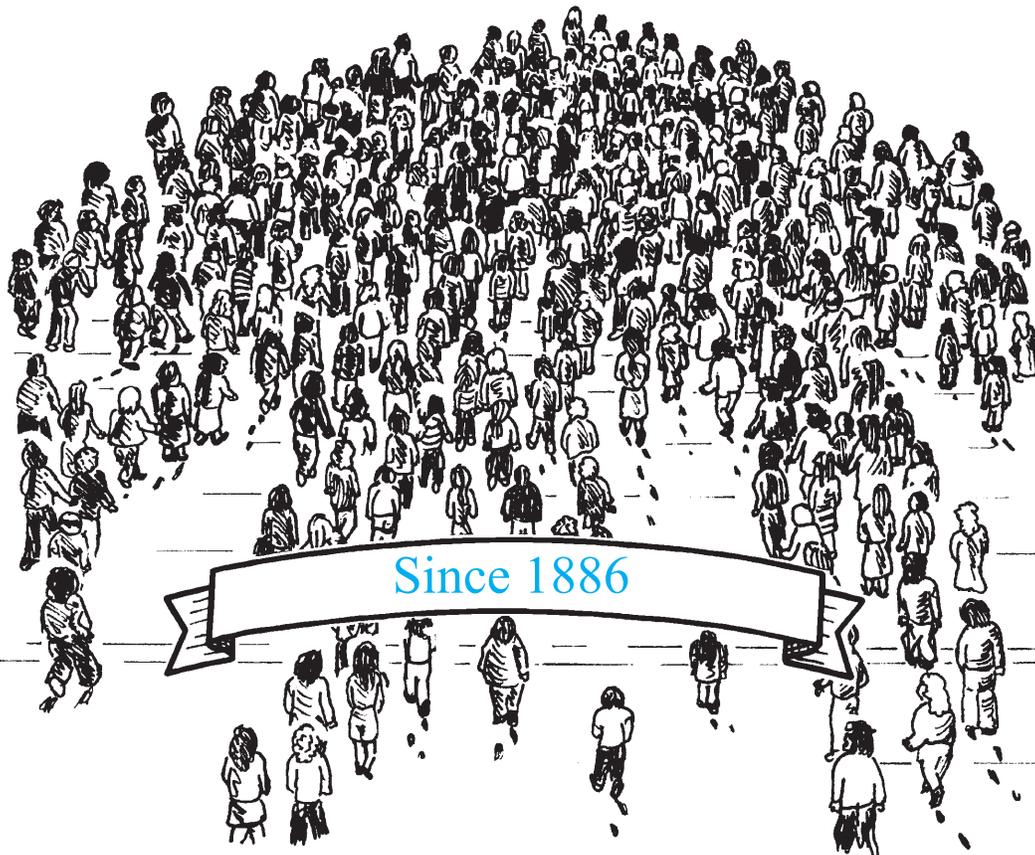


The Community of St. Matthew



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



Dear Saint Matthew Community and Visitors:

At the very heart of any Catholic community is the celebration of sacraments. A part of the mission of every Catholic community is to prepare persons to enter into the full sacramental life of the Church – the People of God, the Body of Christ.

Each year parents assist in the preparation of their children to receive their First Communion, their First celebration of Reconciliation and their celebration of Confirmation.

I encourage and invite parents who have a child to be prepared for Communion or Reconciliation to participate in a short parent meeting on either October 27th or November 3rd at 6:30 pm in the Chapel of Saint Matthew's Church.

If you have a child who is in the second grade or above who has not received First Communion, **this meeting is for you.**

If you have a child in fourth grade or above who has not received the Sacrament of Reconciliation, **this meeting is for you.**

Also, if you have a child who is not an infant who has not been baptized, **this meeting is for you.**

I well understand that with the challenges of life sometimes parents do not get around to enrolling their child in religious education classes or sacramental

preparation classes. So, if you have an order child who is to receive First Communion or Reconciliation or Baptism do not feel uncomfortable or shamed for not having had this taken care of earlier. I strongly encourage you to do it now.

As children are prepared for sacraments it is also very important to bring them with you to church on Sunday morning or Saturday evening.

Children need to grow to be comfortable at worship and to experience worship as a regular part of their lives.

Parent Meeting

First Communion, First Reconciliation, Baptism
Wednesday, October 27th or Wednesday, November
3rd

6:30 pm

Chapel of Saint Matthew Church

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.

VIKINGS VS PACKERS ON SUNDAY NIGHT FOOTBALL OCTOBER 24!

Watch the game in the social hall on the big screen. Admission is \$5 over 16 and free for 16 and under with an adult. The St. Matthew's Men's Club will provide the hot dogs, snacks and refreshments. All football fans are welcome and the doors open at 6:45 pm. Questions, Tim 612-269-9471.

THE ST. MATTHEW'S MEN'S CLUB FALL WINE TASTING

Friday November 12 from 7-10 pm in the social hall Come for an enjoyable evening with friends, neighbors, and relatives. Sample some great wines, nibble on some cheese and crackers, try some tasty treats at the chocolate fountain. Order some of the wines you enjoyed for the holidays. Admission is \$15. Questions, Tim at 612-269-9471.

EDUCATION AND FAITH FORMATION NEWS

POINSETTIA SALE AFTER MASS

We are taking orders for 6.5" poinsettias (Gerten's) in a variety of colors. You order and pay now, delivery will be the first weekend in December. This is a great gift idea as a hostess gift, for family, office staff, or yourself! Questions, you can call Julianna at 651-457-7761.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

The next scheduling period will run from November 27th through the Sunday before Ash Wednesday March 7th. Please get your scheduling requests in by no later than 5:00 PM Wednesday October 27th. Any one wanting to join one of the ministries should also contact us by October 27th. **We really are in need of you.** Please give it serious consideration. Contact info GBD1252@comcast.net or Ginny at 651-222-2867. NOTE: this is the Holiday schedule please let us know if you will not be available at your normal times or if you would like to serve at a particular mass. Thanks your schedulers Mary Ann, Joanne and Ginny.

ROSARY SOCIETY

The Rosary Society is restoring a former spiritual practice: attending Mass together and receiving communion on the first weekend of each month. To accommodate the schedules of members, presence will alternate between Saturday [beginning 11/6] and the early Mass on Sunday [first one: 12/5]. As with all members of the parish community, we strive to be a 'a visible expression of God's love.' [It appears that Rosary Society members have been more visible as 'Marthas' rather than 'Marys'; raising money for different causes, serving funeral lunches, coffee Sundays and on the Loves and Fishes team]. We do pray the rosary before funerals of members; we pray at our meetings and we pray individually and with our families. We want to witness this even more by participating as a body each month. Watch for the reserved seats; we encourage other women to join us both for monthly Mass, but also at our other events.

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.

TURKEY BINGO

St Matthews Social Hall Saturday November 13th 5:00pm to 9pm
PIZZA ★ GAMES ★ BEVERAGES ★ PADDLE WHEEL FUN FOR
THE WHOLE FAMILY ALL AGES WELCOME!!!

THIS WEEK AT SAINT MATTHEW

Sunday	October 24
Monday	October 25
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
6:45 PM, XC	Boy Scout Meeting
Tuesday	October 26
2:00-6:00 PM, PC	St. Mary's Clinic
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
Wednesday	October 27
1:00-6:00 PM, PC	St. Mary's Clinic
2:45 PM, MC	Children's Choir
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
6:30 PM, SC	Religious Ed.
7:00 PM, MC	Adult Choir
Thursday	October 28
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
Friday	October 29
Saturday	October 30
Sunday	October 31

Abbreviations:

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

STEWARDSHIP

Stewardship: \$7,874 last weekend. Thanks to each faithful steward. Please remember that the expenses of the parish and all programs do not take time off to see the leaves. [If all can 'catch up' that will be a great benefit to the bottom line.]

Service: Another thanks to all those who make themselves available to serve lunch after funerals. This important ministry is another witness to the spirit of hospitality which typifies Saint Matt's. Sometimes the lunches are small and 'easy,' sometimes they are very, very large. Regardless, the funeral lunch group does their work with speed, gentleness and aplomb. Thanks to each member. [And others are always welcome. Might this be your calling? Please call the parish office.]

Prayer: daily prayer, mass, rosary, spiritual reading.

Youth: \$3.00, Thank you! They wrote: raked lawn.

Coffee Sunday

Thanks to members of the Rosary Society for hosting this Sunday; thanks to the Pastoral Council for last Sunday and to the Liturgy Committee for next Sunday. [There are Sundays that are still available: would you/your group help to support community building by hosting? Call the parish office.]

Restructuring meeting

Thanks to all who came; thanks to Leo and Marcie who handled the kitchen; thanks to the couple who underwrote the pizza.

WEEKLY READINGS

Readings for the Week of October 24, 2010

Sunday: Sir 35:12-14, 16-18/2 Tm 4:6-8, 16-18/
Lk 18:9-14
Monday: Eph 4:32-5:8/Lk 13:10-17
Tuesday: Eph 5:21-33 or 5:2a, 25-32/Lk 13:18-21
Wednesday: Eph 6:1-9/Lk 13:22-30
Thursday: Eph 2:19-22/Lk 6:12-16
Friday: Phil 1:1-11/Lk 14:1-6
Saturday: Phil 1:18b-26/Lk 14:1, 7-11
Next Sunday: Wis 11:22-12:2/2 Thes 1:11-2:2/Lk 19:1-10

PARISH DIRECTORY

Saint Matthew Church Office..... 651-224-9793
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Pastoral Staff

Pastor..... *Father Stephen Adrian*
Deacon..... *Rev. John Murphy*
Parish Pastoral Administrator..... *John Riehle*
Dir. Education & Formation..... *Doug Lieser*
Dir. Music & Liturgy..... *Bonnie Faber*
Dir. Child Care and KLT..... *Shar Lavelle*
Bookkeeper..... *Cindy Hoffman*
Administrative Assistant..... *Nicole Johnson*
Dir. Food Service..... *Donna Jenniges*
Parish Engineer..... *David Rosas*

Phone Numbers

Parish School.....651-224-6912
KLT Kids..... 651-665-0786
Child Care Center..... 651-224-1459
Prayer line..... 651-686-5463 or 651-455-6886

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
Stephen Adrian	Becky Montgomery
Judy DeNardo, at large	