

The Community of St. Matthew



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



Dear Saint Matthew Community and Visitors:

A number of couples who are members of the Church of Saint Matthew are in marriages of mixed religion – a marriage in which one spouse is a baptized Catholic and the other spouse is a baptized member of another denomination, or not baptized.

Sometimes this couple worships together at Saint Matthew on a regular basis. The non-Catholic partner is not a member of any other parish community and so both spouses regard themselves as members of Saint Matthew's and have raised their children as Catholics and educated them at Saint Matthew's School or through Saint Matthew's Religious Education programs.

A significant part of being pastor at the Church of Saint Matthew involves funerals and burials. The majority of the funerals I celebrate take place at Saint Matthew's Church with the Mass of Christian Burial. A number of parish funerals take place in funeral homes or elsewhere.

Sometimes when the non-Catholic partner in a marriage of mixed religion dies there is the assumption that this person is not entitled to burial from a Catholic Church with the full Mass of Christian Burial. This is simply not true.

A family is invited and encouraged to bring a loved one to burial in a manner in which they can celebrate the life of the deceased and worship God. For Catholics this means the Mass of Christian Burial.

Sometimes there is also the assumption that if a person's body is cremated before the Mass of Christian Burial the remains may not be present in the church during the Mass. This is also simply not true.

On occasion burial takes place quickly after death and sometime later there is a gathering of family and friends for a Memorial Mass.

In some cultures there is a gathering of family and friends 30 or 40 days after the death of a person – a memorial Mass is celebrated and meal is shared.

Some families choose to gather on the annual anniversary of the death of a family member for a Memorial Mass and time of remembrance.

Christian charity demands that we, the Church of Saint Matthew, provide a hospitable and welcoming place and opportunity for grieving families to bring to burial their family member. This is no less than one of the corporeal works of mercy.

In my time at Saint Matthew's it has been my privilege to assist more than 2,000 families in their grief as they bring a loved one to burial. I have always found these occasions as a way of inviting people into a deeper faith and a stronger trust in the love of God.

Yours truly,



Stephen Adrian
Pastor

PARISH EVENTS

FALL FESTIVAL – COMING SOON!

Were back!! Start thinking about our Fall Festival for 2010. We'd like y'all to start thinking about what contribution you can make or do, to make this year's festival an even greater success than 2009...(which was a doozy. Can we top \$20,000?) We feel that with your help, it's possible. Thanks in advance –The Sassy Silver Seniors

FR. WHITTIER BOOK NEWS

Father Bill Whittier will be here June 26 and 27 with his autobiography: The Journey of a Priest. He'll autograph copies after the weekend Masses. They'll be \$17 at church [\$20 if you order by mail].

PRE-SCHOOL REGISTRATION AT ST. MATT'S

St. Matthew's Preschool offers a program that is both convenient for parents and engaging for preschoolers. If you want your preschooler in a caring Christian learning environment, St. Matthew's Preschool will fit your needs. **Enroll before September 1 and we'll waive the \$60 administration fee.**

Our Preschool educates children ages 3-5. St. Matt's understands that child care isn't cheap, which is why we offer unique ways for parents to cover the cost. In addition to participating in the Federal Food Program so kids can have breakfast and lunch at no additional cost to parents, hourly rates for child care are offered instead of the typical daily rates charged at other facilities. That way parents pay only for the actual time their child requires care between 6:30 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Preschool is also offered free to any child enrolled full-time in child care. Creative and engaging activities prepare kids for kindergarten and create a strong foundation for life-long learning. A licensed, highly qualified staff teaches kids both in the classroom and on field trips. Call Shar LaValle at St. Matt's. 651-224-1450.

EDUCATION AND
FAITH FORMATION NEWS

DO YOU WANT YOUR CHILD TO HAVE FREE TUTORING IN READING THIS SUMMER?

The East Side Learning Center will provide one-on-one tutoring in reading this summer for students from St. Paul in grades K-4. Students need to attend every day, Monday through Friday, from June 28 through July 20 for one hour. Tutoring will take place both in the mornings and afternoons at North End Elementary, 27 E. Geranium Av. Student does not need to be in summer school to attend tutoring. There is a \$5 non-refundable registration fee or special arrangements can be made. Call (651) 793-7331 for more information or to register. Openings will be filled on a first come first serve basis. Registrations close June 15.

HIGH POTENTIAL SCHOLARSHIPS

Recently we learned that 9 of our 4th -6th grade students won \$1,500 High Potential Scholarships from the Legacy Grant through Friends of Catholic Urban Schools (FOCUS). To earn the scholarships, the students needed to fit requirements from the grant, be nominated, show a couple examples of their experience in Catholic education to work, and had to write an essay about .

As a school we also needed to show that our staff differentiates instruction to meet the needs of all the students within a classroom and that our staff had been effectively trained to meet he needs of high potential students. In all, 31 scholarships were distributed which means our students received 29% of the scholarships. This is a tribute to the 9 students, but also the quality of our staff who work to meet the needs of all our students.

The grant readers were impressed with are applicants and shared the following as testimony of the great work being done at St. Matthew's: "Even when I am not in church it helps me to be with God and helps keep my faith alive. Every (family member) went to a Catholic school. If I have kids they are going to a Catholic school... I'll tell them stories about when I was little in Catholic school. I hope to go to a good school like Cretin or St. Thomas and maybe even the University of Notre Dame."

Congratulations to Illiana Galiviz, Lisette Horne, Aaron Jenniges, Antonio Solis, Argentina Lerma, Dante Luopa, Mark Acesor, Alyssa Galaviz, and Monique Plaster!

CAA SCHOLARSHIP

Congratulations to 6th grader Jalan Ousley-Brown who is one of six student in the archdiocese to receive the John W. Hajlo Scholarship Award this school year. This \$500 scholarship is for student athletes from the Catholic Athletic Association. The award goes to students who show the values of Catholic education and are leaders, athletes, have good grades and are positive representatives of their schools. Congratulations Jalan.

THIS WEEK AT
SAINT MATTHEW

Sunday	June 13
Monday 3:00 PM, SH	June 14 Loaves and Fishes
Tuesday 2:00-6:00 PM, PC 3:00 PM, SH	June 15 St. Mary's Clinic Loaves and Fishes
Wednesday 1:00-6:00 PM, PC 3:00 PM, SH 6:00 PM, SC	June 16 St. Mary's Clinic Loaves and Fishes Home & School
Thursday 3:00 PM, SH	June 17 Loaves and Fishes
Friday	June 18
Saturday	June 19
Sunday	June 20

Abbreviations:

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

STEWARDSHIP

All who are faithful stewards can say, with Paul, because of the practice of stewardship: "It is no longer I who live, but Christ in me." And, the woman in the gospel, gave what she had; Jesus said: therefore her sins are forgiven because of her great love. Faithful stewardship can be 'cleansing' in the same way.

Sharing: Thanks to those who acknowledge the goodness of the Lord and return something in thanksgiving: \$11,601 was given last weekend. Though a bit behind the budget, the year-to-date number is \$13,047 greater than last year at the same time. [There are only three weekends remaining in this fiscal year.]

Other money given: \$802 in education envelopes and plate; \$5 for the food shelf; \$19 for Global Solidarity Sunday [those who took the envelope out of the bulletin and used it already]. Thanks to all, for all.

Service: celebrating special events with family & friends... volunteered at school for end of the year activities... loaves and fishes, funeral lunches, money counter, Eucharist for the homebound... serve on the parish council... work on parish website.

Prayer: daily prayer, mass ,rosary, spiritual reading... morning & evening prayer... prayer for healing.

Youth: \$7.25, Thank you! They wrote: made breakfast... cleaned out the tents

MASS INTENTIONS

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

WEEKLY READINGS

Readings for the Week of June 13, 2010

Sunday: 2 Sm 12:7-10, 13/Gal 2:16, 19-21/Lk 7:36--8:3 or 7:36-50

Monday: 1 Kgs 21:1-16/Mt 5:38-42

Tuesday: 1 Kgs 21:17-29/Mt 5:43-48

Wednesday: 2 Kgs 2:1, 6-14/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday: Sir 48:1-14/Mt 6:7-15

Friday: 2 Kgs 11:1-4, 9-18, 20/Mt 6:19-23

Saturday: 2 Chr 24:17-25/Mt 6:24-34

Next Sunday: Zec 12:10-11; 13:1/Gal 3:26-29/Lk 9:18-24

PARISH DIRECTORY

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Pastoral Staff

Pastor..... *Father Stephen Adrian*

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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

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