

September 2022

"REJOICE WITH ME BECAUSE I HAVE FOUND MY LOST SHEEP."

LUKE 15:6

St. Matthias Parish

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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 ReconciliationSaturday 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.

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Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time - September 11, 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 Onlybegotten 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 Ex 32:7-11, 13-14

The LORD said to Moses,

"Go down at once to your people, whom you brought out of the land of Egypt, for they have become depraved.

They have soon turned aside from the way I pointed out to them, making for themselves a molten calf and worshiping it, sacrificing to it and crying out, 'This is your God, O Israel, who brought you out of the land of Egypt!'
"I see how stiff-necked this people is, "
continued the LORD to Moses. Let me alone, then, that my wrath may blaze up against them to consume them. Then I will make of you a great nation."

But Moses implored the LORD, his God, saying, "Why, O LORD, should your wrath blaze up against your own people, whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with such great power and with so strong a hand? Remember your servants Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, and how you swore to them

by your own self, saying,

'I will make your descendants as numerous as the stars in the sky; and all this land that I promised, I will give your descendants as their perpetual heritage.'"

So the LORD relented in the punishment he had threatened to inflict on his people.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 17, 19

R. (Lk 15:18) I will rise and go to my father.

Reading 2

1 Tm 1:12-17

Beloved: I am grateful to him who has strengthened me, Christ Jesus our Lord, because he considered me trustworthy in appointing me to the ministry.

I was once a blasphemer and a persecutor and arrogant, but I have been mercifully treated because I acted out of ignorance in my unbelief. Indeed, the grace of our Lord has been abundant, along with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus.

This saying is trustworthy and deserves full acceptance: Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. Of these I am the foremost. But for that reason I was mercifully treated, so that in me, as the foremost, Christ Jesus might display all his patience as an example for those who would come to believe in him for everlasting life. To the king of ages, incorruptible, invisible, the only God, honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

Alleluia

2 Cor 5:19

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

God was reconciling the world to himself in

Christ and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel Lk 15:1-32

Tax collectors and sinners were all drawing near to listen to Jesus, but the Pharisees and scribes began to complain, saying, "This man welcomes sinners and eats with them."

So to them he addressed this parable. "What man among you having a hundred sheep and losing one of them would not leave the ninety-nine in the desert and go after the lost one until he finds it? And when he does find it, he sets it on his shoulders with great joy and, upon his arrival home, he calls together his friends and neighbors and says to them, 'Rejoice with me because I have found my lost sheep.' I tell you, in just the same way there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous people who have no need of repentance.

"Or what woman having ten coins and losing one would not light a lamp and sweep the house, searching carefully until she finds it? And when she does find it, she calls together her friends and neighbors and says to them, 'Rejoice with me because I have found the coin that I lost.'

In just the same way, I tell you, there will be rejoicing among the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

Then he said, "A man had two sons, and the younger son said to his father, 'Father give me the share of your estate that should come to me.' So the father divided the property between them. After a few days, the younger son collected all his belongings and set off to

a distant country where he squandered his inheritance on a life of dissipation. When he had freely spent everything, a severe famine struck that country, and he found himself in dire need. So he hired himself out to one of the local citizens who sent him to his farm to tend the swine. And he longed to eat his fill of the pods on which the swine fed, but nobody gave him any. Coming to his senses he thought, 'How many of my father's hired workers have more than enough food to eat, but here am I, dying from hunger.

I shall get up and go to my father and I shall say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I no longer deserve to be called your son; treat me as you would treat one of your hired workers."'
So he got up and went back to his father.
While he was still a long way off, his father caught sight of him, and was filled with compassion. He ran to his son, embraced him and kissed him.

His son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you; I no longer deserve to be called your son.' But his father ordered his servants. 'Quickly bring the finest robe and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. Take the fattened calf and slaughter it. Then let us celebrate with a feast, because this son of mine was dead, and has come to life again; he was lost, and has been found.' Then the celebration began. Now the older son had been out in the field and, on his way back, as he neared the house, he heard the sound of music and dancing. He called one of the servants and asked what this might mean. The servant said to him, 'Your brother has returned and your father has slaughtered the fattened calf because he has him back safe and sound.'

Mass Intentions

Saturday, Sept 10th at 5:00 pm -Al Piparo +

Sunday, Sept 11th at 9:45 am -Mia Ainardi + 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...

Stacy Baldwin
Alyssa Beemer
Christine Klein
Catherine McCaffrey
Kerry Peterson
Fr. Paul Rossi
Suzanne Schaffner
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that they may be comforted by the loving embrace of Jesus.

And for the souls of the faithful departed

Mia Ainardi



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Reflection Question:

In what ways do I serve God?

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This Week at St. Matthias (September 11-18, 2022)			
Sunday, 9/11	Donut Sunday GIFT: Family Faith Formation	After 9:45AM Mass 12:00-1:00PM	Fr. Lacey Hall Fr. Lacey Hall
Monday, 9/12	Book Club: Birth of a Movement	7:00PM	Google Meet
Tuesday, 9/13	St. Vincent de Paul Meeting	7:00PM	Fr. Lacey Hall
Wednesday, 9/14	Middle School Youth Ministry	5:00PM	Borromeo Hall, SC
Thursday, 9/15	Rosary for Peace Breaking Open the Word	10AM 10:30AM	Merry Room Google Meet
Sunday, 9/18	RCIA Confirmation Year 2 Orientation	11:00AM 5:00PM	Merry Room Church

He became angry, and when he refused to enter the house, his father came out and pleaded with him. He said to his father in reply, 'Look, all these years I served you and not once did I disobey your orders; yet you never gave me even a young goat to feast on with my friends. But when your son returns, who swallowed up your property with prostitutes, for him you slaughter the fattened calf.' He said to him, 'My son, you are here with me always; everything I have is yours. But now we must celebrate and rejoice, because your brother was dead and has come to life again; he was lost and has been found.'"

Welcome Weekend with Coffee & Donuts will be this Sunday, Sept 11th after the 9:45 am Mass.



Calling All Families — Learn About the Love of Jesus

Registration for GIFT, First Communion, and Confirmation preparation, as well as our Middle School and High School Youth Ministry programs is open!

GIFT (for families with kindergarten - 8th grade children and those preparing for First Communion) begins on this Sunday, September 11th at 12:00PM.

Middle School Youth Ministry (MSYM) begins on Wednesday, Sept 14th at 5:00PM.

Confirmation - Year 1 for young people starting the process in 9th grade, begins on Sunday, September 25th at 5:00PM.

Confirmation - Year 2 for young people who have completed Year 1, begins on Sunday, September 18th at 5:00PM.

This weekend, we will celebrate "Catholic Family Day" at St. Matthias. Families with children will learn about our faith formation programs, receive a special gift from the parish, and enjoy coffee and donuts after the 9:45AM Mass.

For questions about any of these programs, email sabrina@stmatthiasparish.org

Bundle Sunday is Back!

Help out neighbors in need by participating the the St. Vincent de Paul's Bundle Sunday on Sept 24-25th after each Mass. Our St. Matthias Conference



invites you to bring useable clothing items to be donated to St. Vincent de Paul and given to individuals and families in need. Vincentian volunteers will be available after every Mass. We will be collecting clean casual adult clothing, shoes and backpacks. Questions? Call Bob Thompson, President of SVdP St. Matthias Conference at (650) 714-5734. Thank you in advance for your generosity. — St. Matthias SVdP Conference.

It's Time to Refill Our Pantry!

Our SVdP food pantry is in great need to replenishing many items to fill our 16 bags of groceries each week. The items most needed at this time are: boxes of cereal, soups, tuna,

nut butters (peanut and almond), hearty canned or non-perishable meals such as chili, stew, pasta, ketchup, mustard, mayo, non-perishable lunch box items, Please no glass containers or expired items. Your generosity of appreciated by our conference and the families we serve. Food can be left in the basket in back corner of the Church (on the Church parking lot side). Gratefully, St. Matthias SVdP Conference



Becoming a Fully Initiated Catholic - RCIA

Do you know someone who has thought about becoming Catholic, or for whatever reason, has been baptized by 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 who know have questions about the sacraments and what it means to be Catholic? Please consider RCIA.

The Catholic Church has a process for adults to discern whether God if 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 and

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 11:00AM - 12:00PM at St. Matthias in the Merry Room. The first RCIA gathering will be held on **Sunday, September 18th.** Parishioner, 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

<u>rich@stmatthiasparish.org</u> or call him at St. Matthias Church (650) 366-9544.

Please pray that the Holy Spirit calls individuals to seek a deeper relationship with Almighty God through His Church.

Altar Servers

It is time to invite all children and any interested adults who have received their First Holy Communion to serve on the altar during Mass. The ministry of Altar Server is an important ministry at Mass. By being directly involved in the Mass, Altar Servers experience the Mass in a special way. Training will be provided by Deacon Rich and experienced altar servers. Please see Deacon

Rich for more information. We hope to have altar servers at more and more Masses during the upcoming year.

St. Charles Women's Club invites the women of St. Charles and St. Matthias to an event on Wednesday, Sept 14th at 7:00PM. "Here I am Lord, Send Me" Discerning God's will for the decisions in our lives will be presented by Deacon Tom Kramer in Borromeo Hall. Refreshments will be served afterwards.

St. Charles Senior Luncheon

We are delighted to announce the return of the Senior Luncheon — all registered parishioners of St. Charles and St. Matthias who are over 60 years of age are cordially invited to our September BACK TO SCHOOL luncheon on Wednesday, September 14 at 12:00PM. Doors will open at 11:45AM. Don't be tardy! To reserve your spot by Monday, Sept 12th, please RSVP to Kathy Fagliano at 650-591-7349 ext 402 or

kfagliano@stcharlesparish.org. Caregivers are welcome. Along with your reservation, please indicate your sandwich choice: Bologna, Ham, Salami, Turkey or the all time favorite ...Peanut Butter and Jelly!

If you need a ride or are able to offer a ride to a parishioner who needs transportation, please let Kathy know. We hope to see you in "class!"

Moving Through the Loss of a Loved One

Is a focused support group being offered by the St. Pius Grief Ministry this fall. This session is intended to those who have previously attended a Grief Support group session and/ or would like to participate in a support group focused on progressing through their personal grief journey. This session will be held on Monday evenings for 8 weeks beginning **Monday, September 26th at 7:00PM** at St. Pius Church. For more information or to register, please contact the Grief Ministry at 650-361-0655 or griefministry@pius.org



Birth of a Movement: Black Lives Matter and the Catholic Church

This series, offered as a "book club" by the Justice & Charity Commission of St. Matthias Church, seeks to continue raising awareness of Church teaching about racism. This eight-week virtual series will include prayer, reading, reflection and discussion using Olga M. Segura's book, Birth of a Movement: Black Lives Matter and the Catholic Church. This is the fifth anti-racism series offered by our Justice & Charity Commission. Prior participation is not required. We hope you will join us.

When: Monday Sept 12, 19, 26, Oct 3, 10, 17,

24 and Nov 7, 2022 <u>Where:</u> Google Meet <u>Time:</u> 7:00 - 8:00 pm

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

email sabrina@stmatthiasparish.org

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