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.

Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time August 30, 2020

Jesus said to his disciples, Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me."

Matthew 16:24

Sketch, Martyrdom of Saint Peter, 1598/99

Italian, c. 1560–1608 Chicago Institute of Art (CCO)

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

Gloria

Glory to God in the highest; and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory. Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

Lord God, Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, You take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;

You are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord. You alone at the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Reading 1 JER 20:7-9

You duped me, O LORD, and I let myself be duped; you were too strong for me, and you triumphed. All the day I am an object of laughter; everyone mocks me. Whenever I speak, I must cry out, violence and outrage is my message; the word of the LORD has brought me derision and reproach all the day. I say to myself, I will not mention him, I will speak in his name no more. But then it becomes like fire burning in my heart, imprisoned in my bones; I grow weary holding it in, I cannot endure it.

Responsorial Psalm

PS 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9

R. (2b) **My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.**

O God, you are my God whom I seek; for you my flesh pines and my soul thirsts like the earth, parched, lifeless and without water.

R. My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

Thus have I gazed toward you in the sanctuary to see your power and your glory,

For your kindness is a greater good than life; my lips shall glorify you.

R. My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

Thus will I bless you while I live;

lifting up my hands, I will call upon your name. As with the riches of a banquet shall my soul be satisfied, and with exultant lips my mouth shall praise you.

R. My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

You are my help,

and in the shadow of your wings I shout for joy. My soul clings fast to you;

your right hand upholds me.

R. My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

Reading 2 ROM 12:1-2

I urge you, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God, your spiritual worship. Do not conform yourselves to this age but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and pleasing and perfect.

Alleluia See EPH 1:17-18

R. Alleluia, alleluia. May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our hearts, that we may know what is the hope that belongs to our call. R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel <u>MT 16:21-27</u>

Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer greatly from the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed and on the third day be raised. Then Peter took Jesus aside and began to rebuke him, "God forbid, Lord! No such thing shall ever happen to you." He turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are an obstacle to me. You are thinking not as God does, but as human beings do." Then Jesus said to his disciples, "Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me. For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it. What profit would there be for one to gain the whole world and forfeit his life? Or what can one give in exchange for his life? For the Son of Man will come with his angels in his Father's glory, and then he will repay all according to his conduct."

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.

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.

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The Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God. Born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us men and our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church. I confess one baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

MASS INTENTIONS

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.

Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally,

come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

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.

St. Matthias Preschool is Now Enrolling for 3 to 5 year olds.



Faith Formation for Families & Youth Ministry for 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.

"Moving Through the Loss of A Loved

One: The Next Step" is a focused support group being offered by the St. Pius Grief Ministry this fall. This session is intended for those who have previously attended a Grief Support group session and/or would like to participate in a support group focused on progressing through their personal grief journey. This virtual (via Zoom) session will be held on Monday evenings for 8 weeks beginning Monday, September 14th at 7:00pm. For more information or to register, please contact the Grief Ministry at <u>650-361-0655</u> or griefministry@pius.org

Living the Ups and Downs of Our Faith with Fr. Ron Rolheiser

Saturday September 26, 9AM-4PM. Online. \$25. Recording available for ticketholders who cannot attend. Register on https://vallombrosa.org/calendar

"We live with a deep secret that sometimes we know, and then not!" Faith has this curious quality. Some days we can walk on water and other days we feel like atheists. These talks will explore the deep inner dynamics of faith. What is real faith? What is genuine doubt? What are the dark nights of the soul that can assail us? How do we work at sustaining a genuine faith? The retreat will be made up of three separate, live ZOOM calls through the day.

St. Charles & St. Matthias Parish Pals

St. Charles & St. Matthias Parish Pals are parishioners who reach out and chat with parish seniors via weekly phone calls, creating connections and catching up within this pandemic situation. A simple conversation brings smiles and joyful anticipation for the next opportunity to chat. If you would like to volunteer to be a Parish Pal, or if you would like to receive a phone call from a Parish Pal, please contact Kathy Fagliano at 650-591-7349 ext. 402 or e-mail her at kfagliano@stcharlesparish.org.

Thank You to our Annual Appeal Donors

Our Annual Appeal Assessment for 2020 is \$67,431. To date, we have received 58.59% of our goal, or \$39,458. 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

THE CROSS OF JESUS

The perception of a cross changed dramatically after Jesus' crucifixion. Before that event, death on a cross was not only horrible, it was degrading. It was a penalty reserved only for the most wretched of criminals. The word "glory" would not have found its way into the same sentence containing the word "cross." But all that changed with Jesus. Over time, believers began to venerate and honor the cross. They painted, sculpted, and carved images of it. Many lost their own lives for their association with it. Today our reverence for and relationship with the cross recalls little of the contempt originally associated with it. As it has been through the ages, it is our perception of the cross that determines how we follow Jesus. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

Saint Gregory the Great (540-604) September 3

Imagine, fourteen hundred years after death, boasting a best-selling CD! Yet outside the Church and within, Gregorian chant is enjoying a renaissance. Still, the timeless sacred music that bears his name is but part of Gregory's legacy. Renouncing civic service for monastic life, Gregory's administrative and diplomatic skills prompted continual summons from the cloister. Papal ambassador and advisor, he was eventually elected pope himself, renowned as a wise steward of the church's material possessions, generous benefactor of the poor, sponsor of missionaries, and promotor of monasticism. His liturgical enrichment of the Church endures not only in Gregorian chant, but in eloquent homilies still gracing the Liturgy of the Hours, the "Gregorian Canon" (Eucharistic Prayer I), and his spiritual classic, Pastoral Care, once presented to new bishops at ordination. Of countless impressive papal titles—Supreme Pontiff, Vicar of Christ, Successor of Saint Peter, Prince of the Apostles-the title still so cherished that it heads official documents is the one Gregory coined to describe his papal ideal: Servant of the Servants of God. Together with being designated "the Great," a fitting epitaph.

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