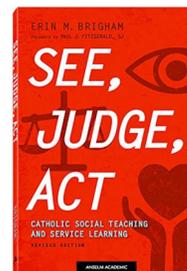


# St. Matthias Parish



### See, Judge, Act Book Club

Will resume on January 8th at 7:00 pm

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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.

To see the full calendar of events, visit <https://www.stmatthiasparish.org/parish-calendar/>



### Parish Offices

**Closed** for New Year Day on Monday, January 1st.

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**Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Mass**  
Monday, Jan 1st at 10:00 am Church

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**Breaking Open the Word**  
Tuesday, Jan 2nd at 1:30PM Google Meet

**Th**

**Rosary for Peace**  
Thursday, Jan 4th at 10:00 am Church



**GIFT resumes** on Sunday, January 7th from 11:00 am – 12:15 pm.

## **Reading 1 Sir 3:2-6, 12-14**

God sets a father in honor over his children;  
a mother's authority he confirms over her sons.

Whoever honors his father atones for sins,  
and preserves himself from them.

When he prays, he is heard;

he stores up riches who reveres his mother.

Whoever honors his father is gladdened by  
children, and, when he prays, is heard.

Whoever reveres his father will live a long life;

he who obeys his father brings comfort to his  
mother.

My son, take care of your father when he is old;  
grieve him not as long as he lives.

Even if his mind fail, be considerate of him;

revile him not all the days of his life;  
kindness to a father will not be forgotten,  
firmly planted against the debt of your sins  
—a house raised in justice to you.

## **Reading 2 Col 3:12-17**

Brothers and sisters:

Put on, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved,  
heartfelt compassion, kindness, humility,  
gentleness, and patience, bearing with one another  
and forgiving one another, if one has a grievance  
against another; as the Lord has forgiven you, so  
must you also do.

And over all these put on love, that is, the bond of  
perfection. And let the peace of Christ control your  
hearts, the peace into which you were also called in  
one body. And be thankful.

Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly,  
as in all wisdom you teach and admonish one  
another, singing psalms, hymns, and spiritual  
songs with gratitude in your hearts to God.

And whatever you do, in word or in deed,  
do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus,  
giving thanks to God the Father through him.

## **Alleluia Col 3:15a, 16a**

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Let the peace of Christ control your hearts;

Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly.

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## **Gospel Lk 2:22-40**

When the days were completed for their  
purification according to the law of Moses,

They took him up to Jerusalem to present him to  
the Lord, just as it is written in the law of the Lord,  
Every male that opens the womb shall be  
consecrated to the Lord, and to offer the sacrifice of  
a pair of turtledoves or two young pigeons,  
in accordance with the dictate in the law of the  
Lord.

Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name  
was Simeon. This man was righteous and devout,  
awaiting the consolation of Israel, and the Holy  
Spirit was upon him.

It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit  
that he should not see death before he had seen the  
Christ of the Lord.

He came in the Spirit into the temple;  
and when the parents brought in the child Jesus  
to perform the custom of the law in regard to him,  
He took him into his arms and blessed God, saying:  
“Now, Master, you may let your servant go  
in peace, according to your word, for my eyes have  
seen your salvation, which you prepared in sight of  
all the peoples, a light for revelation to the Gentiles,  
and glory for your people Israel.”

The child's father and mother were amazed at what  
was said about him; and Simeon blessed them and  
said to Mary his mother,

“Behold, this child is destined for the fall and rise of  
many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be  
contradicted—and you yourself a sword will  
pierce— so that the thoughts of many hearts may  
be revealed.”

There was also a prophetess, Anna,  
the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher.  
She was advanced in years, having lived seven  
years with her husband after her marriage,  
and then as a widow until she was eighty-four.  
She never left the temple, but worshiped night and  
day with fasting and prayer.

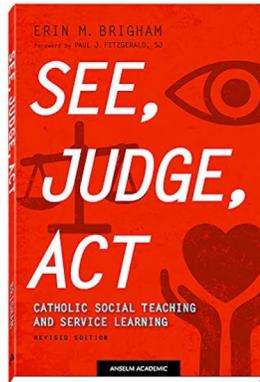
And coming forward at that very time,  
she gave thanks to God and spoke about the child  
to all who were awaiting the redemption of  
Jerusalem.

When they had fulfilled all the prescriptions  
of the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee,  
to their own town of Nazareth.

The child grew and became strong, filled with  
wisdom; and the favor of God was upon him.

## See, Judge, Act: Catholic Social Teaching and Service Learning Book Club

*See, Judge, Act* is a splendid introduction to the rich heritage of modern Catholic social teaching. This series, offered as a “book club” by our Justice and Charity Commission seeks to take a “step back” from our racial justice learning and explore Catholic Social Teaching more broadly. This eight-week series will include prayer, reading, reflection, and discussion using Erin M. Brigham’s book as a guide.



**Remaining Sessions are:** Monday, January 8, 15, and 22

**Where:** Fr. Lacey Hall at St. Matthias Church, from 7:00—8:00 pm

Questions or to register, contact the parish office at 650-366-9544 or email [sabrina@stmatthiasparish.org](mailto:sabrina@stmatthiasparish.org).

## St. Charles Women’s Club Events

**Winter Dinner** Wednesday, January 17th, 7 pm in Borromeo Hall. Begin the New Year with our annual epicurean dinner! More info, email [StCharlesWClub@gmail.com](mailto:StCharlesWClub@gmail.com).

## January Senior Luncheon

Please join us on January 10th at noon for a delicious brunch as we ring in 2024 with your friends from St. Charles and St. Matthias!

All registered parishioners 60+ years are cordially invited to our monthly luncheon held on the second Wednesday of each month at noon in Borromeo Hall.

To reserve your spot please RSVP to Kathy Fagliano at 650-591-7349 ext. 402 or email [kfagliano@stcharlesparish.org](mailto:kfagliano@stcharlesparish.org). Caregivers are welcome. All reservations must be received by

noon, Monday, January 8th. If you need a ride, please contact Kathy. We hope to see you there!

## St. Vincent de Paul de Paul Fifth Sunday Collection

Our next Fifth Sunday collection is the weekend of December 30/31. Your generosity throughout the year has helped us continue our work helping the underserved in our local community and beyond. We are so grateful to how our parishioners respond to our drives, food collections and our Fifth Sunday collections.



Marge Mitchell, Queen of our St. Vincent de Paul Pantry is retiring after 30 years! We are so grateful to Marge for her many years of loving service. It will take over 14 people to fill the many jobs that Marge did. If you are interested in volunteering or getting more information, please contact Betty Casey @ 650-575-9264 or email [bcasey427@comcast.net](mailto:bcasey427@comcast.net)

Happy New Year,  
St. Matthias SVDP Conference

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 MULTIFAITH  
 DAY OF SERVICE  
 MONDAY, JANUARY 15, 2024**

**Pastoral Care of the Sick**

Do you know a parishioner ill at home, homebound, or in a care facility who would like to receive Communion or anointing? Call the parish office, and we will arrange to have a priest visit.

Last year over 600 volunteers answered Dr. King's question by spending the morning of MLK Day doing for others, and you can too! Register by January 9!

**TEDDY BEAR & CARE BAG ITEM COLLECTION**  
 See registration page for details!



[pmcmlk2024.eventbrite.com](http://pmcmlk2024.eventbrite.com)

**Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

**Monday, January 1st**

9:00 am @ St. Charles

10:00 am @ St. Matthias

Parish offices will be closed on Monday, January 1st. Happy New Year!



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## MASS INTENTIONS

SAT, DEC 30th @ 5:00 PM — Joy K. (special intention)

SUN, DEC 31st @ 9:45 AM — Eddie So

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

Stacy Baldwin

Alyssa Beemer

Nina Clinton

Kevin Magee

Lance Magee

Rose Marino

Bob Mitchell, Jr.

Rudolfo Pelayo

Karen Rende

Suzanne Schaffner

Pat Schott

Jim Steidel

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

### THIS WEEKEND: Second Collection for our St. Vincent de Paul Conference (Dec 30-31)

This weekend, our second collection will be for our St. Vincent de Paul Conference. Your generous donations enable our Conference to make weekly food deliveries and spiritual visits to our neighbors in need.



### St. Matthias Catholic Preschool

A Quality Early Childhood Program Now  
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All Day — Year Round School  
Contact Preschool Director  
Rosemary Juarez at  
rosemary@stmatthiasparish.org  
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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  
\*LIVESTREAMED MASSES

Pastor, Fr. Dave Giorso  
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Fr. Samuel Musiimenta

Adult Faith Formation Coordinator,  
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