonday:St. BartholomewTuesday:St. Louis; St. Joseph CalasanzThursday:St. MonicaFriday:St. AugustineSaturday:The Passion of St. John the Baptist

#### The Peninsula Multifaith Coalition Invites St. Matthias to an Annual Prayers for Healing Event

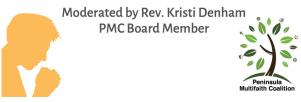


### A Zoom Event to Focus on Healing from Pandemic and Division and Fear

Monday, September 7 at 10 a.m.

https://pmc-prayers-for-healing.eventbrite.com

Speakers from the Hindu, Buddhist, Jewish, Christian, Muslim, Sikh and Baha'i Community will share their prayers with us as we pray together and deepen our multifaith understanding in this time of crisis.



## **St. Matthias Faith Formation & Preschool News**

## RCIA - Becoming Catholic 2020

Do you know someone who has thought about becoming Catholic or, for whatever reason, has been baptized but has not been confirmed or received Holy Communion?

The Roman Catholic Church has a process for adults who desire to become Catholic or to complete the Sacraments of Initiation for those already Baptized (Confirmation, Eucharist).

This process is called RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults). The RCIA process provides weekly sessions on the fundamental beliefs of our faith as well as an understanding of the Sacraments, especially the Eucharist (Mass). In addition, the process emphasizes prayer, discernment and spiritual formation as each candidate responds to their call to become followers of Jesus through the Catholic Church.

This year RCIA will be presented online each Sunday morning from 9:00-10:00 a.m. The first RCIA gathering will be held on Sunday, September 20th. Parishioners, who would like to participate as an RCIA team member and support our candidates, are welcome. RCIA sessions are facilitated by St. Matthias parish deacons, Rich Foley and David Rolandelli.

If you have any questions, know of someone who would like to discuss joining RCIA, are considering being a team member, or would just like to experience the RCIA process, please contact Deacon Rich. Please email him at

<u>rich@stmatthiasparish.org</u> or call Deacon Rich at St. Matthias, 366-9544.

Please join us as we pray that the Holy Spirit will call individuals to seek a deeper relationship with Almighty God through His Church.

#### St. Matthias Adult Faith Formation

Like you, we are finding that all things are new and unfamiliar. Plans are in development for our faith formation programs, so we've put this survey together to collect some feedback from our St. Matthias parishioners. In order to aid in our planning, we would like to hear from you! Because of the uncertainty surrounding the COVID-19 health crisis we are planning to deliver our adult faith formation programs virtually this fall. If conditions change and it is safe to return to inperson gatherings later in the year, we are prepared to make that shift.

One-time and on-going opportunities are available at St. Matthias. Please take a few minutes to complete the survey. Results will be reported back to parishioners in a future edition of The Matthian.

#### Faith Formation for Families & Young People

We are excited to be offering, for the 9th year in a row, a holistic, family-based approach to faith formation, called GIFT (Generations in Faith Together). This approach is designed to support all members of the family in their faith journey; to meet each individual where they are. Because we are a small parish, we are able to customize our content and offer topics that are important to you. We are the only parish in the Archdiocese of San Francisco that is offering this family-focused approach to faith formation and believe this model best promotes the domestic church. These gatherings provide the foundation for sacramental preparation and youth ministry. Families will school-aged children are encouraged to register for GIFT. Registration materials will be emailed to previously registered families by August 16th. The first GIFT gathering of the year will be on Sept 13th. For questions or more information, please contact Sabrina sabrina@stmatthiasparish.org or call St. Matthias (650) 366-9544.



The Little Ones

Jim Burrows



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## **Archdiocesan & Financial News**

## Grief and Consolation Resources are Here

Looking for resources in a time of grief? *The Lord is close to the broken-hearted* (Psalm 34). Grief, although difficult, is a normal part of life, although perhaps made harder in a time of pandemic. No one who grieves is truly alone because everyone experiences it. However, in a time of grief people often feel along, which makes a hard situation even harder. Sister Toni Lynn Gallagher direct the Grief Ministry programs and resources for the Archdiocese: parish program, online support groups for partner loss, those who died by suicide, and more. An updated list of resources is always available on the Archdiocesan website at <u>sfarch.org/</u> <u>grief</u>.

### Thank You to our Annual Appeal Donors

Our Annual Appeal Assessment for 2020 is \$67,431. To date, we have received 56.87% of our goal, or \$38,294. We are grateful for those who have contributed including:

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Your donations help to ensure that we can meet our obligations to the Archdiocesan Annual Appeal!

#### SPECIAL THANKS TO OUR ELECTRONIC GIVERS AND REGULAR DONORS

St. Matthias would like to thank the approximately thirty families who are currently giving electronically and those who continue to make weekly or monthly donations either by dropping off checks or envelopes in collection baskets at Mass or by mailing donations to the parish office. Your consistent giving does not go unnoticed in the parish office. Each month our parish receives a steady and predictable stream of income from those donors who have made the commitment to give to God first by having designated contributions automatically transferred to the parish through our Online Giving Program. During this time of uncertainty caused by the global pandemic, St. Matthias is grateful for all who continue to support the parish. If you would like to learn more about online giving which is safe, easy and secure, please contact Lisa Bamford at 366-9544 or lisa@stmatthiasparish.org or check out our website at www.stmatthiasparish.org/SupportUs/Online

#### TRUST

Keys hold great significance for those who carry them. They represent the trust and authority of the owner when given to another person. We may give our house key to a trusted friend to take care of our matters while we are away. We may give keys to someone responsible for maintaining or working in a particular building. Keys to vehicles are given to people who have proven themselves responsible drivers. The readings today focus on this kind of trust—the trust that conveys authority and responsibility. In the first reading, the symbol is specifically that of a key; but the second reading and the Gospel also speak of trust and leadership as they refer to the earthly church that Jesus established.

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