

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.

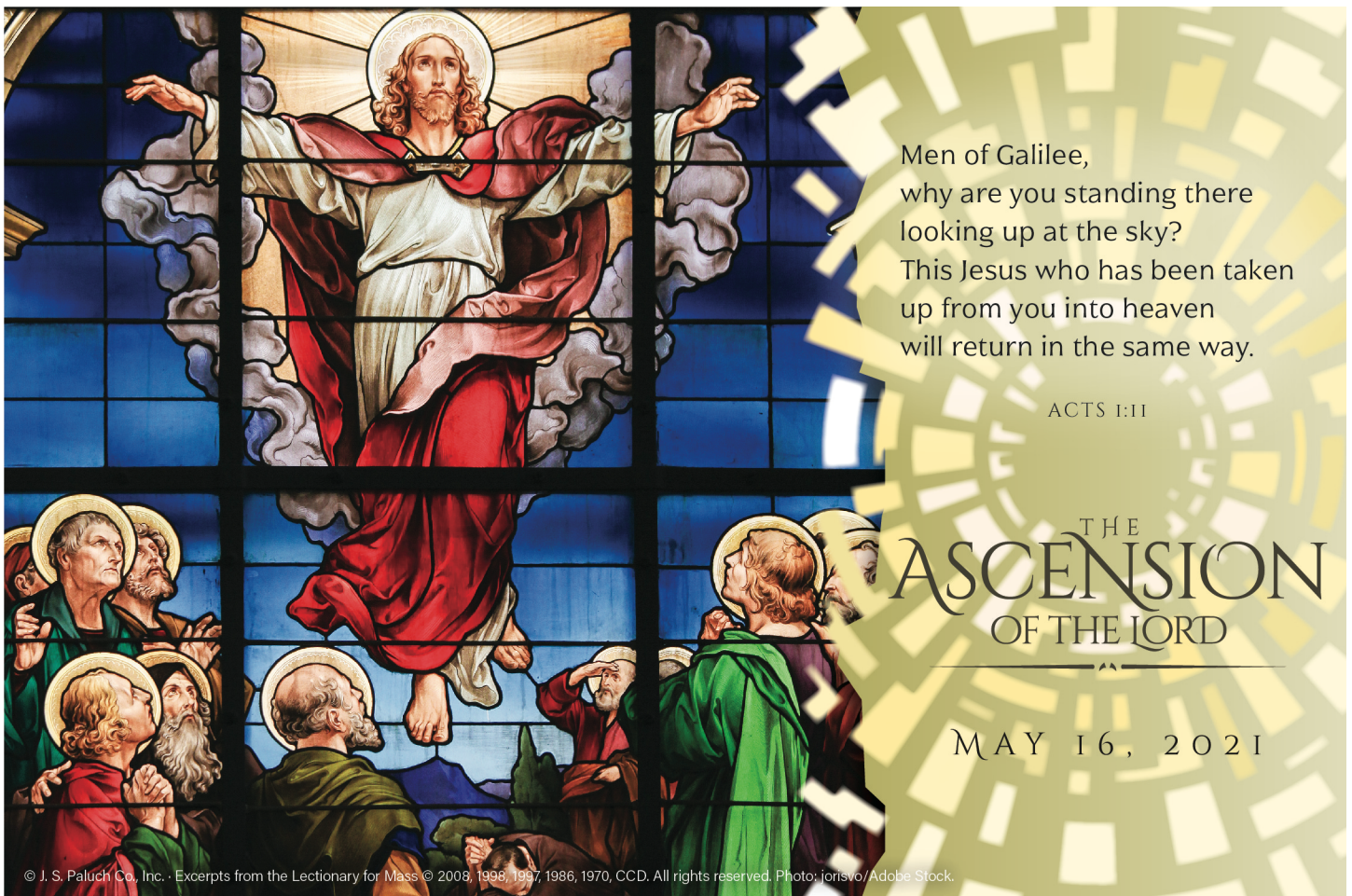
Baptism

Email Deacon Rich Foley for information.

Marriage

Email Deacon Rich Foley for information.

See Staff Directory inside for contact information.



Men of Galilee,
why are you standing there
looking up at the sky?
This Jesus who has been taken
up from you into heaven
will return in the same way.

ACTS 1:11

THE
ASCENSION
OF THE LORD

MAY 16, 2021

The Solemnity of Ascension of the Lord Readings

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 1:1-11

In the first book, Theophilus, I dealt with all that Jesus did and taught until the day he was taken up, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen.

He presented himself alive to them by many proofs after he had suffered, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. While meeting with them, he enjoined them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for "the promise of the Father about which you have heard me speak; for John baptized with water, but in a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit."

When they had gathered together they asked him, "Lord, are you at this time going to restore the kingdom to Israel?"

He answered them, "It is not for you to know the times or seasons that the Father has established by his own authority.

But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, throughout Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

When he had said this, as they were looking on, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him from their sight. While they were looking intently at the sky as he was going, suddenly two men dressed in white garments stood beside them. They said, "Men of Galilee, why are you standing there looking at the sky? This Jesus who has been taken up from you into heaven will return in the same way as you have seen him going into heaven."

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9

R. God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord.

Reading II

Eph 4:1-7, 11-13

Brothers and sisters, I, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to live in a manner worthy of the calling you have received, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another through love, striving to preserve the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace: one body and one Spirit, as you were also called to the one hope of your calling; one Lord, one faith, one baptism; one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all.

But grace was given to each of us according to the measure of Christ's gift. And he gave some as apostles, others as prophets, others as evangelists, others as pastors and teachers, to equip the holy ones for the work of ministry, for building up the

body of Christ, until we all attain to the unity of faith and knowledge of the Son of God, to mature to manhood, to the extent of the full stature of Christ.

Gospel

Mk 16:15-20

Jesus said to his disciples:

“Go into the whole world and proclaim the gospel to every creature. Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved; whoever does not believe will be condemned.

These signs will accompany those who believe: in my name they will drive out demons, they will speak new languages. They will pick up serpents with their hands, and if they drink any deadly thing, it will not harm them. They will lay hands on the sick, and they will recover.”

So then the Lord Jesus, after he spoke to them, was taken up into heaven and took his seat at the right hand of God.

But they went forth and preached everywhere,

while the Lord worked with them and confirmed the word through accompanying signs.

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.

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.

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

Staff Directory

Pastor, Fr. Dave Giorso

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Parochial Vicar, Fr. Samuel Musiimenta

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Preschool Director, Rosemary Juarez

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Mass Intentions

Saturday, May 15th at 5:00 pm -

Maura Murphy (+)

Sunday, May 16th at 9:45 am -

Bernie Brennan (+)

Prayer Tree Network

Our Prayer Tree Network is a very special group of people who regularly pray for the needs of the community. All may request prayers for a special intention for healing, grieving, discernment, strength, comfort or support by contacting our Prayer Tree Network. The members spent some time every day in prayer for the requests that are received. If you are interested in sharing a prayer intention, or finding out more about this valuable ministry, please call the parish office at (650) 366-9544.

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

St. Matthias Preschool is now enrolling 3 to 5 year olds for the 2021-2022 school year. Contact Rose Juarez for enrollment information.

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

Liz Vugrinecz

Alyssa Beemer

Aurora Genochio

Suzanne Schaffner

Marie Felix

Alan Harper

Robert Franco

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

Mike Felix

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

Save the Date: September 18 & 19, 2021 St. Matthias Church 60th Anniversary

This is part-six of a 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!



Sr. Felicia, OSF joined St. Matthias in 1972 as Director of Religious Education. In 1979, Fr. Lacey returned to St. Matthias as co-pastor with Msgr. Gallagher. He would remain in residence at the parish until he passed away in August 2000.

The 1980's were a time of celebrations and additional staff changes. In 1982, a Mass was celebrated followed by a reception to honor Sr. Felicia for her ten years of service to St. Matthias. The following year, in March the parish celebrated Fr. Lacey's 40th ordination anniversary with a Mass and reception. Then, in June, the parish helped Fr. Leo McCaffrey celebrate his 25th ordination anniversary. In November it was Msgr. Gallagher's turn. A special celebration was held to honor his 40th ordination anniversary as well as saying "good-bye."

This Weekend: Second Collection for Catholic Communication Campaign

Today we take up the collection for the Catholic Communication Campaign (CCC). Your support helps the CCC connect people to Christ and builds Catholic communities in the United States and around the world using the internet, television, radio, and print media. Half the funds we collect remain here in the San Francisco Archdiocese to support local efforts. Be a part of this campaign to spread the Gospel message. Support the collection today! To learn more, visit www.usccb.org/cc.

Weekend of May 29-30: Second Collection for St. Vincent de Paul

Status Update for our AAA 2021

Pray — Plan — Pledge

Goal: \$58,820

Pledged to Date: \$46,769

(80 households responding) **79.5% of goal**

This includes a generous \$5,000 Matching Donation

Needed: \$12,051

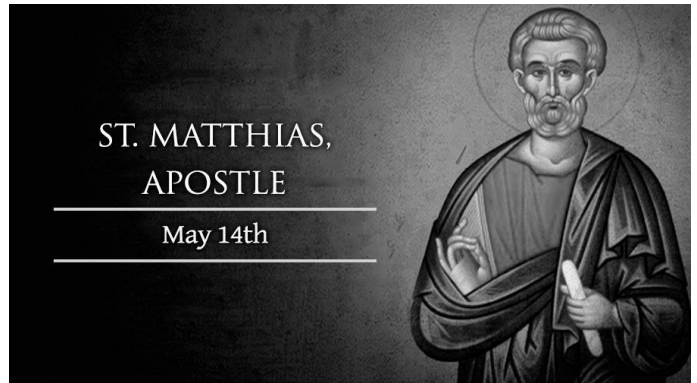
(by Pentecost Sunday, May 23rd)

Thank you to the eighty households that have prayed, planned and pledged to our 2021 Archdiocesan Annual Appeal. If your

household is not one of the 80 that have already responded, 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.

Thank you to the following households for answering our call to Pray — Plan — Pledge:

Bob & Lynda Allen, Roger & Karen Anchartchahar, Bruce & Teresa Anthony, Jon & Lisa Bamford, Leonard Berberich, Victor & Rose Berta, Ann & Dan Boram, Shaun Brennan, Tom & Lynda Brouchoud, Rita Brox, Sal & Robin Calcagno, Tom & Betty Casey, Diana Chamorro, Bayardo & Gloria Chamorro, Cheryl Clawson, Karl & Vivian Clausing, James Cleeves, Lois Conti, Laurie Coulter, Al Cresta, Francesca Dagragnano, Colton & Jeri Daines, Sieglinde Daxer, Jim & Marilyn Donnelly, Thomas & Anne Marie Ellerhorst, Cristina Engh, Vince & Denise Falzon, Phil & Bobby Feiner, Claire Felong, Roger & Carol Flores, Roger & Arlene Flores, Richard Foley, Nancy Galli, Fr. Dave Ghiorso, Lou & Fran Giannattasio, Charles & Mira Gillet, Steve & Serena Giorgi, Linda Glatt, Steve & Shirley Grana, Mike & Karen Guidotti, Alan & Sabrina Harper, Carmella Huser, Joe & Kathleen Kaz, Bill & Gloria Keating, Sean Leddy, Russell Lee, Anne-Marie Lemoine, Patrick & Sonia Lough, Sandi Machado, Thomas & Virginia Malaspina, Carol McAdams, Sharon McQueen, Bob & Marge Mitchell, Severin Morger, Fran Mylod, Arthur & Patty Navarro, Bruce Noriega, Susan Panelli, Jay Parashis, Mary Peruzzo, Elaine Piparo, Enrica Poggio, Brian & Ann Ponty, Susan Rawcliffe, Jeff & Penny Richardson, Maritza Rogie, David & Mildred Rolandelli, Steve Rusconi, Jason Satterwhite, Joseph Schmidt, Bill & Mary Schorr, Ed & Christine So, James & Betty Steidel, Bob & Joanne Thompson, Margaret Tonda, Liana Turchet, Jerry & Marina Turner, Hal Urban, Tim & Sunshine Valderrama



Feast of St. Matthias - May 14th

The Feast Day of our parish patron, St. Matthias, the apostle selected to replace Judas after Christ's death and resurrection. As we commemorate our 60th anniversary as a parish this year, let us reaffirm our commitment to give witness to God's love as St. Matthias did, and we invite you to join in reciting a special prayer, asking our Lord for wisdom and strength for the journey ahead:

Dear Jesus, on this Feast of this added
Apostle, Matthias,

I thank you for numbering me among your
Apostles.

Help me to remain in your love,
each and every day,

in the midst of the things you ask of me,
in the ways you ask me to witness
to your own merciful love for others.

I ask this with faith in the power of your Spirit
among us.

Amen.

Mass Times Update

Our current Mass schedule offers a Vigil Mass on Saturdays at 5 p.m. in the Church and a Sunday Mass at 9:45 a.m. in our parking lot. Parishioners have been asking if our schedule will be changing in the near future.

Specifically, will we be returning to the 8 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Masses on Sundays? The answer is no and here is why. Later this year Fr. Samuel and Fr. Dave will be going on well-deserved vacations, each for an extended period of time.

Although Fr. Malachi helps St. Charles and St. Matthias with our Masses, his primary responsibilities are to our local hospitals. He will also be going on vacation later this year. Therefore, we need a schedule between St. Matthias and St. Charles which enables one priest to preside at all Masses. The current schedule allows one priest to cover the 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Masses at St. Charles while being able to celebrate the 9:45 a.m. Mass at St. Matthias.

We have also heard that most people are enjoying the outside Mass on Sundays. Mass outside will continue for the foreseeable future as well. Our primary concern is safety and the importance of the St. Matthias community gathering together in worship whether it is in person or via live stream. Our thanks to Charles Gillet and his team for continuing to provide live stream services.

From Our Neighbors

Are you interested in becoming part of a Grief Ministry?

Please join us! *The St. Pius Grief Ministry* is looking for new members to help us in our work to comfort those in our parish, and

surrounding parishes, who mourn the loss of a loved one. For more information please call our support line @650-361-0655 or email us at griefministry@pius.org

Ministry News

As coronavirus rates of infection decrease and vaccination rates increase, San Mateo County is opening up. St. Matthias is looking forward to welcoming previously trained and serving liturgical ministers back to



active ministry when you are comfortable. If you would like to return to active ministry, please contact the ministry coordinator:

Altar Servers — Deacon Rich Foley
Readers — Deacon David Rolandelli
Ushers — Bob Allen
Eucharistic Ministers — Sabrina Harper

If you are interested in serving in any of these ministries but haven't previously done so, you are welcome to reach out to coordinator listed above to find out more!

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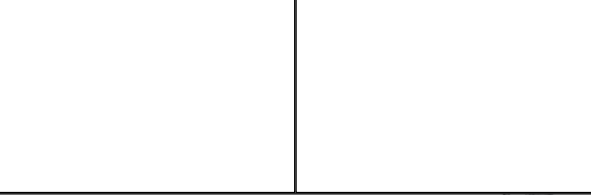
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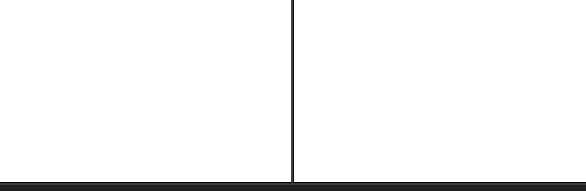


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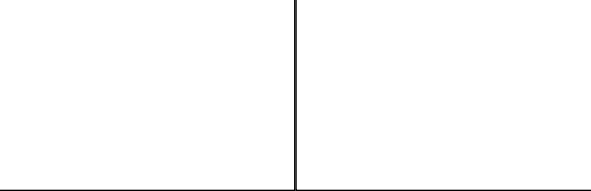


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