

**SAINT MATTHIAS  
CATHOLIC CHURCH**

**CALENDAR:**

**Monday, August 10th**  
Men & Women's Bible Study  
7:00 pm with Zoom

**Saturday, August 15th**  
Ministry to the Homeless  
Austin St. Shelter @ 11am

**Monday, August 24th**  
Men & Women's Bible Study  
7:00 pm with Zoom

# AUGUST 2020

## “Love, Hope, And Peace”

**G**reetings in the Name of Our Lord, Jesus Christ:  
The underlying message of Sacred Scripture is Love, Hope, and Peace.

These are not merely ideals, but they are sincere elements and characteristics imbedded in the lives of those who follow Jesus. I do not know about all of you, but in these past 4 months, I have seen very little love going around, hope being offered, or peace among people.

What I have seen is a great deal of anger, fear, and disillusionment. I think that it is time we all got back to the basics of our life in Christ. Jesus lived in a time where he and his people were under direct, and in some cases, extreme persecution, yet He lived at peace with others while loving them unconditionally and offering them hope. This is our model, not just for eternal life, but for our life here on earth. This is, as Jesus said, a more perfect way of living. This is the example that we too are supposed to be offering to others. I am reminded of a song from the 70's, “They Will Know We Are Christians By Our Love.” Notice that it does not say, by our fear, or anger or disillusionment.

Let us embrace this moment in the history of the world as our own, and live in it as Jesus lived in His. Let us be the equal opposite of what the world has to offer, and let us be living examples of a better way to deal with hardship and suffering. Yes, this season will pass, and we must make sure that as it does, that we are the same loving, hopeful and peaceful people we were before it began.

Peace and Blessings,



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# NEWS & UPDATES

Helping Hands  
Items of the  
Month  
**Tuna, Chicken  
and Hamburger  
Helper**



Helping Hands  
Volunteer this  
Month  
**Margie Chung**

This has been an ongoing ministry of our congregation for many years. Please consider being a part of our giving to Helping Hands.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Must wear a face covering in order to attend.
- No childcare is available at this time as well as Sunday School.
- The 8:30am worship service is still being recorded for live streaming for those who are unable to attend.
- Eucharist will only be received in the hand and will be distributed at your seat.
- Passing of the Peace will continue to be suspended.
- Please discard your bulletin or take it home with you as you leave. It will not be recycled for use in the next worship service.

## COMBINED MEN & WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Monday, August 10th  
Monday, August 24th  
@ 7:00pm  
Online Classroom in Zoom

## REMEMBER TO

*Register each week  
for worship.  
Currently, seating is  
limited to 50 individuals.*

Christian education will be home based until the first of the year. Please contact the Church for material.

## Server's List

### 8:30 am Mass

Date	08/02/2020	08/09/2020	08/16/2020	08/23/2020	08/30/2020
Reader	Mark Volpi	Gerry Lamb	Marguerite Brindock	Tracy McLeland	Vicki Graska
Altar Guild	Marguerite Brindock	Tracy McLeland	Jody McGee	Karen Anderson	Margie Chung
Server	Preston Landman	Preston Landman	Preston Landman	Preston Landman	Preston Landman

### 10:00 am Mass

Date	08/02/2020	08/09/2020	08/16/2020	08/23/2020	08/30/2020
Reader	Angela Garza	Josh Zachary	Jeff Gay	Juan Garza	Angela Garza
Altar Guild	Pam Slovak	Cristina Zachary	Yolanda Garza	Pam Slovak	Cristina Zachary
Server	Juan Garza	Juan Garza	Juan Garza	Juan Garza	Juan Garza

# Advertisements

**“Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.”** (1 Thessalonians 5:16-18)

**“Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is - his good, pleasing and perfect will.”** (Romans 12:2)

**“Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful.”** (Colossians 3:15)

If we **"pray without ceasing,"** all of these things become easier. I like to pray paraphrased versions of the above; maybe we'll look at a few more verses I think of as 'quick-prayers' in the future. Peace.



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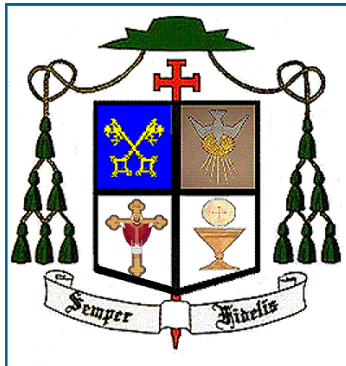
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Sunday English Mass.....8:30 am &  
10:00 am

Must register in order to attend live worship.

Confession.....Available by appointment

No childcare or Sunday School until further notice.



## Saint Matthias Church Office

102 Kenway St  
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### Office Hours

Monday 9:00 am — 1:00 pm  
Tuesday 9:00 am — 1:00 pm  
Thursday 9:00am— 1:00pm  
Friday 9:00 am — 1:00 pm

Please call to make an appointment..