

# St. Matthias

## ST. MATTHIAS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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### St. Matthias Mass Schedule

Saturday 5:00 pm (Indoors)\*

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.

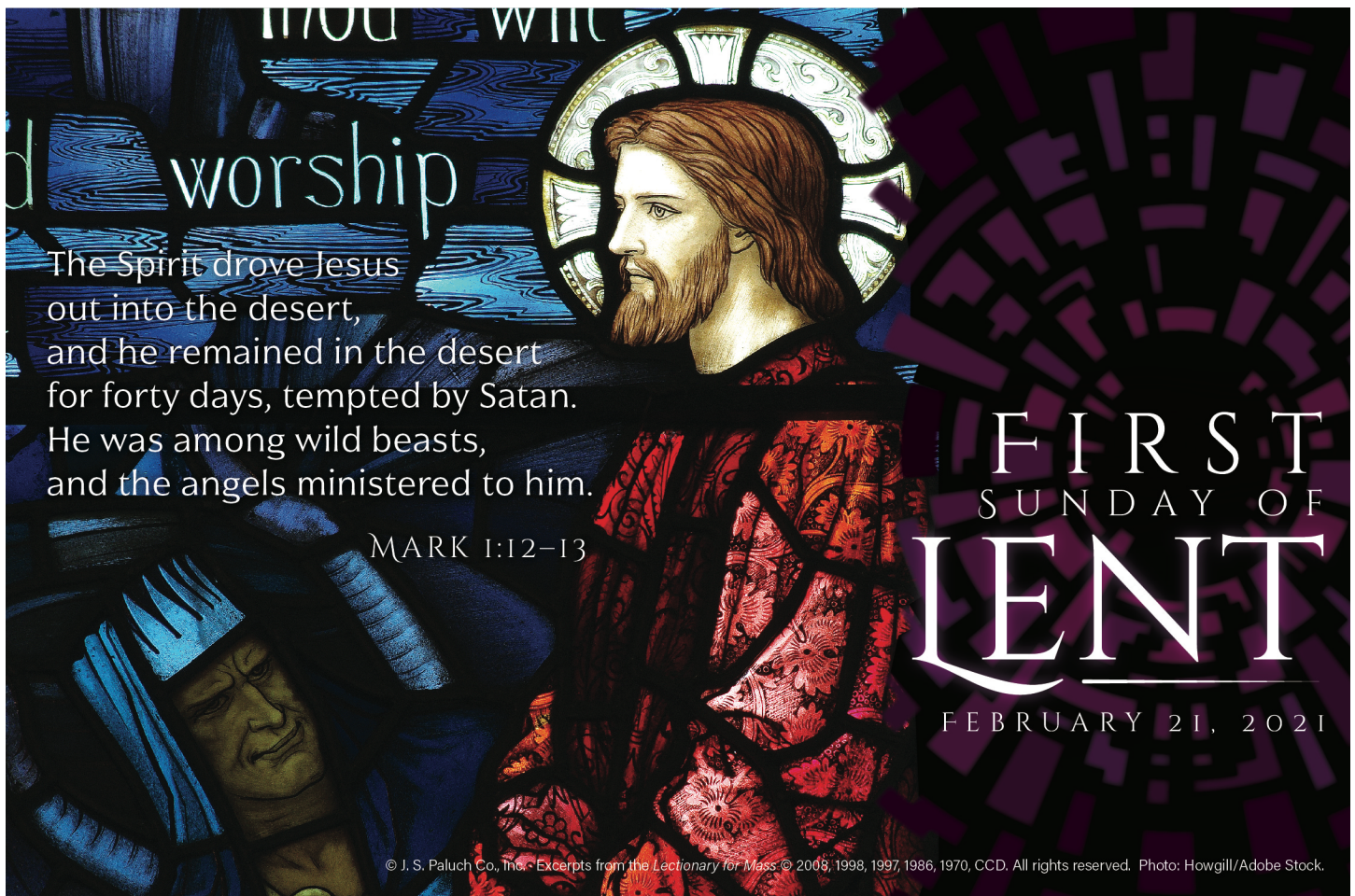
### Baptism

Email Deacon Rich Foley for information.

### Marriage

Email Deacon Rich Foley for information.

See Staff Directory inside for contact information.



and worship

The Spirit drove Jesus out into the desert, and he remained in the desert for forty days, tempted by Satan. He was among wild beasts, and the angels ministered to him.

MARK 1:12-13

FIRST  
SUNDAY OF  
LENT

FEBRUARY 21, 2021

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# Mass Times — Saturday 5:00pm & 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 are the Most High, Jesus  
Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God  
the Father. Amen.

## **Reading I**

### **Gn 9:8-15**

God said to Noah and to his sons with him:  
"See, I am now establishing my covenant with  
you and your descendants after you  
and with every living creature that was with  
you: all the birds, and the various tame and  
wild animals that were with you and came out  
of the ark.

I will establish my covenant with you,  
that never again shall all bodily creatures be  
destroyed by the waters of a flood;  
there shall not be another flood to devastate  
the earth."

God added:

"This is the sign that I am giving for all ages to  
come, of the covenant between me and you  
and every living creature with you:  
I set my bow in the clouds to serve as a sign  
of the covenant between me and the earth.

When I bring clouds over the earth,  
and the bow appears in the clouds,  
I will recall the covenant I have made  
between me and you and all living beings,  
so that the waters shall never again become a  
flood to destroy all mortal beings."

## **Responsorial Psalm**

### **Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9**

R. (cf. 10) Your ways, O Lord, are love and truth  
to those who keep your covenant.

## **Reading II**

### **1 Pt 3:18-22**

Beloved:

Christ suffered for sins once,  
the righteous for the sake of the unrighteous,  
that he might lead you to God.  
Put to death in the flesh, he was brought to life  
in the Spirit.

In it he also went to preach to the spirits in  
prison, who had once been disobedient  
while God patiently waited in the days of  
Noah during the building of the ark,  
in which a few persons, eight in all,  
were saved through water.

This prefigured baptism, which saves you now.  
It is not a removal of dirt from the body  
but an appeal to God for a clear conscience,  
through the resurrection of Jesus Christ,  
who has gone into heaven and is at the right  
hand of God, with angels, authorities, and  
powers subject to him.

## **Verse Before the Gospel**

### **Mt 4:4b**

One does not live on bread alone,  
but on every word that comes forth from the  
mouth of God.

## Gospel

### Mk 1:12-15

The Spirit drove Jesus out into the desert, and he remained in the desert for forty days, tempted by Satan.

He was among wild beasts, and the angels ministered to him.

After John had been arrested, Jesus came to Galilee proclaiming the gospel of God:

"This is the time of fulfillment. The kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the gospel."

## 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.

## The Lights are On For You

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be offered every Wednesday evening during Lent from 6:30-7:30 pm at St. Charles in the Church.

## To Access Live Streamed Masses

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

**CHANGE:** **Saturday 5:00 pm Mass** from inside the Church will be live-streamed on St. Matthias' YouTube page [Live Steams From St. Matthias In Redwood City](#). *Sunday 9:45 am Mass will be celebrated in the Church parking lot, all are welcome to attend.*

**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.**



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## Abstinence

Everyone fourteen years of age and older is bound to abstain from meat on the Fridays of Lent and Good Friday.

**Fast** Everyone between the ages of eighteen and sixty years of age are bound to fast on Good Friday. On this day, the law of fast allows only one full meal a day, but does not

prohibit some food during the day, so long as this does not constitute another full meal.

Drinking during the day is permitted. When health or ability to work would be seriously affected, this does not oblige. In doubt concerning fast or abstinence, a priest assigned to pastoral ministry or confessor should be consulted. In the spirit of penance, the faithful should not lightly excuse themselves from this obligation. Fasting helps us unclutter our minds and hearts of excess so that we can focus and reflect on our ongoing conversion.

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

**Bill Schorr**

**Ron Turiello**

**Juleea Ybarra**

**Roberta Thurston**

**Liz Vugrinecz**

**Ethan Aronson**

**Alyssa Beemer**

**Aurora Genochio**

**Suzanne Schnaffner**

*and for those who have recently returned to God's loving embrace...*

**Katrina Hizon**

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

## *Mass Intentions*

**Feb 20th at 5:00 pm -**  
Nicanor and William Pacumio (+)

**Feb 21st at 9:45 am -**

## Dr. King Revisited

### An Anti-Racism Series for Lent



St. Matthias' Justice and Charity Commission is organizing an anti-racism series for Lent entitled, "Dr. King Revisited" based on a biblical study guide designed in collaboration with the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) and Christian Churches Together (CCT). Christian Churches Together (CCT), is one of the largest ecumenical organizations in the United States. Formed in 2007, CCT is a fellowship of thirty-six national communions including African American, Catholic, Evangelical, Historic Protestant, Pentecostal and Orthodox. In 2013, CCT released a response, both an affirmation and a commitment, on the 50th Anniversary of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s *Letter from Birmingham Jail*. This series will draw on Dr. King's letter, CCT's response and study guide, and biblical teaching to guide small group discussions aimed at offering opportunities for reflection and dialogue. All materials will be provided in advance.

**When:** February 22, March 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

**Where:** Google Meet

**Who:** All are welcome. Please invite your friends!

**Time:** 7:00-8:30 pm

**Register:** For questions or to register, contact the parish office at (650) 366-9544 or email [sabrina@stmatthiasparish.org](mailto:sabrina@stmatthiasparish.org)

**The Rite of Election** is an important part of the process of preparing adults for the reception of the sacraments of initiation at the Easter Vigil. On the First Sunday of Lent, RCIA candidates, their families and team members gather at cathedrals around the world to celebrate this rite.

Due to the pandemic, the Rite of Election of candidates from St. Matthias and St. Charles parishes will be held at St. Matthias during the 9:45 a.m. Mass on Sunday, February 21st. The communities of both parishes are invited to participate in this Mass. If you are unable to attend, please keep our catechumens and candidates and their sponsors in your prayers.

The purpose of the Rite of Election is described in the introduction to the rite:

*Thus the Church makes its "election," that is, the choice and admission of those catechumens who have the dispositions that make them fit to take part, at the next major celebration, in the sacraments of initiation.*

This choice is made by the Church as an outward expression of the choice already made by God. God, through the Church, is choosing those who listen to God's call and choose to undertake a spiritual journey to be disciples of Jesus.

We celebrate and pray for the following catechumens and candidates:

**Ken Purdy** (St. Charles) and his sponsor, John Warner; **Joey Latham** (St. Matthias) and his sponsor, Sheerin Latham; and **James Babcock** (St. Matthias) and his sponsor Ed Cox.

Many thanks to the RCIA team members who support our candidates: Dorothy Farkas, Christina Jerrold, Marc Aquino along with Deacon David Rolandelli and Deacon Rich Foley.

## **Catholic Charities Center for Immigration Needs Volunteers**

Carol Laughlin, Volunteer manager,  
415-972-1236 [CLaughlin@CatholicCharitiesSF.org](mailto:CLaughlin@CatholicCharitiesSF.org).  
<https://www.catholiccharitiessf.org/what-we-do/immigration/>

Catholic Social Teaching calls us to welcome the stranger. Catholic Charities Center for Immigration Legal and Support Services invites you to use your talents, skills, compassion and commitment to answer that call and join our Volunteer Corps. We are actively seeking four types of volunteers to help our Center for Immigration staff serve vulnerable migrants in San Francisco, San Mateo and Marin Counties, as described below:

1. Lawyers, in partnership with dedicated staff attorneys, will work with clients in deportation or in guardianship proceedings.
2. Application assistants, under the supervision of expert staff, will prepare DACA and Naturalization applications.
3. Office volunteers will assist with mail sorting and filing, phone calls and other office tasks.
4. The Center is also in need of Spanish-speaking bilingual translators and interpreters.

If you are able to help or desire more information, please contact Carol Laughlin, above.

## **An Online Gathering of Elders**

*Sundays, March 7 and 14, 1:00-2:30 pm*  
Deacon Chuck McNeil 415-567-7824  
[deaconchuck@stdominics.org](mailto:deaconchuck@stdominics.org)

Women and Men age 65 and older are invited to an online gathering of prayer and discussion on two successive Sundays in March. Topics for discussion include questions such as: How do you define an Elder? What is your legacy? What still needs to be done? Attendees will be invited to share answers during the meeting. For More information or to receive the link please contact Deacon Chuck McNeil, above.

## **Exploring the Roots & Meaning of Religious Fear with Fr. Ron Rolheiser**

Saturday Feb. 27. Two sessions: 10am-12 and 1-3PM. Recording made for ticket holders. \$25.  
<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/exploring-the-roots-meaning-of-religious-fear-tickets-136891677693>

Most of us live with too many fears in our lives. And all of us live with religious fears, fears about God, about life, and about our eternal destiny. What kind of fear is healthy in our lives and what kind is unhealthy? From where do our religious fears originate? How do we tell healthy fears from unhealthy ones? This retreat will examine the origins and the complexities of religious fear and, after giving fear its proper dues, will examine some biblical principles which invite us to live with less fear.

**LIFT UP YOUR EYES!** Art, Elevation, & the Liturgy - a six part online course with Elizabeth Lev

**Taught live online via Zoom on Tuesdays at 7:45 P.M. March 16, March 23, March 30, April 6, April 13, April 20 2021. Recordings will be available to all who register.**

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This on-line lecture series explores the history of art in the context of the liturgy, specifically works designed to elevate the mind, heart, and spirit during the Mass. The class will study the glittering mosaics in the baptisteries and apses of Ravenna and Rome, the dazzling vaults and stained glass of the Gothic cathedrals, the triumph of linear perspective in Renaissance altarpieces, the majestic, raised altars of the Counter-Reform and the soaring Baroque baldachins. Learning about the construction, style and meaning of these objects, students will see how, over many centuries and in differing forms, art was used to enhance the experience of the Eucharist and evoke the mystery of the sacraments. Following these classes, participants will discover how beauty is an essential force for persuading the faithful during worship to look not down at the distractions of this world, but to raise our eyes and hearts to things divine. This course celebrates the great continuity from Byzantine glitz to Caravaggio's shadows with the aim of sparking a discussion of how to draw the gaze of the faithful upward today. <http://www.sfarch.org/liftupyoureyes>

### **SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES**

Sunday: First Sunday of Lent; Rite of Election; Rite of Calling the Candidates to Continuing Conversion; Rite of Sending  
Monday: Washington's Birthday;  
Julian Calendar Lent begins  
Tuesday: St. Polycarp  
Thursday: Purim (Jewish observance) begins at sunset  
Friday: Abstinence  
Saturday: St. Gregory of Narek

### **FEAST OF FAITH**

Seasonal Changes for the Liturgies of Lent  
Today is the First Sunday of Lent. During this season of preparation for Easter, our churches look stark and simple—no flowers at the altar, no festive banners or decorations. And our liturgies feel different, too. The organ is quiet except to accompany the singing of the assembly. The Gloria, our Sunday song of rejoicing, is not heard except on solemnities, and we will not sing the Alleluia, our joyful acclamation of praise, until the Easter Vigil. "Alleluia cannot always / Be our song while here below," says an eleventh-century hymn. "Alleluia our transgressions / Make us for a while forego; / For the solemn time is coming / When our tears for sins must flow" (Alleluia dulce carmen, J. M. Neale, trans.). These changes in the liturgy will catch our attention, and make us eager for the festive outpouring of joy that will return with Easter. This year, may the stripped-away liturgies of Lent remind us to strip away what is not essential in our lives to make space for the crucified and risen One, and thus to be ready to sing "Alleluia" once again when Easter returns.  
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**St. Matthias Preschool is  
Now Enrolling  
3 to 5 year olds.**

**Contact Rose Juarez**

[rosemary@stmatthiasparish.org](mailto:rosemary@stmatthiasparish.org) for enrollment  
information.

**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.