

# 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, copies of our bulletin, and more, visit <https://www.stmatthiasparish.org/parish-calendar/>

Please continue to pray for our Holy Father.

May the Holy Spirit be with Pope Francis and bring him comfort.

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## **Formation**

First Com. Prep-  
Mar 2, 10:45 A.M.  
at Fr. Lacey Hall  
OCIA- 11:00 A.M.  
at Room 5

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## **Ash Wednesday**

### **Mass**

March 5th,  
12:00pm and 7:00  
P.M. at Church

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## **1st Sunday**

### **in Lent**

March 9th  
Hospitality after  
the 9:45 AM Mass

## **Introduction to the Liturgy of the Word**

We begin our journey into God's word today with some ancient proverbs, collected by Sirach to teach morality. What we say and what we do reveal the kind of person we are. Paul explains that because of Jesus, sin has been defeated and death cannot win in the end. In the Gospel, Jesus warns his disciples about being blind to one's own sins while at the same time judging others for theirs. May today's readings lead us to examine our words and actions and reflect on what they reveal to others.

### **First Reading Sirach 27:4-7**

When a sieve is shaken, the husks appear;  
so do one's faults when one speaks.  
As the test of what the potter molds is in the furnace,  
so in tribulation is the test of the just.  
The fruit of a tree shows the care it has had;  
so too does one's speech disclose the bent of one's  
mind. Praise no one before he speaks,  
for it is then that people are tested.

### **Second Reading 1 Corinthians 15:54-58**

Brothers and sisters:  
When this which is corruptible clothes itself with  
incorruptibility  
and this which is mortal clothes itself with  
immortality,  
then the word that is written shall come about:  
*Death is swallowed up in victory.*  
*Where, O death, is your victory?*  
*Where, O death, is your sting?*  
The sting of death is sin,  
and the power of sin is the law.  
But thanks be to God who gives us the victory  
through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Therefore, my beloved brothers and sisters,  
be firm, steadfast, always fully devoted to the work of  
the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in  
vain.

## **Gospel Luke 6:39-45**

Jesus told his disciples a parable,  
"Can a blind person guide a blind person?  
Will not both fall into a pit?  
No disciple is superior to the teacher;  
but when fully trained,  
every disciple will be like his teacher.  
Why do you notice the splinter in your brother's eye,  
but do not perceive the wooden beam in your own?  
How can you say to your brother,  
'Brother, let me remove that splinter in your eye,'  
when you do not even notice the wooden beam in  
your own eye?  
You hypocrite! Remove the wooden beam from your  
eye first;  
then you will see clearly  
to remove the splinter in your brother's eye.  
"A good tree does not bear rotten fruit,  
nor does a rotten tree bear good fruit.  
For every tree is known by its own fruit.  
For people do not pick figs from thornbushes,  
nor do they gather grapes from brambles.  
A good person out of the store of goodness in his  
heart produces good,  
but an evil person out of a store of evil produces evil;  
for from the fullness of the heart the mouth speaks."

## **MUSIC**

### **March 1-2, 2025: Farewell to Alleluia**

537 All Creatures of Our God and King  
Shelter Me (Joncas)  
You are Our Living Bread (Joncas)  
515 Give Us Your Peace, O God  
396 Celtic Alleluia: Sending forth

***Breaking Bread song books are available for your  
use during the service and are housed on the shelf  
at the entrance from the parking lot.***



## Prayer Shawl Ministry

Please join our Prayer Shawl Ministry on the 3rd Tuesday of the month at 3:00 P.M. in Fr. Lacey Hall.

This is a wonderful time for fellowship, prayer, and serving those most in need.



**Wednesday, March 5, 2025**

Distribution of Ashes during Mass  
12:00 P.M. and 7:00 P.M. at St. Matthias

*Repent and believe in the Gospel.*

## Save the Date

**Lenten Retreat: "How Is God Leading Me?"**

Join us on **March 11 at 7:00 PM** at St. Charles for an inspiring evening with a special guest speaker who will guide us in reflecting on the question: "*How is God leading me?*" This retreat will offer valuable insights and spiritual nourishment as we journey through Lent.

Mark your calendars and don't miss this opportunity for growth and reflection.

## It's Tax Season Again!

If you would like a statement of your St. Matthias donations for the 2024 tax year, please email [lisa@stmatthiasparish.org](mailto:lisa@stmatthiasparish.org) or call the office at 650-366-9544.

## Bulletin

Please submit any bulletin announcements **no later than 10:00 A.M. on Tuesday mornings.**

Submissions can be emailed to:  
[joey@stmatthiasparish.org](mailto:joey@stmatthiasparish.org)

## Prayers for the Holy Father

Lord God, shepherd and guide of all the faithful, look kindly upon your servant Pope Francis, whom you willed to preside over the Church as her shepherd.

May he bear this illness in union with the obedient suffering of your Son Jesus for the salvation of the world.

Guide the doctors and nurses who are caring for him. By your divine grace, restore him to health. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.



## Mass Intentions

Please be sure to sign-up for Mass Intentions with Lisa in the Parish Office. We have a few openings in the weeks to come.

This is a beautiful way to include the Parish Community in praying for the needs of both the living and the dead.

## **Anointing of the Sick: March 15th**

The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick brings God's blessing, comfort and support during sickness. It is not limited to those who are extremely ill.

During the 5 p.m. Mass on Saturday, March 15th, we will offer the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. All those who are dealing with physical, mental, emotional or spiritual concerns are invited to receive this sacrament.

Parishioners are asked to share this information with family and friends. In addition, parishioners are encouraged to drive individuals who may have difficulty getting to St. Matthias.

After the homily, the priest will lay hands on each person and then anoint the forehead saying, *"Through this holy anointing may the Lord in his love and mercy help you with the grace of the Holy Spirit."*

There will be special seating for those who will be receiving the sacrament. Those who are receiving the sacrament are asked to arrive early to sign in and receive a name tag. All parishioners are invited to join us for this special liturgical celebration.

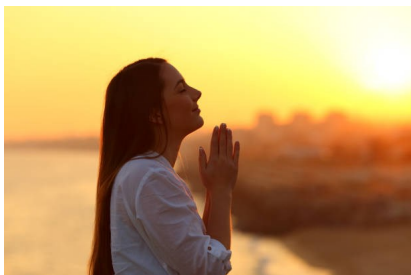
## **Lenten Retreat**

St. Charles Women's Club Invites All Women

**Saturday - March 8**

**9am - 3:30pm, Borromeo Hall**

**Eyes on Jesus: Faith in Times of Trial**



Reflecting on the trials we all face and how we find the strength to live through them in faith.

**Registration forms available on the table in the back of the church.**

## **Rite of Election**

The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA, formerly called RCIA) is a process for individuals seeking full initiation into the Catholic Church. Candidates have been on a journey of preparation and prayer for many months. The final weeks of preparation begin during Lent.

On March 9th, the First Sunday of Lent, the candidates from St. Matthias and St. Charles will participate in the Rite of Sending held at St. Matthias during the 9:45 a.m. Mass. This rite blesses and sends the candidates to the Cathedral later in the day. At 4 p.m. Archbishop Cordileone will be the presider for the Rite of Election. Our catechumens will be welcomed by the Archbishop and they will sign the Book of Elect. The Rite of Election is one major step toward receiving the Sacraments at the Easter Vigil.

Please pray for our catechumens and our candidate.

Catechumens: Forrest Rhodes, Carlen Rhodes, Shea Connolly (from St. Charles)

Candidate: Lawrence Esbig (from St. Matthias)

During Lent and Holy Week, the Elect and our candidate will continue their preparation and participate in Scrutinies during selected Masses. The Scrutinies are prayers and petitions asking God to bless these individuals and give them the spiritual strength in Christ, who is the way, the truth and the life for all of us.

This journey culminates with the Elect receiving the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist and our Candidate receiving Confirmation and Eucharist at the Easter Vigil on April 19th. Please pray for them, their families and their sponsors.





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

**Costanza Alviti**

**Tommie Fogliani**

**Sofia Rodriguez Gaddi**

**Bill Harper**

**Kathleen Kaz**

**Rose Marino**

**Mary Monihan**

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

*And for for all who recently went to our Lord.*

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**SAT, March 1st @ 5:00PM — Gianna Tacchi †**

**SUN, March 2nd @ 9:45AM — Victor DaGragnano †**

**MASS PRESIDERS NEXT WEEK**

**SAT, March 8th @ 5:00PM — Fr. Samuel Musiimenta**

**SUN, March 9th @ 9:45AM — Fr. Gerald Coleman**




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### St. Matthias Mass Schedule

Saturday 5:00 pm  
Sunday 9:45 am\*

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### St. Charles Mass Schedule

Monday—Saturday 5:00 pm  
Sunday 8:30 am\* & 11:00 am

\*LIVESTREAMED MASSES

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