

St. Matthias Parish

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 23-24, 2025



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St. Matthias Mass Schedule

Saturday 5:00 P.M.
Sunday 9:45 A.M.*

St. Charles Mass Schedule

Monday-Saturday 5:00 P.M.
Sunday 8:30 A.M.* and 11:00 A.M.

*Livestreamed Masses

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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.*

THIS WEEK'S MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 5:00 P.M. Mass William Pacumio†

Sunday 9:45 A.M. Mass Assunta Salat†

THIS WEEK'S MUSIC

PRELUDE: Taize: Come and Fill Our Hearts with Your Peace

Opening: Our God is Here

Gloria: Mass of Restoration

Ps. 117: Go out to all the world and tell the Good News.

Gospel Accl. Respond & Acclaim

Offertory Love, Burn Bright

Eux Accl. Leon C. Roberts, Bolduc

Comm: Bread of Life (refrain)

Reflection: All is Holy (J. Cotter)

Sending: O Love of God/Amor de Dios

Breaking Bread song books are available for your use during the service and are housed on the shelf at the entrance from the parking lot.

INTRODUCTION TO THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

God reveals to Isaiah that people from far and wide will be welcomed to the holy city, Jerusalem. The psalmist also invites people of every nation to glorify God. Centuries later, Jesus affirms that people from every point of the compass will be welcomed into the kingdom of God. That having been said, getting in is not easy and some will be sent away. May we embrace God's discipline, in the spirit in which it is explained in the second reading today, recognizing that it is offered out of God's great love for us.

FIRST READING

Isaiah 66:18-21

Thus says the LORD: I know their works and their thoughts, and I come to gather nations of every language; they shall come and see my glory. I will set a sign among them; from them I will send fugitives to the nations: to Tarshish, Put and Lud, Mosoch, Tubal and Javan, to the distant coastlands that have never heard of my fame, or seen my glory; and they shall proclaim my glory among the nations. They shall bring all your brothers and sisters from all the nations as an offering to the LORD, on horses and in chariots, in carts, upon mules and dromedaries, to Jerusalem, my holy mountain, says the LORD, just as the

Israelites bring their offering to the house of the LORD in clean vessels. Some of these I will take as priests and Levites, says the LORD.

SECOND READING

Hebrews 12:7, 11-13

Brothers and sisters, You have forgotten the exhortation addressed to you as children: "My son, do not disdain the discipline of the Lord or lose heart when reproved by him; for whom the Lord loves, he disciplines; he scourges every son he acknowledges."

Endure your trials as "discipline"; God treats you as sons. For what "son" is there whom his father does not discipline? At the time, all discipline seems a cause not for joy but for pain, yet later it brings the peaceful fruit of righteousness to those who are trained by it.

So strengthen your drooping hands and your weak knees. Make straight paths for your feet, that what is lame may not be disjointed but healed.

GOSPEL

Luke 13:22-30

Jesus passed through towns and villages, teaching as he went and making his way to Jerusalem. Someone asked him, "Lord, will only a few people be saved?" He answered them, "Strive to enter through the narrow gate, for many, I tell you, will attempt to enter but will not be strong enough. After the master of the house has arisen and locked the door, then will you stand outside knocking and saying, 'Lord, open the door for us.' He will say to you in reply, 'I do not know where you are from. And you will say, 'We ate and drank in your company and you taught in our streets.' Then he will say to you, 'I do not know where you are from. Depart from me, all you evildoers!' And there will be wailing and grinding of teeth when you see Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob and all the prophets in the kingdom of God and you yourselves cast out. And people will come from the east and the west and from the north and the south and will recline at table in the kingdom of God. For behold, some are last who will be first, and some are first who will be last."

Catholic Relief Services/Gaza

The people of Gaza need prayer and support right now. Please pray for peace in Gaza and donate to CRS if you are able. Catholic Relief Services is providing food, water, shelter, medicine and medical supplies to Gaza. To help, please designate your donation to the Special Gaza Fund.





PRAYER INTENTIONS



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

Costanza Alviti, Tommie Fogliani, Sofia Rodriguez Gaddi, Kathleen Kaz, and Rose Marino.

that they may be comforted by the loving embrace of Jesus. We also pray for Robert Ang and Joan Bamford as well as all who recently went to our Lord.



MASS PRESIDERS NEXT WEEK

Saturday at 5:00PM — Fr. Gerald Coleman

Sunday at 9:45AM — Fr. Gerald Coleman



Events This Week

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Wednesday the 27th 7:00 P.M. Music Workshop at Fr. Lacey Hall	Thursday the 28th 10:00 A.M. Rosary for Peace at Church

This Week's Theological Reflection

Anyone who has driven often on highways can recall times in which traffic has slowed to a standstill because of a bottleneck, when multiple lanes of traffic must funnel down to a single open lane. This contemporary phenomenon is analogous to Jesus' words today about getting into heaven. Jesus says people will come from every direction but must pass through a narrow gate to enter. Let us accept this challenge, patiently following that narrow path.



Mass Intentions

Please contact Lisa Bamford if you would like to schedule Mass Intentions.

Please stop by the office, call (650) 366-9544, or email lisa@stmatthiasparish.org

Bulletin

Please submit any bulletin announcements no later than 10:00 A.M. on Tuesday mornings.

Submissions can be emailed to: joey@stmatthiasparish.org

PILGRIMAGE 2026
16 DAYS 15 NIGHTS
PHILIPPINE TOUR
January 27 - February 11

Join us as we embark on a journey to strengthen our faith, reconnect to our rich religious and cultural heritage, and enjoy the Philippines!

Fr. Dominic Lee
In-Residence, St. Mark Church

Fr. Roy Bemo
Pastor, St. Charles Church

Fr. Francis Garbo
Pastor, Mission Dolores Basilica

Fr. Boie Espeleta
Parochial Vicar, St. Robert Church

Fr. Angel Quitalig
Vicar for Filipinos

Land package with domestic airfare:

US\$ 4,276 Based on Single Occupancy	US\$ 3,322 Based on Double/Twin Occupancy	US\$ 2,918 Based on Triple Occupancy
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International Airfare via Eva Air starts at US\$ 1,100 per person. Rates subject to change.

RESERVE YOUR SPOT NOW!
SCAN QR CODE

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ST. MATTHIAS PRESCHOOL WILL BEGIN TO SERVE TWO-YEAR-OLDS,
TOILET TRAINED OR NOT-TOILET TRAINED
STARTING SEPTEMBER 2025



A high quality early education and care program for toddlers ages 2.0-2.11 years old
\$2,400 p/month Room 1 Group Size: 6
For more info contact Preschool Director at rosemary@stmatthiasparish.org

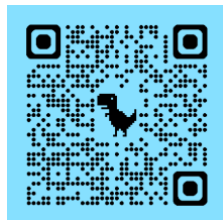
Faith Formation Registrations

It is time to register for the 2025-2026 Faith Formation year.

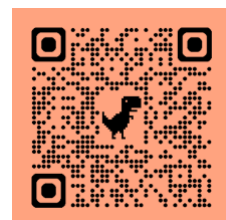
We offer the following:

- Promise Children's Liturgy of the Word during the 9:45 Mass
- GIFT- Intergenerational Family Catechesis
- First Eucharist/Communion Preparation
- Middle School Youth Ministry
- High School Confirmation Preparation
- High School Youth Ministry is being developed, more to come.
- OCIA adapted for Children and Teens

**K-8th
Registration**



**Confirmation
Registration**



Adult Volunteer Opportunity

We are looking for adults to help as catechists in the OCIA Adapted for Children and Teens. It would involve a twice-a-month commitment during the school year. This program helps catch-up children and teens sacramentally. Please email Joey at joey@stmatthiasparish.org if you are interested.

Bible Study: The Gospel of Luke

The St. Matthias/St. Charles Bible Study resumes on Monday, September 15th at 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. in St. Matthias' parish hall. All are welcome even if you were unable to attend the spring session. Deacon Rich will lead a study of the second half of the Gospel according to Luke which recounts Jesus' journey to Jerusalem, his suffering, death and resurrection. We will study and discuss the themes of the teaching meal, the role of women and the importance of prayer.

This eight week series concludes on Monday, November 3rd. Please join us. If you have any questions, please email Deacon Rich at rich@stmatthiasparish.org.

Couples Retreat

The Archdiocese is offering a couples retreat, Together in Heaven, on September 27th. Information can be found at www.sfarch.org/marriage.

Catholic San Francisco

If you are not receiving bi-monthly editions of "Catholic San Francisco" published and mailed to you by the Archdiocese of San Francisco, let us know so we can make sure you receive it. Please call or email the parish office this week.

Now Enrolling

The St. Matthias Preschool is now enrolling for the 2025-2026 academic year. We have an amazing program for our youngest little Mattheians! Please contact our director for more information or to schedule a tour. You can reach Rosemary Juarez at: rosemary@stmatthiasparish.org for more information.

Curious About Becoming Catholic?

Are you, or anyone you know, curious about becoming a Catholic? Or, if you are already baptized would you like to complete the sacraments of initiation by receiving the Eucharist, and being confirmed in the Catholic Church? Adults are invited to join our upcoming Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA) program for St. Charles and St. Matthias parishes. Participants examine their faith and learn about Catholic traditions and teachings. Participants receive the sacraments at the Easter Vigil. Sessions are held each Sunday morning at 11 a.m. at St. Matthias. The first session is Sunday, September 21st. Please contact Deacon Rich at rich@stmatthiasparish.org for further information.

Thank you for joining us today! God bless and keep you and yours.



PLEASE SUPPORT OUR BULLETIN SPONSORS.
BECAUSE OF THEIR GENEROSITY, WE ARE ABLE TO PROVIDE
THIS BULLETIN WEEKLY.

The advertisement for Nu/terra Real Estate Group features the company logo on the left and a portrait of Jeri Richardson-Daines on the right. The text includes: "Nu/terra REAL ESTATE GROUP", "Jeri Richardson-Daines", "Founder | REALTOR®", "DRE# 01461819", "(650)208-7846", "jeri@nuterrarealestate.com", and "nuterrarealestate.com".

The advertisement for NAREIG International Realty features the company logo on the left and a portrait of Tony Y. Chan on the right. The text includes: "TONY Y. CHAN", "NAREIG INTERNATIONAL REALTY", "1633 Old Bayshore Highway #280 Burlingame | CA 94010", "Phone 415-533-6558", "Email tony@nareigus.com", "Web www.nareigus.com", and "陈有杰 Managing Broker Lic#01938263".

The advertisement for Crippen & Flynn features the company name and "SINCE 1949" at the top. Below this, it lists "Cremation Pre- Need Arrangements" and "Burial Memorial Services". It states "Our Professional Services are Base Upon Your Individual Needs" and provides contact information for two locations: "Woodside Chapel" (400 Woodside Road, Redwood City, (650) 369-4103, FD879) and "Carlmont Chapel" (1111 Alameda de las Pulgas, Belmont, (650) 595-4103, FD1825). It also mentions "Se Habla Español" and "Мы говорим по-русски".

The advertisement for Emerald Eco features the slogan "Go all-electric and all-green!" in large green letters. Below this, it states "We retrofit homes to be all-electric and we install solar & battery backup systems." and provides the website "www.emeraldeco.com". On the right side, there are four icons with corresponding text: "Be energy efficient", "Replace gas appliances", "Be zero carbon", and "Enjoy renewable power!". The bottom right corner includes the phone number "Call Diane 408 623 7938".

Email: lisa@stmatthiasparish.org for more information about becoming a sponsor!