

January
15
2023

Second Sunday
in Ordinary Time



St. Matthias Parish

NOW I HAVE SEEN AND TESTIFIED THAT
HE IS THE SON OF GOD.

JOHN 1:34

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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, Marriage & RCIA

Email Deacon Rich Foley for information.

Funerals

Email Deacon David Rolandelli for
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Reading 1

Is 49:3, 5-6

The LORD said to me: You are my servant, Israel, through whom I show my glory. Now the LORD has spoken who formed me as his servant from the womb, that Jacob may be brought back to him and Israel gathered to him; and I am made glorious in the sight of the LORD, and my God is now my strength! It is too little, the LORD says, for you to be my servant, to raise up the tribes of Jacob, and restore the survivors of Israel; I will make you a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the ends of the earth.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10

R. (8a and 9a) **Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will.**

I have waited, waited for the LORD, and he stooped toward me and heard my cry. And he put a new song into my mouth, a hymn to our God.

R. **Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will.**

Sacrifice or offering you wished not, but ears open to obedience you gave me. Holocausts or sin-offerings you sought not; then said I, "Behold I come."

R. **Here I am, Lord; I come to do your will.**

"In the written scroll it is prescribed for me, to do your will, O my God, is my delight, and your law is within my heart!"

R. **Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will.**

I announced your justice in the vast assembly; I did not restrain my lips, as you, O LORD, know.

R. **Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will.**

Reading 2

1 Cor 1:1-3

Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Sosthenes our brother, to the church of God that is in Corinth, to you who have been sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be holy, with all those everywhere who call upon the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, their Lord and ours. Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Alleluia

Jn 1:14a, 12a

R. **Alleluia, alleluia.**

The Word of God became flesh and dwelt among us. To those who accepted him, he gave power to become children of God.

R. **Alleluia, alleluia.**

Gospel

Jn 1:29-34

John the Baptist saw Jesus coming toward him and said, "Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world. He is the one of whom I said, 'A man is coming after me who ranks ahead of me because he existed before me.' I did not know him, but the reason why I came baptizing with water was that he might be made known to Israel."

John testified further, saying,

"I saw the Spirit come down like a dove from heaven and remain upon him. I did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water told me, 'On whomever you see the Spirit come down and remain, he is the one who will baptize with the Holy Spirit.'"

Now I have seen and testified that he is the Son of God."

2023 Marks the 40th Anniversary of MLK Day

This year marks the 40th anniversary of the establishment of the Martin Luther King, Jr., holiday, the holiday we celebrate tomorrow. As a nation, we pay tribute to the values enshrined in Dr. King's message of love and hope in his efforts to engage us in bringing about true racial justice in our country. But our times would suggest that for all too many, that vision is becoming a vanishing reality. Five years ago, on the 50th anniversary of Dr. King's assassination, Archbishop Cordileone wrote, *"too much of our reality is not so different from that of 1968."* Indeed, look no further than current attempts in several states to silence even discussing our nation's history of racial injustice against people of color and its continuing impact on our society, under the pretext that it may cause "discomfort," a sentiment shared by many white Americans including many white Catholics. But as a people of faith, we must remember that Christ didn't come to make us feel comfortable but rather calls us out of our comfort zones in order to bring comfort to the oppressed, the alienated, the marginalized—to accompany and stand with those in their pain. It has been our mission from the earliest days of the church, a mission too often ignored throughout history. In what is considered among his most important works, Dr. King

wrote in his famous 1963 essay, "Letter from Birmingham City Jail," *"If the church of today does not recapture the sacrificial spirit of the early church, it will lose its authentic ring, forfeit the loyalty of millions, and be dismissed as an irrelevant social club with no meaning."*

It is this sacrificial spirit, the Spirit of Christ, the spirit of self-giving all-embracing love, that we must ever re-kindle in our hearts. In his essay, Dr. King would also write, *"We are caught in an inescapable network of mutuality, tied in a single garment of destiny."* That destiny comes to its fulfillment through the love of God which unites all of us as one in belonging and is never silent to another's pain. On this Martin Luther King Day, may we as a community of faith, reaffirm our commitment, in a spirit of unity and hope, to bring God's love and true racial justice to all.
- Deacon David

Tomorrow is Peninsula Multifaith Coalition's annual Martin Luther King, Jr. Day of Service

Please join the Peninsula Multifaith Coalition's 11th Annual Day of Service on Jan 16, 2023.

The Peninsula Multifaith Coalition brings together diverse faith communities to build bridges of understanding and respect.

A New Year Wish List

Did you know that at St. Matthias Church and Preschool we have some expensive technical equipment that we hope NEVER to use? Our community is fortunate to have two Automated External Defibrillators (AEDs) on-site, one in Fr. Lacey Hall and the other at St. Matthias Preschool. AEDs are life-saving devices that, along with CPR, greatly increase the chance of survival in the case of a sudden cardiac arrest. Prior to the pandemic, we hosted free training for anyone interested in learning how to use an AED. They are designed to be simple to use. Our AEDs are now over eight years old, beyond their warranty period at the point where replacement battery packs and pads are becoming difficult to obtain. New AED devices will cost around \$2,000 each. Rather than continue to invest in our older units, we feel now is the time to replace them. This expense was unexpected and not budgeted. Please consider a donation to help us replace these units for 2023!

Mass Intentions

Saturday, Jan 14th
at 5:00 pm -
Florencia Pangilinan +

Sunday, Jan 15th
at 9:45 am -
Wilfredo Lapus +

Church is open
Monday - 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.

St. Matthias Catholic Preschool

A Quality Early Education Program
Now Enrolling for 2023-2024 School Year
Children Ages 3-5 Years Old
Preschool Hours 7:30 am to 5:30 pm

All Day - Year Round School

Enrollment Slots Available

For More Information Please

Contact Preschool Director, Rosemary at
rosemary@stmatthiasparish.org

Or call (650) 367-1320



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

Christine Klein

Eva Gillet

Kevin Magee

Bob Mitchell Jr.

Jim Steidel

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

**And for the souls of the
faithful departed...**

Bill Bulanti

Cassandra Mitchell

This Week at St. Matthias (January 15 - 22, 2023)

Sunday, 1/15	Welcome Weekend - Donuts & Coffee RCIA Meeting	10:45AM 11:00AM-12:00PM	Fr. Lacey Hall Merry Room
Monday, 1/16	Parish Offices & Preschool Closed for Martin Luther King, Jr. Day		
Tuesday, 1/17	Breaking Open the Word Prayer Shawl Ministry Preschool Advisory Board Meeting	1:30PM-2:30PM 3:00PM-4:30PM 7:00PM-8:00PM	Google Meet Merry Room Google Meet
Wednesday, 1/18	Funeral & Reception for Bill Bulanti Middle School Youth Ministry	11:00AM 5:00PM-6:00PM	Church & Hall St. Charles
Thursday, 1/19	Rosary for Peace	10:00AM	Merry Room
Saturday, 1/21	Confirmation Year 2 Retreat	10:00AM-4:00PM	Vallombrosa Retreat
Sunday, 1/22	RCIA Meeting GIFT Family Faith Formation Confirmation Year 1 Candidate, Sponsor, Parent Gathering	11:00AM-12:00PM 12:00PM-1:00PM 3:00PM-5:00PM	Merry Room Fr. Lacey Hall Merry Room

Black History Month

Did you know that there are currently no canonized African American saints? There are, however, six Black Americans currently being considered for canonization.



Join our Justice and Charity Commission for a celebration of four of the six candidates for sainthood during Black History Month. On Monday evenings, from 7:00PM-8:00PM gather in Fr. Lacey Hall for a film, discussion, and hospitality and learn about these inspiring individuals who prevailed in professing the gospel of Christ amidst the omnipresent challenges of racism in the Church.

January 30th - Sr. Thea Bowman
February 6th - Fr. Augustus Tolton
February 13th - Pierre Toussaint
February 27th - Mother Mary Elizabeth Lange
(The two others who are being considered for sainthood are Henriette DeLille and Julia Greeley).

All are welcome!

Importance of Belonging to a Parish

The parish is where the Church lives. Parishes are communities of faith, of action, and of hope. They are where the gospel is proclaimed and celebrated, where believers are formed and sent to renew the earth. Parishes are the home of the Christian community; they are the heart of our Church. Parishes are the place where God's people

meet Jesus in word and sacrament and come in touch with the source of the Church's life. -U.S. Catholic Bishops "Communities of Salt and Light: Reflections on the Social Mission of the Parish" 1993



Crabaganza is Coming! Saturday, February 11, 2023 Borromeo Hall 6pm - 11:00

Yes, the crab will be back in Borromeo! Join us for a taste of Italy, Entourage the Band, and all that fantastic crab. This is THE must-do dinner-dance event of the Parish. \$80+fees per person (check or card). Eventbrite reservations open Sunday, January 8th @ Noon (<http://scmc-crabaganza2023.eventbrite.com>) (no www). Questions? Contact Gene Shimshock @ (650) 678-2443 or genes@shimshock.com.



Join us after the 9:45AM Mass this Sunday for Donuts & Coffee!

The Arch and the Spire: Romanesque and Gothic Churches



Florence Cathedral, Cathedral of Saint Mary of the Flower, formally the Cattedrale di Santa Maria del Fiore

This six-part lecture series will examine the development of church building during the golden age of architecture, the 11th to 14th centuries. Responding to extraordinary geopolitical events as well as a much-needed church reform, these styles reflected an engagement with the past as well as an innovative spirit.

From Mont-Saint Michel to Chartres, from Spire to Santa Maria del Fiore, join Dr. Elizabeth Lev in a course that will discuss how these developments in architecture crossed borders to create the first International Christian style, and the innovative artistic media that enhanced the liturgical ceremonies within.

Class 1 - January 10, 2023 (7:30PM-9:00PM)
What puts the "Rome" in Romanesque?

Class 2 - January 17, 2023 (7:30PM-9:00PM)
Searching for Stability in an Age of Crisis

Class 3 - January 24, 2023 (7:30PM-9:00PM)
Let There Be Light

Class 4 - January 31, 2023 (7:30PM-9:00PM)
The First Style Gone Viral

Class 5 - February 7, 2023 (7:30PM-9:00PM)
A Glimpse of Paradise

Class 6 - February 14, 2023 (7:30PM-9:00PM)
The Phoenix from the Flames

Visit <https://www.sfarchdiocese.org/arch-and-spire-course/> to find out more and register to attend.



Current St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry Needs

Thank you to all who contribute food to our food pantry. This enables our volunteers to deliver 16 bags of groceries to families in need each week.

Currently the pantry is in need of:

Tuna

Canned Meats (especially stews)

Pasta

Pasta sauce

A Fiesta Fundraiser!



Thursday, January 26, 2023

Celia's Mexican Restaurant
1850 El Camino Real in Menlo Park
(650) 321-8227

Bring this flyer with you and let your server know that you are from St. Matthias and the restaurant will donate 20% of your check back to St. Matthias.

Applies to lunch, dinner, and/or take-out orders.

Thank you for supporting our ongoing fundraising efforts!

Join us at Celia's in Menlo Park for our next restaurant fundraiser on Thursday, January 26th! Thank you to everyone who supports these fundraising efforts.

Grief Ministry News

Moving Through the Loss of a Loved One is a focused support group begin offered by the St. Pius Grief Ministry. This session is intended for those who would like to participate in a support group focused on progressing through their personal grief journey. The session will be held on Mondays for 8-weeks beginning on Monday, February 13th from 7:00PM to 8:30PM, at the Parish Center (we will observe the Presidents' Day holiday on the 20th and hold the second meeting on February 27th). For more information or to register, please contact the Grief Ministry at 650-361-0655 or griefministry@pius.org

St. Charles Women's Club
Invites the Women of St. Charles and St. Matthias to a



Valentines Dinner



February 8, Wednesday

6:30 pm for Social Time

7 pm an epicurean Dinner



\$30 per person

RSVP by sending form below and check By February 1

Questions? Contact: StCharlesWClub@gmail.com

=> MAIL TO : Dorothy Farkas, 948 Crestview Dr, San Carlos, CA 94070

Name (s) Women Attending: _____

Email: _____

\$ check enclosed \$ _____ Payable to: St Charles Church

Come celebrate our hearts full of Christ's love to share together



Save the Date: St. Matthias Preschool Open House on Sunday, January 29th from 10:30AM to 12:30PM



On Saturday, January 21st our Year 2 Confirmation Candidates from St. Matthias and St. Charles will gather at Vallombrosa Retreat Center from 10:00AM to 4:00PM for their final retreat before the conferral of the sacrament on Saturday, February 4th at 5:00 pm with Cardinal McElroy at St. Charles. Please keep them in prayer.

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