St. Matthias Parish

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time September 20-21, 2025

Please join us!



for the whole family?

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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 Joey Hizont

Sunday 9:45 A.M. Mass Assunta Susie Sala†

THIS WEEK'S MUSIC

Open: O God Beyond All Praising, 3 verses

Gloria: Mass of Rest.

Ps: 139

Celtic Alleluia

Off. : All is Well: vs 1,3,4 Mass of Rest. Plus Bolduc

Comm.: You are Our Living Bread (Joncas)

/sending: Sent Out in Jesus' Name

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

Today's first reading, responsorial psalm, and Gospel speak to the pursuit and use of wealth. Amos decries the merchants who cheat the poor, promising that God will not overlook their selfishness. The psalmist promises that the Lord will lift up the poor and lowly. Jesus teaches his disciples to be trustworthy in handling worldly wealth so that they can be trusted with the true wealth that comes from God. Listening to today's selections from Scripture, let us consider our relationship to material wealth.

FIRST READING

Amos 8:4-7

Hear this, you who trample upon the needy and destroy the poor of the land! "When will the new moon be over," you ask, "that we may sell our grain, and the sabbath, that we may display the wheat? We will diminish the ephah, add to the shekel, and fix our scales for cheating! We will buy the lowly for silver, and the poor for a pair of sandals; even the refuse of the wheat we will sell!" The LORD has sworn by the pride of Jacob: Never will I forget a thing they have done!

SECOND READING

1 Timothy 2:1-8

Beloved: First of all, I ask that supplications, prayers, petitions, and thanksgivings be offered for everyone, for kings and for all in authority, that we may lead a quiet and tranquil life in all devotion and dignity. This is good and pleasing to God our savior, who wills everyone to be saved and to come to knowledge of the truth. For there is one God. There is also one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, who gave himself as ransom for all. This was the testimony at the proper time. For this I was appointed preacher and apostle — I am speaking the truth, I am not lying —, teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

It is my wish, then, that in every place the men should pray, lifting up holy hands, without anger or argument.

GOSPEL

Luke 16:1-13

Jesus said to his disciples, "A rich man had a steward who was reported to him for squandering his property. He summoned him and said, 'What is this I hear about you? Prepare a full account of your stewardship, because you can no longer be my steward.' The steward said to himself, 'What shall I do, now that my master is taking the position of steward away from me? I am not strong enough to dig and I am ashamed to beg. I know what I shall do so that, when I am removed from the stewardship, they may welcome me into their homes.' He called in his master's debtors one by one. To the first he said, 'How much do you owe my master?' He replied, 'One hundred measures of olive oil.' He said to him, 'Here is your promissory note. Sit down and quickly write one for fifty.' Then to another the steward said, 'And you, how much do you owe?' He replied, 'One hundred kors of wheat.' The steward said to him, 'Here is your promissory note; write one for eighty.' And the master commended that dishonest steward for acting prudently.

"For the children of this world are more prudent in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. I tell you, make friends for yourselves with dishonest wealth, so that when it fails, you will be welcomed into eternal dwellings. The person who is trustworthy in very small matters is also trustworthy in great ones; and the person who is dishonest in very small matters is also dishonest in great ones. If, therefore, you are not trustworthy with dishonest wealth,

who will trust you with true wealth? If you are not trustworthy with what belongs to another, who will give you what is yours? No servant can serve two masters. He will either hate one and love the other, or be devoted to one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and mammon."

HAPPY CATECHETICAL SUNDAY! PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR CATECHISTS AND STUDENTS, AS THEY BEGIN THE FORMATION YEAR TODAY!



PRAYER INTENTIONS



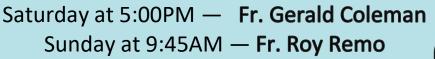
We pray for those in our community who are ill...

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

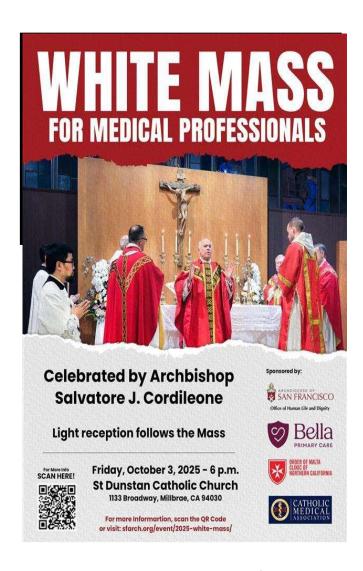




This Week's Theological Reflection

"You cannot serve both God and mammon," we hear Jesus tell his disciples in today's Gospel. He challenges us to decide where our priorities lie. Which do we spend more time and energy building up: our faith or our wealth? It is difficult to ignore the need for money, if only to have enough to get by, let alone pursuing more so that we can live a comfortable life. But we believe our treasure can be found in the kingdom of God, in which money is irrelevant. May today's liturgy remind us of that truth.







Faith Formation Registrations

It is not too late 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 for children ages 3-6
- GIFT- Intergenerational Family Catechesis for grades 1st and up
- First Eucharist/Communion Preparation for grades 2nd and up after a first year in Gift
- Middle School Youth Ministry for grades 5th-8th
- High School Confirmation Preparation for grades 9th and up
- High School Youth Ministry is being developed, more to come for grades 9th-12th
- OCIA adapted for Children and Teens for children and teens above the age of 7

K-8th Registration



Confirmation Registration



MSYM and Confirmation Festival Volunteers Needed

Attention Middle School and High School teens, we need your help at the St. Charles Parish Festival next weekend! If you are In MSYM or Confirmation, please register to volunteer ASAP! Please sing up for: Tip the Cat/Frog In the Pan, Milk Bottle Toss, or Pull Tabs.



Adult Volunteer Opportunity

We are looking for adults to help as catechists in Middle School Youth Ministry and to volunteer in the office with administrative tasks. Please email Joey at joey@stmatthiasparish.org if you are interested.

Support SVDP

Support our St. Vincent de Paul Conference! To read stories from our deliveries, learn how to join the conference, or see the items we most need in our pantry, visit https://tinyurl.com/SupportSVdP or use the QR code.



Bible Study: The Gospel of Luke

The St. Matthias/St. Charles Bible Study resumed 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.

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.

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.

Prayer Shawl Ministry

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY invites new members! Do you you sew? quilt? knit? crochet? or use a small loom? We make shawls, lap robes, scarves, hats and blankets for those who are celebrating or need comfort. We also sew bibs, quilt booties and make hats for baptisms and need another person who sews. We work at our own pace at home but meet monthly to collect and bless our projects. Come and check us out Tuesday,October 21st, 3pm in church hall. Or contact Laurie Coulter, call or text 408 202-9990.

Together in Holiness

Together in Holiness Marriage Conference – Married and engaged couples are invited to the ninth annual Together in Holiness marriage conference on September 27, 2025 from 10:45 am – 6:00 pm at the Church of the Immaculate Heart of Mary in Belmont, CA. This one-day conference will help you strengthen your relationship with your spouse and discover God's plan for your family. Registration: \$64/couple and \$5/child for on-site childcare. An Early Bird discount is available through August 11 as well as scholarships upon request. This conference is presented by the St. John Paul II Foundation and the Archdiocese of San Francisco. For more info, visit togetherinholiness.org/sanfrancisco or email jessie@forlifeandfamily.org.

St. Francis Center Fall Fundraiser

Saturday, October 4, 2025 there will be a fundraiser at St. Denis in Menlo Park immediately after Mass from 6:30 P.M. to 7:30 P.M. Meet the Executive Director and Auxiliary members to explore opportunities to get involved. Flyers are on the back table. Appetizers and beverages provided.

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.



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.

Women's Club

Mark Your Calendars...

Date: Wednesday, October 8th Time: 7:00 PM Borromeo Hall

Join us and welcome speaker Deacon Marc Aquino. Presentation topic to follow.bRefreshments and mingling to follow the talk.

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





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