

# St. Matthias Parish



**Int'l Food & Wine Potluck & Raffle**

October 7th @ 6pm



**Listening Sessions**

See inside for more information and dates.



**Offering Envelopes 2024**

See inside for more information.

## Welcome to St. Matthias

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

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.

To see the full calendar of events, visit [www.stmatthiasparish.org](http://www.stmatthiasparish.org)

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**SCRIPTURE AND THE EUCHARIST**

Monday, Sept 25th  
10 am & 7pm

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**LISTENING SESSION**

Wednesday, Sept 27th at 10:00 am Hall

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**ROSARY FOR PEACE**

Thursday, Sept 28th at 10:00 am Hall

## Reading 1 Is 55:6-9

Seek the LORD while he may be found,  
call him while he is near.  
Let the scoundrel forsake his way,  
and the wicked his thoughts;  
let him turn to the LORD for mercy;  
to our God, who is generous in forgiving.  
For my thoughts are not your thoughts,  
nor are your ways my ways, says the LORD.  
As high as the heavens are above the earth,  
so high are my ways above your ways  
and my thoughts above your thoughts.

## Responsorial Psalm

### Ps 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18

R. The Lord is near to all who call upon him.

## Reading 2 Phil 1:20c-24, 27a

Brothers and sisters:  
Christ will be magnified in my body, whether  
by life or by death.  
For to me life is Christ, and death is gain.  
If I go on living in the flesh,  
that means fruitful labor for me.  
And I do not know which I shall choose.  
I am caught between the two.  
I long to depart this life and be with Christ,  
for that is far better.  
Yet that I remain in the flesh  
is more necessary for your benefit.  
Only, conduct yourselves in a way worthy of  
the gospel of Christ.

## Alleluia Cf. Acts 16:14b

R. Alleluia, alleluia.  
Open our hearts, O Lord,  
to listen to the words of your Son.  
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## Gospel Mt 20:1-16a

Jesus told his disciples this parable:  
"The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner  
who went out at dawn to hire laborers for his  
vineyard. After agreeing with them for the  
usual daily wage, he sent them into his  
vineyard. Going out about nine o'clock,  
the landowner saw others standing idle in the  
marketplace, and he said to them, 'You too go  
into my vineyard, and I will give you what is  
just.' So they went off.  
And he went out again around noon,  
and around three o'clock, and did likewise.  
Going out about five o'clock, the landowner  
found others standing around, and said to  
them, 'Why do you stand here idle all day?'  
They answered, 'Because no one has hired us.'  
He said to them, 'You too go into my vineyard.'  
When it was evening the owner of the vineyard  
said to his foreman, 'Summon the laborers and  
give them their pay, beginning with the last  
and ending with the first.'  
When those who had started about five o'clock  
came, each received the usual daily wage.  
So when the first came, they thought that they  
would receive more, but each of them also got  
the usual wage.  
And on receiving it they grumbled against the  
landowner, saying, 'These last ones worked  
only one hour, and you have made them equal  
to us, who bore the day's burden and the heat.'  
He said to one of them in reply,  
'My friend, I am not cheating you.  
Did you not agree with me for the usual daily  
wage? Take what is yours and go.  
What if I wish to give this last one the same as  
you? Or am I not free to do as I wish with my  
own money? Are you envious because I am  
generous?' Thus, the last will be first, and the  
first will be last."

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## Promise: Children's Liturgy of the Word for 3-6 Year Olds

St. Matthias is pleased to announce the start of a new Children's Liturgy of the Word program for 3-6 year olds, called "Promise." **Promise** will start on **September 24th during the 9:45am Mass**. Families will gather for Mass, then children will be dismissed along with the parent volunteers before the First Reading. They will go to Room 1 of the Preschool building to listen to the Gospel reading at their own level of understanding. Children will return to the Church around the Sign of Peace and rejoin their families.

All 3-6 year old children are welcome to attend. There will be a registration form for first time attendees. Parents are encouraged to volunteer to help lead this program. Training is provided. Contact Sabrina for more information.

## International Food & Wine Potluck & Raffle

All are invited to our fall fundraiser, an **International Food & Wine Potluck & Raffle** at St. Matthias Church & Preschool on **Saturday, October 7, 2023 at 6:00pm**. We are looking forward to a fun-filled evening of community and celebration.

Dust off your family recipes and bring a dish to share. All are invited to bring an appetizer, soup or stew, salad, main dish, side dish or dessert.

Raffle tickets and more event information was mailed to all registered households. A raffle drawing with a grand prize of \$1,000 will be held that evening. Cut off and return one ticket for \$25 or all five for \$100.

Entrance tickets are \$5 per person and can be purchased in advance through our website. Please visit <https://www.stmatthiasparish.org/support-us/upcoming-events/> for more information and to sign up to attend and/or bring a dish to share.

## Confirmation Program Orientations

Young people (candidates for Confirmation) and their parents who are registered for our Confirmation program are invited to the **Year One Orientation on Sunday, Sept 24th at 3:00 pm**, or for those who have moved to **Year Two**, their orientation will be at **6:00 pm**. Both orientations will be in Fr. Lacey Hall.

## Bible Study: Scripture and the Eucharist

**"Scripture and the Eucharist" continues through Monday, October 16th**. Sessions will be held at 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. in St. Matthias' Father Lacey Hall. Both sessions will be in-person (not online).

Please note these dates on your calendar and invite others who may be interested. If you have any questions, contact Deacon Rich at [rich@stmatthiasparish.org](mailto:rich@stmatthiasparish.org).

## Listening Sessions for Rectory Property

In June, Fr. Dave hosted a Town Hall meeting to share about the condition of the Rectory following the severe winter storms with parishioners. Parish office space, formerly in the Rectory, is now located in Fr. Lacey Hall.

These upcoming Listening Sessions seek to gather community thoughts and preferences concerning the site occupied by the Rectory and the grounds surrounding the building.

There will be three opportunities for parishioners to gather and share their thoughts:

**Wednesday, September 27th at 10:00 am**

**Sunday, October 8th at 11:00 am**

**Thursday, October 12th at 7:00 pm**

Please mark your calendars and plan to attend one session. A summary report will be available to the community at the conclusion of these listening sessions.

### **Help Need with the Clicker Ministry**

Would you like the help the community during our liturgies? We are in need of more clickers to ensure that the Mass runs smoothly. Would you please consider joining this vital ministry?

Contact Melanie [melanie@stmatthiasparish.org](mailto:melanie@stmatthiasparish.org) or Sabrina [sabrina@stmatthiasparish.org](mailto:sabrina@stmatthiasparish.org) with any questions you may have.

### **Liturgical Minister Training and Certification Workshops**

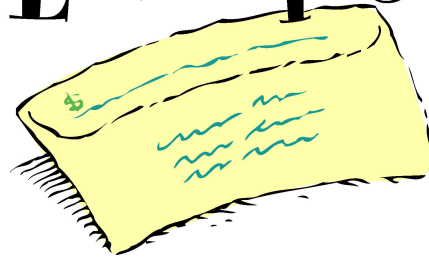
Looking for recertification or to refresh your lay minister's knowledge as you serve as a Reader or Eucharistic Minister? The Office of Worship will be offering training for new and experienced Eucharistic Ministers and Readers over two consecutive Saturdays during October.

During the first workshop, ministers are introduced to sacramental theology, particularly that of the Eucharist. During the second workshop, presenters who are experienced and trained offer spiritual and technical direction for the minister's specific

liturgical role. Workshops conclude with preparing Eucharist Ministers for bringing Holy Communion to the sick and homebound, and Readers with coaching in proclamation and oral interpretation. This training fulfills the requirement of the Archdiocese to be certified every three years for these ministries.

Workshops will be held at St. Raymond in Menlo Park on October 7 & 14; and at Our Lady of Mercy Church in Daly City on October 21 & 28. If you would like to attend, please contact Lisa [lisa@stmatthiasparish.org](mailto:lisa@stmatthiasparish.org) in the parish office to register.

## **Offering Envelopes**



### **Offering Envelopes for 2024**

Parishioners are invited to use offertory envelopes for their

donations to St. Matthias Church. If you have not previously used offertory envelopes, but would like to begin, please contact Lisa [lisa@stmatthiasparish.org](mailto:lisa@stmatthiasparish.org) in the parish office by October 1st to request your envelopes.

Parishioners are also encouraged to use our secure online giving system to make their weekly, monthly, or quarterly donations. Visit <https://www.stmatthiasparish.org/online-donations/> to set up your secure donations using either your credit card or bank transfers.

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**SAT, SEPT 23RD @ 5:00PM — EVAN SCHELLER+**

**SUN, SEPT 24TH @ 9:45AM — NORMAN ROOS+**

**2nd Collection: Sept 23-24th  
for the Priests Retirement Fund**

This collection supports the retired priests of the Archdiocese of San Francisco. Our priests have dedicated their lives to serving others. In their retirement years, these men of God need and deserve our help. Visit <https://sfarch.org/prflunch/>



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

**Alyssa Beemer**

**Louise Costigan Kerns**

**Kevin Magee**

**Rose Marino**

**Bob Mitchell, Jr.**

**Karen Rende**

**Deacon George Salinger**

**Suzanne Schaffner**

**Pat Schott**

**Jim Steidel**

that they may be comforted by the loving embrace of Jesus. And for the souls of the faithful departed...

**Michael Urban**

**Cherell Bassett**



**St. Matthias**

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A Quality Early Education Program

Now Enrolling for 2023-2024

Children Ages 3-5 Years Old

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All Day - Year Round School

Contact Preschool Director, Rosemary Juarez

at [rosemary@stmatthiasparish.org](mailto:rosemary@stmatthiasparish.org) or



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**St. Matthias Mass Schedule**

Saturday 5:00 pm

Sunday 9:45 am\*

**St. Charles Mass Schedule**

Mon-Sat 5:00 pm\*

Sunday 8:30 am\* & 11:00 am

\*Live streamed Masses.

**St. Charles Reconciliation**

Saturday 3:30 pm

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