

“But when the Son of Man comes,
will he find faith on earth?”

Luke 18:8



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St. Matthias Parish

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

OCTOBER 16, 2022

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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, Marriage & RCIA

Email Deacon Rich Foley for information.

Funerals

Email Deacon David Rolandelli for
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29th Sunday in Ordinary Time - October 16, 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

Ex 17:8-13

In those days, Amalek came and waged war against Israel. Moses, therefore, said to Joshua, "Pick out certain men, and tomorrow go out and engage Amalek in battle. I will be standing on top of the hill with the staff of God in my hand."

So Joshua did as Moses told him: he engaged Amalek in battle after Moses had climbed to the top of the hill with Aaron and Hur.

As long as Moses kept his hands raised up, Israel had the better of the fight, but when he let his hands rest, Amalek had the better of the fight.

Moses' hands, however, grew tired; so they put a rock in place for him to sit on. Meanwhile Aaron and Hur supported his hands, one on one side and one on the other, so that his hands remained steady till sunset. And Joshua mowed down Amalek and his people with the edge of the sword.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 121:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8

R.(cf. 2) **Our help is from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.**

I lift up my eyes toward the mountains; whence shall help come to me?

My help is from the LORD, who made heaven and earth.

R. **Our help is from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.**

May he not suffer your foot to slip; may he slumber not who guards you: indeed he neither slumbers nor sleeps, the guardian of Israel.

R. **Our help is from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.**

The LORD is your guardian; the LORD is your shade; he is beside you at your right hand.

The sun shall not harm you by day, nor the moon by night.

R. **Our help is from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.**

The LORD will guard you from all evil; he will guard your life.

The LORD will guard your coming and your going, both now and forever.

R. **Our help is from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.**

Reading 2

2 Tm 3:14-4:2

Beloved:

Remain faithful to what you have learned and believed, because you know from whom you learned it, and that from infancy you have known the sacred Scriptures, which are capable of giving you wisdom for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus.

All Scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for refutation, for

correction, and for training in righteousness, so that one who belongs to God may be competent, equipped for every good work. I charge you in the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who will judge the living and the dead, and by his appearing and his kingly power: proclaim the word; be persistent whether it is convenient or inconvenient; convince, reprimand, encourage through all patience and teaching.

Alleluia

Heb 4:12

R. **Alleluia, alleluia.**

The word of God is living and effective, discerning reflections and thoughts of the heart.

R. **Alleluia, alleluia.**

Gospel

Lk 18:1-8

Jesus told his disciples a parable about the necessity for them to pray always without becoming weary. He said, "There was a judge in a certain town who neither feared God nor respected any human being. And a widow in that town used to come to him and say, 'Render a just decision for me against my adversary.'

For a long time the judge was unwilling, but eventually he thought, 'While it is true that I neither fear God nor respect any human being, because this widow keeps bothering me I shall deliver a just decision for her lest she finally come and strike me.'"

The Lord said, "Pay attention to what the dishonest judge says.

Will not God then secure the rights of his chosen ones who call out to him day and night? Will he be slow to answer them?

I tell you, he will see to it that justice is done for them speedily. But when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"



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It's Time to Refill Our Pantry!

Our SVdP food pantry is in great need to replenish 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 is 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). - SVdP

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.

Mass Intentions

Saturday, Oct 15th
at 5:00 pm -

Joyce Morger +

Sunday, Oct 16th
at 9:45 am -

Joyce Morger +

Church is open Monday -
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.

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For More Information Please

Contact Preschool Director, Rosemary at

rosemary@stmatthiasparish.org

Or call (650) 367-1320



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

Stacy Baldwin

Alyssa Beemer

Eva Gillet

John Granucci

Christine Klein

Catherine McCaffrey

Kerry Peterson

Fr. Paul Rossi

Suzanne Schaffner

Brian & Mel Smith

North West

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

**And for the souls of the
faithful departed**

Carly Deasy

This Week at St. Matthias (October 16-23, 2022)

Monday, 10/17	Book Club: Birth of a Movement	7:00PM	Google Meet
Tuesday, 10/18	Prayer Shawl Ministry Meeting Preschool Advisory Board Meeting	3:00PM 7:00PM	Merry Room Google Meet
Thursday, 10/20	Rosary for Peace Breaking Open the Word	10:00AM 10:30AM	Merry Room Google Meet
Saturday, 10/22	Confirmation Year 1 Retreat	10:00AM-2:00PM	St. Charles
Sunday, 10/23	RCIA GIFT Family Faith Formation Confirmation Year 2 Meeting	11:00AM-12:00PM 12:00PM-1:00PM 6:00PM-7:30PM	Merry Room Fr. Lacey Hall Fr. Lacey Hall



Dust off your favorite family recipes, dig out your Betty Crocker Cookbook and plan to bring a dish to share!* Come join us to sample international food items from around the world. **Reservations are required.**

All are invited to bring an appetizer, soup or stew, salad, main dish, side dish, or dessert*. Those who bring a dish to share will be awarded (1) FREE drink ticket. Dishes to share should serve 8-10 people. Small portions will be served by the young people of St. Matthias to ensure that all get a sampling of the delicious foods. Cooks will be asked to provide an ingredient list for each dish to accommodate those with food allergies or sensitivities. *Bringing a dish to share is not required. Your company is, however, requested.

A modest entrance fee of \$5 per person will be charged at the door. Beer, wine, water, and soda will be available for purchase. Invite your friends, family members, and neighbors to join us!

Raffle Tickets All registered parishioners should have received raffle tickets and event information in the mail this past week. Cut off and return one ticket for \$25 or all five for \$100. The grand prize will be \$1,000! The raffle drawing will be at 8:30 pm the night of

the event; however, you need not be present to win.

If you have something to contribute for the raffle (for example, game tickets, gift certificates to local restaurants or spas, time at a time share or vacation home, etc.) or would like to help sponsor our event, visit the event page to download and complete the form.

Volunteers will be in the back of Church following Masses on the weekends of Oct 15/16 and 22/23 if you would like to purchase additional raffle tickets and/or prefer to make your reservation in person.

Visit <https://www.stmatthiasparish.org/support-us/upcoming-events/> to make your reservations, donate an item or sponsor the event. You may also call the parish office at (650) 366-9544.

Mercy High School's **Mercy's Girls on the Green** event will take place on Oct 3rd (for 6-8th grade girls) and Open House will be on November 6th. Visit <https://www.mercyhsb.com/>

Shadow dates are open at **Notre Dame High School** in Belmont for 8th graders. To register for a shadow date, visit https://ndhsb.schooladminonline.com/portal/new_inquiry

Reflection Question:
When do I resist confirming my will to God's? © J. S. Paluch Company, Inc.

Masses of Remembrance on November 5th and 6th

The St. Matthias Funeral Support Group invites parishioners to submit the names of friends and relatives who have passed from this life into the next since November 1, 2021. Loved ones will be honored at our annual Masses in Remembrance. Masses will be offered November 5th at 5:00 p.m. and November 6th at 9:45 a.m. We remember those who have left this life and recognize that they are now in the Communion of Saints. We are also preparing a video remembrance to be shown at the Masses. To include your loved one, please email and send a photo to lisa@stmatthiasparish.org by Oct 24th for inclusion.

Peninsula Multifaith Coalition Invites Us to Participate in the Mid-Peninsula CROP Hunger Walk

When: Sunday, October 23rd beginning at 2:00 pm, registration begins at 1:00 pm

Where: St. Raymond Catholic Church, 1100 Santa Cruz Avenue, Menlo Park, CA 94025

What: Each year, our community comes together to raise money and awareness for hunger relief locally and around the world through the CROP Hunger Walk. Walkers ask family, neighbors, colleagues, and friends to pledge dollars for their participation in a .6 mile, 1 mile, 3 miles, or 5 miles walk. Our steps symbolize the daily journey others must make for food and clean water.

Cost: There is NO FEE to participate. All donations are helpful, but each walker is encouraged to raise \$100 or more.

Questions: For more information, contact Mary Beth Train, 650-324-7346 - mbt3305@yahoo.com
<https://www.crophungerwalk.org/menloparkca>

On Prayer: Moderated Panel Discussion with Speakers from Several Faith Traditions

Join the Peninsula Multifaith Coalition for an informative faith discussion as we explore the concept of prayer/devotional practices from the perspectives of seven faith traditions. Audience Q&A and light refreshments to follow.

When: Wednesday, November 16 at 7:00PM

Where: Unitarian Universalists Fellowship of Redwood City

Presentation will be available live and on Zoom.

Visit for More Information: <https://peninsulamultifaith.org/>



Queen of Heart Bridge Tournament and Luncheon

to benefit the St. Francis Center in Redwood City. Located at the Siena Youth Center, 2625 Marlborough Avenue, Redwood City from 9:30AM to 2:30PM, \$65/person. The tournament and luncheon will be on October 21,

registration closes on October 14. Contact Ellen Jones (650) 704-3666 or email emcjones@hotmail.com to register or for more information.



USCCB: Synthesis of the Diocesan Phase of

the Synod

The Bishops of the World will convene in Rome in October of 2023. Earlier this year, parishes in the Archdiocese of San Francisco participated in local synodal processes including the completion of a survey and a number of listening sessions. These data were compiled and a report was submitted to the United States Council of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) along with dioceses throughout our country.

Recently, the USCCB published the “National Synthesis of the People of God in the United States of America for the Diocesan Phase of the 2021-2023 Synod.” The full report is available at <https://www.usccb.org/resources/us-national-synthesis-2021-2023-synod>.

In the introduction, Bishop Daniel Flores, Chair of the Committee on Doctrine, states, *“The document that follows is an attempt to synthesize and contextualize the common joys, hopes and wounds called forth with the help of the Holy Spirit in the unfolding of the Synod.”*

The report categorizes the findings into four areas:

- Enduring Wounds
- Enhancing Communion and Participation
- Ongoing Formation for Mission
- Engaging Discernment

The first section on “Enduring Wounds” identifies a number of areas that have been painful for the Church. The report states, “Many of these wounds have been inflicted not only by

individual members of the Church but often by the institution itself.” Commentary details several major areas: sexual abuse crisis, effects of the pandemic, divisions within the Church on the celebration of the Eucharist, lack of unity among the bishops, marginalization of various groups including women, the LGBTQ community and a desire for healing.

“Enhancing Communion and Participation” addresses several major topics that invite further dialogue and reflection. Two major needs are presented in the report. First, developing a sacramental life among the people of God. Family Faith Formation and the unifying Sacrament of the Eucharist can bring communion among all Catholics. Second, survey findings point to the need for “a more welcoming Church where all members of the People of God can find accompaniment on the journey.” The report details a number of worthy considerations.

In the “Ongoing Formation for Mission” section, the report describes the important social mission of the Church. “The Church needs to help parishioners understand the connection between Catholic social teaching and outreach beyond the border of the parish.” The section also comments on the importance of communication and the role of the laity in Church leadership.

Finally, “Engaging Discernment” section stresses the importance of listening to each other. It calls on the Church to bring people together to pray, meditate and engage in ongoing, respectful dialogue.

Bishop Flores notes that, “Pope Francis frequently reminds us, synodality is not a one-time event, but an invitation to an ongoing style of Church life.”

Parishioners are encouraged to read the entire USCCB report.

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