# St. Matthias Parish

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time August 2-3, 2025



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St. Matthias Mass Schedule Saturday 5:00 P.M. Sunday 9:45 A.M.\*

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\*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

#### THIS WEEK'S MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 5:00 P.M. Mass Shirley, Kevin & Howard Nelson†

Sunday 9:45 A.M. Mass Joanne Zeltmant

#### THIS WEEK'S MUSIC

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

**Opening:** Our God is Here **Gloria** Mass of Restoration

Ps. If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

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

"Vanity of vanities," we hear right off the bat today, a condemnation of our inclination to labor and obsess over the many material goods we have or hope to accumulate. In the Gospel, Jesus invites us to listen to a parable that addresses this pointless avarice. We get to hear the surprise awaiting the rich man whose harvest was so huge his barns couldn't hold it. In between, we hear Saint Paul's advice to the Colossians: "seek what is above." It's too late for the rich man in Jesus' parable, but it's always timely advice for us.

## **FIRST READING**

Ecclesiastes 1:2; 2:21-23

Vanity of vanities, says Qoheleth, vanity of vanities! All things are vanity!

Here is one who has labored with wisdom and knowledge and skill, and yet to another who has not labored over it, he must leave property. This also is vanity and a great misfortune. For what profit comes to man from all the toil and anxiety of heart with which he has labored under the sun? All his days sorrow and grief are his occupation; even at night his mind is not at rest. This also is vanity.

#### SECOND READING

Colossians 3:1-5, 9-11

Brothers and sisters: If you were raised with Christ, seek what is above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God. Think of what is above, not of what is on earth. For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ your life appears, then you too will appear with him in glory.

Put to death, then, the parts of you that are earthly: immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and the greed that is idolatry. Stop lying to one another, since you have taken off the old self with its practices and have put on the new self, which is being renewed, for knowledge, in the image of its creator. Here there is not Greek and Jew, circumcision and uncircumcision, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free; but Christ is all and in all.

#### **GOSPEL**

Luke 12:13-21

Someone in the crowd said to Jesus, "Teacher, tell my brother to share the inheritance with me." He replied to him, "Friend, who appointed me as your judge and arbitrator?" Then he said to the crowd, "Take care to guard against all greed, for though one may be rich, one's life does not consist of possessions."

Then he told them a parable. "There was a rich man whose land produced a bountiful harvest. He asked himself, 'What shall I do, for I do not have space to store my harvest?' And he said, 'This is what I shall do: I shall tear down my barns and build larger ones. There I shall store all my grain and other goods and I shall say to myself, "Now as for you, you have so many good things stored up for many years, rest, eat, drink, be merry!"' But God said to him, 'You fool, this night your life will be demanded of you; and the things you have prepared, to whom will they belong?' Thus will it be for all who store up treasure for themselves but are not rich in what matters to God."

Welcome Weekend with hospitality will be held on Sunday, August 10 after the 9:45am mass.

Please join us for coffee and donuts in Fr. Lacey Hall.





#### **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**

Every Day	W	SU
SVDP Backpack Drive	Wednesday the 6th	Sunday the 10th
at Fr. Lacey Hall	7:00 P.M.  Music Workshop	After 9:45 A.M. Mass Welcome Weekend Donuts
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## This Week's Theological Reflection

"You can't take it with you." It's a reminder that the wealth we accumulate in this world does not transfer to the next. In our secular society, this saying often implies that you should spend your wealth now while you can enjoy it, but our faith demands that we look at wealth differently. Building up material wealth is irrelevant to our vocation as disciples and can distract us from what is truly important. Let us lift our hearts and raise our voices to God, who is the source of our true wealth.



#### **Mass Intentions**

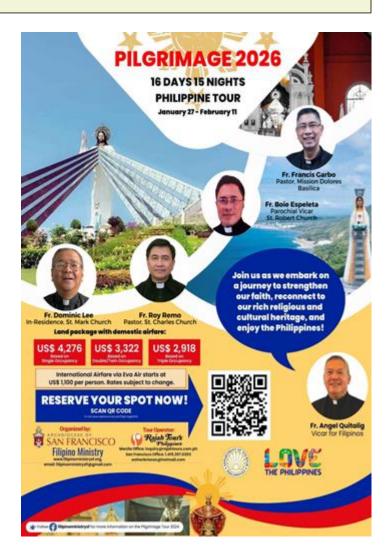
Please contact Lisa Bamford if you would like to schedule Mass Intentions.

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







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# SVDP Backpack Drive

Our annual Back to School Drive continues in our parish. We will be collecting back packs and school supplies for Third and Sixth grade students attending Holy Family School at St. Francis Center in Redwood City. Back to School Boards will be in the back of church beginning July 26/27. Please select your cards before purchasing any items, to ensure that everything needed by the school will be covered. Items can be returned to Fr. Lacey Hall on the weekends of August 2/3 and August 9/10. Please attach your card to your donation. Deliveries will be made to St. Francis Center on August 13th, just in time for the beginning of school that week. Your generosity is very much appreciated. The teachers, students and our SVDP Conference are most grateful for your support. The smiles on the children's faces when they receive their supplies are an expression of not only their gratitude, but also relief, that they will be ready for a good start to their school year!

## **Save the Date: Feast of the Assumption**

Friday, August 15<sup>th</sup> is the Feast of the Assumption. Fr. Coleman will preside at a special 5:00 P.M. liturgy. Please join us for this Holy Day of Opportunity.

## **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 Volunteer Opportunities at Stanford Hospital**

Would you be interested in visiting Catholic patients at Stanford Hospital and offering them Holy Communion? If you are a compassionate listener, empathic, well grounded in your faith and open to serving a couple of hours a week, then, becoming a Spiritual Care Services Volunteer at Stanford might be the right opportunity for you. We particularly welcome bilingual Spanish/English candidates.

In addition, we offer Spiritual Care Volunteer positions as Clerks, if you'd rather work in an office environment, have good organizational skills, and can serve 2-3 hours early in the morning one day per week to prepare the visitation lists for the Catholic Spiritual Care Volunteers who visit patients.

Don't miss Stanford Health Care's next virtual orientation about serving as a Spiritual Care Volunteer on Monday, August 18, 2025, at 4:00 PM via Zoom! To learn more about this special ministry and sign up for the orientation session please contact Stanford Health Care's Volunteer Resources at VolunteerResources@stanfordhealthcare.org by Friday, August, 8, 2025.

## **Now Enrolling**

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

## **Promise Program**

The Promise Program will continue through the summer months. Please contact Tony Chan, Facilitator via email: tonychan@gmail.com with any questions. Please consider joining the leadership team. We are in need of substitutes, please let us know if you can help.

## **Prayer Tree**

If you wish us to pray for family, friends, co-workers or neighbors, please contact Mary Schorr, 650.302-9111, or mgschorr@comcast.net OR call or text Rosemary Perino, 650.703-9656. We pray for celebrations, illness, thanksgiving and comfort.

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





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