

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

Leave the Light On during Lent Wednesday 6:30 pm

First Communion and Confirmation

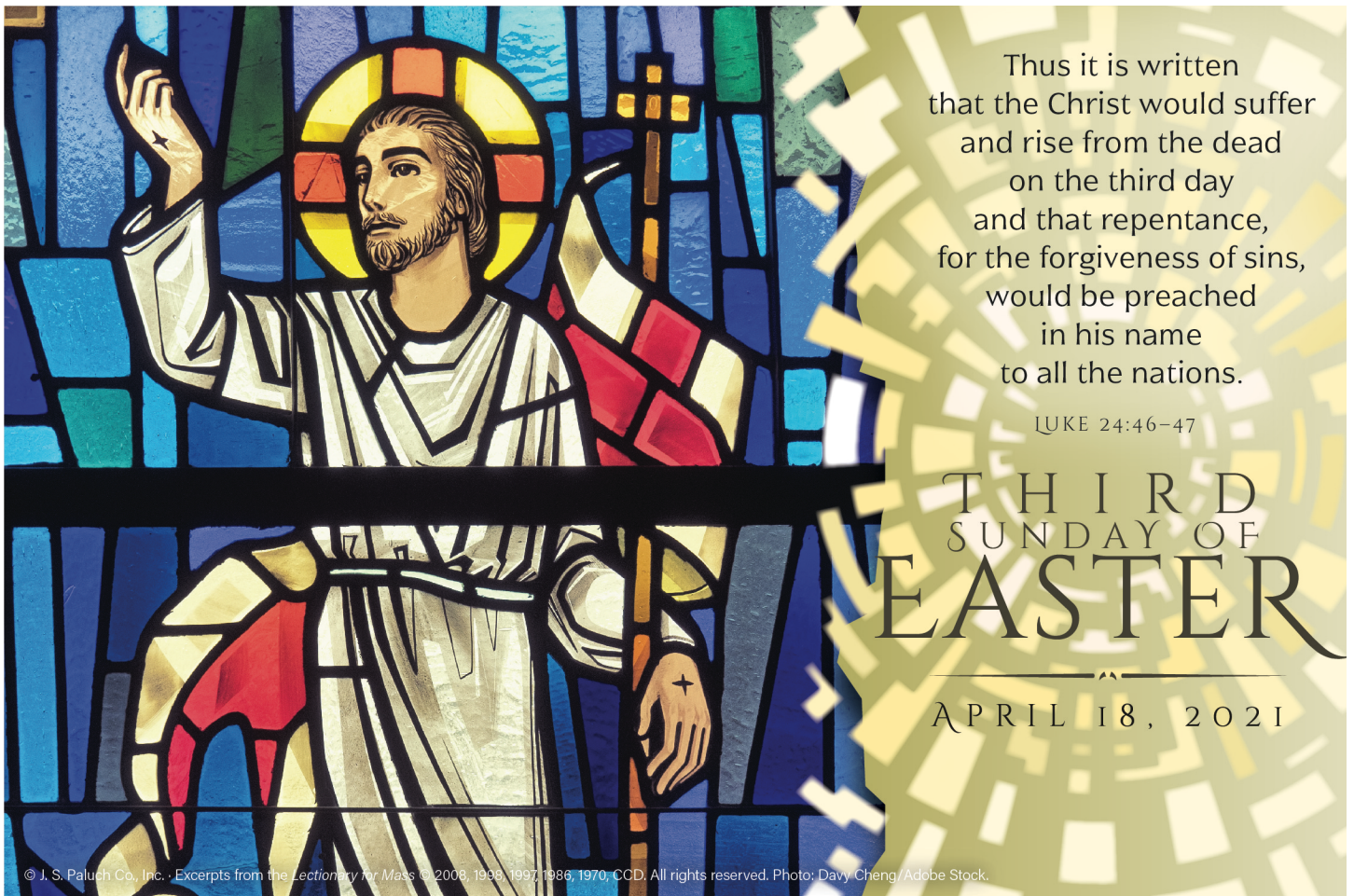
Email Sabrina Harper for information.

Baptism

Email Deacon Rich Foley for information.

Marriage

Email Deacon Rich Foley for information.
See Staff Directory inside for contact information.



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

The Gloria

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His people on earth. Lord God heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer. 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

Acts 3:13-15, 17-19

Peter said to the people:

"The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our fathers, has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and denied in Pilate's presence when he had decided to release him.

You denied the Holy and Righteous One and asked that a murderer be released to you. The author of life you put to death, but God raised him from the dead; of this we are witnesses.

Now I know, brothers, that you acted out of ignorance, just as your leaders did; but God has thus brought to fulfillment what he had announced beforehand through the mouth of all the prophets, that his Christ would suffer. Repent, therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be wiped away."

Responsorial Psalm

4:2, 4, 7-8, 9

R. Lord, let your face shine on us.

Reading II

1 Jn 2:1-5a

My children, I am writing this to you so that you may not commit sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous one. He is expiation for our sins, and not for our sins only but for those of the whole world.

The way we may be sure that we know him is to keep his commandments.

Those who say, "I know him," but do not keep his commandments are liars, and the truth is not in them.

But whoever keeps his word, the love of God is truly perfected in him.

Alleluia

Cf. Lk 24:32

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Lord Jesus, open the Scriptures to us; make our hearts burn while you speak to us.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel

Lk 24:35-48

The two disciples recounted what had taken place on the way, and how Jesus was made known to them in the breaking of bread.

While they were still speaking about this, he stood in their midst and said to them, "Peace be with you."

But they were startled and terrified and thought that they were seeing a ghost. Then he said to them, "Why are you troubled?

And why do questions arise in your hearts?
Look at my hands and my feet, that it is I
myself.
Touch me and see, because a ghost does not
have flesh and bones as you can see I have.”
And as he said this, he showed them his
hands and his feet.
While they were still incredulous for joy and
were amazed, he asked them, “Have you
anything here to eat?”
They gave him a piece of baked fish;
he took it and ate it in front of them.
He said to them,
“These are my words that I spoke to you while
I was still with you, that everything written
about me in the law of Moses and in the
prophets and psalms must be fulfilled.”
Then he opened their minds to understand
the Scriptures.
And he said to them,
“Thus it is written that the Christ would suffer
and rise from the dead on the third day
and that repentance, for the forgiveness of
sins, would be preached in his name
to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem.
You are witnesses of these things.”

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 Streams 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/](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.*

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God,
the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
he descended into hell;
on the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of God the
Father almighty;
from there he will come to judge the living
and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and life everlasting.
Amen.

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.

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Mass Intentions

Saturday, April 17th at 5:00 pm -

Nicanor Pacumio (+)

Sunday, April 18th at 9:45 am -

Don Vaillancourt (+)

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Third Sunday of Easter

Wednesday: St. Anselm;

Administrative Professionals Day

Thursday: Earth Day

Friday: St. George; St. Adalbert

Saturday: St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen

NATURE'S LESSONS

Believe one who has tried, you shall find a fuller satisfaction in the woods than in books. The trees and the rocks will teach you that which you cannot hear from the masters.

—St. Bernard of Clairvaux

St. Matthias Preschool is

Now Enrolling

3 to 5 year olds.

Contact Rose Juarez

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

Juleea Ybarra

Roberta Thurston

Liz Vugrinecz

Alyssa Beemer

Aurora Genochio

Suzanne Schnaffner

Robert Franco

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

Gianna Maria Solazzi

Teresita Concha

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

Save the Date: Sept 18-19, 2021

St. Matthias' Church 60th Anniversary

This is part-two of series of articles on the history of St. Matthias Church. Each week, leading up to the anniversary celebration, another part of our rich history will be shared in the pages of the bulletin. If you have a story to share from our early days, please contact Sabrina. Plans for the celebratory weekend are in the very early stages. A planning committee will be formed soon. Watch for more details!

Groundbreaking for the church was in July 1962. The first mass in the new church was celebrated in March 1963, and a year later it was dedicated by Archbishop McGucken who stated, "Lord it is good for us to be here." Fr. Thomas Lacey, pastor, con-celebrated the Mass with his brother, Fr. George Lacey.

By January 1964, another groundbreaking was held for the parochial school; the first class was held in September 1965. The school was staffed by the Franciscan Sisters of Mt. Alverno in Redwood City.

Throughout our history St. Matthias and Fr. Lacey had a strong connection to the Franciscan sisters of Mt. Alverno. The sisters instituted the religious education programs in the early days of the parish, worked on pastoral programs and staffed our parochial school. A close relationship continued until the convent was sold and closed in 2003.

In 1964, Larry Goode, son of parishioners Peter and Margaret Goode entered the seminary. Today, he is pastor at St. Francis of Assisi Parish in East Palo Alto.

New Fully-Initiated Catholics

Last Saturday, April 3rd at the Easter Vigil Mass, St. Matthias and St. Charles welcomed three men into our Catholic family as fully initiated members. Congratulations to newly Baptized **Ken Purdy** and **Joey Latham** and to **James Babcock** who was fully initiated.

Bible Study: Old Testament Prophets

Deacon Rich will present a nine-week Bible Study on *The Prophets of the Old Testament* beginning Monday, April 12, presented on-line via Google Meet. Participants can choose to attend sessions at either 10 -11:30 a.m. or 7 - 8:30 p.m.

In the Letter to the Hebrews (1:1-2), the author writes, "In many and various ways God spoke of old to our fathers by the prophets; but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son. . ." Who were the prophets? What was their role in their own day? How should we read and understand their prophetic message?

It is nearly impossible to understand the work and message of Jesus without an understanding of the prophetic books of the Bible. In this nine session series, while we cannot study every prophet in depth, we will focus on the major prophets and a few minor

prophets in the historical and theological context that prompted their messages.

All are welcome. No prior experiences with Bible study is needed. Please bring your own Bible, notepad and pen to each session. Handouts and slides will be shared. While any Catholic Bible will suffice, the preferred Bibles are the *New Revised Standard Version* and *The New American Bible*. Please join us for any or all sessions. To sign up to attend email Sabrina. If you have any questions, please contact Deacon Rich.

Pray — Plan — Pledge: AAA 2021

At the end of February, we kicked-off the Archdiocesan Annual Appeal -- an annual tax that we are assessed. 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 Archdiocese. 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. Our goal at St. Matthias is to meet our AAA target by Pentecost which this year, is at the end of May.

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. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry Upgrade

My name is Julia Granucci and I am a senior at Notre Dame High School. As part of my Senior Passion Project and my Girl Scout Gold Award, I will be renovating the St. Vincent de Paul food pantry in the parish center (the room off the carport). Food insecurity in the Bay Area has increased in the past few years and continues to grow due to COVID-19. I plan to rebuild the food pantry and supply it with additional appliances, enabling our parish community to supply and deliver more food bags for those in need each week. If you are interested in helping support my project, please consider sending a donation to the St. Vincent de Paul Conference of St. Matthias Church. All donations can be sent to St. Vincent de Paul % St. Matthias Church with a memo "food pantry." Thank you!

COVID-Vaccine Help

If you are over 75 years old and would like to receive some assistance in acquiring a COVID vaccine appointment, we have parishioners who are available to help you. Contact [Sabrina](mailto:sabrina@stmatthiasparish.org) via email sabrina@stmatthiasparish.org or call the parish office (650) 366-9544 for more information.

Thomas Merton's Epiphanies: A Spiritual Journey in Three Acts

Sat., April 24, 2021. 10AM-12 and 2-4PM.

\$20. RECORDING MADE FOR TICKET

HOLDERS. Register on: <https://www.vallombrosa.org/calendar/>

Thomas Merton is one of the towering figures of contemplative spirituality over the last century. This Trappist monk was a gifted writer and a brilliant interpreter of the Christian spiritual tradition, making the case for how contemplative spirituality remains relevant — and not just for monks and nuns. Our day of reflection will focus on three key “epiphanies” or moments of profound spiritual encounter in Merton’s life — at a Catholic Mass in Cuba in 1940; on a busy urban street corner in 1958, and at a Sri Lankan Buddhist temple in 1968 (days before Merton’s untimely death at the age of 53). Each of these events offers a different window into the spirituality and mystical genius of Merton — and how his insights can inspire us today.

Two, 2hr sessions. You do not have to attend both. Retreat Leader is Lay Trappist and author Carl McColman.

FEAST OF FAITH

The Second Reading

The Liturgy of the Word generally follows a consistent pattern of three readings and a psalm. The second reading is always taken from one of the New Testament epistles or the book of Revelation, and generally is not intentionally aligned with either the Gospel or the first reading. Where would we be without these letters in which great saints and apostles like Paul, Peter, James, and John share their wisdom and pastoral good sense with the early Christian communities? It is in these letters, even more than in the Gospel narratives, that we learn what it means to be church: to live with each other, in the world yet not

of the world, in these days after the Lord’s resurrection. Each New Testament letter was written by a particular leader for a particular community at a particular time. We are reminded of this at the beginning of the proclamation—“A reading from the letter of Saint Paul to the Ephesians,” or the Corinthians, or the Thessalonians. These texts were shaped by their particular historical and cultural context, but at the same time, through the liturgy, these letters are written to us, here, today. They speak to the realities of Christian living no matter where—or when—we live. They are truly “the word of the Lord” for us.

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FULFILLMENT

It is interesting that during the Easter season, when we do not hear a reading from the Old Testament, it becomes so important. This is particularly true today. Peter’s speech begins with a prayer formula familiar to Jews: “The God of Abraham . . .” (Acts 3:13). It likewise contains the potent phrases “Holy and Righteous One” and “mouth of all the prophets” (3:14, 18). Peter was stating in no uncertain terms that the law, psalms, and prophets had been fulfilled in Christ. This is reinforced by Jesus himself in the Gospel passage, when he states that everything in the scriptures (to the early Christians “the scriptures” were what we call the Old Testament) had to be fulfilled. Above all, Jesus and Peter both emphasize that we are witnesses to all of this, and are sent forth to bear witness to it in the world. The Latin Missa, from which our word “Mass” comes, means “sent” (as in “mission”). As we leave Mass today, let us remember to be witnesses to all that has been fulfilled in the risen Christ.

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