

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

*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.



AS FOR ME
AND MY HOUSEHOLD,
WE WILL SERVE THE LORD.

JOSHUA 24:15

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME

AUGUST 22, 2021

Solemnity of the Assumption of Mary 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

Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b

Joshua gathered together all the tribes of Israel at Shechem, summoning their elders, their leaders, their judges, and their officers. When they stood in ranks before God, Joshua addressed all the people: "If it does not please you to serve the LORD, decide today whom you will serve, the gods your fathers served beyond the River or the gods of the Amorites in whose country you are now dwelling. As for me and my household, we will serve the LORD."
But the people answered, "Far be it from us to forsake the LORD for the service of other gods. For it was the LORD, our God, who brought us and our fathers up out of the land of Egypt, out of a state of slavery. He performed those great miracles before our very eyes and protected us along our entire journey and among the peoples through whom we passed.

Therefore we also will serve the LORD, for he is our God."

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19, 20-21

R. (9a) Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

Reading II

Eph 5:21-32 or 5:2a, 25-32

Brothers and sisters:

Be subordinate to one another out of reverence for Christ.

Wives should be subordinate to their husbands as to the Lord.

For the husband is head of his wife just as Christ is head of the church, he himself the savior of the body.

As the church is subordinate to Christ, so wives should be subordinate to their husbands in everything.

Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ loved the church and handed himself over for her to sanctify her, cleansing her by the bath of water with the word, that he might present to himself the church in splendor, without spot or wrinkle or any such thing, that she might be holy and without blemish. So also husbands should love their wives as their own bodies.

He who loves his wife loves himself.

For no one hates his own flesh but rather nourishes and cherishes it, even as Christ does the church, because we are members of his body.

For this reason a man shall leave his father and his mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh.

This is a great mystery,

but I speak in reference to Christ and the church.

Alleluia

Jn 6:63c, 68c

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Your words, Lord, are Spirit and life; you have the words of everlasting life.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel

Jn 6:60-69

Many of Jesus' disciples who were listening said, "This saying is hard; who can accept it?"

Since Jesus knew that his disciples were murmuring about this, he said to them, "Does this shock you? What if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? It is the spirit that gives life, while the flesh is of no avail.

The words I have spoken to you are Spirit and life. But there are some of you who do not believe." Jesus knew from the beginning the ones who would not believe and the one who would betray him.

And he said,

"For this reason I have told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted him by my Father."

As a result of this, many of his disciples returned to their former way of life and no longer accompanied him.

Jesus then said to the Twelve, "Do you also want to leave?"

Simon Peter answered him, "Master, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and are convinced that you are the Holy One of God."

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

COVID Protocols for Masses

Saturday 5:00 pm Mass will remain inside the Church. Masks ARE required (even for those who are fully vaccinated). Congregational singing is allowed. Physical distancing between households is now 3 feet.

Sunday 9:45 am Mass will remain outside in the Church parking lot. Masks ARE NOT be required. Congregational singing is allowed.

Live-streaming of both Masses will continue on our YouTube channel: [Live Streams from St. Matthias Redwood City.](#)

St. Charles is live-streaming Masses Monday-Saturday at 5:00 pm and Sunday at 8:30 am on St. Charles' Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/StCharlesParishSC/>.

* Per Archbishop Cordileone's Memo, the obligation to attend Sunday Mass has been reinstated for all this who are physically able to attend Mass, effective June 26-27, 2021.

Staff Directory

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Mass Intentions

Saturday, Aug 21st at 5:00 pm -

Pierre Cuisino (+)

Sunday, Aug 22nd at 9:45 am -

Nick Gennaro (+)

Prayer Tree Network

Prayer Tree at St. Matthias is a telephone tree. Prayers are received and passed on my phone, allowing members to interact with one another. We pray for people in the parish and family and friends of parishioners. Prayer are usually for first name or both first and last are simply stated. If you feel you can help with this vital parish ministry, or have a prayer intention, please call Carol McAdams 650-369-4365 or Marilyn Donnelly 650-365-5192

St. Matthias Church is open Monday, Tuesday and Thursday from 10:00 am - 5:00 pm for personal prayer. The Church parking lot is available once again for parking during the week.

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 in our community who are ill...

Liz Vugrinecz

Alyssa Beemer

Evie Dwyer

Laurie Coulter

Aurora Genochio

Suzanne Schaffner

Adelaide Sciandri

Robert Franco

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

Rosemary McHale

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

Save the Date: September 17-19, 2021 St. Matthias Church 60th Anniversary

This is part-seventeen 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. Please visit <https://www.stmatthiasparish.org/our-parish/60th-anniversary/> for tickets and more information about our anniversary celebration!



In July 2016, Fr. Paul Rossi, Pastor of St. Pius Church was assigned as St. Matthias' Parish Administrator. Under a unique, collaborative model, Deacon Rich Foley was hired as Parish Life Coordinator, and along with Sabrina Harper worked to provide administrative support to Fr. Paul. A Town Hall Meeting was held in June of 2016 in preparation for the transition. About 100 parishioners attended and were reassured that pastoral needs would be met. For the first time since the early days of the parish, St. Matthias would be served by several priests, including Fr. Paul, Fr. Tom Martin and Fr. Ted Magpayo. Fr. Paul fully embraced our Pastoral Plan, Shaping our Future and helped to implement the goals set forth in the document.

In April 2017, the 40th anniversary of St. Matthias Preschool was celebrated. Several current and alumni families, as well as parishioners, were present for the celebration. Mary Ornellas, the Preschool Director for the previous seventeen years decided to retire in June of that year. Kim Nave, who came with a wealth of experience and new philosophical approach to Early Childhood Education based on Reggio Emilia principles, was hired in August 2017 as the fifth St. Matthias Preschool Director in our history.

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.

St. Matthias Preschool is Hiring

St. Matthias Preschool is seeking a preschool teacher



for a full-time position who can passionately support children's early education. This position is with 3-5 year old children. Hours of operation are 8:30 am to 5:30 pm Monday through Friday. If you are skilled with working with children, and interested in a team-teaching experience, please visit <https://www.stmatthiasparish.org/about-the-preschool/preschool-staff/> for more details including the job posting. Please share this information with anyone you know who may be interested.

Becoming A Fully Initiated Catholic - RCIA

Do you know someone who has thought about becoming Catholic or, for whatever reason, has been baptized but has not been confirmed or received Holy Communion? What does it mean to become fully initiated into the Roman Catholic Church? Do you or someone you know have questions about the sacraments and what it means to be a Catholic? Please consider RCIA.

The Catholic Church has a process for adults to discern whether God is inviting them to learn more about our faith and, perhaps, to become Catholic. This process is also a pathway to complete the Sacraments of Initiation for those already Baptized (Confirmation, Eucharist).

This process is called RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults). The RCIA process provides guided weekly sessions on the fundamental beliefs of our faith including an understanding of the Sacraments, especially the Eucharist (Mass). In addition, the process emphasizes prayer, discernment and spiritual formation as each candidate responds to their call to become followers of Jesus through the Catholic Church.

Participants include candidates from St.

Matthias and St. Charles parishes along with their sponsors and team members. RCIA sessions will be held on Sunday mornings from 11 a.m. to noon. At this time, we are planning on hosting sessions in the St. Matthias Rectory (subject to change). The first RCIA gathering will be held on Sunday, September 12th.

Parishioners, who would like to participate as an RCIA team member and support our candidates, are welcome.

Deacon Rich and Deacon David will lead and facilitate RCIA sessions. If you have any questions, know of someone who would like to discuss joining RCIA, are considering being a team member, or would just like to experience the RCIA process please contact Deacon Rich at rich@stmatthiasparish.org or call him at St. Matthias Church (366-9544).

Please pray that the Holy Spirit calls individuals to seek a deeper relationship with Almighty God through His Church.

10th Year of our GIFT Program

GIFT is a family-based approach to faith formation. Generations in Faith Together (GIFT) is designed to support all members of the family in their faith journey; to meet each individual where they are. This year, we will be embarking on a three-year study of scripture beginning with the Old Testament, with a series called "God Calls." These gatherings provide the foundation for sacramental preparation and youth ministry. Families with school-aged children are encouraged to register for GIFT. If you have middle or high school aged youth, GIFT registration is also requested for our Middle School and High School Youth Ministry programs and First Communion and



Confirmation preparation. Registration materials will be emailed to all previously registered families. If your family is new to St. Matthias or would like to participate in GIFT for the first time, please contact Sabrina sabrina@stmatthiasparish.org or call St. Matthias (650) 366-9544 for more information.

Program Kick Off Dates:

GIFT — Sunday, Sept 12th from 12-1 pm
Middle School — Weds, Sept 8th at 5:00 pm
High School — Sunday, Aug 29th details TBD
Please mark your calendars!

Middle School Youth Ministry Needs Volunteers

Our St. Matthias Middle School Youth Ministry (MSYM) is merging with St. Charles' EDGE program this year. All 5th through 8th graders are welcome to participate. Sabrina is looking for adult and high school student volunteers this school year to help during MSYM sessions (a couple of Wednesdays a month, 5:00-6:00pm). Volunteers do not need special experience beyond wanting to share our faith with energetic middle schoolers! Please consider this special ministry to assist with young parishioners' faith formation.

Questions? Contact Sabrina at sabrina@stmatthiasparish.org.

Second Collection for St. Vincent de Paul

This weekend will be a second collection for St. Vincent de Paul. This was moved from the regular 5th Sunday due to our Mission Co-Op Appeal which is scheduled for next



weekend, August 28-29th.

St. Vincent de Paul has resumed their food collection. Here is a list of the most needed items:

Pasta, Pasta sauce, Rice, Canned Chili, Canned beans, Tuna, Cereal, Peanut/almond butter, Jams and jellies, Canned fruit & Vegetables, Soups, Mustard, Ketchup, Mayonnaise

Discerning Deacons at St. Charles

St. Charles will be hosting an evening of prayerful discernment and discussion with Discerning

Deacons on Wednesday, August 25th at 6:30 pm in the Church. The mission of Discerning Deacons is to engage Catholics in the active discernment of our Church about women and



the diaconate. This summer the group has invited and equipped leaders to host virtual or in-person house meetings so that Catholics have prayerful opportunities to imagine the difference it would make if women were ordained as deacons and what pastoral needs it would address. (<https://discerningdeacons.org>) To date more than 70 hosts have signed up to engage more than 1,000 Catholics in this discernment. Please contact Kristin Byrnes (confirmation@stcharlesparish.org) with any questions.

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If you have sight, you are blessed. If you have insight, you are a thousand times blessed.

—Anonymous

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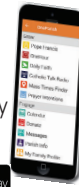
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