

St. Matthias

ST. MATTHIAS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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St. Matthias Mass Schedule

Saturday 5:00 pm (Indoors)*

Sunday 9:45 am (Outdoors)*

St. Charles Mass Schedule

Monday-Saturday 5:00 pm*

Sunday 8:30 am*, 11:00 am & 5:00 pm

*Live streamed Masses. See details inside.

St. Matthias Reconciliation

By appointment, call the parish office.

St. Charles Reconciliation

Saturday 3:30 pm

First Communion and Confirmation

Email Sabrina Harper for information.

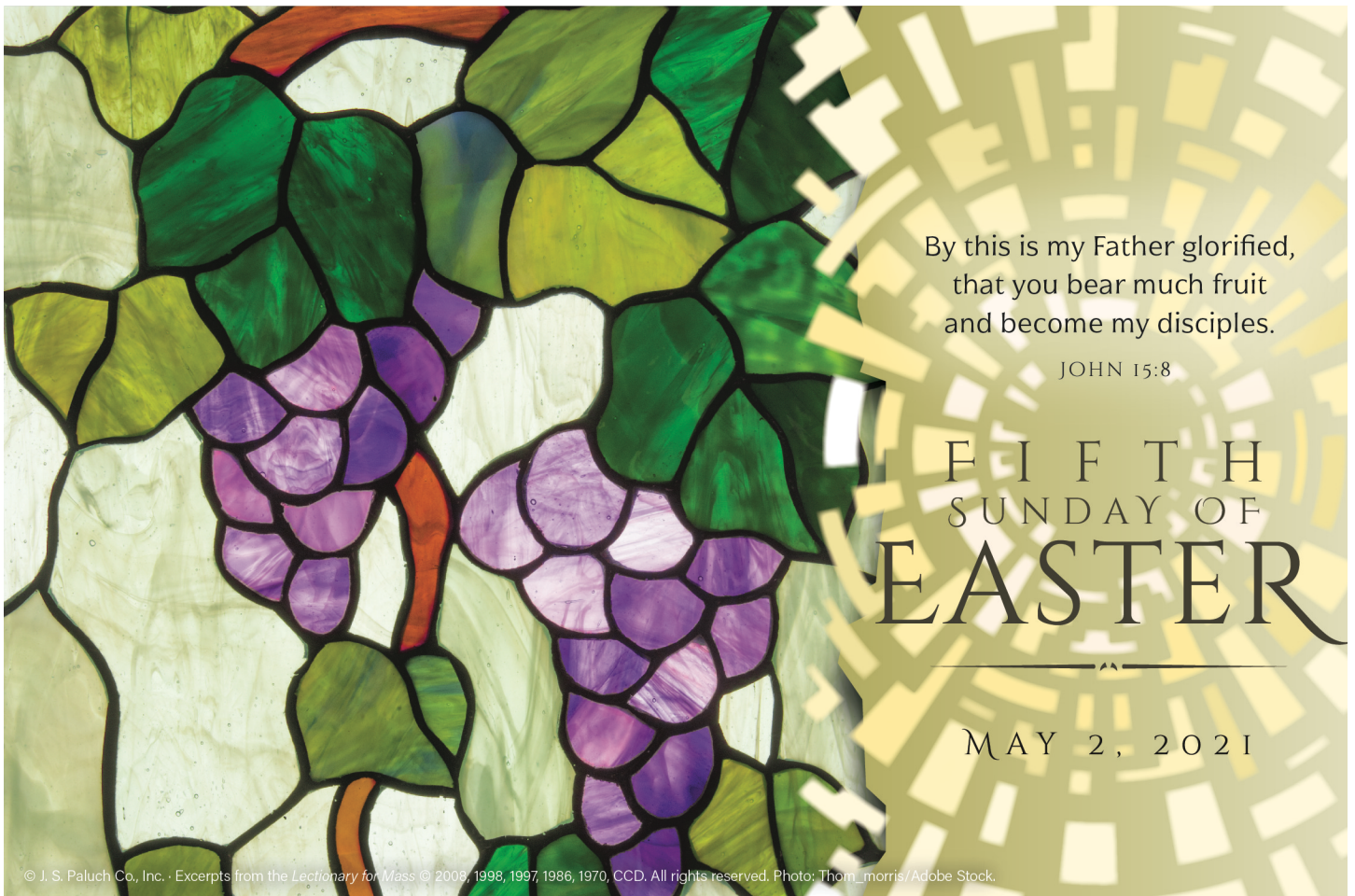
Baptism

Email Deacon Rich Foley for information.

Marriage

Email Deacon Rich Foley for information.

See Staff Directory inside for contact information.



By this is my Father glorified,
that you bear much fruit
and become my disciples.

JOHN 15:8

FIFTH
SUNDAY OF
EASTER

MAY 2, 2021

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Fifth Sunday of Easter Readings

The Gloria

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His people on earth. Lord God heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Reading I

Acts 9:26-31

When Saul arrived in Jerusalem he tried to join the disciples, but they were all afraid of him, not believing that he was a disciple.

Then Barnabas took charge of him and brought him to the apostles, and he reported to them how he had seen the Lord, and that he had spoken to him, and how in Damascus he had spoken out boldly in the name of Jesus.

He moved about freely with them in Jerusalem, and spoke out boldly in the name of the Lord.

He also spoke and debated with the Hellenists, but they tried to kill him.

And when the brothers learned of this, they took him down to Caesarea and sent him on his way to Tarsus.

The church throughout all Judea, Galilee, and Samaria was at peace.

It was being built up and walked in the fear of the Lord, and with the consolation of the Holy Spirit it grew in numbers.

Responsorial Psalm

22:26-27, 28, 30, 31-32

R. I will praise you, Lord, in the assembly of your people.

Reading II

1 Jn 3:18-24

Children, let us love not in word or speech but in deed and truth.

Now this is how we shall know that we belong to the truth and reassure our hearts before him in whatever our hearts condemn, for God is greater than our hearts and knows everything.

Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have confidence in God and receive from him whatever we ask, because we keep his commandments and do what pleases him.

And his commandment is this:

we should believe in the name of his Son, Jesus Christ, and love one another just as he commanded us.

Those who keep his commandments remain in him, and he in them, and the way we know that he remains in us is from the Spirit he gave us.

Alleluia

Jn 15:4a, 5b

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Remain in me as I remain in you, says the Lord.

Whoever remains in me will bear much fruit.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel

Jn 15:1-8

Jesus said to his disciples:

"I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine grower.

He takes away every branch in me that does not bear fruit, and every one that does he prunes so that it bears more fruit. You are already pruned because of the word that I spoke to you. Remain in me, as I remain in you. Just as a branch cannot bear fruit on its own unless it remains on the vine, so neither can you unless you remain in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever remains in me and I in him will bear much fruit, because without me you can do nothing. Anyone who does not remain in me will be thrown out like a branch and wither; people will gather them and throw them into a fire and they will be burned. If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask for whatever you want and it will be done for you. By this is my Father glorified, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples."

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God,
the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
he descended into hell;
on the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of God the
Father almighty;
from there he will come to judge the living
and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and life everlasting.
Amen.

To Access Live Streamed Masses

St. Matthias and St. Charles are live streaming Masses each week.

Both **Saturday 5:00 pm and Sunday 9:45 am Mass** will be live-streamed on St. Matthias' YouTube page [Live Steams From St. Matthias In Redwood City](#).

Monday-Saturday at 5:00 pm and Sunday at 8:30 am on St. Charles' Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/StCharlesParishSC/>.

St. Charles' Sunday 8:30 am Mass is celebrated outdoors, all are welcome to attend.

If you wish to attend one of our Outdoor Masses, please bring your own chair, wear a mask and maintain social distance of 6 feet between the members of your household and others.

Please regularly check the "COVID-19 Updates" page of the parish website for updates.

Staff Directory

Pastor, Fr. Dave Giorso

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Mass Intentions

Saturday, May 1st at 5:00 pm -

Ed Daubenmire (+)

Sunday, May 2nd at 9:45 am -

John Michael Mahoney (+)

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 prayers for a special intention for healing, grieving, discernment, strength, comfort or support by contacting our Prayer Tree Network. The members spent some time every day in prayer for the requests that are received. If you are interested in sharing a prayer intention, or finding out more about this valuable ministry, please call the parish office at (650) 366-9544.

St. Matthias Church is open Monday, Tuesday and Thursday from 10:00 am - 5:00 pm for personal prayer. Please use the provided Clorox wipes to sanitize the areas that you have come in contact with before leaving.

St. Matthias Preschool is now enrolling 3 to 5 year olds for the 2021-2022 school year. Contact Rose Juarez for enrollment information.

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

Liz Vugrinecz

Alyssa Beemer

Aurora Genochio

Suzanne Schaffner

Robert Franco

and for those who have recently returned to God's loving embrace...

Gianna Maria Solazzi

Teresita Concha

...that they may be comforted by the loving embrace of Jesus.

Save the Date: September 18 & 19, 2021 St. Matthias Church 60th Anniversary

This is part-four of a series of articles on the history of St. Matthias Church. Each week, leading up to the anniversary celebration, another part of our rich history will be shared in the pages of the bulletin. If you have a story to share from our early days, please contact Sabrina. Plans for the celebratory weekend are in the very early stages. A planning committee will be formed soon. Watch for more details!



The Holy Family Sisters started our Day Care operation in 1977 led by Sr. Teresa. In 1980, they turned the directorship over to Sr. Ann Stubbe, SND. Other sisters who have served in the Day Care Center over the years were Sr. Claire Marie, Sr. Linda Gonzales, OSF and Sr. Sandra Ann. The decision to support a day care operation in our school building proved to be an excellent decision, it was a service that was in demand, and in the 1990's would help save St. Matthias as a parish.

The 1970's were also a time of fundraising to help the parish get on a stronger financial footing. Fall festivals, social events and eventually Bingo not only brought the community together but also raised funds to keep the parish in good financial standing.

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Fifth Sunday of Easter
Monday: Ss. Philip and James
Wednesday: Cinco de Mayo
Thursday: National Day of Prayer
Friday: First Friday

SMALL TASKS

Each small task of everyday life is part of the total harmony of the universe.
—St. Thérèse of Liseux

HOLIEST FLOWER

Mary is the lily in God's garden.
—St. Bridget of Sweden

First Holy Communion

This weekend at our 9:45 am Mass, we welcome ten families and their children to the table of the Lord. These families have been attending our GIFT program for two years and have prepared for the sacrament of Holy Communion since earlier this spring. Their children, *Landon Brouchoud, Michaela Garaycochea, Wyatt Granillo, Dean Joya, Lauren Joya, Adam Lewandowski, Valentina Martinez, Elise Sheena, Nathan Gibson, Beata Ang-Dutta, and Henry Crowell* are now ready to receive our Lord's Body in the Eucharist. They, along with their parents, have attended virtual preparation meetings and a rehearsal. As the Catechism of the Catholic Church says, "The Eucharist is the 'source and summit' of the Christian Life," join us in welcoming these children to the Eucharistic banquet.

Status Update for our AAA 2021 Pray — Plan — Pledge

Goal: \$58,820

Pledged to Date: \$38,859

(69 households responding) **66% of goal**

Needed: \$19,961

(by Pentecost Sunday, May 23rd)

Thank you to the sixty-nine households that have prayed, planned and pledged to our 2021 Archdiocesan Annual Appeal. If your household is not one of the 60 that have already responded, please sit down with those in your household and plan your contribution. We are encouraging you to consider pledging your level of giving over the next 10 months. For example, say your family decides to give \$1,000. With a gift, you would submit all \$1,000 at one time. But, with a pledge, you could give \$100 per month for ten months (March-December). With pledges, we know early that we've met our goal. During this pandemic, thoughtful planning is critical for so many things.

Thank you to the following households for answering our call to Pray — Plan — Pledge:

Bob & Lynda Allen, Roger & Karen Anchartchahar, Bruce & Teresa Anthony, Jon & Lisa Bamford, Leonard Berberich, Ann & Dan Boram, Shaun Brennan, Tom & Lynda Brouchoud, Rita Brox, Sal & Robin Calcagno, Diana Chamorro, Bayardo & Gloria Chamorro, Cheryl Clawson, Karl & Vivian Clausing, James Cleeves, Lois Conti, Laurie Coulter, Al Cresta, Francesca Dagragnano, Colton & Jeri Daines, Sieglinde Daxer, Jim & Marilyn Donnelly, Thomas & Anne Marie Ellerhorst, Cristina Engh, Vince & Denise Falzon, Phil & Bobby Feiner, Claire Felong, Roger & Arlene Flores, Nancy Galli, Fr. Dave Ghorso, Lou & Fran Giannattasio, Charles & Mira Gillet, Steve & Serena Giorgi, Linda Glatt, Steve & Shirley Grana, Mike & Karen Guidotti, Alan & Sabrina Harper, Carmella Huser, Joe & Kathleen Kaz, Bill & Gloria Keating, Sean Leddy, Russell Lee, Anne-Marie Lemoine,

Patrick & Sonia Lough, Sandi Machado, Carol McAdams, Sharon McQueen, Bob & Marge Mitchell, Severin Morger, Arthur & Patty Navarro, Bruce Noriega, Susan Panelli, Jay Parashis, Elaine Piparo, Enrica Poggio, Brian & Ann Ponty, Susan Rawcliffe, David & Mildred Rolandelli, Steve Rusconi, Jason Satterwhite, Joseph Schmidt, Bill & Mary Schorr, Ed & Christine So, James & Betty Steidel, Margaret Tonda, Liana Turchet, Jerry & Marina Turner, Hal Urban, Tim & Sunshine Valderrama

St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry Upgrade

Our food pantry renovation is completed. Our St. Vincent de Paul Conference members will be resuming food deliveries this weekend, May 1-2nd. Watch in the coming weeks for more information about how you can support our efforts to feed our hungry neighbors.

Thank you to Julia Granucci and her parents for spearheading this project for seeing it to completion and for our electrician, Rigo Martinez who completed some much needed electrical upgrades in the pantry!

An Upcoming Event with Peninsula Multifaith Coalition

Annual Ramadan Interfaith Peninsula Iftar 2021

"Ramadan as a Celebration of Compassion and Unity"

In honor of the Islamic holy month of Ramadan, Pacifica Institute and Peninsula Multifaith Coalition invited everyone to discuss the many lessons of Ramadan, including the important of being charitable and especially generous with those in need, and how these injections are particularly relevant during this challenging time.

Virtual event will be held on Monday, May 3 from 7:00 - 8:00 pm.
Visit <https://peninsulamultifaith.org> for more information about these two events and sign up information.

From Our Neighbors

Are you interested in becoming part of a Grief Ministry?

Please join us! *The St. Pius Grief Ministry* is looking for new members to help us in our work to comfort those in our parish, and surrounding parishes, who mourn the loss of a loved one. For more information please call our support line @650-361-0655 or email us at griefministry@pius.org

From the School of Pastoral Ministry

C.S. Lewis, Modernity's Greatest Literary Evangelist

The School of Pastoral Ministry at the Archdiocese of San Francisco is excited to share with you that Dr. Peter Kreeft will be teaching a six-part online course on some of C.S. Lewis's lesser known works for fiction and non-fiction. C.S. Lewis is probably most famous in the United States for his series *The Chronicles of Narnia* which was turned into a 1.5 billion dollar film franchise. Lesser known is the fact that C.S. Lewis was also one of the greatest Christian apologists to have ever lived.

A \$25 donation is requested for all six classes, but no one will be turned down. Scholarships

are given freely to all who ask simply by emailing totah.fred@sfarch.org. To sign up, visit <https://www.sfarch.org/cslewis>
Classes will be held via Zoom on **TUESDAYS, MAY 4-JUNE 8, 7-8:30 PM PST** and will be recorded for those unable to attend.

Mass Times Update

Our current Mass schedule offers a Vigil Mass on Saturdays at 5 p.m. in the Church and a Sunday Mass at 9:45 a.m. in our parking lot. Parishioners have been asking if our schedule will be changing in the near future.

Specifically, will we be returning to the 8 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Masses on Sundays? The answer is no and here is why. Later this year Fr. Samuel and Fr. Dave will be going on well-deserved vacations, each for an extended period of time.

Although Fr. Malachi helps St. Charles and St. Matthias with our Masses, his primary responsibilities are to our local hospitals. He will also be going on vacation later this year. Therefore, we need a schedule between St. Matthias and St. Charles which enables one priest to preside at all Masses. The current schedule allows one priest to cover the 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Masses at St. Charles while being able to celebrate the 9:45 a.m. Mass at St. Matthias.

We have also heard that most people are enjoying the outside Mass on Sundays. Mass outside will continue for the foreseeable future as well. Our primary concern is safety and the importance of the St. Matthias community gathering together in worship whether it is in person or via live stream. Our thanks to Charles Gillet and his team for continuing to provide live stream services.

William R. Conklin

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