

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.

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

SEPTEMBER

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2021



THEN WILL THE EYES OF THE BLIND BE OPENED

the ears of the deaf be cleared; then will the lame leap like a stag,
then the tongue of the mute will sing.

Isaiah 35:5-6

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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

Is 35:4-7a

Thus says the LORD:

Say to those whose hearts are frightened:

Be strong, fear not!

Here is your God,

he comes with vindication;

with divine recompense

he comes to save you.

Then will the eyes of the blind be opened,

the ears of the deaf be cleared;

then will the lame leap like a stag,

then the tongue of the mute will sing.

Streams will burst forth in the desert,

and rivers in the steppe.

The burning sands will become pools,

and the thirsty ground, springs of water.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10

R. (1b) Praise the Lord, my soul!

Reading II

Jas 2:1-5

My brothers and sisters, show no partiality

as you adhere to the faith in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ.

For if a man with gold rings and fine clothes comes into your assembly, and a poor person in shabby clothes also comes in, and you pay attention to the one wearing the fine clothes and say, "Sit here, please, " while you say to the poor one, "Stand there, " or "Sit at my feet, " have you not made distinctions among yourselves and become judges with evil designs?

Listen, my beloved brothers and sisters.

Did not God choose those who are poor in the world to be rich in faith and heirs of the kingdom that he promised to those who love him?

Alleluia

Cf. Mt 4:23

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Jesus proclaimed the Gospel of the kingdom and cured every disease among the people.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel

Mk 7:31-37

Again Jesus left the district of Tyre and went by way of Sidon to the Sea of Galilee, into the district of the Decapolis.

And people brought to him a deaf man who had a speech impediment and begged him to lay his hand on him.

He took him off by himself away from the crowd.

He put his finger into the man's ears and, spitting, touched his tongue; then he looked up to heaven and groaned, and said to him, "Ephphatha!"— that is, "Be opened!" —

And immediately the man's ears were opened,

his speech impediment was removed,
and he spoke plainly.
He ordered them not to tell anyone.
But the more he ordered them not to,
the more they proclaimed it.
They were exceedingly astonished and they
said, "He has done all things well.
He makes the deaf hear and the mute speak."

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.

JUDGMENT

To pass judgment on another is to usurp
shamelessly a prerogative of God.

—St. John Climacus

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. Pews with red signs are closed to
maintain distancing between households. Please
only sit in pews with white signs.

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/](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, Sept 4th at 5:00 pm -

Hazel Tam Dubin (+)

Sunday, Sept 5th at 9:45 am -

Rosemary McHale (+)

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

Aurora Genochio

Suzanne Schaffner

Adelaide Sciandri

Robert Franco

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

Jerry Schmitz

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

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

Here is the schedule of events for our 60th Anniversary Celebration. To purchase tickets and find out more, please visit <https://www.stmatthiasparish.org/our-parish/60th-anniversary/> for tickets and more information about our anniversary celebration!

Friday, September 17th - Drive In Movie 6:30-10:00 pm

In 1961, the year St. Matthias was founded, Disney's 101 Dalmatians was released to box-office success. Instead of the original film, we'll be showing the 1996 live-action version of the classic film, 101 Dalmatians in the Church parking lot. \$35 per car. Cars arrive at 6:30 pm and the movie will begin at 7:30 pm.

Saturday, September 18th - Day of Celebration 3:00-7:00 pm

Join us from 3:00 pm to 7:00 pm for this fiesta of fun and food! We'll have a BBQ featuring Arguello Catering, drinks by our very own "bar guy," music, outdoor games, plenty of shade, and seating to socialize and hangout, a car show, tours of our beautifully renovated



Church, a magic show and balloon art for the kids. Tickets for adults \$30 each including one free beer, wine or margarita, children 6-12 years old \$20 each, children under 5 and under \$10 each.

Sunday, September 19th - Mass & Reception 9:45 am

We'll have one Mass this weekend in our Church parking lot at 9:45 am. Come celebrate our present and future as a community grounded in our love of Jesus Christ. Former parishioners, clergy, and staff members have been invited. Mass will be followed by a blessing of our new landscaping and a reception.

Second Collection This Weekend for Catholic University

Catholic University's motto — God Is My Light — is a constant reminder of our origin and mission. Founded in 1887 as the national university of the Catholic Church, a graduate research institution charged with creating an academic program that would serve the nation and transform the world. Collection baskets are located at the entrance tablets.

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 Merry Room (off Fr. Lacey Hall). The first RCIA gathering will be held on Sunday, September

26th. 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.



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.

News from our St. Vincent de Paul Conference

Our St. Vincent de Paul Conference would like to thank parishioners for their generous donations to our Fifth Sunday Collections. Your generosity enables us to continue to serve those in need. Most recently our conference was able to make a donation through the Sacramento Diocese SVdP Council to help victims of the wildfires in Greenville. Their local Church, St. Anthony's Mission was completely destroyed by the Dixie Fire, as well as the loss of many lives, homes, schools and businesses in the Greenville area. In times of disasters such as the wildfires, SVdP conferences reach out to help other conferences serving near the affected areas.

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



— Blessings from your St. Matthias SVdP Conference



From the Archdiocese of San Francisco

Council, Controversy, Conversion, and Communion Six-Week Course on the Second Vatican Council by Mark Brumley

Offered online via Zoom on Tuesday nights at 7PM (PST) on October 5, 12, 19, 26 and November 2, and 9

The Second Vatican Council remains controversial in some Catholic circles. Many people see it as involving a radical break from the Catholic past, for good or bad. Others, such as the popes since the Council, see it as a renewal and reform of the one-and-the same Catholic Church.

This is mini-course covering the main teachings of the Second Vatican Council (1962-1965). It also examines how the

Council's teaching has been received, misperceived, and resisted, as well as how it has shaped Catholic life and mission in the last half-century.

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