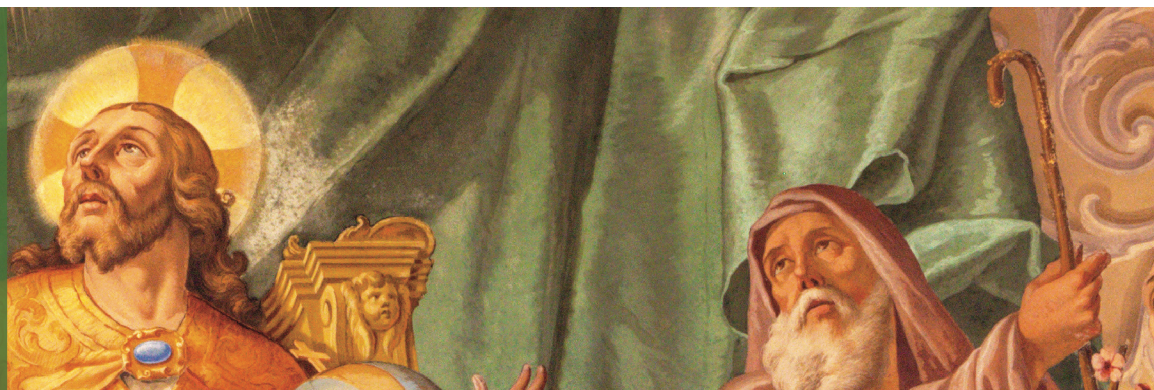


EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME
JULY 31, 2022

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If you were
raised
with Christ,
seek what
is above,
where Christ
is seated at
the right
hand of God.

COLOSSIANS 3:1



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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.

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Email Deacon Rich Foley for information.

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18th Sunday in Ordinary Time July 31, 2022

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 1

Ecc 1:2; 2:21-23

Vanity of vanities, says Qoheleth, vanity of vanities! All things are vanity! Here is one who has labored with wisdom and knowledge and skill, and yet to another who has not labored over it, he must leave property.

This also is vanity and a great misfortune. For what profit comes to man from all the toil and anxiety of heart with which he has labored under the sun? All his days sorrow and grief are his occupation; even at night his mind is not at rest. This also is vanity.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 and 17

R. (1) **If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.**

You turn man back to dust,
saying, "Return, O children of men."
For a thousand years in your sight
are as yesterday, now that it is past,

or as a watch of the night.

R. **If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.**

You make an end of them in their sleep;
the next morning they are like the changing grass,

Which at dawn springs up anew,
but by evening wilts and fades.

R. **If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.**

Teach us to number our days aright,
that we may gain wisdom of heart.

Return, O LORD! How long?

Have pity on your servants!

R. **If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.**

Fill us at daybreak with your kindness,
that we may shout for joy and gladness all our days.

And may the gracious care of the LORD our God be ours;

prosper the work of our hands for us!

Prosper the work of our hands!

R. **If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.**

Reading 2

Col 3:1-5, 9-11

Brothers and sisters:

If you were raised with Christ, seek what is above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God.

Think of what is above, not of what is on earth. For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God.

When Christ your life appears, then you too will appear with him in glory.

Put to death, then, the parts of you that are earthly: immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and the greed that is idolatry.

Stop lying to one another, since you have taken off the old self with its practices and have put on the new self, which is being renewed, for knowledge, in the image of its creator. Here there is not Greek and Jew, circumcision and uncircumcision, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free; but Christ is all and in all.

Alleluia

Mt 5:3

R. **Alleluia, alleluia.**

Blessed are the poor in spirit,
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

R. **Alleluia, alleluia.**

Gospel

Lk 12:13-21

Someone in the crowd said to Jesus,
"Teacher, tell my brother to share the inheritance with me."

He replied to him,

"Friend, who appointed me as your judge and arbitrator?"

Then he said to the crowd,

"Take care to guard against all greed,
for though one may be rich,
one's life does not consist of possessions."

Then he told them a parable.

"There was a rich man whose land produced a bountiful harvest. He asked himself, 'What shall I do, for I do not have space to store my harvest?'

And he said, 'This is what I shall do:

I shall tear down my barns and build larger ones. There I shall store all my grain and other goods and I shall say to myself, 'Now as for you, you have so many good things stored up for many years, rest, eat, drink, be merry!'"

But God said to him,

'You fool, this night your life will be demanded of you; and the things you have prepared, to whom will they belong?' Thus will it be for all who store up treasure for themselves but are not rich in what matters to God."

Annual Backpack & School Supply Drive - with a Twist!

St. Matthias' St. Vincent de Paul Conference is coordinating a collection for the Catholic Worker House distribution of school supplies. The process will look a little different

this year so that is a better match of supplies. Similar to the Giving Tree, this year we will display a Back-to-School bulletin board at the back of church where you may select one or more tags for the items you will be purchasing.

The boards will be available for the last three weekends in July (starting this weekend). The items purchased should be left in the back of Church by August 6/7. Thank you for your support of this project. — St. Matthias SVdP Conference.



Funeral Support Meeting Next Saturday August 6th at 3PM

Join us in Fr. Lacey Hall to discuss our new vision for this group and to seek your feedback. As we continue to move out of the COVID-19 pandemic, many things have changed. We are finding that those who are

Mass Intentions

Saturday, July 30th

at 5:00 pm -

Alex O'Neill +

Sunday, July 31st

at 9:45 am -

Janice Della Libera +

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...

Arnold de Almeida

Mia Ainardi

Stacy Baldwin

Alyssa Beemer

Richard Kaz

Kevin Magee

Kerry Peterson

Fr. Paul Rossi

Suzanne Schaffner

Adelaide Sciandri

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

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Reflection Question:

How has the Lord answered my prayers?

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This Week at St. Matthias (July 31-August 7, 2022)

Thursday, 8/4	Rosary for Peace Breaking Open the Word	10AM 10:30AM	Merry Room Google Meet
Saturday, 8/6	Funeral Support Meeting	3PM	Fr. Lacey Hall

grieving are choosing to postpone funerals and memorial services for some time until family and friends can gather. As needs change; so too must our response to those needs.

Prior to the pandemic, these celebrations were supported by our Family Support Group, a wonderful team of people who fulfilled many roles including as greeters, ushers, readers, Eucharistic Ministers, and with support to the family for their reception. On average, we have 1-2 funerals or memorial services per month. Typically, they are held on Monday - Friday at 10AM or 11AM. Deacon David works with the family to plan the liturgy, but many other volunteers are needed to help with supporting roles.

We are seeking to enlist your help to provide support for families who celebrate both a liturgy and/or reception at St. Matthias. At this meeting, we'll discuss the various supporting roles that are needed for each of these services. Please join Deacons Rich & David, Sabrina and Lisa at this meeting. Or contact Lisa at lisa@stmatthiasparish.org to ask questions, volunteer or learn more about this essential ministry.

Calling all Families - Learn about the Love of Jesus!

In Pope Francis' apostolic exhortation, *Amoris Laetitia* (On Love in the Family), he writes, *"No family drops down from heaven perfectly formed; families need constantly to grow and mature in the ability to love."* People grow in holiness, and the church must be there to given them a healing hand rather than turn them away because they have not attained some degree of perfection.

Our family-based faith formation program, Generations in Faith Together (GIFT) seeks to do just this, to support families where they are, given them a helping hand, and collectively learn more about the Gospel and the love freely given to us by our Savior, Jesus Christ.

We do this by gathering our families with children in kindergarten through 8th grade for a one-hour gathering every other Sunday from 12:00PM to 1:00PM, starting on Sept 11th. During these gatherings, parents and children engage with bible stories, activities, conversation, and reflection to learn more about how Jesus saves through age-appropriate sharing of Scripture and one another.

Registration for GIFT, First Communion, and Confirmation preparation, as well as our Middle School and High School Youth Ministry programs will begin in August. If your family was registered for any of these programs during the 2021-2022 school year, you will automatically receive registration information. If you family has taken a break, we invite you to return, please email sabrina@stmatthiasparish.org to ask questions or be added to the distribution list.

Keeping Families Catholic: Faith Formation Day

The Parish Catechetical Leaders and Master Catechists of Deanery 11 (Southern San Mateo County) are pleased to present a one-day seminar for parents and catechists. Parents and catechists are invited to attend any or all of the offered workshops. Only available in the morning or afternoon? That's

great - join us for any or all of the day! Free lunch will be provided.

Workshops topics include:

- "Parents as Primary Catechists" - by Sr. Celeste Arbuckle, Director of Faith Formation for the Archdiocese of San Francisco
- "Family Prayer, Devotions, Saints and the Liturgical Calendar" by Neri Miranda, Faith Formation Director at St. Raymond
- "Lectionary Based Catechesis" by Lucy Soltau, Faith Formation Director at St. Denis
- "Catholic Social Teaching Delivers the Journey for Conscience Formation" by Sr. Celeste
- "Four Things that Parents Can Do to Keep Kids Catholic" by Sabrina Harper, Faith Formation Director at St. Matthias

When: Saturday, August 27, 2022 from 10AM to 5:15PM

Where: St. Denis Church, 2250 Avy Avenue, Menlo Park

RSVP to Lucy Soltau

lsoltau@stdenisparish.org by August 20th

Breaking Open the Word

Each Thursday morning, Sabrina hosts this session for those interested in developing a deeper understanding of God's love for his people through 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. If you are interested in joining, please email sabrina@stmatthiasparish.org to receive the weekly resource and invitation.

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.

Upcoming Peninsula Multifaith Coalition Events

A **Summer Weekend of Service** will be held on August 13-14th. There will be 3 or 4 projects. Eventbrite registration notice will go out around July 11th.

Interfaith Prayers for Peace will be held on Monday, Sept 5th at Twin Pine Park in Belmont from 10AM to 12PM.

Visit www.peninsulamultifaith.org for more information.





Junipero Serra High School is looking for Homestay Families for International students for this academic year. Every year Serra brings in students from around the world and part of that experience is living with an American family. Please

contact mkeller@serrahs.com for details on hosting a student.



Our St. Matthias community has a reputation for being a welcoming place for all. For parents with young children, we offer the following suggestions — Relax! God put the wiggle in children don't feel you have to suppress it in God's house — as ALL ARE WELCOME. Sit toward the front where it is easier for your little ones to see and hear what's going on in the sanctuary. They tire of seeing the backs of others' heads. Quietly explain the parts of the Mass and actions of the priest, deacon, and ministers. This helps them to grow in understanding and feel part of the celebration.

Sing the songs, pray and voice the responses. Children learn liturgical behavior by copying

you. If you have to leave Mass with your child, feel free to do so. We've opened Fr. Lacey Hall and project the Mass on the big screen TV, but we do invite you to please come back. Jesus said, "Let the children come to me."

Remember that the way we welcome children in church directly affects the way they respond to the Church, to God, and to one another. Let them know that they are at home in the house of worship.



Welcome to the Body of Christ through the Waters of Baptism

We offer a special welcome to the family of Harold Xerxes Simon, son of Luke and Alussa Simon who was baptized on Saturday, July 16th by his grandfather, Deacon Denis Simon from Dallas, Texas at St. Matthias Church.

Let us pray,

Heavenly Father, in your love you have called us to know you, led us to trust you, and bound our life with yours. Surround this child with your love, protect him from evil. Fill him with the Holy Spirit and receive him into the family of your church, that he may walk with us in the way of Christ, and grow in the knowledge of your love. Amen.

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