

# 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.

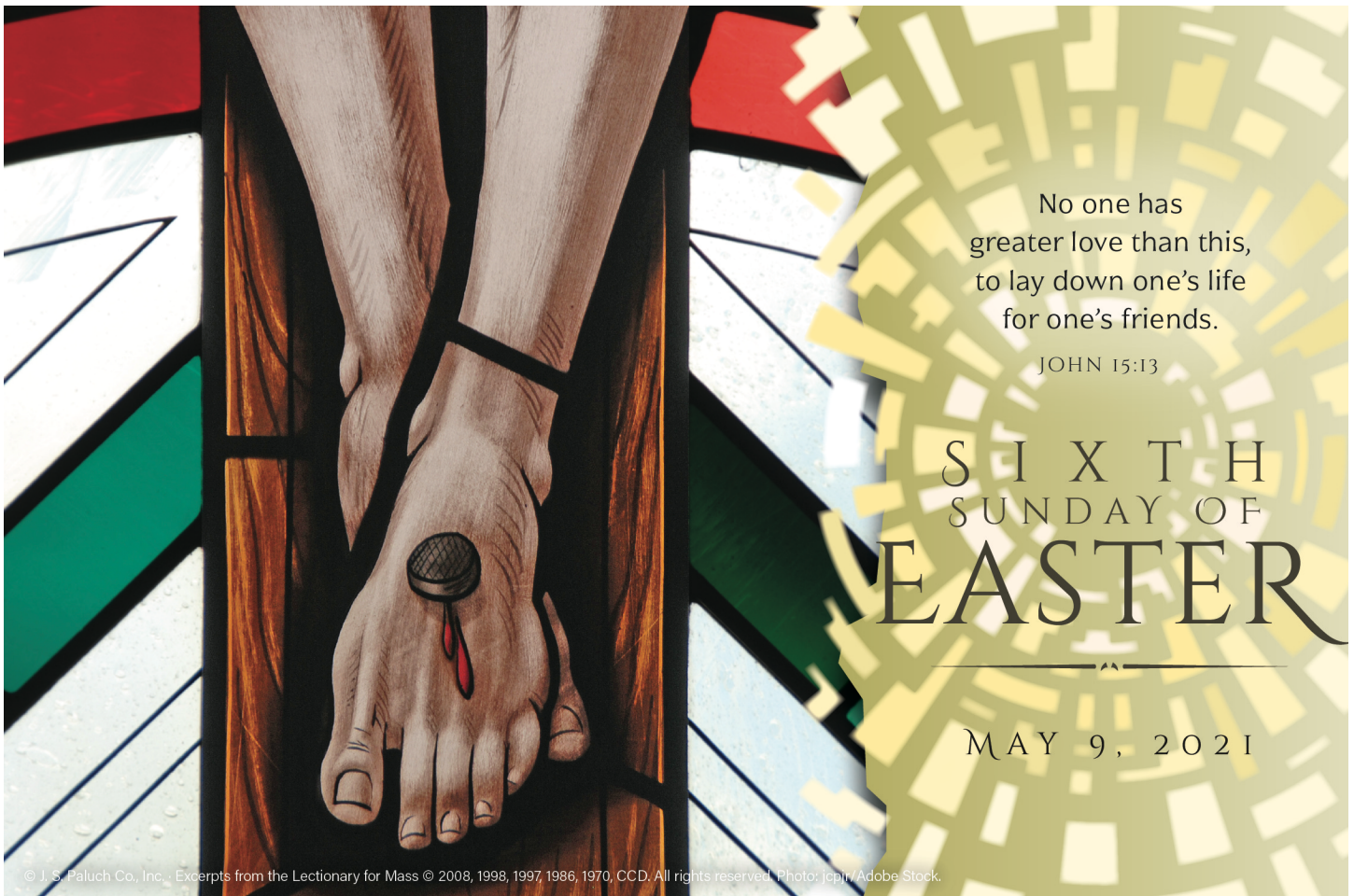
### **Baptism**

Email Deacon Rich Foley for information.

### **Marriage**

Email Deacon Rich Foley for information.

See Staff Directory inside for contact information.



No one has  
greater love than this,  
to lay down one's life  
for one's friends.

JOHN 15:13

SIXTH  
SUNDAY OF  
EASTER

MAY 9, 2021

# Sixth Sunday of Easter 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 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48**

When Peter entered, Cornelius met him and, falling at his feet, paid him homage. Peter, however, raised him up, saying, "Get up. I myself am also a human being." Then Peter proceeded to speak and said, "In truth, I see that God shows no partiality. Rather, in every nation whoever fears him and acts uprightly is acceptable to him." While Peter was still speaking these things, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who were listening to the word.

The circumcised believers who had accompanied Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit should have been poured out on the Gentiles also, for they could hear them speaking in tongues and glorifying God. Then Peter responded, "Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people, who have received the Holy Spirit even as we have?" He ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ.

## Responsorial Psalm

**98:1, 2-3, 3-4**

R. The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

## Reading II

**1 Jn 4:7-10**

Beloved, let us love one another, because love is of God; everyone who loves is begotten by God and knows God.

Whoever is without love does not know God, for God is love.

In this way the love of God was revealed to us: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might have life through him.

In this is love: not that we have loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as expiation for our sins.

## Alleluia

**Jn 14:23**

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Whoever loves me will keep my word, says the Lord, and my Father will love him and we will come to him.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

## Gospel

**Jn 15:9-17**

Jesus said to his disciples:

"As the Father loves me, so I also love you.

Remain in my love.

If you keep my commandments, you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and remain in his love. "I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and your joy might be complete.

This is my commandment: love one another as I love you.

No one has greater love than this,  
to lay down one's life for one's friends.  
You are my friends if you do what I command  
you. I no longer call you slaves,  
because a slave does not know what his  
master is doing. I have called you friends,  
because I have told you everything I have  
heard from my Father.  
It was not you who chose me, but I who chose  
you and appointed you to go and bear fruit  
that will remain, so that whatever you ask the  
Father in my name he may give you.  
This I command you: love one another."

### 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.

### SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Mother's Day  
Monday: St. Damien de Veuster; St. John De  
Avila  
Wednesday: Ss. Nereus and Achilleus;  
St. Pancras; Eid al Fitr (Islamic  
observance) begins at sunset  
Thursday: The Ascension of the Lord;  
Our Lady of Fatima  
Friday: St. Matthias  
Saturday: St. Isidore; Armed Forces Day

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## 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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**Music Director, Randall Watts**

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**Preschool Director, Rosemary Juarez**

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## Mass Intentions

**Saturday, May 1st at 5:00 pm -**

Ed Daubenmire (+)

**Sunday, May 2nd at 9:45 am -**

John Michael Mahoney (+)

## 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-five 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!



*In 1971, Tim Kidney who served as a deacon at St. Matthias was ordained and said his first Mass at St. Matthias. He returned in 1977, when he was a professor at St. Patrick's Seminary, to assist with weekend Masses. In 1972, our second parishioner to become a priest was ordained to the Maryknoll order. When Fr. Steven Scherrer, the son of parishioners Joe and Marianna Scherrer, was ordained in 1972, chose to say his first Mass at St. Matthias. He is the author of several inspirational books and is presently living a contemplative, monastic life in Ossining, New York.*

*Fr. Leo McCaffrey joined the St. Matthias staff in 1976 when he was assigned as Chaplain of Sequoia Hospital.*

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### This Weekend: Second Collection for Catholic Charities

#### **Your help can make all the difference.**

Every day we help improve the lives of people in our community by providing food, shelter, financial, medical, emotional support and other essentials. You can help us do more. Catholic Charities is one of the largest, most comprehensive human services agencies in Northern California reaching more than 32,000 people a year in San Francisco, San Mateo, and Marin Counties. We are an integral part of our communities and play a role in keeping our neighborhoods diverse, productive, safe, and healthy through more than 30 programs and social justice advocacy.

We create lasting, data-driven solutions to some of the most pressing challenges in our community - homelessness, inequality, aging in isolation, generational poverty, HIV/AIDS, and immigration to name a few. Tough issues we face with determination, grit, tenacity, and collaborative problem-solving with those we serve. Our results change lives.

For more information about the work or Catholic Charities, please visit <https://www.catholiccharitiessf.org/how-to-help/give-2020.html>

### Next Weekend: Second Collection for Catholic Communications Campaign

## Status Update for our AAA 2021 Pray — Plan — Pledge

**Goal: \$58,820**

**Pledged to Date:** \$30,059

(70 households responding) **66.4% of goal**

**Needed: \$19,761**

(by Pentecost Sunday, May 23rd)

Thank you to the sixty-nine households that have prayed, planned and pledged to our 2021 Archdiocesan Annual Appeal. If your household is not one of the 60 that have already responded, please 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.

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, Ann & Dan Boram, Shaun Brennan, Tom & Lynda Brouchoud, Rita Brox, Sal & Robin Calcagno, 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 & Arlene Flores, Nancy Galli, Fr. Dave Ghorso, 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, Carol McAdams, Sharon McQueen, Bob & Marge Mitchell, Severin Morger, Arthur & Patty Navarro, Bruce Noriega, Susan Panelli, Jay Parashis, Elaine Piparo, Enrica Poggio, Brian & Ann Ponty, Susan Rawcliffe, Jeff & Penny Richardson, David & Mildred Rolandelli, Steve Rusconi, Jason Satterwhite, Joseph Schmidt, Bill & Mary Schorr, Ed & Christine So, James & Betty Steidel, Margaret Tonda, Liana Turchet, Jerry & Marina Turner, Hal Urban, Tim & Sunshine Valderrama



## Happy Mother's Day: A Prayer of Gratitude for Mothers

Good and Gentle  
God,  
we pray in gratitude  
for our mothers and  
for all the women of

theory who have joined with you in the wonder of bringing forth new life. You who became human through a woman, grant to all mothers the courage they need to face the uncertain future that life with children always brings.

Give them the strength to live and to be loved in return, not perfectly, but humanly. Give them the faithful support of partners, family and friends as they care for the physical and spiritual growth of their children.

Give them joy and delight in their children to sustain them through the trials of motherhood. Most of all, give them the wisdom to turn to you for help when they need it most.

- Author Unknown

## 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.

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## 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](mailto:griefministry@pius.org)

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## From the School of Pastoral Ministry

### **C.S. Lewis, Modernity's Greatest Literary Evangelist**

The School of Pastoral Ministry at the Archdiocese of San Francisco is excited to share with you that Dr. Peter Kreeft will be teaching a six-part online course on some of C.S. Lewis's lesser known works for fiction and non-fiction. C.S. Lewis is probably most famous in the United States for his series *The Chronicles of Narnia* which was turned into a 1.5 billion dollar film franchise.

Lesser known is the fact that C.S. Lewis was also one of the greatest Christian apologists to have ever lived.

A \$25 donation is requested for all six classes, but no one will be turned down. Scholarships are given freely to all who ask simply by emailing [totah.fred@sfarch.org](mailto:totah.fred@sfarch.org). To sign up, visit <https://www.sfarch.org/cslewis>

Classes will be held via Zoom on **TUESDAYS, MAY 4-JUNE 8, 7-8:30 PM PST** and will be recorded for those unable to attend.

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### DEEP DEBT

My mother was the most beautiful woman I ever saw. All I am I owe to my mother. I attribute all my success in life to the moral, intellectual, and physical education I received from her.

—George Washington

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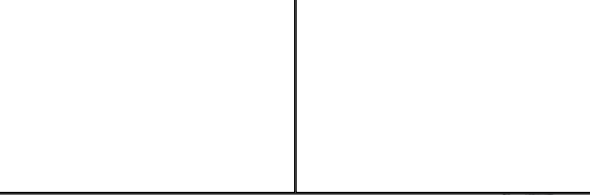
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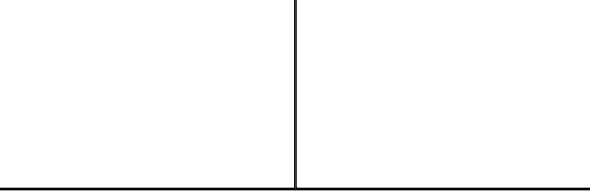
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