

# St. Matthias

## ST. MATTHIAS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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### St. Matthias Mass Schedule

Sunday 9:45 am (Outdoors)\*

### 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.

MAGI FROM THE EAST ARRIVED IN JERUSALEM, SAYING,  
“WHERE IS THE NEWBORN KING OF THE JEWS?”  
WE SAW HIS STAR AT ITS RISING  
AND HAVE COME TO DO HIM HOMAGE.”

MATTHEW 2:1-2

## THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

JANUARY 3, 2021

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# Mass Time — Sunday 9:45am

## 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 I

### Is 60:1-6

Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! Your light has  
come, the glory of the Lord shines upon you.  
See, darkness covers the earth,  
and thick clouds cover the peoples;  
but upon you the LORD shines,  
and over you appears his glory.  
Nations shall walk by your light,  
and kings by your shining radiance.  
Raise your eyes and look about;  
they all gather and come to you:  
your sons come from afar,  
and your daughters in the arms of their nurses.  
Then you shall be radiant at what you see,  
your heart shall throb and overflow,  
for the riches of the sea shall be emptied out  
before you, the wealth of nations shall be  
brought to you. Caravans of camels shall fill  
you dromedaries from Midian and Ephah;

all from Sheba shall come  
bearing gold and frankincense,  
and proclaiming the praises of the LORD.

## Responsorial Psalm

### Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13

R.(cf. 11) Lord, every nation on earth will adore  
you.

## Reading II

### Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6

Brothers and sisters:  
You have heard of the stewardship of God's  
grace that was given to me for your benefit,  
namely, that the mystery was made known to  
me by revelation.  
It was not made known to people in other  
generations as it has now been revealed  
to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit:  
that the Gentiles are coheirs, members of the  
same body, and copartners in the promise in  
Christ Jesus through the gospel.

## Alleluia

### Mt 2:2

R. Alleluia, alleluia.  
We saw his star at its rising  
and have come to do him homage.  
R. Alleluia, alleluia.

## Gospel

### Mt 2:1-12

When Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea,  
in the days of King Herod,  
behold, magi from the east arrived in  
Jerusalem, saying,  
"Where is the newborn king of the Jews?  
We saw his star at its rising and have come to  
do him homage."

When King Herod heard this, he was greatly troubled, and all Jerusalem with him. Assembling all the chief priests and the scribes of the people, He inquired of them where the Christ was to be born. They said to him, "In Bethlehem of Judea, for thus it has been written through the prophet: And you, Bethlehem, land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; since from you shall come a ruler, who is to shepherd my people Israel." Then Herod called the magi secretly and ascertained from them the time of the star's appearance. He sent them to Bethlehem and said, "Go and search diligently for the child. When you have found him, bring me word, that I too may go and do him homage." After their audience with the king they set out. And behold, the star that they had seen at its rising preceded them, until it came and stopped over the place where the child was. They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage.

Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed for their country by another way.

## 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

## To Access Live Streamed Masses

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

**Sunday 9:45 am** on St. Matthias' YouTube page <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCRRy371aMVoldjaDoj8droA>. *Sunday 9:45 am Mass will be celebrated in the Church parking lot.*

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

*St. Charles' Sunday 8:30 am Mass is celebrated outdoors, all are welcome to attend.*

*If you wish to attend one of our Outdoor Masses, please bring your own chair, wear a mask and maintain social distance of 6 feet between the members of your household and others.*

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

## STAFF DIRECTORY

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## MASS INTENTIONS

Jan 3rd — Virginia & Maggiorino Poggio (+)

Jan 10th — Richard Marino (+)

Jan 17th — Dino & Piera Del Favero (+)

Jan 24th — Ludwig Marent (+)

Jan 31st — Bernie Brennan (+)

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.

## PROMISE FULFILLED

Isaiah reminds the people of God that the land shall be restored to their possession, they shall rejoice to see their people return from the bondage of exile, and they shall be a light to the nations. In other words, through the people of Israel, the Savior shall come to all people who seek God with a sincere heart. This brings joy and the radiance of God's glory to all the world and to all people everywhere. Through the fidelity of the people of God, and through God's fidelity to them, all people shall become God's children and rejoice in the fulfillment of God's promise to Israel.

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

Roberta Thurston

Josefina Garcia

Barbara Soria

Liz Vugrinecz

Ethan Aronson

Alyssa Beemer

Aurora Genochio

Pedro Moreno

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

## Archdiocesan Annual Appeal WE MET OUR GOAL!



Thank you to all that contributed to the Archdiocesan Annual Appeal. As of December 22nd - we have exceeded our goal!

### **St. Matthias' Tax Assessment for 2020 is \$67,341**

Parishioners have donated \$47,589 to date + we've received matching donations of \$7,000 + \$13,925 towards the match = which brings our combined total is \$68,514.

**We have received \$1,173 over our goal. This amount will be refunded to the parish.**

We are grateful for those who have contributed including:

Bob & Lynda Allen, Bruce & Teresa Anthony, Jon & Lisa Bamford, Cherell Bassett, Al Beckett, Victor & Rose Berta, Dan & Ann Boram, Tom & Lynda Brouchoud, Bill & Debbie Bulanti, Sal & Robin Calcagno, Jair & Rosemary Campos, Bayardo & Gloria Chamorro, Diana Chamorro, Tony & Tania Chan, Andrew & Christine Chrystal, Karl & Vivian Clausing, Bill & Cheryl Clawson, Lois Conti, Laurie Coulter, Ed & Lisa Cox, Al & Carol Cresta, Mary Monihan & Mariano Dagang, Francesca DaGragnano, Colton & Jeri Daines, Paxton & Carol Davis, MaryJane Dempsey, Jim & Marilynn Donnelly, Evie Dwyer, Thomas & Ann Ellerhorst, Vince & Denise Falzon, Claire Felong, Roger & Carol Flores, Roger S. & Arlene Flores, Julie Fogarty, Tommie Fogliani, Richard Foley, Nancy Galli, Thomas & Karen Gebhart, Lou & Fran Giannattasio, Justin & Evelyn Gibson, Eva Gillet, Charles & Mira Gillet, Steve & Shirley Grana, Laura & John Granucci, Mike & Karen Guidotti, Paul Haas & Kimberly Calderaro, Andrew & Maureen Hamer, Alan & Sabrina Harper, Kim Hartman, Diana Hill, John & Susan Hobson, Carmella Huser, Greg & Ginette Jones, Joe & Kathleen Kaz, Bill & Gloria Keating, Jacqueline Keyser, Jason & Fara Klein, Frances Jean Kucic, Craig & Diane Largent, Al & Maria Larrenaga, Sean Leddy, Russell Lee, Fernando Lopez-Lezcano, Anthony & Sandi Machado, Lance Magee, Thomas & Virginia Malaspina, Bill & Angeli Maney, Emily Marent, Laura Markman, Keith & Natalie Marshall, Carol McAdams, Steve McCreddin & Sue McGill, Sharon McQueen, Robert & Marge Mitchell, Severin Morger, Fran Mylod, Bruce & Diane Noriega, Mark & Stephanie Niu, Linda O'Keeffe, Sue Panelli, Jay Parashis, Elaine Piparo, Enrica Poggio, Adam & Alison Rak, Brian & Ann Ponty, Mary Peruzzo, Susan Rawcliffe, Karen Rende, Brad & Adeline Richardson, Jeff & Penny Richardson, Maritza Rogie, David & Mildred Rolandelli, Steve Rusconi, Jerry & Katherine Schembri, Adelaide Sciandri, Joseph Schmidt, Bill & Mary Schorr, Pam Segale, Dave & Kate Severin, Mary Shea, Joseph Sheehan, Edmund So, Jim & Betty Steidel, Thomas & Susan Stenson, Vivian Tarango, Margaret Tonda, Dan & Susan Torres, Brad & Susie Toussaint, Liana Turchet, Jerry & Marina Turner, Tony & Ali Uccelli, Hal Urban, Tim & Sunshine Valderrama, Jacqueline Carter Walker, Joe & Christina Yanacek

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

### **Notice to our Neighbors**

Effective Monday, December 21, 2020 the County of San Mateo will have exclusive use of the St. Matthias Rectory parking lot for County vehicles and those with permits only. This lot will not be available for public parking. These restrictions will apply Monday 7:00 am through Saturday 4:00 pm through at least the end of 2022. Please help us comply with this agreement by keeping the lot clear for County vehicles. If you have questions, please contact the St. Matthias Church Office at (650) 366-9544.

**St. Matthias Church** is open Monday, Tuesday and Thursday from 10:00 am - 5:00 pm for personal prayer. We ask that you use the provided Clorox wipes to sanitize the areas that you have come in contact with before leaving.

## Help Us Save A Life This Winter

These chilly evenings make us so grateful for the warmth of our homes. Sleeping in a car or on the cold, damp street would be really hard. Yet this is how many of our homeless neighbors live — they do not have a warm place to greet them at the end of a long day. You can help the homeless stay warm and protect them from hypothermia and other cold weather related conditions. Your gift to St. Vincent de Pauls' Stay Warm Appeal provides basic survival necessities to those who are struggling to keep warm this winter. Every donation makes a difference in the life of someone who is in need of love and support. Thank you! To donate, visit [svdpsm.org](http://svdpsm.org) or mail to: Society of St. Vincent de Paul of San Mateo County 50 North B Street, San Mateo, CA 94401 (note "Stay Warm" on your check) Tax ID# 94-1375833.

Due to continuing COVID restrictions, St. Matthias will not be conducting our annual "Share the Warmth" drive for scarves, blankets and socks. Please prayerfully consider donating to the "Stay Warm" appeal instead.

## Peninsula Multifaith Coalition MLK Day of Service Reimagined

Due to COVID-19 restrictions, the activities organized have been reimagined. Registration is now open for all the projects on Monday, January 18, 2021. This project seeks to bring together our diverse community to build bridges of understanding and respect. The day features both online and in-person projects at various sites in the local community. Visit [pmcmlk2021.eventbrite.com](http://pmcmlk2021.eventbrite.com) for more information about each project and to register. The Opening Ceremony celebrating Dr. King will be on Zoom featuring Congresswoman Jackie Speier and Rev. Lorrie Owner, President of San Mateo NAACP.

We are collecting new and gently used books to promote literacy in our community. Any children's books we collect for ages 0-18 will be donated to The Children's Book Project, which distributes thousands of free books every month to children in the Bay Area who need them. Especially appreciated are books that feature Black, Indigenous, or People of Color (BIPOC) heroes, and books in Spanish and Chinese. Please DO NOT donate textbooks, encyclopedias, library discards, moldy, torn, smelly, or obsolete books. Any books we receive for adults will be donated to local libraries or Goodwill.

Please bring books in a plastic bag (in case of damp weather) to **one of these drop-off**

**locations** beginning January 5 through 11:00 am on January 18 (MLK Day):

- Congregation Beth Jacob, 1550 Alameda de las Pulgas, Redwood City (leave books during weekday business hours on cart on the patio; call 650-366-8481 first to make sure gate to parking lot is open; gates close early on Fridays)
- Leeb residence, 17 Waterside Circle, Redwood Shores (drop off books any day, 8:00 am-10:00 pm, and ring the doorbell)

Please DO NOT drop off books at St. Matthias Church.



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## FEAST OF FAITH

### The Liturgy of Emmanuel

The assembly has gathered from near and far, on foot, by bus, by car, by subway, singly and by twos and threes: single people, couples, families. Now that movement is ritualized and made visible in the liturgy's entrance procession.

We are not alone on this journey; Christ is with us. The procession is led by the cross, with the image of Christ upon it. Candles, signs of a living presence, are carried around the cross. Candles also accompany the Book of the Gospels, another sign of Emmanuel, God-with-us. The priest presider is likewise a sign of Christ's presence in our assembly; he will act *in persona Christi*, in the person of Christ, who presides at every Eucharist.

As the procession begins, we stand and sing together in our first act as a community. The joining of our voices begins to turn many into one. The songs we sing range from ancient chants to contemporary hymns, but they have the same purpose, to foster our unity and turn our thoughts to the mysteries we gather to celebrate. We may feel that we can't sing well, but "Christ always invites us to enter into song, to rise above our own preoccupations, and to give our entire selves to the hymn of his Paschal Sacrifice" (USCCB, *Sing to the Lord*, 14).

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## TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Before long, people will be throwing Mardi Gras beads in the streets of New Orleans—purple, gold, and green. A few will be in on the secret: the colors of the beads are derived from the gifts of the magi. Gold for wealth, purple for power, green for good health. The gifts are also a key to the identity of the Christ Child: the incense for God; the gold for a king; the myrrh, fragrant burial ointment for one who comes to die.

Centuries ago, today's feast bore the heavy burden of celebrating all the manifestations of Christ's identity: the birth of Jesus, the coming of the magi, the baptism of the Lord, the wedding feast at Cana. It was too much for one day. Fortunately the one day has blossomed into a whole season of grateful celebration, stretching behind us into Advent, and ahead of us into the Baptism of the Lord and to Christ's coming again in glory. Tonight, be sure to light the Christmas lights, and gather at the crèche for a favorite carol and a prayer.

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## SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: The Epiphany of the Lord  
Monday: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton  
Tuesday: St. John Neumann  
Wednesday: St. André Bessette  
Thursday: St. Raymond of Penyafort;  
Julian Calendar Christmas

**St. Matthias Preschool is  
Now Enrolling**

**3 to 5 year olds.**

**Contact Rose Juarez**

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enrollment information.