

But the tax collector...
beat his breast and prayed,
"O God, be merciful
to me a sinner."

Luke 18:13

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, Marriage & RCIA

Email Deacon Rich Foley for information.

Funerals

Email Deacon David Rolandelli for information.

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30th Sunday in Ordinary Time - October 23, 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

Sir 35:12-14, 16-18

The LORD is a God of justice, who knows no favorites.

Though not unduly partial toward the weak, yet he hears the cry of the oppressed.

The Lord is not deaf to the wail of the orphan, nor to the widow when she pours out her complaint.

The one who serves God willingly is heard; his petition reaches the heavens.

The prayer of the lowly pierces the clouds; it does not rest till it reaches its goal, nor will it withdraw till the Most High responds, judges justly and affirms the right, and the Lord will not delay.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 34:2-3, 17-18, 19, 23

R. (7a) The Lord hears the cry of the poor.

I will bless the LORD at all times; his praise shall be ever in my mouth. Let my soul glory in the LORD; the lowly will hear me and be glad.

R. The Lord hears the cry of the poor.

The LORD confronts the evildoers, to destroy remembrance of them from the earth.

When the just cry out, the LORD hears them, and from all their distress he rescues them.

R. The Lord hears the cry of the poor.

The LORD is close to the brokenhearted; and those who are crushed in spirit he saves. The LORD redeems the lives of his servants; no one incurs guilt who takes refuge in him.

R. The Lord hears the cry of the poor.

Reading 2

2 Tm 4:6-8, 16-18

Beloved:

I am already being poured out like a libation, and the time of my departure is at hand.

I have competed well; I have finished the race; I have kept the faith.

From now on the crown of righteousness awaits me, which the Lord, the just judge, will award to me on that day, and not only to me, but to all who have longed for his appearance.

At my first defense no one appeared on my behalf, but everyone deserted me.

May it not be held against them!
But the Lord stood by me and gave me
strength, so that through me the proclamation
might be completed and all the Gentiles
might hear it. And I was rescued from the
lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from
every evil threat and will bring me safe to his
heavenly kingdom. To him be 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 salvation. R. **Alleluia**, alleluia.

Gospel Lk 18:9-14

Jesus addressed this parable to those who were convinced of their own righteousness and despised everyone else.

"Two people went up to the temple area to pray; one was a Pharisee and the other was a tax collector. The Pharisee took up his position and spoke this prayer to himself, 'O God, I thank you that I am not like the rest of humanity — greedy, dishonest, adulterous — or even like this tax collector.

I fast twice a week, and I pay tithes on my whole income.'

But the tax collector stood off at a distance and would not even raise his eyes to heaven but beat his breast and prayed,

'O God, be merciful to me a sinner.'
I tell you, the latter went home justified, not the former; for whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and the one who humbles himself

will be exalted."



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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.

Reflection Question:

How would I change if my faith, hope, and charity were to increase? How would I behave differently? © J. S. Paluch Company, Inc.

Mass Intentions

Saturday, Oct 22nd at 5:00 pm -Sam Masci +

Sunday, Oct 23rd at 9:45 am -Casey Eichler+

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.

St. Matthias Catholic Preschool

A Quality Early Education Program Now Enrolling for 2022-2023 School Year Children Ages 3-5 Years Old Preschool Hours 7:30 am to 5:30 pm All Day - Year Round School Enrollment Slots Available 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 23-30, 2022)			
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
Monday, 10/24	Book Club: Birth of a Movement	7:00PM	Google Meet
Tuesday, 10/25	Reconciliation Family Meeting	6:00PM	Google Meet
Wednesday, 10/26	MSYM: Middle School Youth Ministry Info Meeting: San Diego Service Trip	5:00PM-6:00PM 7:00PM	St. Charles Google Meet
Thursday, 10/27	Rosary for Peace Breaking Open the Word Pastoral Council Meeting	10:00AM 10:30AM 7:00PM	Merry Room Google Meet Rectory
Saturday, 10/29	International Food & Wine Potluck	6:00PM-9:00PM	Fr. Lacey Hall
Sunday, 10/30	RCIA	11:00AM-12:00PM	Merry Room



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.

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/

Awakening to Divine Love: The Intimacy of Gratitude

When: Saturday, November 5th from 10AM

to 3PM

Where: In Person at Mercy Center,

Burlingame

What: Gratitude enriches the soil in which Divine love grows. As our heart awakens to unity and connection - with God, with each other, and with all of life, gratefulness naturally flows. We find ourselves experiences and enjoying our love relationship with the Divine while walking through the park, traveling to work, folding our laundry.

Who: Colete Lafia is a San Francisco-based writer, spiritual director and international retreat leader who invites people to see themselves as a manifestation of Divine Love. She is the author of The Divine Heart, a 2022 Nautilus Award winner, Seeking Surrender, and Comfort and Joy. Colette blogs and offers free resources at www.colettelfia.com.

Contact: For further assistance contact Mercy Center (650) 340-7474 or visit www.mercy-center.org

Mercy High School's 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 <a href="https://nthp



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 onetime event, but an invitation to an ongoing style of Church life."

Parishioners are encouraged to read the entire USCCB report.

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