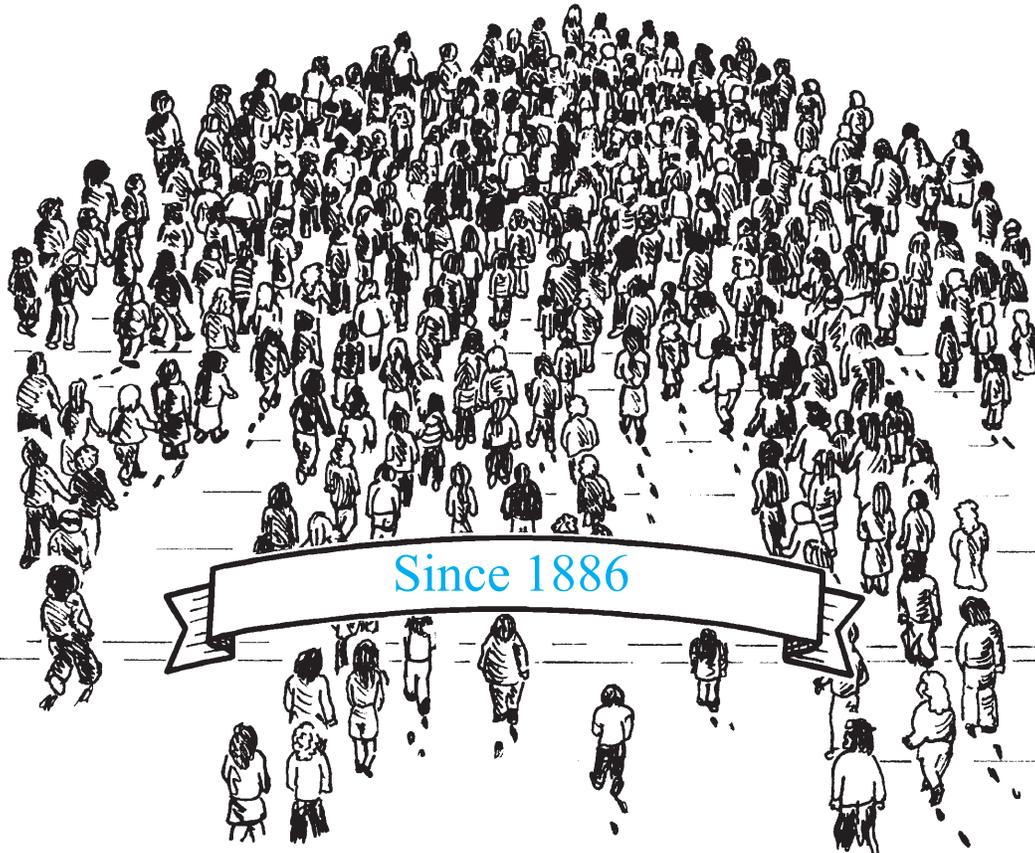


The Community of St. Matthew



*... exists
in the world
as a visible
expression of
God's love.*



Dear Saint Matthew's Community and Visitors:

Next weekend the plan for the reorganization of the Archdiocese will be rolled out. For more than 18 months a planning taskforce and staff of the Archdiocese has conducted hundreds of meetings with pastors, professional lay ministers, finance council & parish council members and the average parish member to seek ideas and information on what elements must be considered in reorganizing the Archdiocese.

What prompts this reorganization is simply a critical lack of priests to pastor all 120 parishes of the Archdiocese and a lack of sufficient financial resources to fund all parishes and schools.

On Friday, October 15th all priests of the archdiocese are expected to attend an all day meeting convened by the Archbishop at the Church of Saint John the Baptist in New Brighton. At that meeting the Archbishop and his staff will inform all priests of the new parish and school structure for the Archdiocese. Some parishes and schools will be closed, some parishes will be merged, some parishes will be clustered and served by one pastor.

On Friday evening, October 15th I will meet with parish leadership and any parish members who wish to attend. The meeting will take place in the social hall at 6 pm. Pizza will be served and I will report on what I have learned during the daylong meeting with the Archbishop.

On the weekend of October 16th and 17th at all the Sunday Masses I will report to the parish membership on the new

structure and its implications for Saint Matthew's. Materials will be available on the weekend for each parish household to explain in writing the full restructuring. Following each of the weekend Masses on the 16th and 17th of October there will be time for parish members to meet after Mass and talk about the restructuring.

It has been more than 60 years since the Archdiocese has undertaken such a massive restructuring; the last time this happened it was after the Second World War. This will not be easy for any of us. I certainly do not relish spending the final years of my active ministry in accomplishing this restructuring. Yet, as difficult as this will be for all Catholics of the Archdiocese, personnel issues, financial issues and demographics cause this to happen.

If you plan to attend the Friday, October 15th parish meeting at 6 pm in the Social Hall, please call the church office (651-224-9793) so we can make adequate preparations to accommodate all who wish to participate.

Yours truly,



Stephen Adrian
Pastor

PARISH EVENTS

DID YOU KNOW?

At Neighborhood House Food Shelf, multi-cultural, multilingual staff, link food shelf users to a network of resources to help them address challenges with housing, clothing, and financial assistance. St. Matthew's Food Shelf Ministry depends on contributions from YOU. Please help us by bringing a non-perishable food item with you as part of your weekly Eucharistic celebration, or make a monetary offering in the yellow envelopes provided in the back of church. A few extra grocery bags along with your donations would also be much appreciated. Thanks.

ROSARY MEETING

The Rosary Society Dinner Meeting will be Tuesday, October 12, 2010. Mass is at 5:30 p.m. in the Chapel, Social Time at 6:00 p.m. in the Social Hall, dinner at 6:30 p.m., and our meeting at 7:15 p.m. Rosary members and funeral servers are invited. If you need help getting to a meeting, your helper is invited to join us. Please call Eileen Norton (651-455-5965) or Doris Bisciglia (651-452-4946) to make a dinner reservation.

KNIGHTS COFFEE FOR A CAUSE

The West St. Paul Lucien Galtier Knights of Columbus will sponsor the "Coffee for a Cause" this Sunday. The monies collected will go to the Knights fund called "Pennies for Seminarians". This is a fund which contributes to the Archdiocesan Seminarians from the Minnesota Knights of Columbus.

EDUCATION AND
FAITH FORMATION NEWS

FIRST COMMUNION AND FIRST RECONCILIATION PREP CLASSES

Parents of students enrolled in sacrament preparation will have a informational meetings on Wednesday, October 27 and Wednesday, November 3rd at 6:30 pm in the chapel. Parents must attend one of these two meetings if their child/ren will be celebrating these sacraments in the spring. The meeting is for parents with students who will be preparing for First Communion(2nd grade and up) or First Reconciliation(4th grade and up). If you have not already registered please do so as soon as possible, so that we have the correct number of materials to distribute at the October 27th meeting. If you have a child who has not been baptized, please attend this meeting as well. Any questions, call Mr. Lieser at the school office (651-224-6912).

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS RECRUITING WEEK OF OCTOBER 10TH

The West St. Paul Knights of Columbus will be recruiting this weekend. Fr. Adrian will have a short discussion after all Masses. Some Knights will be present at all Masses to take applications. Any young man 18 or older, who is a practicing Catholic is eligible to join. If you have been thinking of joining the Knights, We will take your application after Mass.

FESTIVAL THANK YOU!

The Silver Sassy Seniors would like to thank EVERYONE who participated in ANY way to help in the success of the Fall Festival. We hope you all had as much fun as we did.

A NOTE FROM THE SCHOOL HOT LUNCH PROGRAM

We are in need of clean, empty ice cream buckets and cool whip containers. You may drop them off at the Parish Center Monday-Friday, from 8:00 AM-4:00 PM. Thank you for your help.

BOY SCOUT TROOP WREATH SALES

Boy Scouts from Troop 107 will be selling wreaths after all Masses on November 20th and 21st. Wreaths will be available for you to take home on that day. If you have made arrangements to purchase a wreath from a Boy Scout, they will be making that delivery. If you would like to be contacted by a Boy Scout to purchase a wreath before the date of the sale, please email kim.baumeister@gmail.com or call at 651-788-3021 and your information will be given to a Boy Scout. Thank you for supporting the St. Matthew Boy Scout Troop.



THIS WEEK AT
SAINT MATTHEW

Sunday	October 10
Monday	October 11
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
6:45 PM, XC	Boy Scout Meeting
Tuesday	October 12
2:00-6:00 PM, PC	St. Mary's Clinic
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
Wednesday	October 13
1:00-6:00 PM, PC	St. Mary's Clinic
2:45 PM, MC	Children's Choir
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
7:00 PM, MC	Adult Choir
Thursday	October 14
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
Friday	October 15
Saturday	October 16
Sunday	October 17

Abbreviations:

- MC – Main Church
- CH – Chapel
- PC – Parish Center
- SH – Social Hall
- SC – School
- CC – Child Care
- XC – Extended Day

STEWARDSHIP

Jesus healed ten lepers in today's Gospel. Only one [10%] came back to say thank you. I, too, have received many blessings from the Lord—indeed, all I am and all I have is gift! How and how often have I remembered to express thanks?

Sharing Last weekend \$10,190. Thank you! [After a week in the doldrums we got above budget again.] We reduced the deficit versus budget by \$600+. That's good. Additional dollars: \$874 in school envelopes; \$50 for Assumption; \$25 for food shelf. Thanks for these, too.

Service: Choir... helped at Funfest... lector... helped the elderly... helped a friend in need... funeral lunches... Loaves & Fishes... Eucharist to homebound.

Prayer: Daily prayer, rosary, mass, spiritual reading... mealtime prayer... meditation... first Friday devotion.

Youth: \$3.00, Thank you! They wrote: 1 hour in prayer... helped fold clothes.

MASS INTENTIONS

Mass intentions may be found on the monthly calendar available in the back of church.

WEEKLY READINGS

Readings for the Week of October 10, 2010

Sunday: 2 Kgs 5:14-17/2 Tm 2:8-13/Lk 17:11-19
 Monday: Gal 4:22-24, 26-27, 31-5:1/Lk 11:29-32
 Tuesday: Gal 5:1-6/Lk 11:37-41
 Wednesday: Gal 5:18-25/Lk 11:42-46
 Thursday: Eph 1:1-10/Lk 11:47-54
 Friday: Eph 1:11-14/Lk 12:1-7
 Saturday: Eph 1:15-23/Lk 12:8-12
 Next Sunday: Ex 17:8-13/2 Tm 3:14-4:2/Lk 18:1-8

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 Child Care Center..... 651-224-1459
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Schedule of Services

Weekend Liturgies Saturday: 5:00 PM
 Sunday: 8:00 & 10:30 AM
 Weekday Liturgies Monday-Friday: 6:45 AM
 1st Friday: 6:45 AM & 5:15 PM

Reconciliation

Tuesday..... 7:15 AM
 Saturday..... 4:00 PM

Sacrament of Baptism

Parents who are parishioners make arrangements with the Pastor or the Deacon one month prior to baptism.

Sacrament of Marriage

Couples make arrangements with the Pastor or the Deacon six months prior to wedding. Must be a member of the parish

Parish Council Members

Parish Council email: parishcouncil@st-matts.org

Karen Thompson	Georgann Henjum
Mark Thomford	Joyce Osborne
Jason Delmont	Anthony Minus
Dean Steinbrenner	Chris Stevens
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