

# ST. MATTHIAS CATHOLIC CHURCH

## St. Matthias



### Sixth Sunday of Easter - May 25-26, 2019



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**First Reading** — The question of whether circumcision is necessary for salvation (Acts 15:1-2, 22-29).

**Psalm** — O God, let all the nations praise you! (Psalm 67)

**Second Reading** — John envisions the holy city, the new Jerusalem (Revelation 21:10-14, 22-23) or Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20.

**Gospel** — Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you (John 14:23-29) or John 17:20-26.

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*St. Matthias is a Roman Catholic Community striving to respond to the call of Jesus through worship and sacraments, faith formation, service, and social opportunities.*

*Under the guidance of the parish administrator and pastoral staff, we seek to strengthen current lay leadership and develop and empower new leadership.*

*Although a small parish, we commit ourselves and parish programs to hospitality, generosity to those in need, and outreach to all those seeking a faith community.*

*As Catholics, we recognize the many challenges facing the Church, but we trust in the Holy Spirit to guide us into the future.*

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[www.sfarchdiocese.org](http://www.sfarchdiocese.org)

#### Mass Schedule

Monday & Wednesday 5:30 pm  
Saturday 5:00 pm  
Sunday 8:00 am & 10:30 am

#### Reconciliation

Saturday 3:45 pm or by  
appointment

#### First Communion and Confirmation

Call Sabrina Harper to find out  
more about these sacraments.

#### Baptism

Call Liz Vugrinecz to schedule an  
appointment for preparation.

#### Marriage

Contact Deacon Rich Foley at  
least six months in advance of the  
wedding date.

#### Parish Library

Open Monday—Thursday from 9:30  
am—6:00 pm; Saturday 9:30 am—6:00  
pm; Sunday 8:00 am—11:30 am. Lo-  
cated in the Upper Rm of Lacey Hall.

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## From Fr. Tom

Dear Brothers and Sisters:

In today's first reading, we hear expressed some of the growing pains experienced by the early Church. There was a tension among those who had become Christian but who still subscribed to dimensions of the Mosaic Law. The natural dissension arose out of the understanding of Christians who had Jewish origins who still held to the belief that salvation was attainable only through strict observance of the Mosaic Law. Clearly, this would have caused difficulty for the emerging Gentile Christian communities from Lystra, Icononium, Pisidian Antioch to Perga. One outgrowth of the disagreements taking place in the various Christian communities was the emergence for the first time of ecclesiastical or Church governance.

Representatives of the various communities were appointed to go to Jerusalem to meet with the elders to find resolution to outstanding issues. This meeting became known as the Council of Jerusalem. Paul and Barnabas represented the Antiochene community. An essential result of this Council was that decisions of the Church are ultimately decided by the Holy Spirit. This is important because it reminds us, even in our day and generation, that discernment and decision-making within the Christian context must be predicated upon the movements of grace and the Holy Spirit. Another significant aspect of this Council was the decision not to impose any undue burdens upon the people beyond the sacrosanct laws of that time. This reflects what Jesus himself stated so many times in reference to the Pharisees and Scribes. "They tie up heavy burdens and lay them on men's shoulders, but will they lift a finger to move them?" This is a reminder to us that as Christians our first call is to be humble servants proclaiming the Good News, bringing people closer to Our Lord rather than alienating them from his merciful love.

This last point is determinative of what we hear in today's Gospel from John. Jesus tells his disciples: "The Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all that I told you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give it to you. Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid." These words of consolation serve to remind us that the Lord is ever present to us, even in those times of upheaval and maelstroms of our lives when He seems remote and distant. His admonition to not be afraid should give us the confidence to trust in and seek Him who fills the emptiness and longing we often feel as human beings. Surrendering ourselves to Him alone brings us deep and lasting peace!

Fr. Tom

# Our Call to Family & Pastoral Care

## *Mass Intentions & Clergy Assignments*

<b>Saturday, May 25th</b> <i>Easter Weekday</i>	5:00 pm	Marilyn Burke †	Fr. Ted
<b>Sunday, May 26th</b> <i>Sixth Sunday of Easter</i>	8:00 am	Paul & Maria Dolores Falzon †	Fr. Ted
	10:30 am	People of St. Matthias	Fr. Ted
<b>Monday, May 27th</b> <i>Easter Weekday</i>	NO 5:30 pm Mass—Parish Offices Closed for Memorial Day		
<b>Weds., May 29th</b> <i>Easter Weekday</i>	5:30 pm	Josefina Bon †	Fr. Ted
<b>Saturday, June 1st</b> <i>St. Justin, Martyr</i>	5:00 pm	Yvonne Salinger †	Bishop Justice
<b>Sunday, June 2nd</b> <i>The Ascension of the Lord</i>	8:00 am	People of St. Matthias	
	10:30 am	Erin Magee (Special Intention)	

***Prayer Tree Network***—Our Prayer Tree Network is a very special group of people who regularly pray for the needs of the community. All may request prayer for a special need or intention for healing, grieving, discernment, strength, comfort or support by

## *Deacon George Birthday Celebration!*

On Saturday, June 1st, our 5 p.m. Mass will be celebrated by Bishop William Justice in honor of Deacon George Salinger's 90th birthday. Deacon George and his late wife, Yvonne, came to our parish many years ago. According to George, they found St. Matthias and its community to be both welcoming and caring.

George, with the full support of Yvonne, was ordained a Deacon of the Archdiocese of San Francisco in June of 1999. He has served our parish and its parishioners for twenty years as one of our deacons. In that time, Deacon George has baptized many babies, witnessed several marriages and presided over numerous funeral vigils and committals.

Deacon George also served as Assistant Chaplain at San Quentin Prison for over 14 years. He continues to bring the Word of God and Holy Communion into San Mateo County Jail most Sundays.

Please join us for this celebration and the opportunity to wish George a very Happy 90th Birthday and express our thanks for his many years of service to the St. Matthias Community. Members of Deacon George's family will be joining us. A reception will follow in Fr. Lacey Hall.

*We pray for the sick in our community...*

Adelaide Sciandri

Will Richardson

Shirley Roybal

Georgia Graf

Gerard Kaz

Pamela Foley

Andres Gutierrez

Kelly Corbett

Marian Deglientoni

Rose & Richard Marino

*...that they may be comforted by the love of Jesus.*

To add or remove a name from this list, email

[lisa@stmatthiasparish.org](mailto:lisa@stmatthiasparish.org). Please let us know when your friend or loved one's health has improved.

## *Pastoral Care of the Sick*

Do you know a parishioner ill at home, homebound, or in a care facility who would like to receive Communion or anointing? Call the parish office, and we will arrange to have a priest visit.

# Our Call to Stewardship

*All we have is a gift from God. What we do with what we have is our gift to God.*

Sharing our gifts and returning them to God means giving generously of our time, talent, and treasure. To find out ways to share your time and talent, visit this page or [www.stmatthiasparish.org](http://www.stmatthiasparish.org).

## Treasure Received

**July 2018– June 2019 (income needed to balance budget) \$320,000.00**

St. Matthias' Finance Council has suggested that income be reported on a monthly, rather than weekly, basis for this fiscal year. Income figures for the previous month will be reported the first weekend of the next month.

<b>Year-To-Date Received</b>	<b>\$260,640.25</b>
<b>Monthly Need</b>	<b>\$26,666</b>
April Sunday Collections (includes Easter)	\$27,779
+ Electronic Donations	\$4,785
<b>Total Offertory for April</b>	<b>\$32,564</b>
<b>Difference (Monthly Need - Received)</b>	<b>&lt;\$5,898&gt;</b>

## Online Giving

Online giving is *safe, secure and easy*. Visit our website at [stmatthiasparish.org](http://stmatthiasparish.org) and click on "Support Us" then "Online Donation" to sign up.

Thank you to those who have recently made the switch! A monthly online donation saves on paperwork and transaction fees.

## Archdiocesan Annual Appeal 2019 Called to Care & Share

On behalf of everyone who needs and utilizes our programs and services, we invite you to support this once-a-year Appeal. **Please forward your pledge envelope to either the parish office or to the Archdiocese.** Our assessment amount is \$65,273 and every dollar raised over that amount is returned to the parish community. As of May 20, 2019 we have received 37% of our assessment. Thank you for supporting the work of the parish and the Archdiocese. We will continue to update you on our progress.

## Thank you for supporting our ongoing fundraising efforts!

Each month we've organized another fundraising event at a local restaurant. In April, we "Let the Good Times Roll" at Creola Bistro in San Carlos and will be receiving a check for 20% of the sales, \$423.36. The prior month was at Canyon Inn and we received \$650. Thank you to all who attended our "Murder on a Movie Set" Murder Mystery this Saturday night. We'll have more information to report to you about that next week!

Stay tuned for the June restaurant—date and place to be announced soon!



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# Our Call to Build Community



Photos from "Murder on a Movie Set" Murder Mystery Dinner & Silent Auction



Thank you to our committee of volunteers: Gloria Chamorro, Rosie Grelli, Maureen Muscat, Randall Watts, Marti Eng, Bob & Lynda Allen, and Gus Moreno for the countless hours spent planning and executing this event. Thank you too, to all the volunteers who helped during and after the event to make sure that it ran smoothly and that our facilities were cleaned up for Sunday morning Masses. Thank you to our cast of talented actors and actresses who made sure that our guests had an enjoyable evening. And thank you, especially to everyone who attended our Murder Mystery fundraiser last Saturday night and supported our fundraising efforts.

# Our Call to Prayer & Worship

FISH and SALT are on hiatus during the summer months and will resume in September.

## *Pentecost*

Saturday & Sunday, June 8 & 9th | St. Matthias

We will be celebrating the Feast of Pentecost on June 8 and 9th. Pentecost marks the founding of Christ's Church. We read in Scripture how the Apostles, guided by the power of the Holy Spirit, share the Good News of Jesus and how they were heard by those pilgrims in Jerusalem who spoke many languages.

We are seeking parishioners who speak languages other than English to say one or two lines during a reading at one or more Masses on Pentecost weekend. Please contact the parish office or see Deacon David or Deacon Rich if you have the gift of multiple languages and can help us.

## *Bible Study: Encountering Jesus in the Gospel of John with Deacon Rich*

Beginning Monday, April 29 through June 17 from 7:00—8:30 pm | Fr. Lacey Hall, St. Matthias Church

This seven session series will examine Jesus as he is revealed in the four parts of this book of the

Bible through presentations, discussions and analysis. The four parts include: The Prologue, The Book of Signs, The Book of Glory and the Resurrection Epilogue. Handouts will be provided.

Please bring your Bible, notepad and pen. The preferred Catholic Bibles are *New Revised Standard Version* and *The New American Bible*. Bibles are available for use in the Hall.

If you have any questions, please contact Deacon Rich rich@stmatthiasparish.org

## *Parish Registration*

All families who attend St. Matthias Church are asked to register in the parish. This helps us to know who our members are and to provide services that meet your needs. You may use the form to the right, or visit [www.stmatthiasparish.org](http://www.stmatthiasparish.org) and register online.



### NEW IN THE PARISH OR CHANGE OF STATUS FORM

To register in the parish or make a change in address, to add or remove family members, please fill out the form below. (Please cut it out and place in the collection basket).

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone / Cell \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

( ) new to the parish ( ) change of address ( ) would like information  
( ) moving, remove from list ( ) would like a visit

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# This Week @ St. Matthias

CR = Rectory Conference Room DR = Rectory Dining Room MR = Merry Room UR = Upper Room PS = Preschool

<u>Memorial Day</u>			
<u>Sunday, May 26th</u>	<u>Monday, May 27th</u>	<u>Tuesday, May 28th</u>	<u>Wednesday, May 29th</u>
8:00 am Sunday Mass 10:30 am Sunday Mass / Baptism	No 5:30 pm Mass  <b>Parish Offices Closed for Memorial Day</b>		5:30 pm Daily Mass (Church)
<b>2nd Collection: Catholic Communication Campaign</b>			
<u>Thursday, May 30th</u>	<u>Friday, May 31st</u>	<u>Saturday, June 1st</u>	<u>Sunday, June 2nd</u>
	9:15 am Rosary for Peace (MR)	5:00 pm Vigil Mass (Church)  90th Birthday Celebration for Deacon George Salinger!	8:00 am Sunday Mass 10:30 am Sunday Mass / Baptism

## *Join us for Hospitality!*

Please come by Fr. Lacey Hall after the 10:30 AM Mass on Sunday, May 26th, for donuts, juice, coffee and a chance to catch up with fellow parishioners.

## *Youth on a Mission Discipleship Training*

June 20-23rd | Holy Names University—Oakland

“Youth on a Mission” is a Northern California Youth Discipleship Training for high school students. Have you ever felt compelled, motivated, or called to take a journey that will impact others around you? Now is your chance to take the opportunity to make a difference. Join others to encounter Christ, learn practical skills for servant leadership, discover God’s call to evangelize, and be challenged to take the next step in discipleship. Register by June 1 for \$249 per person. Contact Amanda George for more information (415) 614-5595



## *St. Matthias Welcomes New Members!*

Sunday, May 19th at 10:30 pm Mass, Taras Chan was baptized into the Church, accompanied by his parents Tony Chan and Tania Wong, and godparents.

Sunday, May 26th at 10:30 pm Mass | Church

Matt Fish and Kate Motroni-Fish are presenting their daughter, Saoirse Fish for baptism at the 10:30 am Mass on May 26th. We welcome Saoirse to our church community.

Sunday, June 2nd at 10:30 am Mass | Church

Illiana Ortiz and Ivan Alvarez and presenting their son, Massimo Messi Alvarez and daughter, Nia Melody Alvarez for baptism at the 10:30 am Mass on June 2nd. We welcome Massimo and Nia to our church community.