

"Amen, I say to you, until heaven and earth pass away, not the smallest letter or the smallest part of a letter will pass from the law."

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 Reconciliation
Saturday 3:30 pm

First Communion and Confirmation Email Sabrina Harper for information.

Baptism, Marriage & RCIA Email Deacon Rich Foley for information.

FuneralsEmail Deacon David Rolandelli for information.

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Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time - February 12, 2023

Reading 1 Sir 15:15-20

If you choose you can keep the commandments, they will save you; if you trust in God, you too shall live; he has set before you fire and water to whichever you choose, stretch forth your hand.

Before man are life and death, good and evil, whichever he chooses shall be given him. Immense is the wisdom of the Lord; he is mighty in power, and all-seeing. The eyes of God are on those who fear him; he understands man's every deed. No one does he command to act unjustly, to none does he give license to sin.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34

R. (1b) Blessed are they who follow the law of the Lord!

Blessed are they whose way is blameless, who walk in the law of the LORD.

Blessed are they who observe his decrees, who seek him with all their heart.

R. Blessed are they who follow the law of the Lord!

You have commanded that your precepts be diligently kept.

Oh, that I might be firm in the ways of keeping your statutes!

R. Blessed are they who follow the law of the Lord!

Be good to your servant, that I may live and keep your words.

Open my eyes, that I may consider the wonders of your law.

R. Blessed are they who follow the law of the Lord!

Instruct me, O LORD, in the way of your statutes,

that I may exactly observe them.

Give me discernment, that I may observe your law

and keep it with all my heart.

R. Blessed are they who follow the law of the Lord!

Reading 2

1 Cor 2:6-10

Brothers and sisters:

We speak a wisdom to those who are mature, not a wisdom of this age, nor of the rulers of this age who are passing away.

Rather, we speak God's wisdom, mysterious, hidden, which God predetermined before the ages for our glory, and which none of the rulers of this age knew; for, if they had known it, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory.

But as it is written: What eye has not seen, and ear has not heard, and what has not entered the human heart, what God has prepared for those who love him, this God has revealed to us through the Spirit.

For the Spirit scrutinizes everything, even the depths of God.

Alleluia

cF. mt 11:25

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth; you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel

Mt 5:20-22a, 27-28, 33-34a, 37

Jesus said to his disciples:

"I tell you, unless your righteousness surpasses that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will not enter the kingdom of heaven.
"You have heard that it was said to your ancestors, You shall not kill; and whoever kills will be liable to judgment. But I say to you, whoever is angry with his brother will be liable to judgment.

"You have heard that it was said, You shall not commit adultery. But I say to you, everyone who looks at a woman with lust has already committed adultery with her in his heart. "Again you have heard that it was said to your ancestors, Do not take a false oath, but make good to the Lord all that you vow. But I say to you, do not swear at all. Let your 'Yes' mean 'Yes,'and your 'No' mean 'No.' Anything more is from the evil one."

African African Candidates for Sainthood - A Celebration for Black History Month



Did you know that there are currently no canonized African American saints? There are, however, six Black Americans currently being considered for canonization.

Join our Justice and Charity
Commission for a celebration of four of the six
candidates for sainthood during Black History
Month. On Monday evenings, from
7:00PM-8:15PM gather in Fr. Lacey Hall for a
film, discussion, and hospitality and learn
about these inspiring individuals who
prevailed in professing the gospel of Christ

amidst the omnipresent challenges of racism in the Church. Remaining sessions include:

February 13th - Pierre Toussaint **February 27th** - Henriette DeLille

(The two others who are being considered for sainthood are Mother Mary Elizabeth Lange and Julia Greeley). All are welcome!

Black History Month Pop-Up Museum

The Domini
Hoskins Black
History
Museum &
Learning
Center, with
support from



The Northern California Chapter of the NFL Alumni Association & San Mateo County Event Center, is celebrating Black History Month from February 3-28, 2023

Tickets: \$10 Adults, \$5 for Children under 12 or Seniors 65+

Hours: 12noon-5pm Daily; Closed on Mondays - we offer special group tours by appointment only.

Location: 890 Jefferson Avenue (formerly, Cost Plus World Market), Redwood City, CA

Thank You AED Donors!

A great big, heart-felt thank you to all who donated funds for our new AED machines. We have ordered and received a new machine for Fr. Lacey Hall which includes adult and pediatric pads. Additional funds donated will be reserved until the Preschool AED machine needs to be replaced. We will be scheduling a training for all our Ushers and any interested parishioners soon. Watch the bulletin for more information!

Mass Intentions

Saturday, Feb 11th at 5:00 pm -Kathy Angell +

Sunday, Feb 12th at 9:45 am -William Meuser +

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 2023-2024 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...

John Clinton
Christine Klein
Eva Gillet
Kevin Magee
Rose Marino
Bob Mitchell Jr.
Suzanne Schaffner
Jim Steidel
Andy Wang
that they may be
comforted by the loving
embrace of Jesus.

And for the souls of the faithful departed...

Aurora Genochio

This Week at St. Matthias (February 12-19, 2023)			
Sunday, 2/12	Donuts & Coffee RCIA Meeting	10:45AM 11:00AM-12:00PM	Fr. Lacey Hall Merry Room
Monday, 2/13	African American Candidates for Sainthood - A Black History Month Celebration	7:00PM-8:15PM	Fr. Lacey Hall
Tuesday, 2/14	Breaking Open the Word St. Vincent de Paul Meeting	1:30PM-2:30PM 7:00PM-8:30PM	Google Meet Fr. Lacey Hall
Wednesday, 2/15	Middle School Youth Ministry	5:00PM-6:00PM	Fr. Lacey Hall
Thursday, 2/16	Rosary for Peace	10:00AM	Merry Room
Friday, 2/17	Preschool Trike-A-Thon	9:30AM-11:30AM	Church Parking Lot
Saturday, 2/18	Baptism: Bae Family	3:00PM	Church
Sunday, 2/19	RCIA Meeting	11:00AM-12:00PM	Merry Room



Thank you for your generous response to our recent Fifth Sunday collection. These collections are our primary source of funding to help our neighbors in need. Currently we have increased the amount of our weekly grocery gift cards. We are also in the process of identifying ways to assist local flood victims and the struggling community of Half Moon Bay. Your generosity enables us to respond when needs arise. God bless you and your ongoing support for our neighbors in need.

Current St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry Needs

Thank you to all who contribute food to our food pantry. This enables our volunteers to deliver 16 bags of groceries to families in need each week.

Currently the pantry is in need of:

Canned Fruit

Canned meats and stews
Canned tuna, salmon, and chicken
2 lb bags of rice and dried beans
Canned tomatoes

Cornmeal and boxes of baking mixes Spices: cumin, chili powder, cayenne, oregano

Thank you for your generosity. If possible, when shopping for yourselves or others, consider purchasing Fair Trade or organic

items. These protect our workers rights and the health of all. Blessings for all you do!

Diaconate Formation Informational Evenings

The Office of
Formation for the
Permanent
Diaconate will hold
informational
evenings for men
considering the
possibility of
serving the Church
as Permanent



Deacons. The evening will include discussion of the ministry of the Deacon in the Church, the formation program, and the application process. Please join us.

Who should attend? Single and married men between the ages of 30 and 60 years old may apply for the program and are invited to the evening. Those who are married, must be married for at least five years. All married applicants need the complete support of their wives in order to pursue the program; therefore wives are encouraged to attend.

When: Tuesday, February 21st

Where: St. Mark Catholic Church, 325 Marine

View Avenue, Menlo Park

Time: 7:00PM to 8:30PM

Questions: Email Deacon Fred Totah,

totah.fred@sfarch.org

Deacon Fred Totah, Director of Diaconate Formation & Deacon Mike Ghiorso, Director of Permanent Diaconate



Save the Date for our Next Murder Mystery Dinner and Silent Auction — April 22, 2023 at 6:00PM.

We are currently seeking silent auction items for the Murder Mystery Dinner and Silent Auction. Members of our committee are visiting local businesses to solicit donations - we could use some help with this effort! Would you be willing to help? If so, email sabrina@stmatthiasparish.org for more information.

Do you own a small business that could donate goods or services? Would you like to sponsor the event to help offset the costs? Could you contribute gift baskets (or items for gift baskets), game tickets, tools/equipment, host a BBQ or other party at your home for 6-8 others, time at a vacation home or timeshare, or airline miles? If you can help, contact Sabrina at the email address above.

Faith Formation, Sacraments, Oh My!

Dear families with school-aged children,

Did you defer your child's faith formation and/ or the the reception of sacraments (Baptism, Eucharist or Confirmation) during the pandemic and would like to find out how you can "get back on track?" If so, please reach out to Sabrina via email sabrina@stmatthiasparish.org to find out more about our family-based approach to faith formation and sacramental preparation.

Breaking Open the Word

Each Tuesday afternoon at 1:30 pm, Sabrina hosts a Breaking Open the Word session for those interesting in reading and discussing the scripture readings for the weekend Masses. We meet via Google Meet for just one hour to pray, read, reflect, and discuss the readings. If you are interested in joining, please email sabrina@stmatthiasparish.org to receive the weekly resource and invitation.

Ministry Contacts

Are you interested in getting involved in a ministry at St. Matthias? Would you like to volunteer to help out in some way? If so, here are some key people to make contact with!

Coordinators for the various ministries can answer your questions, provide or arrange training, and add you to schedules and/or invite you to meetings.

St. Matthias relies on many volunteers to accomplish our mission to respond to the call of Jesus through worship and sacraments, faith formation, service, and social opportunities.

Readers - Deacon David Rolandelli david@stmatthiasparish.org

Eucharistic Ministers - Sabrina Harper sabrina@stmatthiasparish.org

Funeral Support Team/Homebound Ministers - Lisa Bamford lisa@stmatthiasparish.org

Ushers/Greeters - Bob Allen bob.allen@sbcglobal.net

Music Ministry - Randall Watts randall@stmatthiasparish.org

Donut Sunday's - Lynda Allen bljcfamily@sbcglobal.net

Altar Servers - Deacon Rich Foley rich@stmatthiasparish.org

St. Vincent de Paul Conference - Bob Thompson rthomp826@sbcglobal.net

If you are would like to volunteer, but are uncertain about what you'd like to do, contact Lisa or Sabrina and they can help you discern!



St. Matthias Parish Library

St. Matthias is fortunate to have an extensive library. These books were donated to the parish by former Pastoral Associate, Sr. Dee Myers, former Parish Administrator, Fr. Paul Rossi and former Pastor, Fr. Craig Forner. The books are housed in the Upper Room in Fr. Lacey Hall. The built-in bookshelves were constructed by Derek Smith, as his Eagle Scout project in 2015.

Unfortunately, we have too many books now
— our selves are overflowing. We'd like to
invite parishioners to visit the library and check

the books out — there is a wide variety books on various topics including spirituality, feminism, theology, biblical studies, politics, etc.

While we appreciate your generosity, we'd also like to ask parishioners to refrain from donating additional books to the library. We need to clean house are looking for a new home for them. Thanks for your understanding.



The season of **Lent begins on Ash Wednesday - February 22nd**. St. Matthias will celebrate two Masses with the distribution of ashes; at 12PM and 7PM. St. Charles will have three Masses; at 8:30AM, 10:30AM (school Mass) and 5:00PM.

We will also be offering two Lenten retreats.

Create in Me a Clean Heart, O God:
Awakening to the Flow of God's Love with
Sr. Kathy Camacho, SNDdeN on Saturday,
March 11th at St. Matthias from 9AM to
12:30PM. Continental breakfast will be
provided free - all are welcome. Contact
sabrina@stmatthiasparish.org to sign up or for
more information.

Of God's and Men: A Eucharistic Cinematic Retreat with Sr. Nancy Usselmann, FSP on Saturday, March 25th from 9AM to 3:30PM at St. Charles. Registration is \$45, including lunch. Contact Darlene O'Neill darlene.oneill.b@gmail.com to sign up.

