

# 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.

### **Christ Summoning Saint Peter to Walk on the Water, after 1627**

After Giovanni Lanfranco, Italian, 1582-1647  
Chicago Institute of Art (CCO)

Peter said to Jesus,  
“Lord, if it is you, command me  
to come to you on the water.”

Matthew 14:28

**Nineteenth**  
Sunday in  
Ordinary Time  
**August 9, 2020**

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

## Reading 1

### 1 KGS 19:9A, 11-13A

At the mountain of God, Horeb,  
Elijah came to a cave where he took shelter.  
Then the LORD said to him,  
"Go outside and stand on the mountain before  
the LORD; the LORD will be passing by."  
A strong and heavy wind was rending the  
mountains and crushing rocks before the  
LORD—but the LORD was not in the wind.  
After the wind there was an earthquake—  
but the LORD was not in the earthquake.  
After the earthquake there was fire—but the  
LORD was not in the fire.  
After the fire there was a tiny whispering  
sound. When he heard this, Elijah hid his face  
in his cloak and went and stood at the  
entrance of the cave.

## Responsorial Psalm

### PS 85:9, 10, 11-12, 13-14

R. (8) **Lord, let us see your kindness, and  
grant us your salvation.**

I will hear what God proclaims;  
the LORD — for he proclaims peace.  
Near indeed is his salvation to those who fear  
him, glory dwelling in our land.

R. **Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant  
us your salvation.**

Kindness and truth shall meet;  
justice and peace shall kiss.  
Truth shall spring out of the earth,  
and justice shall look down from heaven.

R. **Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant  
us your salvation.**

The LORD himself will give his benefits;  
our land shall yield its increase.  
Justice shall walk before him,  
and prepare the way of his steps.

R. **Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant  
us your salvation.**

## Reading 2

### ROM 9:1-5

Brothers and sisters:  
I speak the truth in Christ, I do not lie;  
my conscience joins with the Holy Spirit in  
bearing me witness that I have great sorrow  
and constant anguish in my heart.  
For I could wish that I myself were accursed  
and cut off from Christ for the sake of my own  
people, my kindred according to the flesh.  
They are Israelites; theirs the adoption, the  
glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the  
worship, and the promises; theirs the  
patriarchs, and from them, according to the  
flesh, is the Christ, who is over all, God blessed  
forever. Amen.

## Alleluia

### PS 130:5

R. **Alleluia, alleluia.**

I wait for the Lord;  
my soul waits for his word.

R. **Alleluia, alleluia.**

## Gospel

### MT 14:22-33

After he had fed the people, Jesus made the  
disciples get into a boat and precede him to  
the other side, while he dismissed the  
crowds. After doing so, he went up on the  
mountain by himself to pray.

When it was evening he was there alone.  
Meanwhile the boat, already a few miles  
offshore, was being tossed about by the  
waves, for the wind was against it.

During the fourth watch of the night,

he came toward them walking on the sea. When the disciples saw him walking on the sea they were terrified.

"It is a ghost," they said, and they cried out in fear. At once Jesus spoke to them, "Take courage, it is I; do not be afraid." Peter said to him in reply, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." He said, "Come." Peter got out of the boat and began to walk on the water toward Jesus.

But when he saw how strong the wind was he became frightened; and, beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!"

Immediately Jesus stretched out his hand and caught Peter, and said to him, "O you of little faith, why did you doubt?"

After they got into the boat, the wind died down. Those who were in the boat did him homage, saying,

"Truly, you are the Son of God."

*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.*

*Alas for those who never sing, but die with their music within them.*

—Oliver Wendell Holmes

## Public Masses Have Been Suspended

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

Beginning last weekend, St. Matthias' Masses were once again be closed to the public with only the minimum number of ministers present. We will live stream the Saturday 5:00 pm Mass on YouTube. There will be NO 10:30 am Mass this weekend at St. Matthias.

St. Charles will celebrate the 8:30 am Mass which will be held outdoors and will be open for a limited number of people. Mass will be live streamed Sunday 8:30 am Mass on Facebook.

### TO ACCESS LIVE STREAMED MASSES:

Saturday at 5:00 pm to St. Matthias' YouTube page <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCRRy371aMVoldjaDoj8droA>. Please subscribe to receive email notifications.

Sunday at 8:30 am to St. Charles' Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/StCharlesParishSC/>.

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

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## MASS INTENTIONS

Aug 8 — 5:00 pm Pat Beckett (+)

Aug 15 — 5:00 pm Bob, Tommy, Jimmy & Susie Bassett (+)

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: Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time;  
Nagasaki Memorial Day

Monday: St. Lawrence

Tuesday: St. Clare

Wednesday: St. Jane Frances de Chantal

Thursday: Ss. Pontian and Hippolytus

Friday: St. Maximilian Kolbe

Saturday: Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

## GOD'S IMAGE

Nature has perfections in order to show that she is the image of God, and defects to show that she is only God's image. —Blaise Pascal

## **St. Matthias [Adult Faith Formation Survey](#)**

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! Please complete the survey by August 15th.

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 in-person 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 Matthanian.

## **St. Matthias GIFT Family Survey**

Thank you to the families who completed the GIFT Family Survey recently. The purpose of this survey was to determine which program model was preferred by families. Two models were offered: Option A: Altogether Live Gatherings and Option B: OnDemand Gatherings.

Based on responses received, approximately 50% of families indicated a preference for Option A, while the other 50% indicated preference for Option B. So, both models will be available to families.

Registration for GIFT and our other faith formation programs, including middle and high school youth ministry, First Holy Communion preparation and Confirmation preparation will begin the weekend of August 15-16th. Our first GIFT gathering is scheduled for September 13th.

Planning is still underway, but here's how GIFT is being envisioned right now:

- All families registered for GIFT will receive a Google Meet invite for each GIFT session which will be held twice a month on Sundays at 12 noon.
- Those who tune in will receive an introduction to the topic and instructions for the activities. The session will be recorded.
- The recording will be made available to all the families.

There will be a portal available (right now, we're exploring FlipGrid) which will contain all the session materials including the recordings of the sessions. FlipGrid allows users to post video or audio responses to prompts and activities providing a more interactive experience for families. Stay tuned as our planning develops.

## **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](mailto:lisa@stmatthiasparish.org) or check out our website at [www.stmatthiasparish.org/SupportUs/Online](http://www.stmatthiasparish.org/SupportUs/Online)

## THANK YOU TO OUR ANNUAL APPEAL DONORS

*Our Annual Appeal Assessment for 2020 is \$67,431. To date, we have received 52.74% of our goal, or \$35,514. We are grateful for those who have contributed:*

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## SAINT TERESA BENEDICTA OF THE CROSS (EDITH STEIN) (1891-1942)

### August 9

"Come," Edith gently whispered, taking her sister Rosa's hand, "let us go for our people!" These were Edith Stein's last words as the Nazis, enraged at the Dutch bishops' condemnation of their genocide, took into custody all Catholic converts from Judaism. Born Jewish, but non-practicing from her teens, Edith's search for truth led to a doctorate in philosophy, a brilliant career as professor and author and, finally, to the *Autobiography of Saint Teresa of Ávila*, which she read in one sitting, then declared, "That is the Truth!" Baptized on January 1, 1922, observed then as the feast of Jesus' initiation into the covenant of Abraham, confirmed on February 2, the feast of Jesus' Presentation in the Temple, Edith entered the cloistered Carmelites in Cologne, transferring to a convent in Holland when she realized that, because of the Nazi persecution of the Jews, her presence could imperil the safety of the other nuns. She died in the gas chambers of Auschwitz as a daughter of Israel and of the Church.

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## THE PRESENCE OF GOD

After the miracle of Jesus walking on water, the disciples exclaimed, "Truly, you are the Son of God" (Matthew 14:33). Most Christians will probably never experience such a dramatic miracle. Like Elijah, we await the manifestation of God in other moments. Perhaps the biggest challenge for the believer is to be constantly attuned to the possible presence of God in the everyday events of life. This is a stance that takes some people years to develop. Others seem to find the Lord easily in the simple things. As the week unfolds, let us look for the presence of God in the little things around us. Perhaps, like Elijah, we will be surprised at what we find. And, like the disciples, we can add our voice to the confession, "Truly you are the Son of God."

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# The Little Ones

Jim Burrows



Peter got out of the boat, and walked on the water and came toward Jesus. But seeing the wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" Mt 14:29-30

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