

SEPTEMBER

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TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

2022

St. Matthias Parish

Fill us at daybreak with your kindness,
that we may shout for
joy and gladness all our days.

Psalms 90:14

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St. Matthias Mass Schedule

Saturday 5:00 pm

Sunday 9:45 am*

St. Charles Mass Schedule

Monday-Saturday 5:00 pm*

Sunday 8:30 am* & 11:00 am

*Live streamed Masses.

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
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23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time - September 4, 2022

The Gloria

Glory to God in the highest.
And on earth peace to men of good will. We praise You. We bless You. We adore you. We glorify You. We give You thanks for Your great glory. O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father almighty. O Lord Jesus Christ, the Only-begotten Son. O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father: you Who take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. You Who take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer. You Who sit at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are holy. You alone are the Lord. You alone, O Jesus Christ, are most high. Together with the Holy Spirit in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Reading 1

Wis 9:13-18b

Who can know God's counsel,
or who can conceive what the LORD intends?
For the deliberations of mortals are timid,
and unsure are our plans.
For the corruptible body burdens the soul
and the earthen shelter weighs down the
mind that has many concerns.
And scarce do we guess the things on earth,
and what is within our grasp we find with
difficulty; but when things are in heaven, who
can search them out? Or who ever knew your
counsel, except you had given wisdom
and sent your holy spirit from on high?
And thus were the paths of those on earth
made straight.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 and 17

R. (1) **In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.**

You turn man back to dust,

saying, "Return, O children of men."

For a thousand years in your sight
are as yesterday, now that it is past,
or as a watch of the night.

R. **In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.**

You make an end of them in their sleep;
the next morning they are like the changing
grass,

Which at dawn springs up anew,
but by evening wilts and fades.

R. **In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.**

Teach us to number our days aright,
that we may gain wisdom of heart.

Return, O LORD! How long?

Have pity on your servants!

R. **In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.**

Fill us at daybreak with your kindness,
that we may shout for joy and gladness all
our days.

And may the gracious care of the LORD our
God be ours;

prosper the work of our hands for us!

Prosper the work of our hands!

R. **In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.**

Reading 2

Phmn 9-10, 12-17

I, Paul, an old man, and now also a prisoner
for Christ Jesus, urge you on behalf of my
child Onesimus, whose father I have become
in my imprisonment; I am sending him, that is,
my own heart, back to you.

I should have liked to retain him for myself,
so that he might serve me on your behalf
in my imprisonment for the gospel,
but I did not want to do anything without your

consent, so that the good you do might not be forced but voluntary. Perhaps this is why he was away from you for a while, that you might have him back forever, no longer as a slave but more than a slave, a brother, beloved especially to me, but even more so to you, as a man and in the Lord. So if you regard me as a partner, welcome him as you would me.

Alleluia

Ps 119:135

R. **Alleluia, alleluia.**

Let your face shine upon your servant;
and teach me your laws.

R. **Alleluia, alleluia.**

Gospel

Lk 14:25-33

Great crowds were traveling with Jesus, and he turned and addressed them, "If anyone comes to me without hating his father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, and even his own life, he cannot be my disciple.

Whoever does not carry his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple.

Which of you wishing to construct a tower does not first sit down and calculate the cost to see if there is enough for its completion? Otherwise, after laying the foundation and finding himself unable to finish the work the onlookers should laugh at him and say, 'This one began to build but did not have the resources to finish.'

Or what king marching into battle would not first sit down and decide whether with ten thousand troops he can successfully oppose another king advancing upon him with twenty thousand troops?

But if not, while he is still far away,

he will send a delegation to ask for peace terms.

In the same way, anyone of you who does not renounce all his possessions cannot be my disciple."

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Second Collection for the Support of Military Services

This week our parish will take a collection to benefit the Archdiocese for the Military Services, USA (AMS), a collection approved by the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops to be taken every three years. The AMS is the Archdiocese for the Military Services, not of the Military Services. This is an important distinction, because the AMS receives no funding from the U.S. Government or U.S. Military and has no parishes from which to receive a weekly assessment. Instead, it must rely on the generosity of those whose values and priorities align with its mission, programs and services, to meet its costs. Please prayerfully consider a contribution to this special collection to support active-duty military men and women, and their families – *including those from our own parish*. Please give generously.

Mass Intentions

Saturday, Sept 3rd
at 5:00 pm -
 Carolyn Krebs Luke +

Sunday, Sept 4th
at 9:45 am -
 Joyce Morger +

Church is open Monday, Tuesday and Thursday from 10:00 am - 5:00 pm for personal prayer.

Office Hours are Monday, Tuesday, Thursday from 9:00 am - 3:00 pm, Wednesday from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm.

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

*Stacy Baldwin
 Alyssa Beemer
 Catherine McCaffrey
 Kerry Peterson
 Fr. Paul Rossi
 Suzanne Schaffner
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 North West*

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

And for the souls of the faithful departed
Mia Ainardi

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rosemary@stmatthiasparish.org

Reflection Question:

What would be true freedom for me?

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This Week at St. Matthias (September 4-11, 2022)

Sunday, 9/4	PMC Interfaith Prayers for Peace	9:30AM-11:30AM	Twin Pines Park, Belmont
Monday, 9/5	Parish Offices Closed in Observance of Labor Day		
Thursday, 9/8	Rosary for Peace Breaking Open the Word Staff Meeting	10AM 10:30AM 1:30PM	Merry Room Google Meet Rectory

Calling All Families — Learn About the Love of Jesus

Registration for GIFT, First Communion, and Confirmation preparation, as well as our Middle School and High School Youth Ministry programs is open!

GIFT (for families with kindergarten - 8th grade children and those preparing for First Communion) begins on Sunday, September 11th at 12:00PM.

Middle School Youth Ministry (MSYM) begins on Wednesday, Sept 14th at 5:00PM.

High School Youth Ministry (HSYM) next meeting will be on Sept 5th at 9:30 am for the PMC's Interfaith Prayers for Peace at Twin Pines Park.

Confirmation - Year 1 for young people starting the process in 9th grade, begins on Sunday, September 25th at 5:00PM.

Confirmation - Year 2 for young people who have completed Year 1, begins on Sunday, September 18th at 5:00PM.

On the weekend of Sept 10-11th we will celebrate "**Catholic Family Day**" at St. Matthias. We invite all families with children to come learn about our faith formation programs, receive a special gift from the parish, and enjoy coffee and donuts after the 9:45AM Mass.

For questions about any of these programs, email sabrina@stmatthiasparish.org

PMC's Prayers for Peace!

Interfaith Prayers for Peace will be held on Monday, Sept 5th at Twin Pines Park in Belmont from 9:30AM to 11:30AM. For more

information about the Peninsula Multifaith Coalition, visit <https://peninsulamultifaith.org/>

Bundle Sunday is Back!

Help out neighbors in need by participating in the St. Vincent de Paul's Bundle Sunday on Sept 24-25th after each Mass. Our St. Matthias Conference invites you to bring



useable clothing items to be donated to St. Vincent de Paul and given to individuals and families in need. Vincentian volunteers will be available after every Mass. We will be collecting clean casual adult clothing, shoes and backpacks. Questions? Call Bob Thompson, President of SVdP St. Matthias Conference at (650) 714-5734. Thank you in advance for your generosity. — St. Matthias SVdP Conference.



Becoming a Fully Initiated Catholic - RCIA

Do you know someone who has thought about becoming Catholic, or for whatever reason, has been baptized but has not been confirmed or received Holy Communion? What does it mean to become fully initiated into the Roman Catholic Church? Do you or someone who knows have questions about the

sacraments and what it means to be Catholic?
Please consider RCIA.

The Catholic Church has a process for adults to discern whether God is inviting them to learn more about our faith and, perhaps, to become Catholic. This process is also a pathway to complete the Sacraments of Initiation for those already Baptized (Confirmation, Eucharist).

This process is called RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults). The RCIA process provides guided weekly sessions on the fundamental beliefs of our faith including and understanding of the Sacraments, especially the Eucharist (Mass). In addition, the process emphasizes prayer, discernment and spiritual formation as each candidate responds to their call to become followers of Jesus through the Catholic Church.

Participants include candidates from St. Matthias and St. Charles parishes along with their sponsors and team members. RCIA sessions will be held on **Sunday mornings from 11:00AM - 12:00PM at St. Matthias in the Merry Room**. The first RCIA gathering will be held on **Sunday, September 18th**. Parishioner, who would like to participate as an RCIA team member and support our candidates are welcome.

Deacon Rich and Deacon David will lead and facilitate RCIA sessions. If you have any questions, know of someone who would like to discuss joining RCIA, are considering being a team member, or would just like to experience the RCIA process, please contact Deacon Rich at

rich@stmatthiasparish.org or call him at St. Matthias Church (650) 366-9544.

Please pray that the Holy Spirit calls individuals to seek a deeper relationship with Almighty God through His Church.

Gardening Service

Our weekly gardening service company is no longer able to provide service for St. Matthias Preschool. We are looking for another company to provide weekly blowing and weed pulling for the areas around the Preschool building and playground. Must carry general liability and/or workers compensation insurance for their employees. If you know of a company and can provide a referral, please contact Lisa lisa@stmatthiasparish.org. Thank you!

St. Charles Women's Club invites the women of St.

Charles and St. Matthias to an event on Wednesday, Sept 14th at 7:00PM. "Here I am Lord, Send Me" Discerning God's will for the decisions in our lives



will be presented by Deacon Tom Kramer in Borromeo Hall. Refreshments will be served afterwards.

St. Charles Senior Luncheon

We are delighted to announce the return of the Senior Luncheon — all registered parishioners of St. Charles and St. Matthias who are over 60 years of age are cordially invited to our September BACK TO SCHOOL luncheon on Wednesday, September 14 at 12:00PM. Doors will open at 11:45AM. Don't be tardy! To reserve your spot by Monday, Sept 12th, please RSVP to Kathy Fagliano at

650-591-7349 ext 402 or
kfragliano@stcharlesparish.org. Caregivers are welcome. Along with your reservation, please indicate your sandwich choice: Bologna, Ham, Salami, Turkey or the all time favorite ...Peanut Butter and Jelly!

If you need a ride or are able to offer a ride to a parishioner who needs transportation, please let Kathy know. We hope to see you in "class!"



Birth of a Movement: Black Lives Matter and the Catholic Church

This series, offered as a "book club" by the Justice & Charity Commission of St. Matthias Church, seeks to continue raising awareness of Church teaching about racism. This eight-week virtual series will include prayer, reading, reflection and discussion using Olga M. Segura's book, *Birth of a Movement: Black Lives Matter and the Catholic Church*. This is the fifth anti-racism series offered by our Justice & Charity Commission. Prior participation is not required. We hope you will join us.

When: Monday Sept 12, 19, 26, Oct 3, 10, 17, 24 and Nov 7, 2022

Where: Google Meet

Time: 7:00 - 8:00 pm

Other: Technical support will be provided for all participants. For questions or to register, contact the parish office at (650) 366-9544 or email sabrina@stmatthiasparish.org

Moving Through the Loss of a Loved One

Is a focused support group being offered by the St. Pius Grief Ministry this fall. This session is intended to those who have previously attended a Grief Support group session and/or would like to participate in a support group focused on progressing through their personal grief journey. This session will be held on Monday evenings for 8 weeks beginning **Monday, September 26th at 7:00PM** at St. Pius Church. For more information or to register, please contact the Grief Ministry at 650-361-0655 or griefministry@pius.org

Fall 2022 Lay Ministry Training

We are pleased to announce that St. Matthias will host the Archdiocesan Lay Ministry Certification Workshops for Readers and Extra Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. Topics to be covered include sacramental theology, spiritual and technical direction, communion to the sick and homebound, interactive practice and coaching in proclamation and oral interpretation.

Who: All current ministers and those seeking to become Readers or Eucharistic Ministers

When: Saturday, Sept 10 from 10AM - 3PM
AND Saturday, Sept 24 from 10AM - 12Noon

Where: Fr. Lacey Hall, St. Matthias

Other: To sign up, contact Deacon Rich and indicate whether you will be attending the Reader or Eucharistic Minister training.

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