

St. Matthias

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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

Leave the Light On during Lent Wednesday 6:30 pm

First Communion and Confirmation

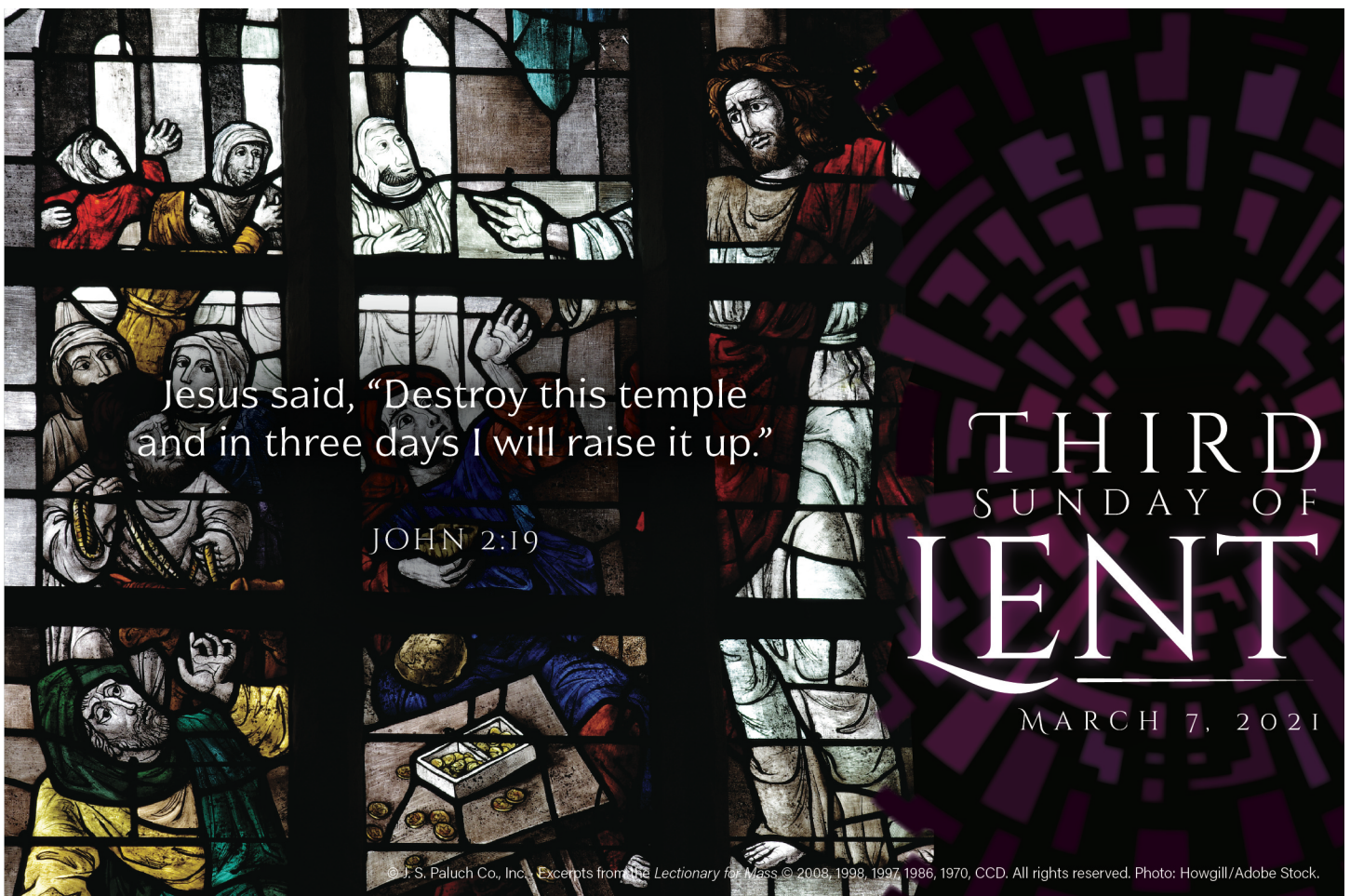
Email Sabrina Harper for information.

Baptism

Email Deacon Rich Foley for information.

Marriage

Email Deacon Rich Foley for information.



Mass Times — Saturday 5:00 pm & Sunday 9:45 am

The Confiteor

I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done, and in what I have failed to do, through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

Saturday 5:00 pm Cycle B Mass Readings

Reading I

Ex 20:1-3, 7-8, 12-17

In those days, God delivered all these commandments:

"I, the LORD am your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, that place of slavery.

You shall not have other gods besides me.

"You shall not take the name of the LORD, your God, in vain. For the LORD will not leave unpunished the one who takes his name in vain.

"Remember to keep holy the sabbath day.

Honor your father and your mother, that you may have a long life in the land which the Lord, your God, is giving you.

You shall not kill.

You shall not commit adultery.

You shall not steal.

You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

You shall not covet your neighbor's house.

You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, nor his male or female slave, nor his ox or ass, nor anything else that belongs to him."

Responsorial Psalm

19:8, 9, 10, 11

R. (John 6:68c) Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.

Reading II

1 Cor 1:22-25

Brothers and sisters:

Jews demand signs and Greeks look for wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are called, Jews and Greeks alike, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God.

For the foolishness of God is wiser than human wisdom, and the weakness of God is stronger than human strength.

Verse Before the Gospel

Jn 3:16

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might have eternal life.

Gospel

Jn 2:13-25

Since the Passover of the Jews was near, Jesus went up to Jerusalem.

He found in the temple area those who sold oxen, sheep, and doves, as well as the money changers seated there. He made a whip out of cords and drove them all out of the temple area, with the sheep and oxen, and spilled the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables, and to those who sold doves he said, "Take these out of here, and stop making my Father's house a marketplace."

His disciples recalled the words of Scripture,

Zeal for your house will consume me.
At this the Jews answered and said to him,
"What sign can you show us for doing this?"
Jesus answered and said to them,
"Destroy this temple and in three days I will
raise it up."
The Jews said,
"This temple has been under construction for
forty-six years, and you will raise it up in three
days?"
But he was speaking about the temple of his
body. Therefore, when he was raised from the
dead, his disciples remembered that he had
said this, and they came to believe the
Scripture and the word Jesus had spoken.
While he was in Jerusalem for the feast of
Passover, many began to believe in his name
when they saw the signs he was doing.
But Jesus would not trust himself to them
because he knew them all, and did not need
anyone to testify about human nature.
He himself understood it well.

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.

To Access Live Streamed Masses

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

Both **Saturday 5:00 pm and Sunday 9:45 am Mass** will be live-streamed on St. Matthias' YouTube page [Live Steams From St. Matthias In Redwood City.](#)

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.

RCIA Scrutinies Saturday 9:45 am Cycle A **Mass Readings**

Reading I

Ex 17:3-7

In those days, in their thirst for water,
the people grumbled against Moses,
saying, "Why did you ever make us leave
Egypt? Was it just to have us die here of thirst
with our children and our livestock?"

So Moses cried out to the LORD, "What shall I
do with this people? a little more and they will
stone me!"

The LORD answered Moses, "Go over there in
front of the people, along with some of the
elders of Israel, holding in your hand, as you
go, the staff with which you struck the river.
I will be standing there in front of you on the
rock in Horeb.

Strike the rock, and the water will flow from it
for the people to drink."

This Moses did, in the presence of the elders
of Israel. The place was called Massah and
Meribah, because the Israelites quarreled
there and tested the LORD, saying,
"Is the LORD in our midst or not?"

Responsorial Psalm

95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9

R. (8) If today you hear his voice, harden not
your hearts.

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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 of 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 uncluttered our minds and hearts of excess so that we can focus and reflect on our ongoing conversion.

Mass Intentions

March 6th at 5:00 pm -
Benito & Florencia Pangilinan (+)

March 7th at 9:45 am -
Patricia Taylor (+)

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

Bill Schorr

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...

June Grana

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

Reading II

Rom 5:1-2, 5-8

Brothers and sisters:

Since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have gained access by faith to this grace in which we stand, and we boast in hope of the glory of God.

And hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.

For Christ, while we were still helpless, died at the appointed time for the ungodly. Indeed, only with difficulty does one die for a just person, though perhaps for a good person one might even find courage to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we were still sinners Christ died for us.

Verse Before the Gospel

Cf. Jn 4:42, 15

Lord, you are truly the Savior of the world; give me living water, that I may never thirst again.

Gospel

Jn 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42

Jesus came to a town of Samaria called Sychar, near the plot of land that Jacob had given to his son Joseph.

Jacob's well was there.

Jesus, tired from his journey, sat down there at the well. It was about noon.

A woman of Samaria came to draw water.

Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink."

His disciples had gone into the town to buy food. The Samaritan woman said to him,

"How can you, a Jew, ask me, a Samaritan woman, for a drink?"

—For Jews use nothing in common with Samaritans.—

Jesus answered and said to her,

"If you knew the gift of God

and who is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him and he would have given you living water."

The woman said to him,

"Sir, you do not even have a bucket and the cistern is deep; where then can you get this living water? Are you greater than our father Jacob, who gave us this cistern and drank from it himself with his children and his flocks?"

Jesus answered and said to her,

"Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again; but whoever drinks the water I shall give will never thirst; the water I shall give will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life."

The woman said to him,

"Sir, give me this water, so that I may not be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water.

"I can see that you are a prophet.

Our ancestors worshiped on this mountain; but you people say that the place to worship is in Jerusalem."

Jesus said to her,

"Believe me, woman, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. You people worship what you do not understand; we worship what we understand, because salvation is from the Jews. But the hour is coming, and is now here, when true worshipers will worship the Father in Spirit and truth; and indeed the Father seeks such people to worship him. God is Spirit, and those who worship him must worship in Spirit and truth."

The woman said to him,

"I know that the Messiah is coming, the one called the Christ; when he comes, he will tell us everything."
Jesus said to her,
"I am he, the one who is speaking with you."
Many of the Samaritans of that town began to believe in him. When the Samaritans came to him, they invited him to stay with them; and he stayed there two days.
Many more began to believe in him because of his word, and they said to the woman,
"We no longer believe because of your word; for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is truly the savior of the world."

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 for 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.

What are the RCIA Scrutinies?

The RCIA initiation rites for the third, fourth and fifth Sundays of Lent are called "scrutinizes" which is not a very comforting name. The purpose of these rites is to engage the elect in examination, reflection and prayer. The rites are pastoral in nature and also call on the whole community to pray for our elect.

This year, St. Matthias and St. Charles have two individuals preparing for the Sacraments of Initiation at the Easter Vigil. They are Ken Purdy (St. Charles) and Joey Latham (St. Matthias). In addition, James Babcock (St. Matthias) is a baptized Christian and will be fully initiated into the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil Mass.

The Scrutinies developed as a tradition from the earliest days of the Church (examination, laying on of hands, prayers of exorcism). After the Second Vatican Council, the Church stated that the purpose of each scrutiny is "to uncover, then heal all that is weak, defective, of sinful in the hearts of the elect and to bring out, then strengthen all that is upright, strong and good." (RCIA, #141)

The intercessions are a critical element within the scrutinies with a focus on being heartfelt.

The Scrutinies will be celebrated within Mass according to the following schedule:

Third Sunday of Lent, St. Matthias, 9:45 am

Fourth Sunday of Lent, St. Matthias, 9:45 am

Fifth Sunday of Lent, St. Charles, 8:30 am

Please keep our candidates, their sponsors, and the members of the RCIA team in your prayers.

Pray — Plan — Pledge

Last weekend we kicked-off the Archdiocesan Annual Appeal -- an annual tax that we are assessed. Stewardship is our call to share our time, talent and treasure. Our St. Matthias community have been very generous especially during this pandemic. One of the strengths of our community is to respond to the needs of our parish.

Each year, the Archdiocesan Annual Appeal provides financial resources to support the work of the Archdiocesan. We benefit from the centralized services such as payroll, liturgical guidance, and outreach programs especially to the most needy in our greater community.

Last year, we met and exceeded our goal. Monies in excess of our goal were returned to St. Matthias.

So, the not so good news is that it is that time again. The good news is that our assessment is lower this year -- \$58,820.

The theme for this year's appeal is "For the needy will never be forgotten; nor will the hope of the afflicted ever fade." There are lots of needs this year -- our youth, for social justice ministries, for support of our priests and all our parishes.

Our goal at St. Matthias is to meet our AAA target by Pentecost which this year, is at the end of May.

We are asking that you sit down with those in your household and plan your contribution. We are encouraging you to consider pledging your level of giving over the next 10 months. For example, say your family decides to give \$1,000. With a gift, you would submit all \$1,000 at one time. But, with a pledge, you could give \$100 per month for ten months (March-December). With pledges, we know early that we've met our goal. During this pandemic, thoughtful planning is critical for so many things. This week you will receive a letter from Fr. Dave with a brochure.

Pray, Plan, and Pledge.

If you have any questions, please contact Lisa at the rectory or ask any member of our staff.

St. Matthias is a supportive and caring faith community. On behalf of Fr. Dave, Fr. Samuel and Fr. Malachi, our Finance Council and all the staff, we thank you ahead of time for your thoughtful consideration for this year's annual appeal.

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

Contact Rose Juarez

rosemary@stmatthiasparish.org for enrollment information.

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