

SECOND SUNDAY OF

Advent

DECEMBER 4, 2022

St. Matthias Parish

John the Baptist appeared,
preaching in the desert of Judea and saying,
“Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand!”

MATTHEW 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.

Baptism, Marriage & RCIA

Email Deacon Rich Foley for information.

Funerals

Email Deacon David Rolandelli for information.

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Reading 1

Is 11:1-10

On that day, a shoot shall sprout from the stump of Jesse,
and from his roots a bud shall blossom.
The spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him:
a spirit of wisdom and of understanding,
a spirit of counsel and of strength,
a spirit of knowledge and of fear of the LORD,
and his delight shall be the fear of the LORD.
Not by appearance shall he judge,
nor by hearsay shall he decide,
but he shall judge the poor with justice,
and decide aright for the land's afflicted.
He shall strike the ruthless with the rod of his
mouth, and with the breath of his lips he shall
slay the wicked.
Justice shall be the band around his waist,
and faithfulness a belt upon his hips.
Then the wolf shall be a guest of the lamb,
and the leopard shall lie down with the kid;
the calf and the young lion shall browse
together, with a little child to guide them.
The cow and the bear shall be neighbors,
together their young shall rest;
the lion shall eat hay like the ox.
The baby shall play by the cobra's den,
and the child lay his hand on the adder's lair.
There shall be no harm or ruin on all my holy
mountain; for the earth shall be filled with
knowledge of the LORD, as water covers the
sea.
On that day, the root of Jesse, set up as a
signal for the nations, the Gentiles shall seek
out, for his dwelling shall be glorious.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17

R. (cf. 7) **Justice shall flourish in his time, and
fullness of peace for ever.**

O God, with your judgment endow the king,
and with your justice, the king's son;
he shall govern your people with justice
and your afflicted ones with judgment.

**R. Justice shall flourish in his time, and
fullness of peace for ever.**

Justice shall flower in his days,
and profound peace, till the moon be no
more. May he rule from sea to sea,
and from the River to the ends of the earth.

**R. Justice shall flourish in his time, and
fullness of peace for ever.**

For he shall rescue the poor when he cries
out, and the afflicted when he has no one to
help him.

He shall have pity for the lowly and the poor;
the lives of the poor he shall save.

**R. Justice shall flourish in his time, and
fullness of peace for ever.**

May his name be blessed forever;
as long as the sun his name shall remain.
In him shall all the tribes of the earth be
blessed; all the nations shall proclaim his
happiness.

**R. Justice shall flourish in his time, and
fullness of peace for ever.**

Reading 2

Rom 15:4-9

Brothers and sisters:

Whatever was written previously was written
for our instruction, that by endurance and by
the encouragement of the Scriptures
we might have hope.

May the God of endurance and
encouragement grant you to think in harmony
with one another, in keeping with Christ Jesus,
that with one accord you may with one voice
glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus
Christ.

Welcome one another, then, as Christ welcomed you, for the glory of God. For I say that Christ became a minister of the circumcised to show God's truthfulness, to confirm the promises to the patriarchs, but so that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written: Therefore, I will praise you among the Gentiles and sing praises to your name.

Alleluia

Lk 3:4, 6

R. **Alleluia, alleluia.**

Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths: all flesh shall see the salvation of God.

R. **Alleluia, alleluia.**

Gospel

Mt 3:1-12

John the Baptist appeared, preaching in the desert of Judea and saying, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand!"

It was of him that the prophet Isaiah had spoken when he said:

A voice of one crying out in the desert,
Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths.

John wore clothing made of camel's hair and had a leather belt around his waist. His food was locusts and wild honey.

At that time Jerusalem, all Judea, and the whole region around the Jordan were going out to him and were being baptized by him in the Jordan River as they acknowledged their sins.

When he saw many of the Pharisees and Sadducees coming to his baptism, he said to them, "You brood of vipers!

Who warned you to flee from the coming wrath? Produce good fruit as evidence of your repentance. And do not presume to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our father.' For I tell you, God can raise up children to Abraham from these stones. Even now the ax lies at the root of the trees. Therefore every tree that does not bear good fruit will be cut down and thrown into the fire. I am baptizing you with water, for repentance, but the one who is coming after me is mightier than I. I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fan is in his hand. He will clear his threshing floor and gather his wheat into his barn, but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

Our Second Collection This Weekend is for our Parish Building Fund



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**Join us for
Donuts &
Coffee after the
9:45AM Mass
next Sunday,
December 11th!**



Mass Intentions

Saturday, Dec 3rd
at 5:00 pm -
Janice Della Libera +

Sunday, Dec 4th
at 9:45 am -
Hilda Aguilar +

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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rosemary@stmatthiasparish.org

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

Stacy Baldwin
Alyssa Beemer
Bill & Debbie Bulanti
Louise Costigan-Kerns
Eva Gillet
Christine Klein
Kerry Peterson
Fr. Paul Rossi
Suzanne Schaffner
Jedd Schultz
Brian & Mel Smith
Jim Steidel
North West

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

This Week at St. Matthias (December 4-11, 2022)

Sunday, 12/4	RCIA Meeting GIFT Family Faith Formation Confirmation Year 2 Meeting	11:00AM-12:00PM 12:00PM-1:00PM 5:00PM-6:30PM	Merry Room Fr. Lacey Hall St. Matthias
Monday, 12/5	Bible Study: Gospel of Matthew Bible Study: Gospel of Matthew	10:00AM-11:15AM 7:00PM-8:15PM	Fr. Lacey Hall Google Meet
Tuesday, 12/6	Reconciliation Family Retreat	6:00PM-7:30PM	Church
Wednesday, 12/7	Preschool Christmas Celebration	7:00PM - 8:00PM	Church
Thursday, 12/8 Feast of the Immaculate Conception	Rosary for Peace Breaking Open the Word Staff Meeting Mass for Immaculate Conception	10:00AM 10:30AM 1:00PM 7:00PM	Merry Room Google Meet Rectory Church
Saturday, 12/10	Baptism	10:00AM	Church
Sunday, 12/11	Donut Sunday RCIA Meeting Confirmation Year 1 Advent Reflection PMC Teen Holiday Event	10:45AM 11:00AM-12:00PM 3:00PM-5:00PM 6:00PM-7:30PM	Fr. Lacey Hall Merry Room Upper Room Fr. Lacey Hall

Ushers Needed

We are looking for additional usher help for the **5:00 pm Mass on Saturday**. Ushers arrive 15 minutes before Mass and are responsible for helping the Greeters at the beginning of Mass, assist parishioners to find seats, and choose someone to take up the gifts. After Mass they are responsible for bagging donations and depositing in the safe. They help lock up the Church after Mass and secure back gates. Contact Bob Allen for information bob.allen@sbcglobal.net or call 650-363-1139.

Altar Servers Needed

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.

Livestream Technicians Needed

At the **Sunday 9:45AM Mass**, we need a few more volunteers to learn how to operate the livestream camera and software. This vital ministry enables our homebound or sick parishioners to watch the Mass from the comfort of their own homes. We have an average of 50 viewers each Sunday and this is something that we would like to be able to provide consistently and without interruption. Training is provided. Scheduling for these ministries is done on a

monthly basis, so you can choose the dates that work best for you. If interested in serving in either of these ministries, please email sabrina@stmatthiasparish.org.

PREPARING THE WAY: RECONCILIATION IN ADVENT

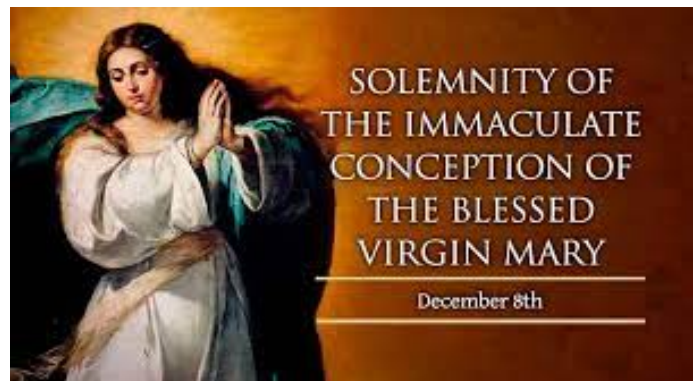
Do not fear.
Is 41:10



"There are people who are afraid to go to confession, forgetting that they will not encounter a severe judge there, but the immensely merciful Father"

POPE FRANCIS

Each Wednesday during Advent (Nov 30th, Dec 7th, 14th, 21st) from 6:30-7:30 PM, clergy will be available for the **sacrament of Reconciliation** at St. Charles Church. All are welcome.



Thursday, December 8th is the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, a Holy Day of Obligation.

Please join us for Mass at one of the following times:

8:30 am at St. Charles

10:30 am School Mass at St. Charles

5:00 pm Mass at St. Charles* *Rite of Welcome for Confirmation candidates

7:00 pm Mass at St. Matthias

St. Vincent de Paul Corner

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

St. Pius Holiday Grief Workshop

St. Pius Grief Support Ministry will hold a Holiday Grief Workshop facilitated by Sister Toni Lynn Gallagher of the Archdiocese of San Francisco on Monday, December 5th from 7:00PM-8:30PM at the St. Pius Parish Center. Please register by emailing griefministry@pius.org or call (650) 361-0655.

The Giving Tree

Parishioners are invited to bring unwrapped gifts for our annual Giving Tree. These gifts are for the children whose families are served by St. Francis Center in Redwood City. There will be tags on the tree for you to use to label your unwrapped gift for an approximate age and whether the gift is for a boy or a girl. Sr. Christina shared a "Wish List" — these are some gift suggestions:

- Large dolls
- Large trucks or cars or Remote control cars or



trucks

- Legos
- Popular toys
- Volleyballs or soccer balls
- Art supplies
- Items for teenagers, such as tech items, headphones or ear buds
- Hair straighteners, blow dryers
- Make up baskets
- Sweatshirts (no red or blue) or Tennis shoes (no red or blue)

Gifts can be brought to the Church and left under the tree until Dec 11th after the 9:45 am Mass.

St. Matthias & St. Charles Confirmation Rite of Welcome

Year 2 candidates, their parents and sponsors are celebrating the **Rite of Welcome at St. Charles on Thursday, December 8th at 5:00PM Mass.** This is an opportunity for the community to welcome them into this process of preparing for Confirmation, to allow them to pray for them in this process, and continue supporting them as they conclude their preparation. Please join us in praying for our Year 2 candidates: *Zach Alvarez, Aiden Armando, Michale Avila, Marco Bausch, Ethan Brush, Tyler Castricone, Lucas Chin, Caitlin Cilly, Elizabeth Cruz, Gavin Danek, Hailey Deanna, Hannah Delis, Meher Duggal, Mischa Duggal, Isabella Eaker, Jennifer Elwood, Alexa Eros, Elisa Flores, Manny Gill, KyLeah Gil, Elias Haas, Derek Hymer, Josh Juliano, Will Kizer, Tessa Lee, Clayton Magner, Michael McCrea, Sydney McNeal, Hayley Murray-Houston, Nils Nehrenheim, Kaela Olstead, Izzie Padilla, Charlotte Parks, Joey Paulson, Alexa Pineda, Lydia Rak, Natalie Rakow, Ella Ray, Luke Robinson, Augustin Scherrer, Connor Schmalzle, Maddie Silva, Carly Stafford, Charlie Westcott, Abby Yim, and Zack Zirelli.*



Peninsula Multifaith Coalition's

Teen Interfaith Council

Invites all 12-18 year olds to a *Cookie Decorating and Sharing Faith Traditions of the Season* event on **Sunday, December 11th from 6:00PM-7:30PM at St. Matthias Church.** We'll be sharing faith traditions and decorating cookies which will be delivered to LifeMoves shelters. For more information or to RSVP, contact Sabrina sabrina@stmatthiasparish.org

Around the Advent Circle

Let's celebrate Advent together! As we expectantly wait and prepare for Jesus' birth, we will search for light and connect our faith to our daily lives. Please join us for conversation on Tuesdays during Advent (November 29th, December 6th, 13th, and 20th) from 7-8PM in the St. Charles Borromeo Small Hall. For all — no matter where you are in life and in your faith. No advanced preparation required. Attend any or all sessions. Contact Alison (aspong@stcharlesparish.org) for more information.



St. Charles Women's Club

Invites women of St. Charles and St. Matthias to brighten the Advent Season and attend a baby shower for Jesus Christmas Brunch.

When: Saturday, December 10, 2022

Time: 11:00AM-1:00PM

Where: Borromeo Hall, St. Charles

Please bring unwrapped toys or stuffed animals for ages 4 and up to be donated to St. Francis Center, Redwood City,

RSVP: by Monday, December 5th to ensure proper food count by email to stcharleswclub@gmail.com or by phone (650) 591-9846

December Senior Luncheon

"O Come, all Ye Faithful" and let's Deck Borromeo Hall with Christmas cheer! Please join us on Wednesday, December 7th at noon in Borromeo Hall for a delicious lunch prepared especially for you by the "elves" of St. Charles.

All registered parishioners of St. Charles and St. Matthias 60 years and above are cordially invited to lunch on the first Wednesday of each month. Caregivers are welcome too! Doors open at 11:45AM.


To reserve your spot please RSVP to Kathy Fagliano at (650) 591-7349 ext. 402 or kfagliano@stcharlesparish.org. All reservations must be received by noon on Monday, December 5th.

If you need a ride or are able to offer a ride to a parishioner in need of transportation, please contact Kathy. Ho Ho Ho, we hope to see you there!

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