St. Matthias Parish



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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/



St. Vincent de Paul Backpack Drive details inside.

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Breaking Open the Word

Tuesday, July 30th at 1:30PM via Google Meet Th

Rosary for Peace

Thursday, Aug 1st at 10:00AM Church Su

The Chosen Watch Party

Sunday, Aug 4th after the 9:45AM Mass in Fr. Lacey Hall



The Chosen
Watch Party join
us after the 9:45AM
Mass on Sunday.

Introduction to the Liturgy of the Word

The first reading today foreshadows what Jesus will so memorably do centuries later. Elisha insists that twenty small barley loaves, given as an offering to God, would feed a hundred people with some left over. Jesus tells his disciples the same thing when all they could offer to the thousands of pilgrims who gather to see him are five barley loaves and two fish. God nourishes and sustains us always, no matter how impossible it seems.

First Reading 2 Kgs 4:42-44

A man came from Baal-shalishah bringing to Elisha, the man of God,

twenty barley loaves made from the firstfruits, and fresh grain in the ear.

Elisha said, "Give it to the people to eat."

But his servant objected,

"How can I set this before a hundred people?"
Elisha insisted, "Give it to the people to eat."
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"For thus says the LORD,

'They shall eat and there shall be some left over.'" And when they had eaten, there was some left over, as the LORD had said.

Second Reading Eph 4:1-6

Brothers and sisters:

I, a prisoner for the Lord,

urge you to live in a manner worthy of the call you have received,

with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another through love,

striving to preserve the unity of the spirit through the bond of peace:

one body and one Spirit,

as you were also called to the one hope of your call; one Lord, one faith, one baptism;

one God and Father of all,

who is over all and through all and in all.

Gospel In 6:1-15

Jesus went across the Sea of Galilee.

A large crowd followed him,

because they saw the signs he was performing on the sick.

Jesus went up on the mountain, and there he sat down with his disciples.

The Jewish feast of Passover was near.

When Jesus raised his eyes and saw that a large crowd was coming to him, he said to Philip,

"Where can we buy enough food for them to eat?" He said this to test him, because he himself knew what he was going to do.

Philip answered him, "Two hundred days' wages worth of food would not be enough for each of them to have a little."

One of his disciples, Andrew, the brother of Simon Peter, said to him, "There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish; but what good are these for so many?"

Jesus said, "Have the people recline."

Now there was a great deal of grass in that place. So the men reclined, about five thousand in number.

Then Jesus took the loaves, gave thanks, and distributed them to those who were reclining, and also as much of the fish as they wanted. When they had had their fill, he said to his disciples, "Gather the fragments left over, so that nothing will be wasted."

So they collected them, and filled twelve wicker baskets with fragments from the five barley loaves that had been more than they could eat.

When the people saw the sign he had done, they said, "This is truly the Prophet, the one who is to come into the world."

Since Jesus knew that they were going to come and carry him off to make him king,

he withdrew again to the mountain alone.

Music for July 27-28, 2024

Opening: One Spirit, One Church

Gloria Mass of St. Ann

Ps. 480 Shepherd me, O God

Offertory: Shelter Me-Joncas

Communion: 325 Bread for the World

New Prayer for the Intercession of Saint Matthias

Closing: 502 Go Make a Difference!



Watch Party: The Chosen

Have you heard of *The Chosen*? This television show is intended to fill in potential "backstories" for the biblical characters, especially Jesus' disciples. Sabrina will lead a summer watch party using this show as a tool. During each session, we'll read brief scripture



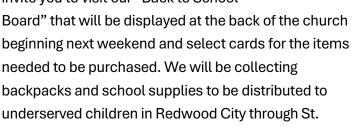
passages, then watch the episode that incorporates the scripture, then engage in a discussion. Remaining **Sundays for the series are July 28 and August 4 and**

11. Start time will be about 10 minutes after the conclusion of the 9:45AM Mass. Attendance at all the sessions is not necessary. No prior experience with scripture study is required. Contact sabrina@stmatthiasparish.org for more information.

St. Vincent de Paul Back to School Drive

Francis Center.

Our annual Back to School Drive will begin the weekend of July 27/28! We invite you to visit our "Back to School



Backpacks and school supplies can be brought to Fr. Lacey Hall during the week or on the weekends of August 3/4 and 10/11. Please attach the cards you selected to the items donated. This will help us ensure that all the needed items are purchased. Your ongoing support and generosity to this drive will help many children begin their school year with confidence and smiles on their faces!

Thank you for making this possible.

-Your St. Vincent de Paul Conference



PMC Prayers for Peace

Join with parishioner
Nancy Galli and

Sabrina for the Peninsula Multifaith Coalition's Prayers for Peace at Twin Pines Park, in Belmont and Labor Day, Monday, **September 2nd from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm**. Learn about others' faith traditions and experience prayers for peace from many different traditions.

Sacramental Preparation

If your child just completed **1st grade**, they may be eligible to begin preparing for the sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist in the fall. If your child just completed **8th grade**, they may be eligible to begin preparing for Confirmation in the fall. And if your child has not yet been Baptized or are older than 4th grade and not yet received Reconciliation and Eucharist—we can help with that too!

If you would like to learn more about sacraments for yourself and are over 18 years old, contact Deacon Rich Foley. If you would like to learn more about sacraments for youth, contact Sabrina Harper. New groups will be forming in the Fall.

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Our Children's Liturgy of the Word program, *Promise* for 3-6 year olds, will begin again in September. During the summer months, we are seeking parent volunteers who would like to be leaders for this program. Promise will resume on September 22nd. The program meets each Sunday during the 9:45AM Mass. Children and the leaders are dismissed from Mass before the first reading, they go into Room 1 of the Preschool building for the Promise session, then return to Mass for the Liturgy of the Eucharist.

If you are interested in learning more about volunteering or enrolling your 3-6 year old in the

program, please contact sabrina@stmatthiasparish.org. Training and materials will be provided.



National Parents Day and the "Radiate Love" Initiative

The California Conference of Catholic Bishops has initiated "Radiate Love" which invites all Catholics to celebrate the goodness and importance of marriage and family life. Today, July 28th, is National Parents Day. We honor the special gift of parenthood. We invite all parents and grandparents through the words of St. Paul in the second reading to, "live in a manner worth or the call you have received."

In today's Gospel, Jesus takes the meager gifts of a teenaged boy and multiplies them to satisfy the hunger of a multitude. In the Sacrament of Marriage, he does the same: whenever we feel like we are not up the challenge, Jesus takes our gifts, blesses them like the loaves and fish, and multiplies the love of our marriage. Learn more and share the Good News about marriage and family life at: www.radiatelove.info

We Celebrate Baptism

On Sunday, during the 9:45AM Mass, we will welcome Athena Teresa Anthony through the waters of Baptism into our Church community. Athena's parents are Tyler and Alexandra Anthony. July 28th is Athena's first birthday! Her grandparents are Bruce and Teresa Anthony long-time St. Matthias parishioners.

Athena is now claimed as a child of God in our community of believers. Let's pray that throughout her life, God will help her to be a faithful witness to

your Son, Jesus Christ, for she is being marked with his cross. Amen.



A Note of Gratitude

With a spirit of gratitude, we thank parishioner, Vince Falzon for his craftsmanship and generosity. This beautiful hand-crafted podium is a perfect addition to our sanctuary. Vince serves as an Usher at the Saturday 5:00 pm Mass. Thank you, Vince!



Tuesday, August 6th from 6PM—8PM at

Stafford Park. Organized by parishioner Tony Chan, and the Canyon Neighborhood Association. There will be a police car, fire truck, and a Redwood City library representative present. There will also be a BBQ and lawn games. For the latest updates, visit www.RedwoodCity.org/NNO

Prayer for the Intercession of Saint Matthias

Last week, a prayer written by Fr. Roy for the intercession of Saint Matthias was introduced. We will be praying this at each Mass going forward. We hope that you will join in prayer with us at home.

MASS INTENTIONS

SAT, July 27th @ 5:00 PM — Kevin, Shirley & Howard Nelson + SUN, July 28th @ 9:45 AM — Lawrence Zaro +



Under the title "Radiate Love," the bishops of California invite every Catholic to celebrate the beauty and goodness of marriage and family. We invite all families to

radiate their love to the world—parents, grandparents, children, spouses, sisters, and brothers.

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

Jerry Acozta Stacy Baldwin Tommie Fogliani Sofia Rodriguez Gaddi **Cheryl Granucci** Joy & Charles Jim Lynch Rose Marino **Carol McAdams** Rudolfo Pelayo **Jude Quingco**

that they may be comforted by the loving embrace of Jesus. And for Rev. Kristi Denham

Pat Schott



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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 8:30 am* & 11:00 am Sunday *LIVESTREAMED MASSES

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