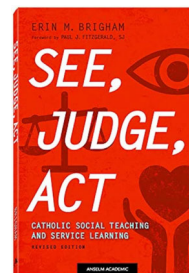
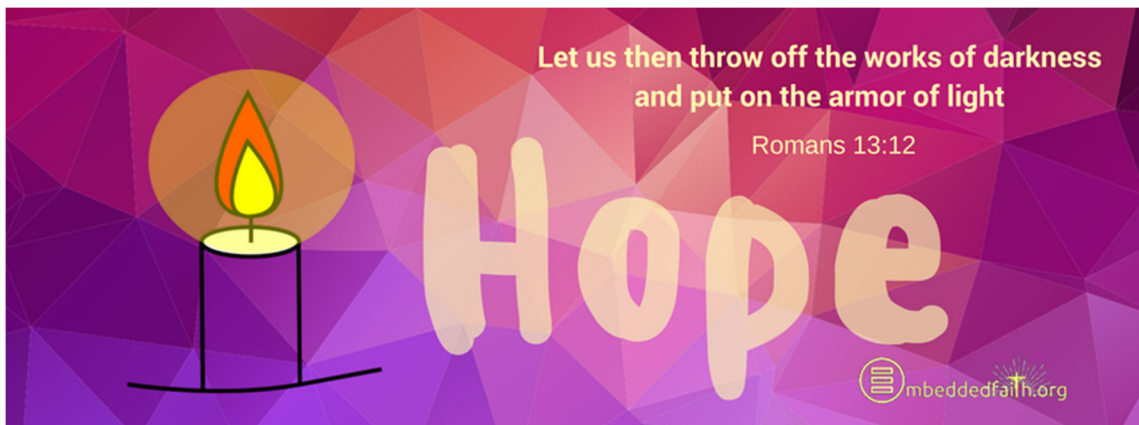


St. Matthias Parish



See, Judge, Act Book Club

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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 <https://www.stmatthiasparish.org/parish-calendar/>



Taizé Prayer for Advent

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Taizé Prayer for Advent

Monday, Dec 4th
at 10:00 am
Church

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See, Judge, Act Book Club

Monday, Dec 4th
at 7:00 PM Upper
Room

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Immaculate Conception Mass

Friday, Dec 8th at
7:00 PM Church



Caroling, Cookies & Cocoa!

Saturday, December 16th. See inside for more information.

Reading I— IS 63:16B-17, 19B; 64:2-7

You, LORD, are our father,
our redeemer you are named forever.
Why do you let us wander, O LORD, from your
ways, and harden our hearts so that we fear you
not?

Return for the sake of your servants,
the tribes of your heritage.

Oh, that you would rend the heavens and come
down, with the mountains quaking before you,
while you wrought awesome deeds we could not
hope for, such as they had not heard of from of old.
No ear has ever heard, no eye ever seen, any God
but you doing such deeds for those who wait for
him.

Would that you might meet us doing right,
that we were mindful of you in our ways!
Behold, you are angry, and we are sinful;
all of us have become like unclean people,
all our good deeds are like polluted rags;
we have all withered like leaves,
and our guilt carries us away like the wind.
There is none who calls upon your name,
who rouses himself to cling to you;
for you have hidden your face from us
and have delivered us up to our guilt.
Yet, O LORD, you are our father;
we are the clay and you the potter:
we are all the work of your hands.

Reading II—1 COR 1:3-9

Brothers and sisters:
Grace to you and peace from God our Father
and the Lord Jesus Christ.

I give thanks to my God always on your account
for the grace of God bestowed on you in Christ Je-
sus, that in him you were enriched in every way,
with all discourse and all knowledge,
as the testimony to Christ was confirmed among
you, so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift
as you wait for the revelation of our Lord Jesus
Christ.

He will keep you firm to the end,
irreproachable on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.
God is faithful, and by him you were called to fel-
lowship with his Son,
Jesus Christ our Lord.

Alleluia— PS 85:8

R. Alleluia, alleluia.
Show us Lord, your love;
and grant us your salvation.
R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel— MK 13:33-37

Jesus said to his disciples:
“Be watchful! Be alert!
You do not know when the time will come.
It is like a man traveling abroad.
He leaves home and places his servants in charge,
each with his own work,
and orders the gatekeeper to be on the watch.
Watch, therefore;
you do not know when the lord of the house is
coming, whether in the evening, or at midnight,
or at cockcrow, or in the morning.
May he not come suddenly and find you sleeping.
What I say to you, I say to all: ‘Watch!’”

Music for Liturgy this Weekend

December 2-3

SS134 Come and Set Us Free
48 Beyond the Moon & Stars
TAIZE: The Kingdom of God
43 People, Look East

Taizé Morning of Prayer and Song for Advent



Join our Music Director, Melanie for an Taizé
Morning of Prayer for Advent. This contemplative
service offers a time of prayer, song, and silent
reflection based on the Morning Prayer format.
The music and practice of Taizé prayer enhances
this service. The theme is praise of Christ as the
light of the world as we come together to sing,
reflect, and offer prayers of thanksgiving and of
healing. **When:** Morning mornings of Advent—
Dec 4, 11, and 18 at 10:00 am in the Church with
refreshments following in Fr. Lacey Hall. All are
welcome!

Dia de los Muertos Altar

Our *Ofrenda* or Dia de los Muertos Altar has been disassembled for the Advent season. If you have brought items for the table, you can find them on the table in Fr. Lacey Hall.

Caroling, Cookies, and Cocoa



Join us after the 5:00 pm Mass on **Saturday, December 16th** for Caroling, Cookies, and Cocoa! We'll

meet in the Fr. Lacey Hall around 5:45 pm (following Mass). Wear warm clothes, and comfortable shoes, bring a flashlight and some cookies to share (if you'd like). Song sheets will be provided. We'll spend about 45 minutes singing carols in both English and Spanish bringing good cheer to our neighbors and each other. After caroling, we'll return to Fr. Lacey Hall for hot cocoa and cookies! All are invited to this community building evening, please invite your family and friends.

Giving Tree for St. Francis Center

November 26th through December 10th

Our annual Giving Tree will be set up after Sunday Mass on November 26th.

Unwrapped gifts will be collected for children of all ages and will be distributed through St. Francis Center. The deadline to bring your gifts will be Dec 10th by the of 9:45 am Mass. This is a lovely way to share our many blessings with our neighbors in need. Here is a wish list:

For Younger Children:

Large dolls, Large trucks, Remote Control Cars and Trucks, Large Lego Sets, Robots, Board Games, Stuffed Animals, Disney Dolls, Puzzles,



Play-Dough Kits, Barbies, Books for ages 6 to 15 years of age.

For Teens:

Soccer balls, Hair Straighteners, Blow Dryers, Make-Up Baskets, Product Baskets, Jewelry, Sweatshirts (no blue or red), Tennis Shoes (no blue or red), Tech Items, Alexa, Ear Buds, Headphones, Scooters

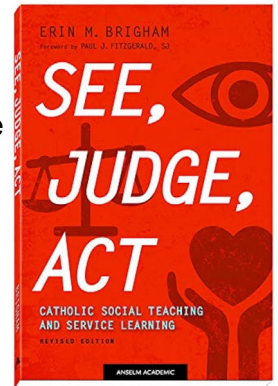
Miscellaneous:

Christmas wrapping paper and bows, AA or AAA Batteries, Large Black Hefty Trash Bags, Packing Tape, \$25.00 Target Gift Cards

See, Judge, Act: Catholic Social Teaching and Service Learning Book Club

See, Judge, Act is a splendid introduction to the rich heritage of modern Catholic social teaching. Even more, in the spirit of Pope Francis's pastoral theology, it offers an invaluable guide to living the tradition in the context of service learning. This series,

offered as a "book club" by our Justice and Charity Commission seeks to take a "step back" from our racial justice learning and explore Catholic Social Teaching more broadly. This eight-week series will include prayer, reading, reflection, and discussion using Erin M. Brigham's book as a guide.



Remaining Sessions are: Monday, November 27, December 4, 11, 18, and January 8, 15, and 22

Where: Fr. Lacey Hall at St. Matthias Church

Time: 7:00—8:00 pm

Other: Participants are asked to purchase a copy of the book (available on Amazon). Questions or to register, contact the parish office at 650-366-9544 or email sabrina@stmatthiasparish.org.

December Senior Luncheon

“O Come, all Ye Faithful” and let’s deck Borromeo Hall with Christmas cheer! Please join us on Wednesday, December 13th at noon in Borromeo Hall for a delicious lunch prepared especially for you by the “Elves” of St. Charles.

All registered parishioners of St. Charles and St. Matthias who are 60+ years of age are cordially invited to lunch on the second Wednesday of each month. Caregivers are welcome. Doors open at 11:45 am.

To reserve our spot please RSVP to Kathy Fagliano at 650-591-7349 ext. 402 or email her at kfagliano@stcharlesparish.org. All reservations must be received by noon on Monday, December 11th. If you need a ride or are able to offer a ride to a parishioner in need of transportation, please contact Kathy.

Ho, Ho, Ho we hope to see you there!!

St. Charles Women’s Club Events

A Baby Shower for Jesus! December 13th, 7 pm in Borromeo Hall we’ll celebrate the birth of Jesus with all the traditions of a baby shower. Bring gifts for infants to age 2 years in a gift bag to be opened at the shower and donated to Catholic Charities.

Winter Dinner Wednesday, January 17th, 7 pm in Borromeo Hall. Begin the New Year with our annual epicurean dinner! More info, email StCharlesWClub@gmail.com.

Coffee & Donuts

Please join us for coffee and donuts following the 9:45 Mass next Sunday, December 10th.



Simbang Gabi



Simbang Gabi is a long-treasured Filipino spiritual tradition. In the Philippines, it was celebrated as a series of nine dawn Masses right before Christmas. Each Mass is followed by a reception and fellowship. Set within Advent, Simbang Gabi invites participants to heighten their preparation for the birth of Jesus, as well as honor the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Friday, Dec 15th	7:00 pm	St. Raymond
Saturday, Dec 16th	5:00 pm	Mt. Carmel
Sunday, Dec 17th	5:00 pm	St. Pius
Monday, Dec 18th	7:00 pm	Nativity
Tuesday, Dec 19th	7:00 pm	St. Denis
Wednesday, Dec 20th	5:00 pm	Vallombrosa
Thursday, Dec 21st	7:00 pm	Mt. Carmel
Friday, Dec 22nd	5:00 pm	St. Charles
Saturday, Dec 23rd	5:00 pm	St. Raymond

Our Simbang Gabi weeknight collections will benefit Street Life Ministries www.streetlifeministries.org

All are invited to attend these daily masses and experience this rich cultural tradition.

Memorial Mass for Rita Brox

A Memorial Mass will be celebrated for long-time parishioner Rita Brox on Monday, December 4th at 11:00 am. All are welcome.

MASS INTENTIONS

SAT, DEC 2nd @ 5:00 PM — Joyce Morger +

SUN, DEC 3rd @ 9:45 AM — Bill Genochio +

**This Weekend's Second Collection for
St. Matthias' Building Fund**

Our quarterly Building Fund collections are used for necessary improvements or maintenance of the parish facilities. Thank you for your generous support.



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

Alyssa Beemer

Kevin Magee

Lance Magee

Rose Marino

Bob Mitchell, Jr.

Rudolfo Pelayo

Karen Rende

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...*

Rita Brox

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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

*LIVESTREAMED MASSES

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