



Then they opened their treasures and offered him

GIFTS OF GOLD, FRANKINCENSE, AND MYRRH.

Matthew 2:11

St. Matthias Parish

January 8, 2023 • The Epiphany of the Lord

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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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The Epiphany of the Lord - January 8, 2023

Reading I

Is 60:1-6

Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! Your light has come, the glory of the Lord shines upon you. See, darkness covers the earth, and thick clouds cover the peoples; but upon you the LORD shines, and over you appears his glory. Nations shall walk by your light, and kings by your shining radiance. Raise your eyes and look about; they all gather and come to you: your sons come from afar, and your daughters in the arms of their nurses. Then you shall be radiant at what you see, your heart shall throb and overflow, for the riches of the sea shall be emptied out before you, the wealth of nations shall be brought to you. Caravans of camels shall fill you, dromedaries from Midian and Ephah; all from Sheba shall come bearing gold and frankincense, and proclaiming the praises of the LORD.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13.

R. Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

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. Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

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. Lord, every nation on earth will adore

you.

The kings of Tarshish and the Isles shall offer gifts; the kings of Arabia and Seba shall bring tribute. All kings shall pay him homage, all nations shall serve him.

R. Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

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. Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

Reading II

Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6

Brothers and sisters:

You have heard of the stewardship of God's grace that was given to me for your benefit, namely, that the mystery was made known to me by revelation.

It was not made known to people in other generations as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: that the Gentiles are coheirs, members of the same body, and copartners in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel.

Alleluia

Mt 2:2

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel

Mt 2:1-12

When Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, in the days of King Herod, behold, magi from the east arrived in

Jerusalem, saying,
"Where is the newborn king of the Jews?
We saw his star at its rising and have come to
do him homage."
When King Herod heard this, he was greatly
troubled, and all Jerusalem with him.
Assembling all the chief priests and the scribes
of the people, He inquired of them where the
Christ was to be born.
They said to him, "In Bethlehem of Judea,
for thus it has been written through the
prophet: And you, Bethlehem, land of Judah,
are by no means least among the rulers of
Judah; since from you shall come a ruler,
who is to shepherd my people Israel."
Then Herod called the magi secretly
and ascertained from them the time of the
star's appearance.
He sent them to Bethlehem and said,
"Go and search diligently for the child.
When you have found him, bring me word,
that I too may go and do him homage."
After their audience with the king they set out.
And behold, the star that they had seen at its
rising preceded them, until it came and
stopped over the place where the child was.
They were overjoyed at seeing the star,
and on entering the house they saw the child
with Mary his mother.
They prostrated themselves and did him
homage. Then they opened their treasures
and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense,

and myrrh. And having been warned in a
dream not to return to Herod, they departed
for their country by another way.

Parent InService: How to Prepare Your Child for Kindergarten



Would you like to know what your child needs
to know before entering Kindergarten and
how to best prepare? Our St. Matthias
Preschool invites parishioners to join our
parent inservice.

Presenter: Allyson Gradidge, Kindergarten
Teacher, St. Charles School

When: Wednesday, January 11, 2023

Time: 7:00PM-8:00PM

Location: Fr. Lacey Hall

All are welcome!

A New Year Wish List

Did you know that at St. Matthias Church and Preschool we have some expensive technical equipment that we hope NEVER to use? Our community is fortunate to have two Automated External Defibrillators (AEDs) on-site, one in Fr. Lacey Hall and the other at St. Matthias Preschool. AEDs are life-saving devices that, along with CPR, greatly increase the chance of survival in the case of a sudden cardiac arrest. Prior to the pandemic, we hosted free training for anyone interested in learning how to use an AED. They are designed to be simple to use. Our AEDs are now over eight years old, beyond their warranty period at the point where replacement battery packs and pads are becoming difficult to obtain. New AED devices will cost around \$2,000 each. Rather than continue to invest in our older units, we feel now is the time to replace them. This expense was unexpected and not budgeted. Please consider a donation to help us replace these units for 2023!

Mass Intentions

Saturday, Jan 7th
at 5:00 pm -
 Joyce Morger +

Sunday, Jan 8th
at 9:45 am -
 Patrick M. Connolly +

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

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 Now Enrolling for 2022-2023 School Year
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All Day - Year Round School
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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...**

Bill & Debbie Bulanti
Louise Costigan-Kerns
Christine Klein
Eva Gillet
Erin Magee
Kevin Magee
Rose Marino
Fr. Paul Rossi
Suzanne Schaffner
Jedd Schultz
Jim Steidel
North West

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

**And for the souls of the
 faithful departed...**
Patrick Leeper

This Week at St. Matthias (January 8-15, 2023)

Sunday, 1/8	RCIA Meeting GIFT Family Faith Formation	11:00-12:00PM 12:00PM-1:00PM	Merry Room Fr. Lacey Hall
Tuesday, 1/10	St. Vincent de Paul Meeting	7:00PM-8:30PM	Fr. Lacey Hall
Wednesday, 1/11	Preparing Your Preschooler for Kindergarten	7:00PM-8:00PM	Fr. Lacey Hall
Thursday, 1/12	Rosary for Peace Breaking Open the Word Staff Meeting Finance Council Meeting	10:00AM 10:30AM-11:30AM 1:00PM-2:30PM 7:00PM-8:00PM	Merry Room Google Meet Rectory Rectory
Saturday, 1/14	First Reconciliation Celebration	1:00PM-2:00PM	Church

Peninsula
Multifaith
Coalition's
11th Annual

**MLK Jr.
Multifaith Day
of Service**

**Monday
January 16,
2023**

Register by January 8
<https://pmcmlk2023.eventbrite.com>

Please join us for this unique opportunity to work side by side with people of other faiths and cultures to benefit our local community.

BOOK DRIVE AND CARE KITS — We are collecting children's books and toiletries, please see registration page for details.

Bringing together our diverse faith communities to build bridges of understanding and respect.

Ahmadiyya Muslim Community of Silicon Valley • Baha'i Faith of Mid-Peninsula • Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints • Congregation Beth Jacob • Congregational Church of Belmont • Congregational Church of San Mateo • Episcopal Church of St. Matthew • Episcopal Church of the Epiphany • First Church of Redwood City, UCC • First Presbyterian Church of Burlingame • Good Shepherd Lutheran Church • Hilldale United Methodist Church • Holy Trinity Lutheran Church • Island United Church • Jewish Community Relations Council • Pacifica Institute • Peninsula Jewish Community Center • Peninsula Sinai Congregation • Peninsula Temple Beth El • Peninsula Temple Shalom • St. Andrews Lutheran Church • St. Matthias Catholic Church • Saint Bartholomew Parish • Saint Paul's Episcopal Church • Sanatan Mandir • Shinnyo-en USA • Sikh Gurdwara, SSF • Sisters of Mercy • St. James A.M.E. Zion Church • Trinity Baptist Church • Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Redwood City

Registration is Open for the annual MLK Day of Service

Please join the Peninsula Multifaith Coalition's 11th Annual Day of Service on Jan 16, 2023

The Peninsula Multifaith Coalition brings together diverse faith communities to build bridges of understanding and respect.

All St. Matthias parishioners are cordially invited to participate in this Day of Service on MLK Day. There are a multitude of projects organized in various locations around the peninsula. There are projects for both individuals and families. Register by January 8th. BOOK DRIVE - We are collecting children's books, see the registration page for details. If you have questions, contact Sabrina sabrina@stmatthiasparish.org

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/pmcs-11th-annual-mlk-jr-multifaith-day-of-service-tickets-480078667217>

January Senior Luncheon



Please join us on January 11th at noon for a delicious brunch as we ring in 2023 with your friends from St. Charles and St. Matthias! All registered parishioners 60+ years are cordially invited to our monthly luncheon held in Borromeo Hall.

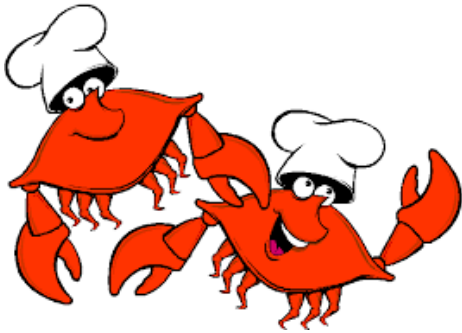
To reserve your spot, please RSVP to Kathy Fagliano at (650) 591-7349 ext. 402 or email her at Kfagliano@stcharlesparish.org. Caregivers are welcome.

Reservations must be received by noon, Monday, January 9th. We hope to see you there! If you need a ride or are able to offer a ride to a parishioner in need of transportation, please contact Kathy.

Importance of Belonging to a Parish

The parish is where the Church lives. Parishes are communities of faith, of action, and of hope. They are where the gospel is proclaimed and celebrated, where believers are formed and sent to renew the earth. Parishes are the home of the Christian community; they are the heart of our Church.

Parishes are the place where God's people meet Jesus in word and sacrament and come in touch with the source of the Church's life.
-U.S. Catholic Bishops "Communities of Salt and Light: Reflections on the Social Mission of the Parish" 1993



Crabaganza is Coming! Saturday, February 11, 2023 Borromeo Hall 6pm - 11:00

Yes, the crab will be back in Borromeo! Join us for a taste of Italy, Entourage the Band, and all that fantastic crab. This is THE must-do dinner-dance event of the Parish. \$80+fees per person (check or card). Eventbrite reservations open Sunday, January 8th @ Noon (<http://scmc-crabaganza2023.eventbrite.com>) (no www). Questions? Contact Gene Shimshock @ (650) 678-2443 or genes@shimshock.com.

TRUE HAPPINESS

Abandon yourself utterly for the love of God, and in this way you will become truly happy.
—Blessed Henry Suso

ALL SHARE IN THE PROMISE

Picture a nativity scene in your mind's eye. The scene likely includes figures arriving on camels, some elaborately dressed, with jeweled boxes containing precious gifts. These magi arrived from distant lands to pay homage to the Christ Child. We know little about the magi, but we do know that these visitors were not Jews. They represent people of all nations who will be drawn to the Lord. "Nations shall walk by your light, and kings by your shining radiance." The Good News of Jesus cannot be limited to one people; all share in the promise of God's mercy through our Lord Jesus Christ.

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The Arch and the Spire: Romanesque and Gothic Churches



This six-part lecture series will examine the development of church building during the golden age of architecture, the 11th to 14th centuries. Responding to extraordinary geopolitical events as well as a much-needed church reform, these styles reflected an engagement with the past as well as an innovative spirit.

From Mont-Saint Michel to Chartres, from

Spire to Santa Maria del Fiore, join Dr. Elizabeth Lev in a course that will discuss how these developments in architecture crossed borders to create the first International Christian style, and the innovative artistic media that enhanced the liturgical ceremonies within.

Class 1 - January 10, 2023 (7:30PM-9:00PM)
What puts the "Rome" in Romanesque?

Class 2 - January 17, 2023 (7:30PM-9:00PM)
Searching for Stability in an Age of Crisis

Class 3 - January 24, 2023 (7:30PM-9:00PM)
Let There Be Light

Class 4 - January 31, 2023 (7:30PM-9:00PM)
The First Style Gone Viral

Class 5 - February 7, 2023 (7:30PM-9:00PM)
A Glimpse of Paradise

Class 6 - February 14, 2023 (7:30PM-9:00PM)
The Phoenix from the Flames

Visit <https://www.sfarchdiocese.org/arch-and-spire-course/> to find out more and register to attend.



We Need Organizers to Make St. Charles Scripture Camp 2023 Happen

We need a Director or Directing Group to get Scripture Camp 2023 - **Stellar: Shine Jesus' Light** - launched! One of the past directors will be happy to help the new Directing Forces to get Camp organized. Please consider supporting our campers and Junior Leaders so that the Camp can blast off! Be a star — and help lead Scripture Camp! Hearing a call even if from a distant space, please contact Alison at scripturecamp@stcharlesparish.org. Support for the Director/Directing Group abounds!

The Epiphany of the Lord

Epiphany is a day when popular customs mostly overshadow scriptural accuracy. Matthew's Gospel never refers to kings coming to see Christ, nor to their number (only the gifts are enumerated), nor to their names. Matthew tells us only that some "magi" came with gold, frankincense, and myrrh. Magis referred to members of the Persian priestly class; later it had the connotation of magicians and astrologers. Matthew's magi report that they have seen a star rising; its light was visible to them far beyond the boundaries of Israel, an early and significant symbol for Jesus, the Light of the World. At the end of Matthew's Gospel (chapter 28), the followers of Jesus worship him, an act foretold in the actions of the Magi today. The eleven are told to make disciples of "all nations," nations symbolized by the Magi. Today we hear our own mission: to worship Jesus Christ, and to spread his Good News everywhere, every day.

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