

St. Matthias

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St. Matthias Mass Schedule

Saturday 5:00 pm (Indoors)*
Sunday 9:45 am (Indoors)*

St. Charles Mass Schedule

Monday-Saturday 5:00 pm*
Sunday 8:30 am* & 11:00 am
*Live streamed Masses.

St. Matthias Reconciliation

By appointment, call the parish office.

St. Charles Reconciliation

Saturday 3:30 pm
Wednesday 6:30 - 7:30 pm (during Advent)

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.

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

JANUARY 2, 2022

*They opened their treasures
and offered him gifts of
gold, frankincense, and myrrh.*

Matthew 2:11



The Epiphany of the Lord

The Gloria

Glory to God in the highest.

And on earth peace to men of good will. We praise You. We bless You. We adore you. We glorify You. We give You thanks for Your great glory. O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father almighty. O Lord Jesus Christ, the Only-begotten Son. O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father: you Who take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. You Who take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer. You Who sit at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are holy. You alone are the Lord. You alone, O Jesus Christ, are most high. Together with the Holy Spirit in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Reading I

Is 60:1-6

Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! Your light has come, the glory of the Lord shines upon you. See, darkness covers the earth, and thick clouds cover the peoples; but upon you the LORD shines, and over you appears his glory. Nations shall walk by your light, and kings by your shining radiance.

Raise your eyes and look about; they all gather and come to you: your sons come from afar, and your daughters in the arms of their nurses.

Then you shall be radiant at what you see, your heart shall throb and overflow, for the riches of the sea shall be emptied out before you, the wealth of nations shall be brought to you. Caravans of camels shall fill you, dromedaries from Midian and Ephah; all from Sheba shall come bearing gold and frankincense, and proclaiming the praises of the LORD.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13.

R. (cf. 11) Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

Reading II

Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6

Brothers and sisters:

You have heard of the stewardship of God's grace that was given to me for your benefit, namely, that the mystery was made known to me by revelation.

It was not made known to people in other generations as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: that the Gentiles are coheirs, members of the same body, and copartners in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel.

Alleluia

Mt 2:2

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

We saw his star at its rising
and have come to do him homage.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel

Mt 2:1-12

When Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, in the days of King Herod, behold, magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem, saying,

"Where is the newborn king of the Jews?"

We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage."

When King Herod heard this, he was greatly troubled, and all Jerusalem with him.

Assembling all the chief priests and the scribes of the people, He inquired of them where the Christ was to be born.

They said to him, "In Bethlehem of Judea, for thus it has been written through the prophet: And you, Bethlehem, land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; since from you shall come a ruler, who is to shepherd my people Israel."

Then Herod called the magi secretly and ascertained from them the time of the star's appearance.

He sent them to Bethlehem and said, "Go and search diligently for the child. When you have found him, bring me word, that I too may go and do him homage." After their audience with the king they set out.

And behold, the star that they had seen at its rising preceded them, until it came and stopped over the place where the child was.

They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.

And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed for their country by another way.

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.

St. Vincent de Paul Corner

Our St. Vincent dePaul Conference would like to thank our Parish community for their generosity to our Thanksgiving and December monetary collections as well as the food donations to our pantry.



Our families have been well served throughout the year because of You! One of our delivery teams shared how a little girls eyes lit up when she saw the Oreo cookies on top of the groceries! Small things bring such delight to children. Thank you for remembering our neighbors in need. We wish you a peaceful and joyful Christmas.

— Gratefully, St. Matthias' St. Vincent de Paul Conference

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Mass Intentions

Saturday, January 1st at 5:00 pm

Teresita Concha (+)

Sunday, January 2nd at 9:45 am -

Vicki Casella (+)

Prayer Shawl Ministry!

Calling all crafters to join our lively group which meets monthly. We work on projects to give to parishioners, family and friends in times of celebration and comfort. We work on projects at home and meet monthly to share techniques, tips and to bless our projects. We crochet, quilt, knit, embroider, sew, and weave hats, scarves, shawls, and lap robes in addition to bibs for baptisms. You can join us even if you cannot attend the meetings on the third Tuesday of each month, 3:00 pm in the Merry Room. Contact Laurie Coulter lpmcoulter@yahoo.com or call 367-8229.

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. **Office Hours** are Monday, Tuesday, Thursday from 9:00 am - 3:00 pm, Wednesday from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm.

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

Bob Razura

Kevin Magee

Fr. Paul Rossi

Liz Vugrinecz

Alyssa Beemer

Evie Dwyer

Mia Ainardi

Suzanne Schaffner

Adelaide Sciandri

Robert Franco

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

Reflection question:
What can I do this week to come to know
God better?

An Anti-Racism Series: Racial Justice and the Catholic Church

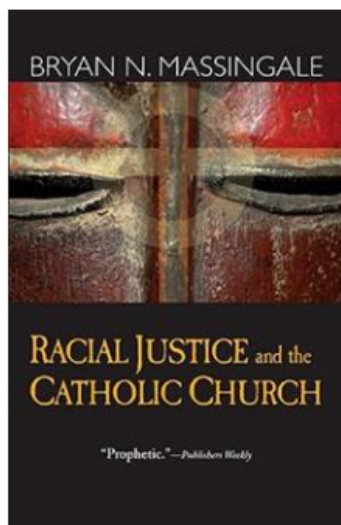
Racial Justice and the Catholic Church, written by Rev. Bryan N. Massingale, a leading Black Catholic moral theologian, addresses the thorny issue of racial justice past and present. Massingale writes from an abiding conviction that the Catholic faith and Black experience make essential contributions in the continuing struggle against racial injustice. This series, offered as a "book club" by the Justice & Charity Commission of St. Matthias Church seeks to raise awareness of Church teaching about racism and educate parishioners about racial justice in the Catholic Church. This six-week series virtual series will include prayer, reading, reflection, and discussion about the book.

When: Remaining dates:
Monday Jan 10, 17 & 24

Where: Google Meet

Time: 7:00 - 8:00 pm

Other: Technical support will be provided for all participants as needed. For questions or to register, contact the parish office at (650) 366-9544 or email sabrina@stmatthiasparish.org



RCIA Rite of Acceptance and Welcome

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) is a process in the Church to guide and support those who feel a calling to become a fully initiated member of the Roman Catholic Church.

The first step in the process is a public acceptance of God's invitation and a welcome by the community of believers. On Sunday, December 12th at the 9:45 am Mass at St. Matthias, Fr. Coleman led the ritual of the Rite of Acceptance and Welcome.

Four individuals from St. Matthias and St. Charles parish communities have expressed their intention to continue their spiritual journey and receive the sacraments of initiation at the Easter Vigil.

Fr. Coleman and the sponsors blessed the candidates with the sign of the cross to strengthen them as they continue their preparation for the sacraments. The St. Matthias and St. Charles communities welcome the following:

Lydia Green and her sponsor, Ron Driscoll (SM)

Isabella Froman and her sponsor, John Froman (SM)

Daniel Guzman and his sponsor, Alexandra Yanes (SM)

Shawn Ayers and his sponsor, Dorothy Farkas (SC)

The RCIA Team includes Dorothy Farkas, Christina Jerrold, Mark Aquino, Eilish McCaffrey, Deacon David Rolandelli and Deacon Rich Foley.

Please keep these candidates and their sponsors in your prayers.

Peninsula Multifaith Coalition MLK Day of Service 2022

The Peninsula Multifaith Coalition (PMC) was founded in 2012. It is made up of a group of faith congregations of which St. Matthias is one of its members. Parishioner and member of our Justice & Charity Commission, Nancy Galli represents St. Matthias at PMC meetings. The next PMC event will be the MLK Jr. Multifaith Day of Service. Registration is now open. Visit <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/pmcs-10th-annual-mlk-jr-multifaith-day-of-service-tickets-222046506077> to sign up and learn more!



Synod 2021-2023

Pope Francis has convoked a global synod. He is asking us to consider how we journey together and focus on “communion, participation, and mission.” This synod seeks to gather feedback from all Catholics across the globe. The Archdiocese of San Francisco has designed a process for parishioner engagement which will include a survey called the Disciple Maker Index to be made available in January. This will be followed by a series of listening sessions across the three counties of the Archdiocese. More information will be made available soon after the New Year.

Breaking Open the Word

Each Thursday morning at 10:30 am, Sabrina hosts a Breaking Open the Word session for those interesting in reading and discussing the scripture readings for the weekend Masses. We meet via Google Meet for just one hour to pray, read, reflect, and discuss the readings. If you are interested in joining, please email sabrina@stmatthiasparish.org to receive the weekly resource and invitation.



Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God - January 1st



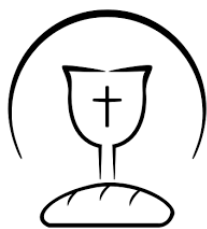
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Course on the Eucharist

Beginning new year, the online School of Pastoral Ministry will be hosting a course on the Eucharist. The Eucharist is, like so many aspects of our faith, a great mystery. But to call something a mystery in the theological sense is not to say that we cannot understand anything about it. Instead, it is to say that we can never learn everything about it. A theological mystery is not unintelligible; it is infinitely intelligible. In other words, even though we can never fully comprehend it, can never just put it in a box and move on, we can always learn more about a theological mystery.

In our course together we will look at the multifaceted mystery of the Eucharist through several lenses. We'll use Bishop Barron's wonderful little book, titled simply Eucharist, as well as some of my own writings to look at themes like meal, sacrifice, real presence, transubstantiation, Christian Unity, and liturgy.

Register: <https://www.sfarch.org/eucharist/>



When: Tuesday Nights at 7 PM (January 11, 18, 25, February 1, 8, 15)

PRAYER OF THE WEEK

The Epiphany of the Lord
At the Mass during the Day
O God, who on this day
revealed your Only Begotten Son to the
nations by the guidance of a star,
grant in your mercy
that we, who know you already by faith,
may be brought to behold the beauty of your
sublime glory.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever.



This Week at St. Matthias (January 2-9th)

Sunday, 1/2	RCIA Meeting	11:00 am	Merry Room
Monday, 1/3	Parish Offices Closed for New Year's Day		
Weds, 1/5	Middle School Youth Ministry (MSYM)	5:00 pm - 6:00 pm	St. Charles
Thursday, 1/6	Breaking Open the Word Prayer & Worship Meeting	10:30 am - 11:30 am 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm	Google Meet Fr. Lacey Hall
Saturday, 1/8	Baptism Confirmation Level 2 Retreat	11:00 am 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm	Church St. Charles
Sunday, 1/9	RCIA Meeting GIFT Meeting	11:00 am 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm	Merry Room Church

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