

“YOU SHALL NOT PUT THE LORD, YOUR GOD, TO THE TEST.”

LUKE 4:12

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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  
Wednesday 6:30 pm (during Lent)

## First Communion and Confirmation

Email Sabrina Harper for information.

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FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT  
MARCH 6, 2022

# First Sunday of Lent

## 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

### Dt 26:4-10

Moses spoke to the people, saying:  
"The priest shall receive the basket from you and shall set it in front of the altar of the LORD, your God. Then you shall declare before the Lord, your God, 'My father was a wandering Aramean who went down to Egypt with a small household and lived there as an alien.  
But there he became a nation great, strong, and numerous.  
When the Egyptians maltreated and oppressed us, imposing hard labor upon us, we cried to the LORD, the God of our fathers, and he heard our cry and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression.  
He brought us out of Egypt with his strong hand and outstretched arm, with terrifying power, with signs and wonders; and bringing us into this country, he gave us this land flowing with milk and honey.

Therefore, I have now brought you the firstfruits of the products of the soil which you, O LORD, have given me.' And having set them before the LORD, your God, you shall bow down in his presence."

## Responsorial Psalm

### Ps 91:1-2, 10-11, 12-13, 14-15.

R. (cf. 15b) Be with me, Lord, when I am in trouble.

## Reading II

### Rom 10:8-13

Brothers and sisters:

What does Scripture say?

The word is near you,  
in your mouth and in your heart  
—that is, the word of faith that we preach—,  
for, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved.

For the Scripture says,

No one who believes in him will be put to shame. For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all, enriching all who call upon him. For "everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."

## Verse Before the Gospel

### Mt 4:4b

One does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes forth from the mouth of God.

## Gospel

### Lk 4:1-13

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Jesus returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit into the desert for forty days, to be tempted by the devil. He ate nothing during those days, and when they were over he was hungry. The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become bread." Jesus answered him, "It is written, One does not live on bread alone."

Then he took him up and showed him all the kingdoms of the world in a single instant.

The devil said to him, "I shall give to you all this power and glory; for it has been handed over to me, and I may give it to whomever I wish. All this will be yours, if you worship me." Jesus said to him in reply,

"It is written

You shall worship the Lord, your God,  
and him alone shall you serve."

Then he led him to Jerusalem, made him stand on the parapet of the temple, and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, for it is written: He will command his angels concerning you, to guard you, and:

With their hands they will support you,  
lest you dash your foot against a stone."

Jesus said to him in reply,

"It also says, You shall not put the Lord, your God, to the test."

When the devil had finished every temptation, he departed from him for a time.

## 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.

## 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.

## *Mass Intentions*

**Saturday, March 5th  
at 5:00 pm**

Margaret Vugrinecz Henry (+)

**Sunday, March 6th  
at 9:45 am -**

Carole Schaffner (+)

**St. Matthias Church** is open Monday, Tuesday and Thursday from 10:00 am - 5:00 pm for personal prayer.

**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 faithful departed*

Janice Della Libera &

Carolyn Stepp.

## IN THE DESERT

Jesus was led by the Spirit into the desert for forty days, and then the devil tested him. Moses and the Israelites had been in the desert for forty years before being led to the land of milk and honey. There were times when they called out to God, sure that, as Saint Paul wrote to the Romans, "everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved." We sometimes spend time in the desert as well. Not a literal desert most of the time, but a desert in which it seems difficult to perceive God's presence, times when we face difficulty and are tempted to leave God's ways behind. On this First Sunday of Lent, Jesus shows us what to do in these moments: stand firm and trust in God. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

## This Week at St. Matthias (March 6-13, 2022)

Sunday, 3/6	RCIA Rite of Election SYNOD Listening Session	9:45 am Mass 1:00 pm	Church St. Pius Church
Monday, 3/7	Racial Justice Book Club	7:00 pm - 8:00 pm	Google Meet
Tuesday, 3/8	First Communion Preparation St. Vincent de Paul Meeting	6:00 pm - 7:00 pm 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm	Google Meet Zoom
Wednesday, 3/9	Middle School Youth Ministry (MSYM) Leave the Light On Reconciliation	5:00 pm - 6:00 pm 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm	St. Charles St. Charles
Thursday, 3/10	Breaking Open the Word Staff Meeting Finance Council Meeting	10:30 am - 11:30 am 1:00 pm 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm	Google Meet Fr. Lacey Hall Fr. Lacey Hall
Sunday, 3/13	RCIA Meeting GIFT Family Faith Formation	11:00 am - 12:00 pm 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm	Merry Room Church



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!

## What Lenten observances do I intend to keep this year?

## 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.

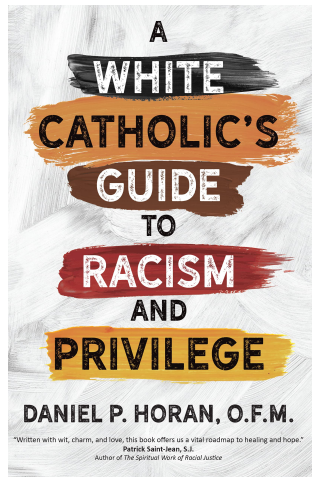
## St. Vincent de Paul Lenten Baby Item Drive



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*

## 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.

**Remaining Sessions:** Mondays 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)

## 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.

## Prayer for Peace in Ukraine



God of infinite mercy and goodness, with grateful hearts we pray to you today for peace.

You offer us peace continually, and constantly remind us that peacemakers are blessed "for they shall be called children of God." May your voice resound in the hearts of all, as you

call us to follow the path of reconciliation and peace, and to be merciful as you are merciful.

We pray to you for the people of Ukraine who are experiencing conflicts and death. Bless the leaders with wisdom, vision, and perseverance needed to build together a world of justice and solidarity, and to break down the walls of hostility and division.

To you we entrust all families and pray that they may never yield to discouragement and despair, but become heralds of new hope to one another in this challenging time.

May you continue to inspire all of us to oneness of heart and mind, to work generously for the common good, to respect the dignity of every person, and the fundamental rights which have their origin in the image and likeness of God impressed upon every human being.

Grant eternal rest to the dead and quick recovery to the wounded, we pray through Christ our Lord, Amen.

Let us now ask our Mother Mary to intercede for the people of Ukraine as we pray: *Hail Mary....*

An Invitation to Pilgrimage to Medjugorje with Fr. Samuel Musiimenta - May 9-17, 2022  
\$2,849 per person/double occupancy  
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**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.

