

St. Matthias Parish



Welcome to St. Matthias

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St. Matthias is a Roman Catholic community in the Archdiocese of San Francisco striving to respond to the call of Jesus through worship and sacraments, faith formation, service, and social opportunities.

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Tuesday, July 18th at
3:00PM Fr. Lacey Hall

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ROSARY FOR PEACE

Thursday, July 20th at
10:00AM Church

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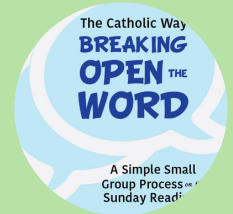
STAFF MEETING

Thursday, July 20th at
1:00PM Fr. Lacey Hall



Backpack Collection

Starting next
weekend!



Breaking Open the Word

Tuesday, July 18th
at 1:30PM - Google
Meet



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Reading 1 Is 55:10-11

Thus says the LORD:
Just as from the heavens
the rain and snow come down
and do not return there
till they have watered the earth,
making it fertile and fruitful,
giving seed to the one who sows
and bread to the one who eats,
so shall my word be
that goes forth from my mouth;
my word shall not return to me void,
but shall do my will,
achieving the end for which I sent it.

Reading 2 Rom 8:18-23

Brothers and sisters:
I consider that the sufferings of this present
time are as nothing
compared with the glory to be revealed for us.
For creation awaits with eager expectation
the revelation of the children of God;
for creation was made subject to futility,
not of its own accord but because of the one
who subjected it,
in hope that creation itself
would be set free from slavery to corruption
and share in the glorious freedom of the
children of God.
We know that all creation is groaning in labor
pains even until now;
and not only that, but we ourselves,
who have the firstfruits of the Spirit,
we also groan within ourselves
as we wait for adoption, the redemption of our
bodies.

Gospel Mt 13:1-23

On that day, Jesus went out of the house and
sat down by the sea.
Such large crowds gathered around him
that he got into a boat and sat down,
and the whole crowd stood along the shore.
And he spoke to them at length in parables,
saying:
"A sower went out to sow.
And as he sowed, some seed fell on the path,
and birds came and ate it up.
Some fell on rocky ground, where it had little
soil.
It sprang up at once because the soil was not
deep,
and when the sun rose it was scorched,
and it withered for lack of roots.
Some seed fell among thorns, and the thorns
grew up and choked it.
But some seed fell on rich soil and produced
fruit,
a hundred or sixty or thirtyfold.
Whoever has ears ought to hear."

Donate Online via QR code

We are currently working to
upgrade our Online Donation
Portal (Vanco). Please watch
the bulletin for updates as they



St. Vincent de Paul Back to School Drive

Our parish SVdP Conference will be collecting backpacks and school supplies to be donated to Catholic Worker House and St.



Francis Center. Our goal this year is to fill 60 backpacks with school supplies to be distributed to underserved youth in time for school to start in August. Beginning the weekend of July 22/23, we will have “Back to School Boards” located in the back of Church where you can select tags listing the items to be purchased. All items need to be returned by Sunday, August 6th.

We appreciate your support in helping us reach our goal. The families we serve struggle everyday to pay their rent, utility bills and provide food for their families. There is simply no extra money for these much-needed items. We thank you so much for all you continue to do to support the work of St. Vincent de Paul and for the smiles you will put on the faces of the children.

St. Matthias Preschool is Hiring!

St. Matthias Preschool is seeking a preschool teacher who can passionately support children's play. This open position is with 2.5-5 year old children. If you are skilled with working with preschool aged children and interested in a team-teaching experience, please consider applying for this full-time position with a generous benefits package.

St Matthias Preschool is a place where learning is a joint venture between children and teachers, and where learning happens in the context of childhood. We provide children with many experiences and materials to express and represent their thinking.

If interested in learning more about this position, check the job advertisement on Indeed or contact Preschool Director, Rose Juarez at (650) 367-1320.

God Put the Wiggles in Children

Family with young children are welcome at St. Matthias. If you are a parent with a child — Relax! God put the wiggle in children don't feel you have to suppress it in God's house — as ALL ARE WELCOME. If you feel comfortable doing so, sit toward the front where it is easier for your little ones to see and hear what's going on in the sanctuary, they tire of seeing the backs of others' heads. Quietly explain the parts of the Mass and actions of the priest, deacon, and ministers. This helps them to grow in understanding and feel part of the celebration.

Sing the songs, pray and voice the responses. Children learn liturgical behavior by copying you. If you have to leave Mass with your child, feel free to do so, but please come back. Jesus said, “Let the children come to me.” Remember that the way we welcome children in church directly affects the way they respond to the Church, to God, and to one another. Let them know that they are at home in the house of worship. The presence of children is a gift to the Church.



Before the pandemic, St. Matthias had two Children's Liturgy of the Word programs for our youngest members. SALT was for Preschool-aged children, and FISH was for K-4th grade children. The programs focused on teaching children Gospel stories at their own level of understanding and relied on parent volunteers. We are discerning whether the timing is right, in the Fall, to resume one or possibly both of these programs. If you have a child between the ages of 3-7 and would be interested in this, please contact sabrina@stmatthiasparish.org for more information.

Calling Kids for Sacraments

Sacraments are rituals in the Church that use visual signs and symbols to impact an invisible reality - God's love for His people. The first sacrament we receive is Baptism. Next, a young person is invited to experience God's saving love and forgiveness in the sacrament of **Reconciliation**, and later in the same year, Jesus's presence in the Body and Blood of Holy **Eucharist**.

As a young person grows and matures in their life and faith, the next sacrament they are invited to receive is **Confirmation** when the Holy Spirit descends upon them and they are

given the Gifts of the Holy Spirit to strengthen themselves for the many obstacles of life.

If your child is entering 2nd grade in the fall, they may be eligible to begin preparing for the sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist. If your child is entering in 9th grade, they may be eligible to begin preparing for the sacrament of Confirmation in the fall. And if your child has not yet been baptized, we can help with that too!

If you would like to learn more about preparation for any sacrament, please contact Sabrina via email sabrina@stmatthiasparish.org to begin the conversation!

Breaking Open the Word

Since mid-May 2020, a small group of us have been meeting via Google Meet each week for one hour, to read the gospel passage from the upcoming Sunday Mass, to reflect on its meaning and how it pertains to our lives right now. We have all gained valuable insights and just as important, formed a community where we share about our lives in what often seems to be dark and lonely times. Here, we find fellowship and stability and connection as we "break open the word" and in doing so, break open our minds and hearts. If this feels like God tugging at your heart, please contact Sabrina as we would love for you to join our Faith Sharing Group!"

Currently, we are meeting each Tuesday at 1:30 pm via Google Meet.

-- Parishioner, Stephanie Chen

MASS INTENTIONS**SAT, JULY 15TH @ 5:00PM — STEPHEN WOOLDRIDGE+****SUN, JULY 16TH @ 9:45AM — KIRK KNOSTMAN+****St. Vincent de Paul Visitation Numbers**

Our Conference members deliver food and spiritual support to families each weekend. Both regular deliveries and supplemental deliveries (to help offset the needs of other Conferences) are served.

Regular deliveries: 16 families: 37 adults, 36 children

Supplemental deliveries: 6 families: 13 adults, 13 children

A total of 99 people were served during the month of May.



St. Matthias Catholic Preschool

A Quality Early Education Program

Now Enrolling for 2023-2024

Children Ages 3-5 Years Old

Preschool Hours 7:30AM to 5:30PM

All Day - Year Round School

Contact Preschool Director, Rosemary Juarez

at rosemary@stmatthiasparish.org or



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

Alyssa Beemer

Louise Costigan Kerns

Eva Gillet

Kevin Magee

Rose Marino

Bob Mitchell, Jr.

Karen Rende

Suzanne Schaffner

Pat Schott

Jim Steidel

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

Al Beckett &

Rita Brox

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St. Matthias Mass Schedule

Saturday 5:00 pm

Sunday 9:45 am*

St. Charles Mass Schedule

Mon-Sat 5:00 pm*

Sunday 8:30 am* & 11:00 am

*Live streamed Masses.

St. Charles Reconciliation

Saturday 3:30 pm

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