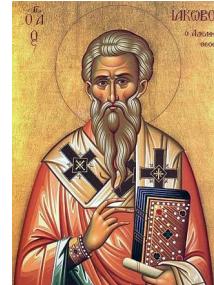
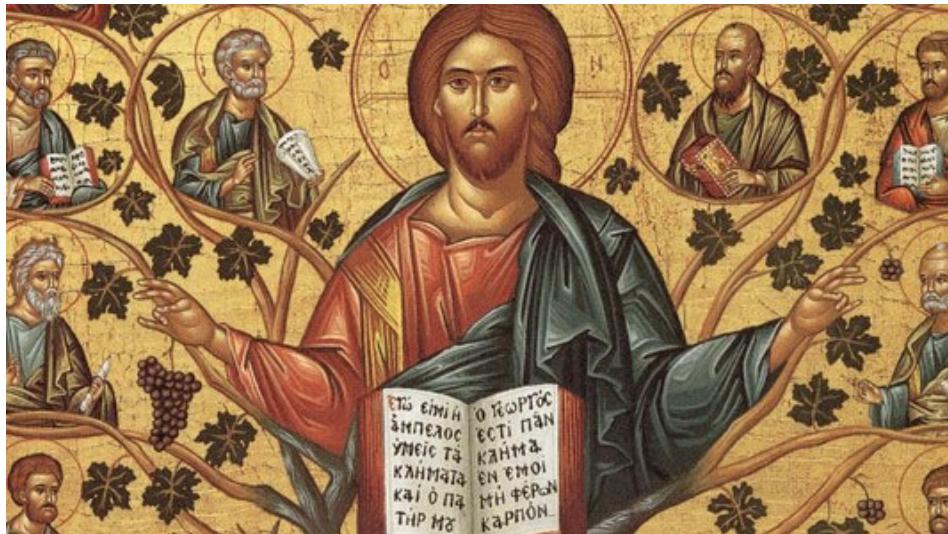
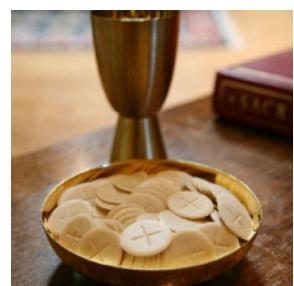


# St. Matthias Parish



**Bible Study:**  
**Letters of James and John.** More details inside.



**First Holy Communion** will be celebrated on May 5th.

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## Bible Study

Monday, April 29th at 10AM and 7PM in Fr. Lacey Hall

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## First Communion Family Retreat

Tuesday, April 30th at 6:30PM

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## Rosary for Peace

Thursday, May 2nd at 10AM in Church



St Francis Center  
of Redwood City, CA

St. Francis Center news inside.

## **Introduction to the Liturgy of the Word**

In the first reading, we catch a glimpse of Saint Paul (still called Saul) at a unique time. Just recently converted, he is intent on speaking boldly in Jesus' name. John tells us that believing in Jesus' name and loving one another are the ways to remain in him.

Finally, we hear Jesus ask his disciples to remain in him as branches remain on a vine. In doing so, he assures them. They will bear fruit abundantly. Let us hear how we can become such disciples ourselves.

### **First Reading Acts 9:26-31**

When Saul arrived in Jerusalem he tried to join the disciples, but they were all afraid of him, not believing that he was a disciple.

Then Barnabas took charge of him and brought him to the apostles, and he reported to them how he had seen the Lord, and that he had spoken to him, and how in Damascus he had spoken out boldly in the name of Jesus.

He moved about freely with them in Jerusalem, and spoke out boldly in the name of the Lord. He also spoke and debated with the Hellenists, but they tried to kill him.

And when the brothers learned of this, they took him down to Caesarea and sent him on his way to Tarsus.

The church throughout all Judea, Galilee, and Samaria was at peace.

It was being built up and walked in the fear of the Lord, and with the consolation of the Holy Spirit it grew in numbers.

### **Second Reading 1 Jn 3:18-24**

Children, let us love not in word or speech but in deed and truth.

Now this is how we shall know that we belong to the truth and reassure our hearts before him in whatever our hearts condemn, for God is greater than our hearts and knows everything.

Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have confidence in God and receive from him whatever we ask, because we keep his commandments and do what pleases him.

And his commandment is this: we should believe in the name of his Son, Jesus

Christ, and love one another just as he commanded us.

Those who keep his commandments remain in him, and he in them, and the way we know that he remains in us is from the Spirit he gave us.

### **Gospel Jn 15:1-8**

Jesus said to his disciples:

"I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine grower. He takes away every branch in me that does not bear fruit, and every one that does he prunes so that it bears more fruit.

You are already pruned because of the word that I spoke to you.

Remain in me, as I remain in you.

Just as a branch cannot bear fruit on its own unless it remains on the vine, so neither can you unless you remain in me. I am the vine, you are the branches.

Whoever remains in me and I in him will bear much fruit, because without me you can do nothing.

Anyone who does not remain in me will be thrown out like a branch and wither; people will gather them and throw them into a fire and they will be burned.

If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask for whatever you want and it will be done for you.

By this is my Father glorified, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples." from my Father."

### **Music for Liturgy this Weekend**

#### **Fifth Sunday of Easter (April 27-28, 2024)**

584 They'll Know We are Christians

173 Springs of Water

808 Joncas: This is the Day

176 Easter Alleluia (Ye Sons & Daughters)

496 Hold On to Love

Jesu, Jesu

380 Go Into the World

Breaking Bread songbooks are available for your use during Mass. Please feel free to pick up a copy from the rack at the back of the Church.

## First Holy Communion

Next Sunday, May 5th at the 9:45AM Mass, we will welcome seven young people to the table of the Lord as they receive their First Holy Communion. These young people and their parents have been preparing to receive the Jesus' Body and Blood in the Eucharist since the fall. The young people are Adriana Bravo, Anaís Duteil, Ellie Granillo, Harper Lintker, Ethan Momtaheni, Keira Whelton, and Alina Robinson. Please join us in praying for them on these last few days of preparation.



ST. MATTHIAS CATHOLIC CHURCH						
Each ticket is \$25, or 5 tickets for \$100. Starting on May 1st, tickets will be drawn each day and winners' names will be published in the bulletin and notified by email. Good Luck Everyone!						
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## May 2024 Calendar Raffle

We hope you participate in our spring fundraiser — the May 2024 Calendar Raffle. Each day, beginning on May 1st, a lucky winner will win a gift card for either

Cinemark Theatre, Starbird Chicken, Sajj Mediterranean, California Pizza Kitchen, Roam Artisan Burgers, Pinstripes Bowling, Bocce, and Bistro, Cold Stone Creamery or See's Candy or Peet's Coffee.

Raffle ticket are \$25 each, or 5 for \$100. Return your tickets by mail, drop them in the collection, or visit <https://www.stmatthiasparish.org/support-us/upcoming-events/> for more information or to purchase your tickets online.

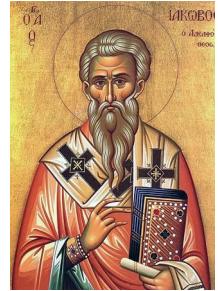
## Notice to Parishioners

Now that our parish offices are firmly settled into Fr. Lacey Hall, we will no longer be unlocking the Rectory

side Church double doors on a daily basis. Instead, beginning on Monday, April 22nd, we invite people to come through the Fr. Lacey Hall door (on the church parking lot side) to access the church. This will affect those of you who come to church midweek to get Communion to bring on your visits. Please get in the new habit of parking in the big lot and coming through the Hall. The door is unlocked Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday from 9AM—4PM and Wednesday 10AM—2PM. If you need access outside of those hours, please call the office or email Lisa@stmatthiasparish.org. We are often in the hours beyond those stated times.

## Bible Study: Letters of James and John

Our next **Bible Study series**, presented by Deacon Rich Foley, will be a study of the Letter of James and the three short Letters of John. This series is ongoing and will conclude on Monday, June 10th.



The Letter of James presents a beautiful understanding of Christian life, the human person, and salvation. The three Letters of John offer profound teachings of Christian faith and love. There is evidence that these short letters were widely circulated in the early Church.

This series will be in Fr. Lacey Hall and will be offered at 10AM and 7PM. If you would like to be added to the email list to participate, please email [sabrina@stmatthiasparish.org](mailto:sabrina@stmatthiasparish.org).

## Food Pantry Volunteers Needed at St. Francis Center

Help is needed at St. Francis Center's Food Pantry every Thursday; there are two time slots: #1 from 9AM to 10:30AM or #2 from 10:30AM to 1:30PM. This would include pre-packing groceries for clients, restocking the shelves and the second shift hands out

the groceries to our clients. If you are interested in volunteering at St. Francis Center located at 151 Buckingham Avenue, please contact Tess at 650-365-7829 or email [adminassistant@stfrancisrwc.org](mailto:adminassistant@stfrancisrwc.org)

## St. Francis Center Summer Camp

This summer, beginning on June 24th, St. Francis Center will host a 5-week summer camp for 140 children. Both morning and afternoon snacks will be provided. Our Middle School young people, under Sabrina's direction, will be packing snacks for distribution during the camp. Could you help to supply these healthy, nutritious snacks for the children? Snacks can be purchased at Smart & Final or Costco and must be individual servings. A list of the acceptable snacks is included in *The Matthian*. Please only purchase snacks on the list and drop them off to Fr. Lacey Hall before May 14th. Thank you!

## St. Charles' Women's Club

Invites all women to a fun-filled evening together for Bunco!

Come roll the dice, you will see,

no skills required, just lots of glee,

On Bunco Night, where friendships be.



On **Wednesday, May 8th at 7PM**, come roll the dice, three in a row and get that Bunco at Borromeo!

A donation of \$20 at the door will go towards prizes and Fr. Samuel's St. Jude's School in Uganda.

## May Senior Luncheon

It is never too late to celebrate Cinco de Mayo! Please join us in Casa de Borromeo on **Wednesday, May 8th at noon** as we enjoy a "SABROSO" Mexican meal!

To reserve your spot please RSVP to Kathy Fagliano at 650-591-7349 ext. 402 or email [kfagliano@stcharlesparish.org](mailto:kfagliano@stcharlesparish.org) by noon on Monday,

May 6th. The doors will open at 11:45AM. Caregivers are welcome. All registered parishioners of St. Charles and St. Matthias communities who are 60+ years old are invited.

## Scholarship Opportunity

**Congratulations to all of our 8th graders!** All 8th graders are invited to participate in St. Charles' Men's Club Scholarship Program. If you are a St. Charles (or St. Matthias) parishioner attending public school or St. Charles School and will be attending a Catholic High School, you are eligible to participate.

The categories for evaluation are: Grade Point Average/Academic Awards, Need for Financial Aid, Religion-Related Activities, and School and Community Activities.

Applications for this program are available by sending your request via email to:

[stcharlesmensclubsscholarships@gmail.com](mailto:stcharlesmensclubsscholarships@gmail.com)

Once you receive the application you must complete all sections and return it to the same email address no later than May 6, 2024. Recipients will be notified at the St. Charles' Awards Night and/or by email.

— St. Charles' Men's Club Scholarship Committee

## Summer at Notre Dame Belmont

We invite grades 6-12 to join us this summer at Notre Dame Belmont for a variety of educational and enrichment courses as well as sports camps.

Questions? Contact [summerschool@ndhsb.org](mailto:summerschool@ndhsb.org)

## Mercy Burlingame's Middle School Summer Program—Tools for School—Registration is Open

Tools for Schools, for girls who will be in 6-8th grades in Fall 2024, is now open for registration, visit <https://www.mercyhsb.com/toolsforschool>

## MASS INTENTIONS

SAT, April 27th @ 5:00 PM — Renee Rhodeman Watson + &  
Clare Marino Rhodeman +

SUN, April 28th @ 9:45 AM — Joe Passanisi +

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

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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

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