

# SAINT CHARLES PARISH COMMUNITY

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STAY AWAKE,  
FOR YOU KNOW  
NEITHER THE DAY  
NOR THE HOUR.

MATTHEW 25:13



NOVEMBER

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2020

THIRTY-SECOND  
SUNDAY  
IN ORDINARY TIME

## GETTING TO KNOW YOU

At the end of today's Gospel, the groom answers the pleas of the foolish virgins not with a question, "Why weren't you ready?" but with the statement, "I don't know you" (Mt 25:12). Now that sounds kind of odd, if the bridegroom represents the LORD, because God knows everything and everybody. But here in Matthew's Gospel, this phrase seems to imply that "because you made no effort to know me, I don't know you."

So what am I doing to get to know Jesus? One way to know someone is to act like them. Actors who portray a real person try to watch videos of that person to see how they talk, walk, relate to people, etc. We can act like Jesus by following his example of care for the poor and the sick, forgiving people who have done wrong, feeding the hungry, and giving God the credit for what we do.

Another way to get to know someone is to talk to them. The more we pray, the more we get close to Jesus. We can praise God for Creation, we can thank God for all the giving (and forgiving!) We can ask for help for those we love and for God's strength in our weakness (2 Cor 12:9). But we don't get to know someone if we do all the talking. Our prayer can include time to be quiet and listen to the LORD. We also listen to God by reading God's words in the Bible. Hopefully, we can all find ways of getting to know the Lord, so that God can "recognize" us as friends.

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## Priest Retirement's Fund 2020

*Next Weekend's Second Collection*

*It begins with a call...a call from Christ to live in a relationship with Him by serving His people. It is the call that lasts a lifetime. It involves love of Church, commitment, sacrifice and service...It is the priesthood.*

We are truly blessed by the men who have given their lives in service to thousands of families as a priest. As life begins to change in their later years, so too do their needs. Together we are invited to join and bless those who have blessed us by making a meaningful gift to the Priest Retirement Fund next weekend.

Have you ever wondered what happens to our priests after they retire from teaching, preaching, and serving on a regular basis? Where do they go? Who takes care of them? What do they need? Like us, they desire rest and have needs for care and medical treatment as they grow older. Yet, their modest salaries have limited their ability to afford essential expenses when retired. Your gift to the *Priest Retirement Fund* is a meaningful investment and true blessing for the care and comfort of our spiritual fathers as they enter the later chapters in life. ***They deserve nothing less.***



## WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

November 9 ~ November 15

Mon.	5:00pm	Eileen Dowley †
Tues.	5:00pm	Narcy Benavente †
Wed.	5:00pm	John Ghorso †
Thurs.	5:00pm	Alma Brennan †
Fri.	5:00pm	Gena Romeo †
Sat.	5:00pm	Enezia & Maria Ciandrini †
Sun.	5:00pm	Allan Porter †

Please pray for the faithful departed  
of our Parish Community. †

**Remember in your prayers...the people of our parish community who are sick, awaiting surgery, recovering or homebound:** Mary Margaret Flynn, Jill Leader, Christine Klups, Barbara Peters, Bill Eppler, Peggy Saunders...and for all that are impaired by the Coronavirus.

## Pray for Vocations

*“For we are God’s co-workers....”*

How are you being called to build the kingdom of God as His co-worker? Consider the generous service of priesthood or consecrated life. Contact the Vocation Office at (415) 614-5684 or email: [vocations@sfarch.org](mailto:vocations@sfarch.org).

## A Prayer for Veteran’s Day

We pray for those who have served our nation  
and have laid down their lives  
to protect and defend our freedom.

We pray for those who have fought,  
whose spirits and bodies are scarred by war,  
whose nights are haunted by memories  
too painful for the light of day.

We pray for those who serve us now,  
especially for those in harm’s way.

Shield them from danger  
and bring them home.

Turn the hearts and minds  
of our leaders and our enemies  
to the work of justice and a harvest of peace.

May the peace you left us, the peace you gave us,  
be the peace that sustains,  
the peace that saves us.

Christ Jesus, hear us!  
Lord Jesus, hear our prayer!  
Amen.

— from *The “Concord Pastor”*

## St. Patrick’s Seminary

*Special Collection This Week*

This weekend’s second collection is for St. Patrick’s Seminary and University of the Archdiocese of San Francisco. Proceeds will provide much-needed funding to sustain the quality formation programs of the Seminary. Thank you for your generosity in supporting this important collection.

St. Charles &  
St. Matthias Parish Pals

St. Charles & St. Matthias *Parish Pals* are parishioners who reach out and chat with parish seniors via weekly phone calls, creating connections and catching up within this pandemic situation. A simple conversation brings smiles and joyful anticipation for the next opportunity to chat.

If you would like to volunteer to be a Parish Pal, or if you would like to receive a phone call from a Parish Pal, please contact Kathy Fagliano at 650-591-7349 ext. 402 or [kfagliano@stcharlesparish.org](mailto:kfagliano@stcharlesparish.org).

## Help Save a Life This Winter

These chilly evenings make us so grateful for the warmth of our homes. Sleeping in a car or on the cold, damp street would be really hard. Yet this is how many of our homeless neighbors live – they do not have a warm place to greet them at the end of a long day. You can help the homeless stay warm and protect them from hypothermia and other cold weather-related conditions.

Your gift to St. Vincent de Paul’s Stay Warm Appeal provides basic survival necessities to those who are struggling to keep warm this winter. Every donation makes a difference in the life of someone who is need of love and support. Thank you!

To donate, visit [svdpsm.org](http://svdpsm.org) or mail to: Society of St. Vincent de Paul of San Mateo County 50 North B Street San Mateo, CA 94401 (note ‘Stay Warm’ on your check) Tax ID #: 94-1375833

2020 St. Vincent de Paul Annual Thanksgiving  
Fund Drive Continues Until November 13th

Things are a bit different this year due to the pandemic. BUT, one thing hasn’t changed—there are still people in San Mateo County struggling to feed their families.

Our St. Vincent de Paul team is partnering with St. Matthew’s Church to provide food for 130 families in need, including local families in San Carlos. To keep everyone safe this year, we won’t be accepting groceries or frozen turkeys. Instead, we’re asking for monetary donations to purchase gift cards to give to our families.

If you would like to donate money to help our families buy side dishes, a turkey or even a family-size turkey dinner, go to [www.stcharlesparish.org/turkeydrive](http://www.stcharlesparish.org/turkeydrive) by **November 13<sup>th</sup>** to donate online.

OR, you can bring your cash donation (including checks made out to St. Vincent de Paul) to the church office, or mail it before November 13th to St. Charles Parish, 880 Tamarack Ave., San Carlos, Ca. 94070

OR, you can purchase Safeway, Lucky or Target gift cards and either mail them to the address above or drop them off at the parish office by November 13<sup>th</sup>. (*Mark that it is for the SVDP Turkey Drive*). Thank you for your thoughtfulness and generosity during this season of giving and gratitude.

Your St. Charles Parish St. Vincent de Paul Conference

**Reconciliation**  
Saturday afternoon at 3:30 to 4:00pm

**Glory to God in the highest** and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you, We bless you, We adore you, We glorify you, We give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father You take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; You take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; You are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, You alone are the Lord, You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, With the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. **Amen**

### 1<sup>st</sup> Reading

*A reading from the Book of Wisdom*

Resplendent and unfading is wisdom,  
and she is readily perceived by those who love her,  
and found by those who seek her.

She hastens to make herself known in anticipation of their desire;

whoever watches for her at dawn shall not be disappointed,

for he shall find her sitting by his gate.

For taking thought of wisdom is the perfection of prudence,

and whoever for her sake keeps vigil  
shall quickly be free from care;

because she makes her own rounds, seeking those worthy of her,

and graciously appears to them in the ways,  
and meets them with all solicitude.

*The word of the Lord.*

**R. Thanks be to God.**

### Responsorial Psalm

**R. My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.**

O God, you are my God whom I seek;  
for you my flesh pines and my soul thirsts  
like the earth, parched, lifeless and without water.

**R. My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.**

Thus have I gazed toward you in the sanctuary  
to see your power and your glory,  
For your kindness is a greater good than life;  
my lips shall glorify you.

**R. My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.**

Thus will I bless you while I live; lifting up my hands,  
I will call upon your name.

As with the riches of a banquet shall my soul be satisfied,  
and with exultant lips my mouth shall praise you.

**R. My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.**

I will remember you upon my couch,  
and through the night-watches I will meditate on you:  
You are my help,  
and in the shadow of your wings I shout for joy.

**R. My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.**

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading

*A reading from the first  
Letter of Saint Paul to the Thessalonians*

**In the shorter form of the reading, the passage in brackets is omitted.**

We do not want you to be unaware, brothers and sisters, about those who have fallen asleep, so that you may not grieve like the rest, who have no hope. For if we believe that Jesus died and rose, so too will God, through Jesus, bring with him those who have fallen asleep. [ Indeed, we tell you this, on the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will surely not precede those who have fallen asleep. For the Lord himself, with a word of command, with the voice of an archangel and with the trumpet of God, will come down from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. Thus we shall always be with the Lord. Therefore, console one another with these words. ]

*The word of the Lord.*

**R. Thanks be to God.**

### Gospel

*Matthew 24:1-13*

Jesus told his disciples this parable: "The kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins who took their lamps and went out to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish and five were wise. The foolish ones, when taking their lamps, brought no oil with them, but the wise brought flasks of oil with their lamps. Since the bridegroom was long delayed, they all became drowsy and fell asleep. At midnight, there was a cry, 'Behold, the bridegroom! Come out to meet him!' Then all those virgins got up and trimmed their lamps. The foolish ones said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' But the wise ones replied, 'No, for there may not be enough for us and you. Go instead to the merchants and buy some for yourselves.' While they went off to buy it, the bridegroom came and those who were ready went into the wedding feast with him. Then the door was locked. Afterwards the other virgins came and said, 'Lord, Lord, open the door for us!' But he said in reply, 'Amen, I say to you, I do not know you.' Therefore, stay awake, for you know neither the day nor the hour."

*The Gospel of the Lord*

**R: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

### Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. *Amen.*

## **St. Charles Church**

### **SUNDAY MASSES**

**Saturday evening vigil, 5:00pm**

**Sunday 8:30 & 11:00am, 5:00pm**

### **WEEKDAY MASSES**

**Friday 6:30am, Monday - Friday, 8:30am**

**Saturday 8:30am**

## **St Matthias Church**

**1685 Cordilleras Road, Redwood City**

### **SUNDAY MASSES**

**Saturday evening vigil, 5:00pm**

**Sunday 8:00am & 10:30am**

### **WEEKDAY MASSES**

**Tuesday & Thursday 5:30pm**

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Office Hours Mon - Fri., 9:00am - 4:30pm

**Sunday Parish Office, Rectory**

8:00am - 1:00pm

**Sacrament of Penance**

Saturday, 3:30 - 4:00pm, or anytime by appointment

**Eucharistic Adoration**

First Friday, 9:00am - 9:00pm