

St. Matthias Parish



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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/>



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National Night Out

Tuesday, Aug 6th
from 6-8PM at
Stafford Park

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Rosary for Peace

Thursday, Aug 8th
at 10:00AM
Church

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The Chosen Watch Party

Sunday, Aug 11th
after the 9:45AM
Mass in Fr. Lacey
Hall



The Chosen Watch Party join us after the 9:45AM Mass on Sunday.

Introduction to the Liturgy of the Word

In Moses' time, the LORD God sent bread from heaven in the form of manna, which sustained the Chosen People on their lengthy and difficult journey across the desert. Centuries later, God sent the Son, the Bread of Life, who nourishes us now on our journey to God's kingdom. On our journeys, may we keep in mind that we are called to leave behind our old corrupted, sinful self and "put on the new self," as Saint Paul wrote, our true self that is founded in Jesus.

First Reading Ex 16:2-4, 12-15

The whole Israelite community grumbled against Moses and Aaron.

The Israelites said to them, "Would that we had died at the LORD's hand in the land of Egypt, as we sat by our fleshpots and ate our fill of bread! But you had to lead us into this desert to make the whole community die of famine!" Then the LORD said to Moses, "I will now rain down bread from heaven for you.

Each day the people are to go out and gather their daily portion; thus will I test them, to see whether they follow my instructions or not. "I have heard the grumbling of the Israelites.

Tell them: In the evening twilight you shall eat flesh, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread, so that you may know that I, the LORD, am your God."

In the evening quail came up and covered the camp. In the morning a dew lay all about the camp, and when the dew evaporated, there on the surface of the desert were fine flakes like hoarfrost on the ground. On seeing it, the Israelites asked one another, "What is this?" for they did not know what it was. But Moses told them, "This is the bread that the LORD has given you to eat."

Second Reading Eph 4:17, 20-24

Brothers and sisters:

I declare and testify in the Lord that you must no longer live as the Gentiles do, in the futility of their minds; that is not how you learned Christ, assuming that you have heard of him and were taught in him, as truth is in Jesus, that you should put away the old self of your

former way of life, corrupted through deceitful desires, and be renewed in the spirit of your minds, and put on the new self, created in God's way in righteousness and holiness of truth.

Gospel Jn 6:24-35

When the crowd saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they themselves got into boats and came to Capernaum looking for Jesus. And when they found him across the sea they said to him, "Rabbi, when did you get here?" Jesus answered them and said, "Amen, amen, I say to you, you are looking for me not because you saw signs but because you ate the loaves and were filled.

Do not work for food that perishes but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For on him the Father, God, has set his seal."

So they said to him, "What can we do to accomplish the works of God?" Jesus answered and said to them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in the one he sent."

So they said to him, "What sign can you do, that we may see and believe in you? What can you do? Our ancestors ate manna in the desert, as it is written: He gave them bread from heaven to eat."

So Jesus said to them, "Amen, amen, I say to you, it was not Moses who gave the bread from heaven; my Father gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world."

So they said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always."

Jesus said to them,

"I am the bread of life;

whoever comes to me will never hunger, and whoever believes in me will never thirst."

Music for August 3-4, 2024

Opening: 427 Sing a New Church

Gloria Mass of St. Ann

Offertory: Love Burns Bright

Communion: 325 Bread for the World

New Prayer for Intercession of St. Matthias

Closing: 499 All That is Hidden

Music Ministry News

We introduced a piece based on Psalm 23 composed by Jan Michael Joncas, “Shelter Me” in the month of July. Many people mentioned how blessed they were by the message of hope and comfort in this beautiful melody.

The featured piece for August, composed by Chris de Silva, invites us to pray: Christ our Light, illuminate every path that leads to you. Give us grace, Lord, guide our way: Love, burn bright. “Love, Burn Bright” (492 in Breaking Bread) speaks of the Love of Christ as we are beckoned to follow his way daily. We are reminded of our calling: when there’s doubt, uncertainty, let us witness faithfully. When there’s sadness, poverty, let us reach out willingly: may your Love burn bright within our hearts.

At this time when there is war, poverty, anger, injustice, and violence attacking peace on earth, and as our country strives to come together in unity, may we join together and pray the lyrics of “Love, Burn Bright”:

Christ, our Light, illuminate every path that leads to you.
Give us grace, Lord, guide our way: Love, burn bright.
In your Light, Lord, every day, every way, we follow you.
Grant us peace to journey through: Love, burn bright..
From the shadows of the night, to your holiness and light.
From the hatred born of fear, to your Love that holds us near: may your Love burn bright within our hearts.
In our words that tear apart, place a reconciling heart.
In our wounds of war and strife, place your promise of new life: May your Love burn bright within our hearts.
When there’s doubt, uncertainty, let us witness faithfully.
When there’s sadness, poverty, let us reach out willingly:
May your Love burn bright within our hearts.

May peace be upon you.
Melanie Dresbach
Music Ministry

St. Vincent de Paul Back to School Drive

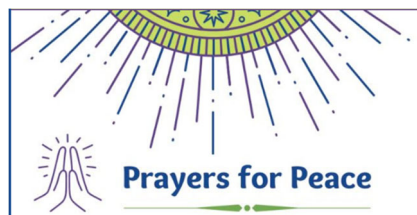


Our annual Back to School Drive began last weekend! We invite you to visit our “Back to School Boards” that are displayed at the back of the church and select cards for the items needed to be purchased. We will be collecting backpacks and school supplies to be distributed to underserved children in Redwood City through St. Francis Center.

Backpacks and school supplies can be brought to Fr. Lacey Hall during the week or on the weekends of August 3/4 and 10/11. Please attach the cards you selected to the items donated. This will help us ensure that all the needed items are purchased. Your ongoing support and generosity to this drive will help many children begin their school year with confidence and smiles on their faces!

Thank you for making this possible.

—Your St. Vincent de Paul Conference



PMC Prayers for Peace

Join with parishioner

Nancy Galli and Sabrina for the Peninsula Multifaith Coalition’s Prayers for Peace at Twin Pines Park, in Belmont and Labor Day, Monday, **September 2nd from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm**. Learn about others’ faith traditions and experience prayers for peace from many different traditions.

Sacramental Preparation

If your child just completed **1st grade**, they may be eligible to begin preparing for the sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist in the fall. If your child just completed **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. If you would like to learn more about sacraments for youth, contact Sabrina Harper. New groups will be forming in the Fall.

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Our Children's Liturgy of the Word program, *Promise* for 3-6 year olds, will begin again in September. During the summer months, we are seeking parent volunteers who would like to be leaders for this program. *Promise* will resume on September 22nd. The program meets each Sunday during the 9:45AM Mass. Children and the leaders are dismissed from Mass before the first reading, they go into Room 1 of the Preschool building for the *Promise* session, then return to Mass for the Liturgy of the Eucharist.

If you are interested in learning more about volunteering or enrolling your 3-6 year old in the program, please contact sabrina@stmatthiasparish.org. Training and materials will be provided.

Watch Party: *The Chosen*

Have you heard of *The Chosen*? This television show is intended to fill in potential "backstories" for the biblical characters, especially Jesus' disciples. Sabrina will lead a summer watch party using this show as a tool. During each session, we'll read brief scripture passages, then watch the episode that incorporates the scripture, then engage in a discussion. Remaining **Sundays for the series are August 4 and 11**. Start time will be about 10 minutes after the conclusion of the 9:45AM Mass. Attendance at all the sessions is not necessary. No prior experience with scripture study is required. Contact sabrina@stmatthiasparish.org for more information.



Join us!
**2024
National
Night Out**

**Building Community,
One Night at a Time
in Redwood City!**

Tuesday, August 6th from 6PM—8PM at

Stafford Park. Organized by parishioner Tony Chan, and the Canyon Neighborhood Association. There will be a police car, fire truck, and a Redwood City library representative present. There will also be a BBQ and lawn games. For the latest updates, visit www.RedwoodCity.org/NNO

Bible Study: What Old Testament Women Teach Us About Mary

The study of salvation history is incomplete without studying the Old Testament (Hebrew Bible). Women played a significant role in revealing God's plan for His people beginning with Eve. Throughout the ages, women raised their children, prayer and gave thanks to God and risked their lives for the God of their ancestors. Many demonstrated courage, perseverance, leadership, conversion, and suffering. This series will begin on Sept 16th and sessions will be held at 10AM and 7PM. Contact Deacon Rich rich@stmatthiasparish.org for more information.

Join us for Coffee & Donuts next Sunday following the 9:45AM Mass. All are welcome!



MASS INTENTIONS

SAT, August 3rd @ 5:00 PM — Roman Calderaro +

SUN, August 4th @ 9:45 AM — Suzanne Schaffner +

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

Jerry Acozta

Stacy Baldwin

Tommie Fogliani

Sofia Rodriguez Gaddi

Cheryl Granucci

Joy & Charles

Jim Lynch

Rose Marino

Carol McAdams

Rudolfo Pelayo

Jude Quingco

Pat Schott

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

And for Rev. Kristi Denham



St. Matthias' Building Fund Collection: August 17-18



This local second collection helps our parish community fund the maintenance needs of our Church and Fr. Lacey Hall.

St. Matthias Catholic Preschool

A Quality Early Childhood Program

Now Enrolling

Children Ages 3-5 Years Old

Preschool Hours 7:30AM to 5:30PM

All Day — Year Round School

Contact Preschool Director

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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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