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The Community of St. Matthew

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

Mass Intentions

Monday	6:45 AM	Matt Adrian
Tuesday	6:45 AM	Rita and George Dow
	12:10 PM	Amy Nephew
Wednesday	6:45 AM	Roger Kippley
	12:10 PM	Kathleen Dow
Thursday	6:45 AM	Joanna Rivera
	12:10 PM	Phillip Gilburg
Friday	6:45 AM	Rose Campa
	5:15 PM	Victoria Bugnon
Saturday	5:00 PM	Renee Charbineau
		Joseph G. Meisinger
Sunday	8:00 AM	Carol Grundei
		Herman Fischer
	10:30 AM	Parishioners

STATIONS OF THE CROSS will be prayed every Monday evening here at Saint Matthew's at 7:00 PM.

THE GIFT OF LIFE Mark your calendars! The American Red Cross will be here on Monday, April 9th from 1:30 to 7:30 PM. More information coming, please watch the bulletin.

LOAVES AND FISHES is four weeks away from beginning at Saint Matthew's. More than 35 people have volunteered to be on a serving team for the first Monday of the even months. Our first time serving will be June 4th. Call the parish office to volunteer.

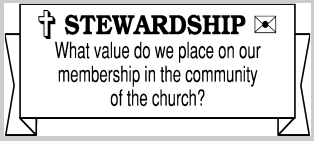
METROPOLITAN SYMPHONY One hour family-friendly concerts are this Sunday afternoon at 2:00 PM and 4:00 PM. Come, hear good music, and learn something about a symphony orchestra.

REMEMBER Saint Matthew's in your will!! Give 5% to your church; your children will still get 95%!

Sunday, March 18		*Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15; 1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12; Lk 13:1-9*
		Coffee Sunday cancelled
	2:00PM	Metropolitan Symphony
	4:00PM	Metropolitan Symphony
Monday, March 19		*2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a*
	9:30 AM	Faith Sharing Group
	6:00 PM	Open Hand Bell Choir Practice
		NO religious education, grades 1-6
Tuesday, March 20		*Dn 3:25, 34-43; Mt 18:21-35*
	6:30 PM	Girl Scout Meeting
	7:00 PM	Conversations with Father Steve
	7:00PM	Parish Finance Council
Wednesday, March 21		*Dt 4:1, 5-9; Mt 5:17-19*
	10:00 AM	Staff Meeting
Thursday, March 22		*Jer 7:23-28; Lk 11:14-23*
	5:00 PM	Youth Hand Bell Choir Practice
	7:00 PM	Adult Choir Practice
Friday, March 23		*Hos 14:2-10; Mk 12:28b-34*
		NO day school
	4:00 PM	Fish Fry
Saturday, March 24		*Hos 6:1-6; Lk 18:9-14*
Next Sunday, March 25		*Jos 5:9a, 10-12; 2 Cor 5:17-21; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32*

DON'T FORGET!!! Saint Matthew's Fish Fry this Friday from 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM in the Social Hall. Adults: $7.00; kids: $3.00; immediate family: $22.00. Kids three and under eat free! Proceeds benefit school programs. Thanks for your continuing support.

ARE YOU A SIGNER? A young girl preparing for first communion needs the services of a signer for a couple of events. Please call John at the parish office with your ability/willingness to help.



Treasure: Last weekend: $10,586, compared to $12,764 in 2000. Year to date (fiscal) is $10,054, compared to $9716 in 2000. Year to date (calendar) is $10,377, compared to $10,104 in 2000. Thanks for the weekly stewardship effort; thanks for attempting to "make up" for the snowy weekend in February.

Youth Treasure: Thanks to the kids and young people for $37.15 that was donated through their use of envelopes. This kind of use is good practice for stewardship in the future.

School Programs: An additional $191 was contributed in the pink envelopes. Remember that all money donated that way goes to the programs of our parish school.

Other Envelopes: $20 more was given to the fuel collection; $50 was given to the archdiocesan assessment. [This latter is a "tax" (9%) on all new money received by the parish. There is a small credit for children in our day school and religious education programs. Still, that amount is nearly $50,000 this fiscal year.

NO RELIGIOUS EDUCATION this week; it is the winter/spring break for District 197. Sessions will resume next week, both Monday, March 26th and Wednesday, March 28th.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION for parents/ guardians and those preparing for Reconciliation. Remember the conversation evening: Tuesday, March 27th at 7:00 PM in the church. The following Tuesday, April 3rd, will be the celebration of the sacrament for those preparing and all of their families.

RED & WHITE GALA will be held Saturday, April 28th. Plan now to reserve the date!! Come with your family and friends for a great cause! Tickets for the annual Saint Matthew Educational Endowment Red & White Gala go on sale next weekend: March 24th and 25th. The endowment presently is at $223,000. Some of the earned income of this fund is used annually for tuition assistance and for compensation of teachers.

MEN'S CLUB BOWLING RESULTS A total of 48 couples bowled in the St. Matthew's Men's Club Annual Scotch Doubles Bowling Tournament at Westside Lanes on Saturday March 3. The awards dinner and dance was held at The Fort Snelling Club. Here are the winners with their 'winning' scores:
High Series: Troy & Laurie Franklin (734) - $50 prize; Almost High Series: Al Gross & Donna Lambach (712) - $25 prize; High Game: Bob & Sue Nowak (198) - $40 prize; Almost High Game: Tony Franciscus & Sue Gilbertson (193) - $20 prize;
Low Series: Maurice & Rosanne Vasquez (314) - $7 bowling fee returned.; Almost Low Series: Steve Grundei & Ginny Roethler (316) - No prize, just recognition of their effort; Low Game: Maurice Vasquez & Teresa Padila (65) - $7 bowling fee returned; Almost Low Game: Paul & Cheryl Kempe (66) - No prize, just recognition of their effort.

IT'S TIME FOR NEW LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULE! This one will cover May through August. If you know of any conflicts please leave a message with Ginny at (651) 222-2867 **before April 1st.** This applies to Altar Servers, Usher/ Greeters, Lectors, Gift Bearers and Communion Ministers.

FESTIVAL CHOIR Easter will be here in four weeks. If you want to be part of the Festival Choir, please attend choir practice Thursday at 7:00 PM in the church. Questions? Call Dana at (651) 310-0830.

HOLY THURSDAY offers a unique opportunity for participation in the community's liturgical ritual. **First,** there is a need for participants in the foot washing ritual—an action which celebrates and renews our baptismal covenant to the mutual service of one another. It is an act of humility, intimacy and total self-surrender; and those who take an active part in the ritual are a powerful gift to the community. If you are willing to be such a gift, there is a sign-up sheet in the Sacristy. Ask any usher and they will show you where it is. **Second,** there is a need for participants in Eucharistic Adoration following the transfer of the Eucharist on Holy Thursday. this adoration concludes with evening prayer at 10:00 PM in the Chapel. The Eucharist should not be left unattended at any time during this vigil, and there should always be at least two people in attendance (for security reasons). There are sign-up sheets in the back of church with time slots. Thanks! Dana

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a floppy felt fedora, stretched his walking stick toward the Basilica of Saint Mary and said: "Of old it was in buildings like that, to which people came so that their spirits might be lifted and the best within might be tapped, today it is in the 'temple of the arts' that the human spirit is magnified and the human soul transcends daily misery."

The connection between religion and art is found within the human soul. The church searches for avenues of evangelization. Art is one such avenue, one such way in which I become aware of the hungers of the human soul.

Stephen Adrian

Dear Saint Matthew Community and Visitors:

This Sunday afternoon the Metropolitan Symphony Orchestra offers two concerts at Saint Matthew's — 2:00 PM and 4:00 PM.

For more than ten years Saint Matthew's has been privileged to host the Metropolitan Symphony for an annual spring concert.

In the past few years the orchestra has offered a short concert that can be performed twice in the afternoon. The numbers of people wishing to enjoy the music has increased so much that it is impossible to accommodate all at one concert.

The concert is "family friendly." Our worship space makes it possible for an audience to sit very close to the musicians. Children are particularly welcome, and are invited to sit up front.

Great music, like great painting and great poetry, taps into the very soul of a person. The function of great art is to call me to enter into a place that I might not be otherwise able to go.

Music can soothe the soul, arouse the passions, stimulate the appetites, jog the memory, activate the senses. Music can drag one to the depth of despair and lift one to the heights of ecstasy. Music is both sweet and dangerous, and the power of the musician is that of magic.

Both in history and literature music is blessed with a magical quality — the ecstatic music of David drew the people of Israel to dance wildly before the ark of God, the soulful tune of the Pied Piper lured children from Hamlin. And who has not been transported as Disney lends sight to the sounds of great music in Fantasia?

Over the centuries the church has been a patron of the arts because art has the capacity to stretch the soul, move the spirit, create within a sense of power and beauty and unity. Art can call people to a sense of the divine and an experience of transcendence.

Almost fifty years ago, on the occasion of the dedication of the Guthrie Theatre, Sir Tyronne Guthrie, clad in a black opera cape and sporting

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Liturgies and Sacraments

Celebration of Sunday Liturgy
Saturday: 5:00 PM; Sunday: 8:00 AM and 10:30 AM

Weekday Worship
Monday thru Friday: 6:45 AM
First Friday: 6:45 AM and 5:15 PM

Sacrament of Penance
Monday: 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 three months prior to wedding.