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The Community of St. Matthew



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



Mass Intentions

Sunday	8:00AM	LeRoy & Norma Faser
Monday	6:45 AM	Lloyd Erickson Rose and Charles Thomas
Tuesday	6:45 AM	Paul Schommer Wilfred and Helen Junemann
Wednesday	6:45 AM	Anthony Argo Arthur Geis
Thursday	6:45 AM	Irene and Clarence Bunde Renee Charboneau
Friday		
Saturday	5:00 PM	Philip Snaza Frank Jack Jack Schaus
Sunday	8:00 AM	Karl Marsollek Irene A. Rivera
	10:30 AM	Parishioners

FIRST COMMUNIONS will be celebrated most weekend Masses beginning this weekend. First Communions this weekend: Sammy Sontoya and Marissa Franco (5:00 PM); Sara Jenniges and Abigail Jenniges (10:30 AM).

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

During this past week of March 19-26, the Capital Campaign has been able to deposit \$3,505.00 into our account. Thank you so much to our most generous parishioners. With everyone's help we will be able to see our church and school shine with its improvements soon. This is the end of the first quarter of the Capital Campaign and most of those who have pledged to pay monthly and quarterly have been true to their pledge. During the month of April the first quarterly letter/report will go out to each of our people who have made a pledge to let them know first of all how much we appreciate their participation in this great and worthwhile project and second to keep them abreast of the amount(s) they have contributed to the end of March 31. Thank you everyone for using your new Capital Campaign monthly Sunday envelope.

Weekly Schedule

Sunday, April 7	<i>Acts 2:42-47; 1 Pt 1:3-9; Jn 20:19-31</i>
12:00 PM	Baptism, Chapel
12:30 PM	Baptism, Chapel
1:00 PM	Baptism, Chapel
Monday, April 8	<i>Is 7:10-14; 8:10; Heb 10:4-10; Lk 1:26-38</i>
8:00 AM	Day School Resumes
3:00 PM	Loaves and Fishes, Social Hall
6:30 PM	Girl Scouts, Parish Center
Tuesday, April 9	<i>Acts 4:32-37; Jn 3:7b-15</i>
3:00 PM	Loaves and Fishes, Social Hall
Wednesday, April 10	<i>Acts 5:17-26; Jn 3:16-21</i>
3:00 PM	Loaves and Fishes, Social Hall
6:30 PM	Religious Education, Grades 1-10, School
6:30 PM	Adult Handbell Choir, Church
Thursday, April 11	<i>Acts 5:27-33; Jn 3:31-36</i>
10:00 AM	Grief Care Group, Parish Center
3:00 PM	Loaves and Fishes, Social Hall
5:00 PM	Youth Handbell Choir, Church
5:30 PM	Youth Choir, Church
7:00 PM	Adult Choir, Church
Friday, April 12	<i>Acts 5:34-42; Jn 6:1-15</i>
Saturday, April 13	<i>Acts 6:1-7; Jn 6:16-21</i>
Sunday, April 14	<i>Acts 6:1-7; Jn 6:16-21</i>
11:30 AM	Birthday Reception, Father Adrian, Social Hall

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION Join us next Sunday as we celebrate Fr. Steve's **60th** birthday. There will be cake and coffee after the 10:30 Mass in the Social Hall, stop in and give him your birthday greetings and best wishes.

THANK YOU to the Children's Liturgy Helpers

Each week at the Sunday, 10:30 am mass, a Children's Liturgy is held in the Chapel. In addition to the adult volunteers, there are several young people who assist with the children's activities. A special **thanks** to **Gabriel Keller** and **Anna Sunday** who have shared their time and energy as assistants the past 6 months. Thank you also to Paige Barrera and Mara Sunday, extra parents, who helped out on Easter Sunday. We are blessed to have active children, patient assistants, and interested adults working with the Children's Liturgy Program!

† **STEWARDSHIP** ✉
What value do we place on our
membership in the community
of the church?

The **stewardship offering for Sunday, March 31st:** \$7823.38. The weekly budgeted amount from plate and envelope is \$10,000. We are still behind the target amount for this calendar year.

Youth treasure: \$78.20 donated in the children and young peoples' envelopes.

Easter Offering: \$8122.00

Offering for the care of the Holy Land Shrines (Holy Thursday collection): \$258.00

Additional Easter Flower Donation: In Memory of Florence Ernst and Harriet Ames



Dear Saint Matthew Community and Visitors:

In the pre-Vatican II Church this Sunday, the Second Sunday of Easter, was known as “Low Sunday” – in contrast to the high solemnity of the previous Sunday – Easter Sunday.

Easter is a Season – it lasts for 50 days – from Easter Sunday to the Feast of Pentecost, May 19th.

During the Season of Easter we will reflect week by week on the mystery of New Life, the call we have each received in the Sacrament of Baptism. We will celebrate the Sacrament of Baptism often, young people will receive First Holy Communion, 10th grade students will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation at the Saint Paul Cathedral on April 23rd. The Easter Season is the time to enter into new ways of being a disciple of Jesus.

Lent has been the preparation time, the time of reflection and study, the time of reconciliation and mercy, the time to till the field, remove the debris of life. Easter is the time of growth and flowering, the time of rebirth and transformation, the mystery of God present and alive in the life of the world.

We are people of the Easter Mystery!

I want to take this opportunity to thank the many people and ministries who made our observance of Lent and the solemn keeping of the Triduum possible.

- Thank you to all who came to worship daily, who gathered at the Word of God, who made the daily celebration of the Eucharist the corner stone of their Lenten observance. Thank you to Father Warren who celebrated daily Lenten Mass, our Communal Reconciliation, Easter Morning Liturgy, and Reconciliation and Anointing at Wilder, etc.
- Thank you to Dana McCarthy and the Festival Choir, Contemporary Choir, Bell Choir, Men’s Club Choir, Children’s Choir; thank you to Cantors and instrumentalists; thank you to all in our music ministry. You make it possible for all of us to pray twice.
- Thank you to lectors – daily and weekend; Eucharistic ministers –daily and weekend; servers – daily and weekend. Thank you to ushers and hospitality ministers; thank you to Mass coordinators and those who prepared and assembled the many worship aids that helped us keep the Season and celebrate the Feasts.
- Thank you to Rose Karas who donated the Saint Joseph medals which were presented to all who worshipped at Saint Matthew’s on the Feast of Saint Joseph. The medals were given in memory of Rose’s husband Joe.
- Thank you to those who made it possible for all of us to benefit from the Word Among Us meditation books and the Little Purple Books for religious education and school students, the Little Black Book of Lenten meditations for adults and the Little White Book of Easter meditations.

- Thank you to those who decorated the church and prepared the environment for the Lent and Easter Seasons, those who cleaned and shined and swept and polished and washed so that our church might be presentable for prayer.
- Thank you to the Adult Enrichment Committee who sponsored the Pot Luck and Scripture reflection evenings on the Wednesday’s of Lent.
- Thank you to Deacon John Murphy and all those who took part in the Monday evening Stations of the Cross.
- Thank you to those who donated money to purchase flowers for the Easter Season.
- Thank you to Archbishop Harry Flynn who led us in the celebration of the Eucharist on the Second Sunday of Lent.
- Thank you to twelve parish members who took part in the Mandatum – the Washing Of Feet – on Holy Thursday evening; a special thanks to Holly – who I later discovered was somewhat distressed that she got only one foot washed.
- Thank you to all who participated in the Prayer Vigil between 7 and 10 on Holy Thursday evening in the chapel.
- Thank you to the more than 50 parish members and friends who donated blood at Saint Matthew’s on Holy Saturday morning and the Saint Matthew’s Rosary Society / CCW who organized this effort with the Red Cross.
- Thank you to all who prepared and served and enjoyed the fish dinners during Lent. Special thanks to those who contributed so generously to the plight of the street children of Bucharest.
- Thank you to Saint Matthew office staff and maintenance staff who did extra work, gave extra time to make this special time of the year run smoothly.
- Thank you to all who made the effort to bring someone with you to worship at Saint Matthew’s. Thank you, especially, members of Saint Matthew – who by your faith and prayer make these Seasons truly witnesses to faith and the power of God.
- Finally, thank you to the young people who twice presented us with a great proclamation of the Passion of the Lord on Good Friday – Nathan, Dan, Michael, Andrew, Rachael, Marguerite, Theresa, Reba and Myriah.

The gifts and faith of hundreds of volunteers and thousands of parish members and visitors make these Seasons possible.

Thank you.

Stephen Adrian
Pastor

Quarterly Financial Statement Insert

When you receive your quarterly financial statement, also included will be a flyer advertising the services of Waste Management. St. Matthew's has the opportunity to receive free waste removal for the parish and school if we generate new customers for Waste Management. When you receive the brochure in the mail, please consider helping out St. Matts.

St. Matthew's Leisure Club

The April meeting will be held at 1:30 pm on Wednesday, April 10th in the Social Hall. The new roster is being prepared and we expect it to be available at the meeting. Welcome Spring - come to the meeting and bring a friend to share the fun



VENTURE CREW 107 Rock climbing and mud wall sliming...an all-night excursion or a week-long diversion...helicopter rides and water park slides...North Shore kayaking or perhaps some backpacking.

Learn about these and other upcoming activities planned by Saint Matthew's Venture Crew 107. All boys and girls ages 14 - 20 and interested adults are invited to join our informational and social gathering on Sunday, April 7th, from 4:00 - 6:00 PM in the Saint Matthew's gymnasium. We'll have games and free pizza lined up, plus we'll have our new Venture Crew 107 T-shirts available for sale. You need not be a member of Saint Matthew's Parish to join us...so grab a friend, bring your thirst for adventure, and see if our group is made for you. For more information please call Brian at (651) 224-6037.

VENTURE CREW 107 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- ◆ Sunday, April 7th, 4:00 - 6:00 PM. Activities, info, and registration. Saint Matthew's gymnasium.
- ◆ Friday, April 19th, 9:00 PM to Saturday, April 20th, 7:00 AM. Twin Cities After Dark.
- ◆ Friday May 3rd, 7:00 PM to Sunday, May 5th, 12:00 PM. Kaposia District Spring Camporee. Cannon Falls Scout Reservation.
- ◆ Sunday, August 4th, to Friday August 9th. Lake Superior Adventure Base.

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Liturgies and Sacraments

Celebration of Sunday Liturgy

Saturday: 5:00 pm; Sunday: 8:00, 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.