# St. Matthias Parish



# Welcome to St. Matthias

#### www.stmatthiasparish.org

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.

To see the full calendar of events, visit <u>www.stmatthiasparish.org</u>





**Building Fund Collection** August 19-20th



**Registration is Open for Faith Formation** https:// www.stmatthiaspari

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#### Reading 1 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a

At the mountain of God, Horeb, Elijah came to a cave where he took shelter. Then the LORD said to him, "Go outside and stand on the mountain before the LORD; the LORD will be passing by." A strong and heavy wind was rending the mountains and crushing rocks before the LORD —but the LORD was not in the wind. After the wind there was an earthquake but the LORD was not in the earthquake. After the earthquake there was fire but the LORD was not in the fire. After the fire there was a tiny whispering sound. When he heard this, Elijah hid his face in his cloak and went and stood at the entrance of the cave.

#### Reading 2 Rom 9:1-5

Brothers and sisters: I speak the truth in Christ, I do not lie; my conscience joins with the Holy Spirit in bearing me witness that I have great sorrow and constant anguish in my heart. For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my own people, my kindred according to the flesh. They are Israelites; theirs the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises; theirs the patriarchs, and from them, according to the flesh, is the Christ, who is over all, God blessed forever. Amen.

#### Gospel Mt 14:22-33

After he had fed the people, Jesus made the disciples get into a boat and precede him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. After doing so, he went up on the mountain by himself to pray.

When it was evening he was there alone.

Meanwhile the boat, already a few miles offshore, was being tossed about by the waves, for the wind was against it. During the fourth watch of the night, he came toward them walking on the sea. When the disciples saw him walking on the sea they were terrified. "It is a ghost," they said, and they cried out in fear. At once Jesus spoke to them, "Take courage, it is I: do not be afraid." Peter said to him in reply, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." He said, "Come." Peter got out of the boat and began to walk on the water toward Jesus. But when he saw how strong the wind was he became frightened; and, beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" Immediately Jesus stretched out his hand and caught Peter, and said to him, "O you of little faith, why did you doubt?" After they got into the boat, the wind died down. Those who were in the boat did him homage, saying, "Truly, you are the Son of God."

A funeral Mass will be held for long-time parishioner, Al Becketti on Saturday, August 19th at 10:00 am.

#### Holy Day of Obligation: Feast of the Assumption Masses

St. Matthias 7:00PM / St. Charles 8:30AM and 5:00PM

## St. Vincent de Paul Back to School Drive

Our Back-to-School Drive has concluded, and thanks to your generous response, we are so happy to report that our goal of 60 backpacks filled with school supplies has been fulfilled. The love and compassion of St. Matthias Parish will be in each backpack as well! Your donations also lift a tremendous burden from families who endure daily financial hardships. Recently, we also had a fifth Sunday collection. Once again, the fifth Sunday collections are our main source of financial support that enables us to answer the needs of the underserved in our community. Our weekly ministry of delivering food and grocery gift cards continues to grow and will always be our primary focus. However, there are many other ways your contributions are used throughout the year. To name a few: Our conference continues to support disaster relief efforts both locally and internationally; we donate monthly to support our two Vincentian Restorative Justice Programs in San Mateo County; we assist families with rental and utility expenses when needed; and we provide families with beds and clothing when requested. In last weeks' The Matthian eNewsletter, read about an elderly couple that your donations helped!

# **Music Ministry**

Do you have a song that you would like included in a liturgy? If so, send your request to Melanie at the email address below. All are welcome to join music ministry at each Mass. Saturday rehearsals begin at 3:45 pm, Sunday rehearsals begin at 8:45 am. Contact Melanie <u>melanie@stmatthiasparish.org</u> with any questions you may have.

# Faith Formation Registration is OPEN!

Registration for our faith formation programs (GIFT, First Communion, Middle School, High School Youth Ministry, and Confirmation preparation) is now OPEN. Visit <u>https:// www.stmatthiasparish.org/faith-formation/</u> <u>gift/</u> to learn more or sign up. Contact <u>sabrina@stmatthiasparish.org</u> with any questions you may have!

#### Becoming A Fully Initiated Catholic – RCIA

Do you know someone who has thought about becoming Catholic or, for whatever reason, has been baptized but has not been confirmed or received Holy Communion? What does it mean to become fully initiated into the Roman Catholic Church? Do you or someone you know have questions about the sacraments and what it means to be a Catholic? Please consider RCIA.

The Catholic Church has a process for adults to discern whether God is inviting them to learn more about our faith and, perhaps, to become Catholic. This process is also a pathway to complete the Sacraments of Initiation for those already Baptized (Confirmation, Eucharist).

This process is called RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults). The RCIA process provides guided weekly sessions on the fundamental beliefs of our faith including an understanding of the Sacraments, especially the Eucharist (Mass). In addition, the process emphasizes prayer, discernment and spiritual formation as each candidate responds to their call to become followers of Jesus through the Catholic Church.

Participants include candidates from St. Matthias and St. Charles parishes along with their sponsors and team members. RCIA sessions will be held on Sunday mornings from 11 a.m. to noon in Room 5 of the St. Matthias Preschool. The first RCIA gathering will be held on Sunday, September 17<sup>th</sup>. Parishioners, who would like to participate as an RCIA team member and support our candidates, are welcome.

Deacon Rich and Deacon David will lead and facilitate RCIA sessions. If you have any questions, know of someone who would like to discuss joining RCIA, are considering being a team member, or would just like to experience the RCIA process please contact Deacon Rich at <u>rich@stmatthiasparish.org</u> or call him at St. Matthias Church (366-9544).

Please pray that the Holy Spirit calls individuals to seek a deeper relationship with Almighty God through His Church.

### **Bible Study: Scripture and the Eucharist**

The USCCB has initiated a multi-year Eucharistic Revival with a focus on our encounter with Jesus in the Eucharist. This year, each parish is asked to present opportunities to deepen our relationship with Jesus Christ through the Eucharist.

<u>St. Matthias/St. Charles Bible Study</u> will be offering a six session Bible Study on "Scripture and the Eucharist." Each session will examine the Biblical foundations for the Mass found in the Old and New Testaments. We will identify and discuss Jesus' teachings and actions as found in the New Testament and as illumined in the Old Testament and practices within Judaism.

"Scripture and the Eucharist" begins on <u>Monday, September 11th</u> and continues through Monday, October 16th. Sessions will be held at 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. in St. Matthias' Father Lacey Hall. Both sessions will be inperson (not online).

Please note these dates on your calendar. Please invite others who may be interested. If you have any questions, contact Deacon Rich at rich@stmatthiasparish.org.

# **Karaoke Party Again!**

If you missed last Sunday's Karaoke Party, not to worry, we're hosting another one on Sunday, August 13th from 4:00 - 6:00 pm. All are welcome to join us in Fr. Lacey Hall.

### Bulletin Advertising Space is Still Available.

Contact Sabrina <u>sabrina@stmatthiasparish.org</u> for more information about how to secure your ad space.

Parents Interested in Volunteering for our Children's Liturgy of the Word program are invited to attend a meeting with Sabrina on Sunday, August 20th at 11:00 am.

#### **MASS INTENTIONS**

SAT, AUGUST 12TH @ 5:00PM — DONALD COLEMAN+ SUN, AUGUST 13TH @ 9:45AM — JOYCE MORGER+

#### Building Fund - August 19/20th

St. Matthias conducts quarterly Building Fund collections to help offset the cost of the maintenance needs of the parish community. This QR code will take you directly to the Building Fund donation page. Please consider a generous donation.





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St. Matthias Mass Schedule

St. Charles Mass Schedule

Sunday 8:30 am\* & 11:00 am

\*Live streamed Masses.

Preschool Phone (650) 367-1320

INFORMATION

(650) 366-9544

Saturday 5:00 pm

Sunday 9:45 am\*

Mon-Sat 5:00 pm\*

#### 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 ContactPreschool Director, Rosemary Juarez at <u>rosemary@stmatthiasparish.org</u> or

St. Charles Reconciliation Saturday 3:30 pm

> Pastor, Fr. Dave Ghiorso, Ext. 2015 frdave@stmatthiasparish.org

Parochial Vicar, Fr. Samuel Musiimenta

Adult Faith Formation Coordinator, Deacon Rich Foley, Ext. 2016 rich@stmatthiasparish.org

Deacon David Rolandelli david@stmatthiasparish.org We pray for those in our community who are ill... Cindy Adamson Alyssa Beemer Louise Costigan Kerns Eva Gillet Kevin Magee Rose Marino Bob Mitchell, Jr. Karen Rende Deacon George Salinger 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 Becketti Bob Greene



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