

ST. CHARLES PARISH COMMUNITY

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SECOND
SUNDAY OF

Advent

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John the Baptist appeared, preaching in the desert of Judea and saying,
“Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand!”

MATTHEW 3:1

St. Charles Church

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday evening vigil, 5:00pm

Sunday, 8:30 & 11:00am

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday-Friday

5:00pm

St Matthias Church

1685 Cordilleras Road, Redwood City

SUNDAY MASS

Saturday evening vigil, 5:00pm

Sunday, 9:45am

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St. Charles' Parish Office - 591-7349
Office Hours Mon - Fri., 9:00am - 1:00pm

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

Eucharistic Adoration
First Friday, 9:00am - 10:00am
Parish Center Chapel



WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

December 5 ~ December 11

Monday	5:00pm	Jim King †
Tuesday	5:00pm	Frances Dos Remedios†
Wednesday	5:00pm	Ruby Vasquez †
Thursday	5:00pm	Angeles Airoso (L)
Friday	5:00pm	Alfredo, Amalia, Anita & Josefina Bon†
Saturday	5:00pm	Omari Mason †
Sunday	8:30am	Myrna Prego †
	11:00am	Parishioners of St. Charles

Rest in Peace

Rev. Piers Lahey
Rev. Msgr. Harry G. Schlitt
*Services Pending

Holy Day of Obligation
Feast of the Immaculate Conception
Thursday, December 8th
St. Charles - 8:30am, 10:30am (School Mass)
5:00pm Mass
St. Matthias - 7:00pm Mass

Remember in your prayers the people of our parish community who are sick, awaiting surgery, recovering or homebound, Nancy Reynoso, Diane Masetti, Aggie Perry, Marcia Baumgarten, Joyce Banducci, Ida Figone, Luke Castricone, Licia Colaizzi, Charles Attard, Adriana Hefel, and Kevin Holden.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation

"The Light is on For You!"
Wednesday nights during Advent
6:30pm - 7:30pm
Saturdays, 3:30pm-4:00pm

Retirement Fund for Religious.

Next weekend's second collection

Next weekend we will take up the annual collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious. Your gift will help defray some of the costs needed to care for our elderly religious and relieve the genuine financial crisis in many religious congregations. Whatever you give will be greatly appreciated. *Most importantly, please remember in your prayers the retired women and men religious living and serving in the Archdiocese of San Francisco.*

This weekend's second collection will benefit parish education. Thank you for your continued support.



December Senior Luncheon

"O Come, all Ye Faithful" and let's deck Borromeo Hall with Christmas cheer!! Please join us on Wednesday, December 7th 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 60 years and above are cordially invited to lunch on the first Wednesday of each month. Caregivers are welcome. Doors open at 11:45am.

To reserve your spot please RSVP to Kathy Fagliano at 650-591-7349 ext. 402 or kfagliano@stcharlesparish.org. **All reservations must be received by noon on Monday, December 5th.**

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!!

Prayer Shawl Ministry

The Prayer Shawl Ministry Needs You!

If you like to knit or crochet, this ministry is for you. We are in dire need of more participants. This ministry is open to **all** who love to knit or crochet **"Gifts of Love."** We supply the yarn and you choose the gifts that you would like to create. This can be done in your home, on your own time, with no deadlines to meet. The next Prayer Shawl Ministry social is scheduled for Wednesday, **December 7, from 10:00-11:30am.** We meet in the St. Charles Room.

If you know of someone who is going through a difficult time and could be comforted by one of our prayer shawls, please call Kathy Fagliano, Parish Minister to the Sick and Elderly, 591-7349 ext. 402.

I assure you, as often as you did it for the least of my brothers, you did it for me" Matthew 25:40

St. Pius Grief Ministry Grief Workshop

Monday, December 5, 7:00pm-8:30pm

This workshop will be facilitated by Sister Toni Lynn Gallagher of the San Francisco Archdiocese. It is our intent to hold the workshop at the St. Pius Parish Center, Redwood City. (1100 Woodside Road) Should there be a change in the rules of gathering we will hold the workshop virtually. **We ask that you register for the workshop, giving us your contact information so that we can alert you to any changes made to the evening.**

Please email griefministry@pius.org or phone 650-361-0655-ALL ARE WELCOME

St. Charles Parish welcomes **Jackson Busen & Sutton Busen** our newest members through the waters of Baptism.

Table of Remembrance

If you were unable to pick up the picture of your loved one from the Table of Remembrance, please contact Kathy at 650-591-7349 ext. 402.

The St Charles Parish Coat Drive began on, Sunday, Nov. 27th and runs **through Sunday Dec 18.** The collection bins will be placed outside at the front and side entrances to church and lower yard entrance to the school office. Please help by donating new and/or used coats. Scarlet O'Brien and Zack Beals will handle collection and delivery to St. Anthony's in San Francisco. Thank you!!

BREAKFAST with SANTA

8:00am-11:30am

TODAY**Menu:** Pancakes, Sausages, Donuts,
Fruit & Orange Juice**Plus:** A gourmet coffee cart
serving espresso, coffee, tea, & hot cocoa!Raffles for great prizes! Free crafts for kids!
Student carolers!**All proceeds benefit St. Charles School**
*Sponsored by the St. Charles Kindergarten
& First Grade class Families.***St. Vincent de Paul Christmas Sharing Tree
Ends December 11, 2022**

During Advent, our Sharing Tree is once again in action! Every family deserves to share in the joy of the season without having to choose between holiday cheer and a warm meal or safe place to sleep. Our Sharing Tree event provides support to our local families and individuals in need as well as Catherine's Center, Rosalie Rendu Center, St. Francis of Assisi parishioners in East Palo Alto, and the Homeless Help Center during this season. This year's donation options include presents, gift cards in \$25 increments, bus tokens, and cash donations. Whatever you can help with is so appreciated.

Our Sharing Tree will be decked out with ornaments listing present ideas from our local families, and the other groups listed above and will be available before and after Masses starting November 26th. If you'd like to participate, please choose an ornament tag from the tree, log onto the website noted on the back of the tag to record your selection, purchase your gift, and return it to the tree by December 11th.

Please attach the tag on the outside of the gift. Some requests are for gift cards because many times the needs are very personal, such as with clothing. Often items must be returned due to size, and gift cards eliminate this issue. If selecting a gift card, please attach the tag to the outside of the gift card.

If you would like to donate funds to help St. Vincent de Paul purchase gifts and gift cards, go to www.stcharlesparish.org/sharingtree by December 11th 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 so it arrives by December 11th to St. Charles Parish, 880 Tamarack Ave., San Carlos, Ca. 94070

OR, you can purchase Safeway or Target gift cards in \$25 increments and either mail them to the address above or drop them off at the parish office by December 12th. *(Please mark that it is for the SVDP Sharing Tree)*

Your gift may be the only Christmas gift that our families will receive. They are so grateful for your generosity and for sharing the joy of Christmas. Our conference feels very blessed to be a part of a parish as warm and wonderful as ours. May peace be on our lips and in our hearts this Christmas.

Your St. Vincent de Paul Conference

**Rite of Welcome of Confirmation Candidates
Thursday, December 8 at the 5:00pm Mass.**

During the Confirmation Rite of Welcome, Candidates are presented to the Parish community. The community then commits to supporting the Candidates during their preparation process. The following are St. Charles and St. Matthias Candidates for Confirmation: Elias Haas, Will Kizer, Izzie Padilla, Lydia Rak, Carly Stafford, Zach Alvarez, Aiden Armando, Michael Avila, Marco Baisch, Ethan Brush, Roman Brush, Tyler Castricone, Lucas Chin, Caitlin Cilley, Elizabeth Cruz, Gavin Danek, Hailey Degnan, Hannah Delizo, Meher Duggal, Mischa Duggal, Isabella Eaker, Jennifer Elwood, Alexa Eros, Elisa Flores, Manny Gil KyLeah Gil, Derek Hymer, Josh Juliano, Tessa Lee, Clayton Magner, Michael McCrea, Sydney McNeal, Hayley Murray-Houston, Nils Nehrenheim, Kaela Olstead, Charlotte Parks, Joey Paulson, Alexa Pineda, Natalie Rakow, Ella Ray, Luke Robinson, Augustin Scherrer, Connor Schmalzle, Maddie Silva, Charlie Wescott, Abby Yim, Zack Zirelli.

HARMONY

Have you ever known a moment when, just for a brief instant, you felt that all was right with the world? It is just such a moment, stretched into eternity, that the writer of Isaiah describes in today's first reading: the perfection of everything, centered in God's spirit, where knowledge, justice, and awe in God's presence reign. In such a paradise, everyone sees eye to eye and thinks in harmony with each other, as Saint Paul describes in his letter to the Romans. Even animals with a natural animosity toward one another coexist peacefully. John the Baptist understood that such harmonious relationships do not simply happen. They are the fruit of living in right relationship with God and others.

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Cookie Decorating and Sharing Faith Traditions of the Season. Our PMC teens have planned a fun evening of cookie decorating and sharing of holiday traditions. We are hosting a **Cookie Decorating and Sharing Holiday Traditions** event for young people ages 12-18 on

Sunday, December 11, 6pm-7:30pm at St. Matthias Church in Redwood City. Share your faith and serve others! We will decorate cookies to deliver to residents of LifeMoves. Contact Sabrina Harper sabrina@stmatthiasparish.org with any questions.

**Online Giving**

Use your phone camera to open the online giving page using this QR Code.

Are you called to be "A herald's voice in the desert" preparing the way of the Lord in the hearts of His people? If you are considering a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life, contact the Vocation Office at (415) 614-5684 or email: vocations@sfarch.org.