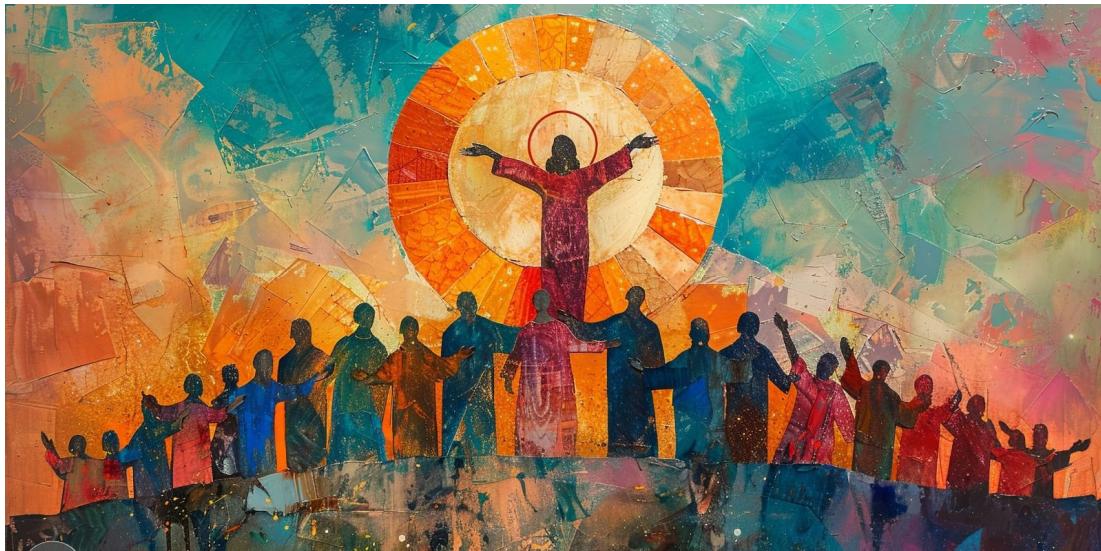


St. Matthias Parish



Calendar Raffle

Continues through the month of May.



National Eucharistic Revival

Revival kicks off next weekend with a pilgrimage across the Golden Gate Bridge. See details inside.

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Bible Study

Monday, May 13th
at 10AM and 7PM
in Fr. Lacey Hall

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Feast of St. Matthias

Tuesday, May 14th

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Rosary for Peace

Thursday, May
16th at 10AM in
Church



St Francis Center
of Redwood City, CA

St. Francis Center
news inside.

Introduction to the Liturgy of the Word

Every year on this solemnity, we hear the beginning of Acts, the book Luke wrote over the period after Jesus leaves them. Before Jesus returns to the Father, he promises them the Holy Spirit, who will remain with them always, enabling them to be his witnesses all over the world. We hear much the same from Mark in today's Gospel. Jesus has given us our mission and has promised to accompany us in and through the Spirit. Quite simply, what has resulted is the Church, which as Paul writes, is the body of Christ. Let us hear our call in the final words of Jesus to his friends.

First Reading Acts 1:1-11

In the first book, Theophilus,
I dealt with all that Jesus did and taught
until the day he was taken up,
after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit
to the apostles whom he had chosen.
He presented himself alive to them
by many proofs after he had suffered,
appearing to them during forty days
and speaking about the kingdom of God.
While meeting with them, he enjoined them not to
depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for "the promise
of the Father about which you have heard me
speak; for John baptized with water,
but in a few days you will be baptized with the Holy
Spirit."

When they had gathered together they asked him,
"Lord, are you at this time going to restore the
kingdom to Israel?"

He answered them, "It is not for you to know the
times or seasons that the Father has established by
his own authority. But you will receive power
when the Holy Spirit comes upon you, and you will
be my witnesses in Jerusalem, throughout Judea
and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

When he had said this, as they were looking on,
he was lifted up, and a cloud took him from their
sight.

While they were looking intently at the sky as he
was going, suddenly two men dressed in white
garments stood beside them.

They said, "Men of Galilee, why are you standing
there looking at the sky? This Jesus who has been
taken up from you into heaven will return in the
same way as you have seen him going into heaven."

Second Reading Eph 4:1-7, 11-13

Brothers and sisters,
I, a prisoner for the Lord,
urge you to live in a manner worthy of the call you
have received, with all humility and gentleness,
with patience, bearing with one another through
love, striving to preserve the unity of the spirit
through the bond of peace: one body and one
Spirit, as you were also called to the one hope of
your call; one Lord, one faith, one baptism;
one God and Father of all, who is over all and
through all and in all.

But grace was given to each of us according to the
measure of Christ's gift.

Therefore, it says:

He ascended on high and took prisoners captive;
he gave gifts to men.

What does "he ascended" mean except that he also
descended into the lower regions of the earth?
The one who descended is also the one who
ascended far above all the heavens, that he might
fill all things.

And he gave some as apostles, others as prophets,
others as evangelists, others as pastors and
teachers, to equip the holy ones for the work of
ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until
we all attain to the unity of faith and knowledge of
the Son of God, to mature to manhood, to the
extent of the full stature of Christ.

Gospel Mk 16:15-20

Jesus said to his disciples: "Go into the whole world
and proclaim the gospel to every creature.
Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved;
whoever does not believe will be condemned.
These signs will accompany those who believe:
in my name they will drive out demons,
they will speak new languages.

They will pick up serpents with their hands,
and if they drink any deadly thing, it will not harm
them. They will lay hands on the sick, and they will
recover."

So then the Lord Jesus, after he spoke to them,
was taken up into heaven and took his seat at the
right hand of God. But they went forth and
preached everywhere, while the Lord worked with
them and confirmed the word through
accompanying signs.

Music for Liturgy this Weekend

Ascension of the Lord (May 11-12, 2024)

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus
173 Springs of Water
I Will be With You That is My Promise
533 Peace I Leave with You
Hold Onto Love

Breaking Bread songbooks are available for your use during Mass. Please feel free to pick up a copy from the rack at the back of the Church.

May 2024 Calendar Raffle



We hope you participate in our spring fundraiser — the May 2024 Calendar Raffle. Each day, beginning on May 1st, a lucky winner will win a gift card for either Cinemark Theatre, Starbird Chicken, Sajj Mediterranean, California Pizza Kitchen, Roam Artisan Burgers,

Pinstripes Bowling, Bocce, and Bistro, Cold Stone Creamery or See's Candy or Peet's Coffee.

Raffle ticket are \$25 each, or 5 for \$100. Return your tickets by mail, drop them in the collection, or visit <https://www.stmatthiasparish.org/support-us/upcoming-events/> for more information or to purchase your tickets online. Entries will be accepted throughout the month of May.

Sports Equipment Drive

Parishioner, Madelyn Brouchoud, has partnered with BAWSI (Bay Areas Women's Sports Initiative) to host a sports equipment drive to supply their free, weekly, after-school sport camps for young, underprivileged girls.

Madelyn shared more about this initiative at both Masses last weekend and collection bins will be

located in Fr. Lacey Hall through May 19th. For more information about the drive, see *The Matthian*.

St. Francis Center Summer Camp

This summer, beginning on June 24th, St. Francis Center will host a 5-week summer camp for 140 children. Both morning and afternoon snacks will be provided. Our Middle School young people, under Sabrina's direction, will be packing snacks for distribution during the camp. Could you help to supply these healthy, nutritious snacks for the children? Snacks can be purchased at Smart & Final or Costco and must be individual servings. A list of the acceptable snacks is included in *The Matthian*. Please only purchase snacks on the list and drop them off to Fr. Lacey Hall before May 14th. Thank you!



NATIONAL
Eucharistic
Revival

Walk with Jesus Across the Golden Gate Bridge!

May 18, 19, and 20, 2024—Join us for the launch of the National Eucharistic Revival Pilgrimage from the West with the St. Junipero Serra Route as we walk with the Blessed Sacrament across the Golden Gate Bridge. The schedule is as follows:

Saturday, May 18th — 6:30 PM Solemn Vespers and Holy Hour presided by Most Rev. Michael C. Barber, S.J., Bishop of Oakland at Mission Dolores Basilica—3321 16th Street, San Francisco

Sunday, May 19th — 11:00 AM Mass presided by Most Rev. Salvatore J. Cordileone, Archbishop of San Francisco at Cathedral of St. Mary of the Assumption -- 1111 Gough Street, San Francisco

1:00 PM Pilgrimage begins to the Golden Gate Bridge

Monday, May 20th — 12:30 PM Eucharistic Adoration

at St. Sebastian Catholic Church—373 Bon Air Road, Kentfield

1:30 PM Eucharistic Procession to Albert Park—151 Andersen Drive, San Rafael

2:45 PM Eucharistic Procession from Albert Park to St. Raphael Parish—1104 5th Avenue, San Rafael

3:15 PM Eucharistic Adoration at St. Raphael Parish followed by Solemn Vespers presided by Most Rev. Robert F. Vasa, Bishop of Santa Rosa

6:00 PM Hosted dinner for all pilgrims at St. Raphael Parish

Save the Date for Fr. Dave's Retirement Celebration!

Fr. Dave's Retirement Celebration will begin after St. Charles' 11:00 AM Mass on Sunday, June 30th.

There will be a short program in St. Charles Church followed by lunch in Borromeo Hall. Reservations begin on Sunday, May 12th. There is no charge for the luncheon but we do need a head count. Please indicate the number of adults and the number of children. Please send your reservation to Dianne Bonino ddbonino@aol.com or (650) 483-2756. Reservation deadline is June 23rd.

Prayer Tree Network

We pray for you and your loved ones. Our parish supports a ministry based on holding up the daily needs of our community. Please contact us if you need prayers for yourself, your family, friends, or co-workers. We use first names only or anonymous for privacy. We pray for comfort and healing as well as for thanksgiving for good news like a job offered or the birth of a new baby. Sometimes we hear from folks whose prayers were answered and it is gratifying to know God is listening. Some say, we have prayed miracles.

If you have a prayer for someone call Mary Schorr 650-366-0284 or Carol McAdams 650-369-4365.

St. Charles Women's Club

End of the Year Social

Inviting all women on **Wednesday, June 12th from 6:00PM to 7:30PM** (come after the 5:00PM Mass) for wine and cheese in the Grotto. Come meet with friends and make new friends. For more information, StCharlesWClub@gmail.com

Sacramental Preparation for Children & Adults

Sacraments use visual signs and symbols to impart an invisible reality—God's love for His people. The first sacrament we receive is Baptism. Next, we are invited to experience God's saving love and forgiveness in the sacrament of Reconciliation, and later, Jesus's presence in the Body and Blood of Holy Eucharist.

The sacrament of Confirmation completes our initiation when the Holy Spirit descends upon us and we receive the Gifts of the Holy Spirit.

If your child is currently in 1st grade, they may be eligible to begin preparing for the sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist in the fall. If your child is currently in 8th grade, they may be eligible to begin preparing for Confirmation in the fall. And if your child has not yet been Baptized or are older than 4th grade and not yet received Reconciliation and Eucharist—we can help with that too!

If you would like to learn more about sacraments for yourself and are over 18 years old, contact Deacon Rich Foley rich@stmatthiasparish.org. If you would like to learn more about sacraments for youths, contact Sabrina Harper sabrina@stmatthisparish.org. New groups will be forming in the Fall.

Join us for Coffee & Donuts on Sunday, May 12th following the 9:45AM Mass. All are welcome!



MASS INTENTIONS

SAT, May 11th @ 5:00 PM — Adelaide Sciandri +
and Antonio & Elvira Antola +

SUN, May 12th @ 9:45 AM — Renee Rhodeman Watson +
and Clare Marino Rhodeman +

This Weekend
Second Collection for
Catholic Charities

Catholic Charities is one of the largest, most comprehensive human services agencies in Northern California serving more than 70,000 people in San Francisco, San Mateo, and Marin Counties annually.



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

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Tommie Fogliani
Sofia Rodriguez Gaddi
Joy & Charles
Jim Lynch
Rose Marino
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that they may be comforted by the loving embrace of Jesus. And for the repose of the souls of
Clarence "Buck" Schott
Teresa Coleman



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Contact Preschool Director

Rosemary Juarez at
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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

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