



ST. CHARLES PARISH COMMUNITY
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The St. Charles Parish Community is a welcoming parish devoted to living out the teachings of Jesus Christ. Through the celebration of the sacraments, evangelization, and religious formation, we strive to grow in holiness, care for one another with compassion, and guide future generations in a deep and lasting relationship with God.

August 16, 2026 - Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Pastor's Message

My dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

One of the greatest temptations we face is to think that God's love is reserved only for certain people. We sometimes draw invisible lines that separate "us" from "them," deciding, consciously or unconsciously, who is worthy of our attention, our kindness, or even God's mercy. Yet this Sunday's readings remind us that God does not build walls; He opens doors. His love is universal, and His salvation is offered to all who seek Him with sincere hearts.

In the First Reading, the prophet Isaiah proclaims that God's house "shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples." Long before Christ came into the world, God revealed that His saving plan would extend beyond the people of Israel to embrace every nation, every race, and every culture. God's family is much larger than we often imagine.

The Gospel beautifully illustrates this truth through Jesus' encounter with the Canaanite woman. Although she was a foreigner and an outsider, she approached the Lord with remarkable humility, perseverance, and faith. At first, Jesus appeared to test her faith, but she refused to give up. In the end, Jesus praised her with words He spoke to very few people in the Gospel: **"O woman, great is your faith!"** Her daughter was healed because her faith never wavered.

Her story teaches us two important lessons.

First, never stop praying. There are moments when it seems that God is silent or our prayers go unanswered. Like the Canaanite woman, we are invited to persevere. God always hears our prayers, even when His answer comes in His own time and according to His greater plan.

Second, we are called to welcome rather than exclude. Our parish family is blessed with people from many cultures, languages, and backgrounds. This diversity is not a problem to overcome but a gift to cherish. At St. Charles Parish, we are one family united not by nationality or culture, but by our common faith in Jesus Christ. Every person who walks through our doors should experience the warmth of Christian hospitality and know that they belong.

As we celebrate the Eucharist this weekend, let us ask the Lord to broaden our hearts. May He remove every prejudice, deepen our compassion, strengthen our perseverance in prayer, and help us become instruments of His universal love. In doing so, our parish will truly become what Isaiah envisioned: a house of prayer for all peoples.

May God bless you and your loved ones abundantly.

With my prayers,
Fr. Roy Remo - Pastor



WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

August 17th - August 23rd

Monday	5:00 pm	Dolores Arata †
Tuesday	5:00 pm	Helene Mantini †
Wednesday	5:00 pm	Adrian Dioli †
Thursday	5:00 pm	Dorothy Nevius †
Friday	5:00 pm	Adrian Dioli †
Saturday	5:00 pm	Gedeon Lim †
Sunday	8:30 am	Joe Grossmann †
	11:00 am	Parishioners of St. Charles



Please pray for the faithful departed of St. Charles.

Remember in your prayers the people of our Parish Community who are sick, awaiting surgery, recovering or homebound:

Joy K., Connie Romeo, Marcia Baumgarten, Steven K., Walter Totten, Charles K., Bud Manthey, Rose Beall, Fuiva Liu, Rose Del Zompo, Bobby Feiner, Leonarda Brush, Connie Santos Afshar, Dede Waters-Masters, Fred Koehler, Jean Tech, Baby Eloise Lorraine Lett, Armando Ferrer, Darlene O'Neill, Mary Borg & Carmen Borg

If you are ill and would like members of the Parish to pray for you, or if you are homebound and would like to receive the Eucharist, please contact **Kathy Fagliano** at 650-591-7349 Ext. 402.

San Francisco Archdiocese Vocations

Are you open to a vocation as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life?

If so, please call **Fr. Andrew Ginter, Vocations Director** at 415-614-5556 or email Vocations@sfarch.org

This weekend!

Join us for **coffee** and **donuts** after each of the **Sunday** masses.

Everyone is welcome!



Sacramental Giving

Income & Expenses for the Month of July

Sunday's Offertory	\$ 25,666
Online Offertory Offerings	\$ 14,905
Christmas	\$ 1,000
Other Holy Days	\$ 250
1st Sunday Parish Education	\$ 2,751
Wedding	\$ 300
Sacramental/Offertory Income	\$ 44,872
Candle Money	\$ 2,245
General Donations	\$ 5,115
Total Income	\$ 52,232
Total Operating Expenses	\$ (52,108)

Thank you for your continued support.
Your generosity sustains our Parish mission.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

This weekend
the **St. Charles - St. Vincent de Paul Conference** will continue our outreach to **St. Francis of Assisi**, our Sister Parish.



We'll be collecting donations of non-perishable food, paper products, disposable diapers, and toiletries after the **Saturday Vigil** and **Sunday morning Masses**.

Thank you for your continuing support of our East Palo Alto neighbors.



St. Charles Parish welcomes **Audrey Josephine Goodin** through the waters of baptism.

ST. MATTHIAS PRESCHOOL

A high quality Early Education Program with a Hub of Play Based Academic Excellence, Creativity and Developmental Growth.

Now enrolling for School Year, children Ages 3-5 yrs old.

Preschool Hours: 7:30 am - 5:30 pm,
all day - year round enrollments spots available!

For more information, please contact the Director, **Rosemary Juarez** at Rosemary@stmatthiasparish.org or (650) 367-1320



Thank you to the following parishioners who donated to the 2026 Archdiocesan Annual Appeal:
Mr. & Mrs. Kevin Philpott

THE TRAVELING SAINTS

ENCOUNTER THE SAINTS THROUGH THEIR RELICS

18 RELICS OF SAINTS

- + Jesus' Manger
- + Pope Innocent II
- + Saint Dominic De Guzman
- + Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton
- + Saint Hyacinth of Poland
- + Saint John Henry Newman
- + Saint John of the Cross
- + Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque
- + Saint Michael's Stone
- + Saint Philip Neri
- + Saint Philomena
- + Saint Charbel Makhlouf
- + Saint Teresa of Avila
- + Saint Thérèse of Lisieux
- + Saint Rafka
- + Blessed Anna Maria Taigi
- + Blessed Maria Angela Truszkowska
- + Blessed Mary Magdalene of the Incarnation



COME AND VENERATE THE RELICS
AND BE INSPIRED BY THE
LIVES OF THESE INCREDIBLE SAINTS.


Come Join Us

SEPTEMBER 5TH & 6TH


Visit Times

Saturday, September 5th
7:30 AM – 7:00 PM

Sunday, September 6th
7:30 AM – 3:30 PM


Location

Vallombrosa Center
250 Oak Grove Ave
Menlo Park, CA 94025

— ALL ARE WELCOME! —
A beautiful opportunity for prayer, veneration,
and to grow closer to the saints.



The Archdiocese of San Francisco
Priests' Convocation in Monterey, CA will take place
on **September 21st–24th**.

All priests will be attending this event.

As a result, the **5:00 p.m.** weekday Masses during this
period, will be replaced with
Communion services only.

Deacon Ernest von Emster will be presiding.

Thank you for your prayers and
your understanding.

Curious About Becoming Catholic?

Are you, or anyone you know, curious about becoming a Catholic? Or, if you are already baptized would you like to complete the sacraments of initiation by receiving the Eucharist, and being confirmed in the Catholic Church?



Adults are invited to join our upcoming **Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA)** program for **St. Charles** and **St. Matthias** parishes. Participants examine their faith and learn about **Catholic** traditions and teachings. Participants receive the sacraments at the **Easter Vigil**.

Sessions are held each

Sunday morning at 11 a.m. at St. Matthias.

The **first session** is **Sunday, September 20th**.

Please contact **Deacon Rich** at rich@stmatthiasparish.org for further information.



ST. CHARLES SCHOOL
K - 8th GRADE

BELONG. BELIEVE. BECOME.

Welcome to all new and returning students of **St. Charles School**! We are delighted to begin another exciting school year together and look forward to a year filled with learning, growth, friendship, and success.

**Back to School Mass on Tuesday,
August 18th at 10:30 am.**

Altar Servers at St. Charles Church

St. Charles Church welcomes
new altar servers in our Masses.

Parents of 4th graders and higher, if your child is
interested in becoming an altar server,
please contact

Caren Fior (fiorcaren@gmail.com).

Servers will attend a training session prior to serving.

DINING TABLE

The parish rectory is in need of a large
dining table that can comfortably seat
12 people.

If anyone in our Parish has a 12-seat
dining table they no longer need and
would be willing to donate, we would be
most grateful to receive it.

**Thank you for your generosity
and support! - Fr. Roy**



Please respect our neighbors and do not block their driveways especially during Saturday/Sunday Mass.

Archdiocese of San Francisco - Victim Assistance Coordinator - (415) 614-5506



**TURNING
TO GOD'S WORD**
serious Bible study for serious Catholics

Women's Catholic Scripture Study invites women from parishes all around the Bay Area to join us for our new study of the **Gospel According to Mark**.

We meet at **St. Mark Church** (325 Marine View Drive, in Belmont) on **Thursday mornings, 9:45 am to 12 noon** (9/17/26--5/13/27 with holiday breaks).

Participants read the lessons and answer home study questions, engage in lively small group discussions, and gather in the large group for inspiring talks. We also like to meet monthly for lunch and fellowship.

To learn more about us and to see a sample lesson, please go to www.TurningtoGodsWord.com, click on "Study the Bible" in the top menu, scroll down to "TtGW Study groups," scroll across to "California groups" and click.

To register or to ask questions, please contact **Tami Palladino: tami@theprayerpage.net or 650-235-6974**

Old Bible? New Bible? No Bible? All welcome!!!



Mark your calendars, the St. Charles Parish Festival is going to be groovy! 🥳

Save the date for this year's festival on Friday, September 25 and Saturday, September 26.

This year's celebration is extra special as we commemorate the 60th anniversary of the dedication of St. Charles Church. In honor of this milestone, our slogan will be "Remember. Renew. Celebrate." We will also be adding a fun 1960s-inspired theme to celebrate the decade that St. Charles Church was dedicated.

So dust off your flower power 🌸, peace signs 🕊, and good vibes ✨ as we prepare for a far-out weekend of food, games, music, and community fun! 🎵

More details will be shared in the coming weeks, but for now, please save the date and plan to join us for this special celebration.

With gratitude,
Festival Committee



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

- St. Charles Church -

SUNDAY MASSES:

Saturday Evening Vigil - 5:00 pm
Sunday - 8:30 & 11:00 am

ROSARY: Monday-Friday 4:30 pm
in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel

WEEKDAY MASSES: Monday-Friday 5:00 pm

- St. Matthias Church -

1685 Cordilleras Road, Redwood City
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SUNDAY MASS

Saturday Evening Vigil - 5:00 pm
Sunday - 9:45 am

Fr. Roy Remo, Pastor

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Office Hours: Monday-Friday 9:00 am -1:00 pm

St. Charles School - (650) 593-1629

- Sacrament of Penance -

Saturdays - 3:30 pm - 4:00 pm
or anytime by appointment.

- Eucharistic Adoration -

First Friday of the Month: 9:00 am - 10:00 am
in the Parish Center Chapel