

# St. Matthias

## ST. MATTHIAS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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### St. Matthias Mass Schedule

Saturday 5:00 pm\*

Sunday 9:45 am\*

### 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

### 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.

## Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

A good tree does not  
bear rotten fruit,  
nor does a rotten tree  
bear good fruit.  
For every tree is known  
by its own fruit.

Luke 6:43-44

February 27, 2022

# Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

## 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

**Sir 27:4-7**

When a sieve is shaken, the husks appear;  
so do one's faults when one speaks.  
As the test of what the potter molds is in the furnace, so in tribulation is the test of the just.  
The fruit of a tree shows the care it has had;  
so too does one's speech disclose the bent of one's mind. Praise no one before he speaks,  
for it is then that people are tested.

## Responsorial Psalm

**Ps 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16**

R (cf. 2a) Lord, it is good to give thanks to you.

## Reading II

**1 Cor 15:54-58**

Brothers and sisters:

When this which is corruptible clothes itself  
with incorruptibility and this which is mortal  
clothes itself with immortality,  
then the word that is written shall come about:

Death is swallowed up in victory.

Where, O death, is your victory?

Where, O death, is your sting?

The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore, my beloved brothers and sisters, be firm, steadfast, always fully devoted to the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain.

## Alleluia

**Phil 2:15d, 16a**

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Shine like lights in the world  
as you hold on to the word of life.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

## Gospel

**Lk 6:39-45**

Jesus told his disciples a parable,  
"Can a blind person guide a blind person?  
Will not both fall into a pit? No disciple is superior to the teacher; but when fully trained, every disciple will be like his teacher.  
Why do you notice the splinter in your brother's eye, but do not perceive the wooden beam in your own? How can you say to your brother, 'Brother, let me remove that splinter in your eye,' when you do not even notice the wooden beam in your own eye?  
You hypocrite! Remove the wooden beam from your eye first; then you will see clearly to remove the splinter in your brother's eye.  
"A good tree does not bear rotten fruit, nor does a rotten tree bear good fruit.  
For every tree is known by its own fruit.  
For people do not pick figs from thorn bushes, nor do they gather grapes from brambles.  
A good person out of the store of goodness in

his heart produces good, but an evil person out of a store of evil produces evil; for from the fullness of the heart the mouth speaks.”

## 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.

### Reflection question:

How can I help bring about God's peaceful reign?

## Breaking Open the Word

Each Thursday morning at 10:30 am, Sabrina hosts a Breaking Open the Word session for those interested 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](mailto:sabrina@stmatthiasparish.org) to receive the weekly resource and invitation.

## St. Vincent de Paul Lenten Baby Item Drive



Our St. Vincent de Paul Conference is organizing a collection of baby items which are urgently needed to help underserved families in our community. These items can be dropped off to Fr. Lacey Hall on the weekends of March 19/20 and 26/27. Members of our Conference will be available after Masses on those weekends to accept your donations. They will then be distributed to St. Francis Center, Samaritan House, and the St. Vincent de Paul store in San Mateo. Here are the items needed: **Diapers (size newborn to 6), baby wipes, jars of baby food, infant formula, and new infant clothing and blankets.** Thank you in advance for your generosity! — *Gratefully,* St. Matthias' St. Vincent de Paul Conference

## Staff Directory

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## Mass Intentions

**Saturday, February 26th at 5:00 pm**

Lesley Haylock & Sydney Custodio (+)

**Sunday, February 27th at 9:45 am -**

Clare Rhodeman (+)

## 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](mailto: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...

*Mia Ainardi*

*Alyssa Beemer*

*Evie Dwyer*

*Sonia Juarez-Riuz*

*Kevin Magee*

*Catherine McCaffrey*

*Bob Razura*

*Fr. Paul Rossi*

*Suzanne Schaffner*

*Adelaide Sciandri*

*Vivian Tarango*

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

And for the souls of the faithful departed...Janice Della Libera & Carolyn Stepp.





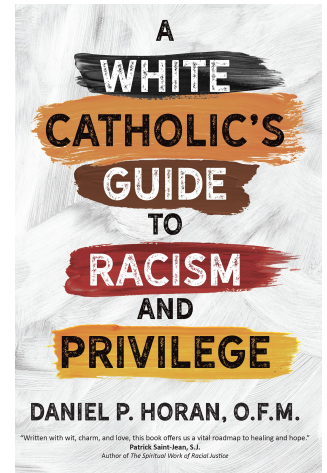
Pope Francis wants to hear from you! The whole Church is invited to participate in the preparatory process for the upcoming Synod of Bishops on Synodality. As parishioners of St. Matthias Church, we are being asked to share our thoughts and beliefs. Specifically, we are asked to take the Disciple Maker Index survey and to attend one engagement session, either in person or virtually.

Thank you to the 102 parishioners who completed the survey - it is now closed. Parish leadership will review the data in the coming weeks.

The next phase in this process is listening sessions. There will be both virtual and in-person listening sessions in February and March. Visit <https://www.sfarch.org/synod/> to find listening sessions dates and to register to attend. If you have questions, contact Sabrina Harper by calling 650-366-9544 x 2021 or emailing [sabrina@stmatthiasparish.org](mailto:sabrina@stmatthiasparish.org). Thank you in advance for your participation in this important initiative!

## A White Catholic's Guide to Racism & Privilege

**What is systemic racism? What does it mean to be White? How does white privilege contribute to racial injustice? How can we, as Catholics, combat racism in everyday life?**



These are a few of the questions that Fr. Daniel P. Horan, OFM, answers in *A White Catholic's Guide to Racism and Privilege*. In a thoughtful, personal way, Horan invites his fellow white Catholics to become actively anti-racist and better allies to people of color as we work for racial justice in our culture and in the Church. He offers us the hope and surety of the Gospel, the wisdom of Catholic tradition, and practical ways to educate ourselves and advocate for justice.

This book club series will be offered by the Justice & Charity Commission of St. Matthias Church seeks to raise awareness about Church teaching about racism. The 8-week series will include prayer, reading, reflection, and discussion.

**When:** Monday Feb 28, March 7, 14, 21, 28, April 4, 11, 18

**Where:** Google Meet

**Time:** 7:00PM to 8:00PM

**Other:** For questions or to register, contact the parish office or email [sabrina@stmatthiasparish.org](mailto:sabrina@stmatthiasparish.org)

## Ash Wednesday: The Beginning of Lent

Lent is a time for penance and prayer. Lent runs from Ash Wednesday (March 2nd) until the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday (April 14th).

Lent is a 40 day season leading up to Easter. The number forty calls to mind the 40 years that Moses and the Israelites wandered in the wilderness, and the 40 days that Jesus fasted in the desert.

St. Matthias will have two Masses on Ash Wednesday at 12 noon and 7:00 pm (see the calendar for additional Mass times at St. Charles). During the Mass, ashes will be blessed and distributed through the tracing of the Sign of the Cross on the forehead while the minister says, "Repent, and believe in the Gospel."

Ashes are a sacramental symbol of penance in the spirit of humility and sacrifice. This ritual is a reminder that God is gracious and merciful to those who call on Him with a repentant heart.

During this season, the sacrament of Reconciliation will be available on Wednesday evenings beginning March 9th from 6:30 - 7:30 pm and as usual, on Saturday afternoons at 3:30 pm at St. Charles.

During this Lenten season, Catholics are asked to reflect on our lives, offer prayers for yourself and others, give to those in need and seek God's forgiveness.



## Rite of Election (RCIA)

The Rite of Election is an important part of the process of preparing adults for the reception of the sacraments of initiation at the Easter Vigil. On the First Sunday of Lent, RCIA candidates, their families and team members gather at cathedrals around the world to celebrate this rite.



Due to the pandemic, the Rite of Election of candidates from St. Matthias and St. Charles parishes will be held at St. Matthias during the 9:45 am Mass on Sunday, March 6th. The communities of both parishes are invited to participate in this Mass. If you are unable to attend, please keep our catechumens and candidates and their sponsors in your prayers.

The purpose of the Rite of Election is described in the introduction to the rite:

Thus the Church makes its "election," that is, the choice and admission of those catechumens who have the dispositions that make them fit to take part, at the next major celebration, in the sacraments of initiation.

This choice is made by the Church as an outward expression of the choice already made by God. God, through the Church, is choosing those who listen to God's call and choose to undertake a spiritual journey to be disciples of Jesus.

We celebrate and pray for the following catechumens and candidates:

**Lydia Green and Isabella Froman** (St.

Matthias) - Catechumens

**Shawn Ayers** and **Hilda Boscacci** (St. Charles) and **Daniel Guzman** (St. Matthias) - Candidates for Confirmation

Many thanks to the RCIA Team Members who are supporting our candidates: Dorothy Farkas, Christina Jerrold, Marc Aquino, and Eilish McCaffrey along with Deacon David Rolandelli and Deacon Rich Foley.

## In Gratitude for Our Green Thumbed Volunteers!



Thank you to all the green thumbs who helped plant our native, drought and deer resistant plants for our landscaping renewal project. Our group of 18 included Bill & Mary Schorr, Patrick Vanderbroeck, Bob & Lynda Allen, Craig & Diana Largent, Betty Casey, Lisa & Ian Bamford, Cheryl Clawson, Maria Larrenaga, Steve Grana, Mark Dames, Joe & Kathleen Kaz, Laura Granucci, and Fr. Dave. Participants, following instructions from our landscape designer, Jane Burgunder, dug 83 holes, placed plants in gopher baskets, and nestled them into the soil. Drip lines will be run in the next week or so. We are so excited that we are making progress on this project which has been in the works for that last 5+ years. The next phases will include planting on the left (Rectory) side and parking lot sides of the Church. To see copies of the entire plan, visit the parish office.

**Tax Letters** It's tax time again! If you would like a letter detailing your donations to St. Matthias from 2021, please email [lisa@stmatthiasparish.org](mailto:lisa@stmatthiasparish.org) to request your tax letter.

### This Week at St. Matthias (February 27-March 6, 2022)

Sunday, 2/27	RCIA Meeting GIFT Family Faith Formation	11:00 am - 12:00 pm 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm	Merry Room Church
Monday, 2/28	Racial Justice Book Club	7:00 pm - 8:00 pm	Google Meet
Tuesday, 3/1	First Communion Preparation	6:00 pm - 7:00 pm	Google Meet
Wednesday, 3/2	Ash Wednesday Masses	6:30 am 12:00 noon 5:00 pm 7:00 pm	St. Charles St. Matthias St. Charles St. Matthias
Thursday, 3/3	Breaking Open the Word Prayer & Worship Meeting	10:30 am - 11:30 am 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm	Google Meet Fr. Lacey Hall
Sunday, 3/6	RCIA Rite of Election SYNOD Listening Session	9:45 am Mass 1:00 pm	Church St. Pius Church



