

# The Community of St. Matthew



**The people  
of the  
Hebrews  
with palms  
before  
you went; our praise  
and prayers and  
anthems  
before you  
we present.**

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

**Mass Intentions**

Monday	6:45 AM Henry Jungbauer 5:15 PM Parishioners
Tuesday	6:45 AM Anthony Argo 12:10 PM Roger Kippley
Wednesday	6:45 AM Lloyd Erickson Irene and Clarence Bundy 12:10 PM Emma Sticha
Thursday	6:00 PM Mass of the Last Supper
Friday	3:00 PM Word and Cross 7:00 PM Word and Communion
Saturday	7:58 PM Easter Vigil
Sunday	8:00 AM Henry Paul Brown, Charles Poechman, Ralph O'Brien 10:30 AM Parishioners

**SEDER MEAL** celebration this Wednesday in the social hall beginning at 5:30 PM. The evening meal is included; it will last about two hours. This event, led by a Jewish man and women (Maureen from extended day) from the Temple of Aaron, is for all 7-10 grade religious education students, as well as any other 7-10 graders in the parish (who are invited to RSVP to the parish center)>

**ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL** is in its follow-up phase. It is important that each parish family respond. You'll save follow-up phone calls from the archdiocese. Another reason to respond: we have a matching grant. For the first \$5000 received in pledges during this phase, another \$500 will be given. This will double the amount we receive in rebate from \$1250 to \$2500.

**ELECTIONS** for the Parish Pastoral Council will be held in May. Do you have parishioners whom you'd like the election committee and Father Steve to consider? Please call the parish center with your suggestions. (Or put them in the collection.)

**ROSARY SOCIETY'S MOTHER/DAUGHTER/SON** has been cancelled because of a scheduling conflict.



Sunday, April 8	<i>Lk 19:28-40; Is 50:4-7; Phil 2:6-11; Lk 22:14—23:56</i> 2:00 PM Communal Reconciliation Service 4:00 PM Communal Reconciliation Service
Monday, April 9	<i>Is 42:1-7; Jn 12:1-11</i> 1:30-7:30 PM Bloodmobile 4:00 PM Individual Reconciliation 6:00 PM Open Hand Bell Choir 6:30 PM Religious Education, Grades 1-6 7:00 PM Stations of the Cross
Tuesday, April 10	<i>Is 49:1-6; Jn 13:21-33, 36-38</i> 7:00 PM Individual Reconciliation 7:00 PM Interviews - First Communion Candidates
Wednesday, April 11	<i>Is 50:4-9a; Mt 26:14-25</i> 8:20 AM School Prayer Service 10:00 AM Staff Meeting 1:30 PM Leisure Club 4:00 PM Individual Reconciliation 5:30 PM Seder Meal 7:30 PM Space Planning Meeting
Thursday, April 12	<i>Ex 12:1-8, 11-14; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Jn 13:1-15</i>
Friday, April 13	<i>Is 52:13—53:12; Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9; Jn 18:1—19:42</i>
Saturday, April 14	<i>Vigil: Gn 1:1--2:2; Gn 22:1-18; Ex 14:15--15:1; Is 54:5-14; Is 55:1-11; Bar 3:9-15, 32--4:4; Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28; Rom 6:3-11; Lk 24:1-12</i>
Sunday, April 15	<i>Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Col 3:1-4; Jn 20:1-9</i>

**BLOODMOBILE** will be here on Monday, April 9 from 1:30PM to 7:30PM. Please give the Gift of Life so that someone, someplace, sometime can spend more quality time on God's gift to us, the earth. Hope to see you on Monday.

**STEWARDSHIP**  
God will give back to us. The  
lad who gave his loaves and fishes  
did not have to go without his dinner.

**Treasure:** Last weekend: \$11,942 (\$11,396 in 2000; \$7,517 in 1999). The collections since January 1 have been \$144,434 (\$10,317 average); since July 1: \$420,284 (\$10,057 average). The weekly average since January is \$268 greater than last year; since July it is \$324 greater per week.

**Children's treasure:** Last weekend: 47.58. Wow! and thanks!

**School envelope:** \$1216.60 was donated. Remember to use the pink envelope anytime during the month.

**Talents:** special thanks to Michele —Mrs. Fish Fry!! She'd be the first to deflect thanks to the leaders and others; but she's been the power and presence this year—each week—as well as years previously. She has also secured the matching grants that make the fish fries even more successful—all for the benefit of the children in the day school.

**Talent:** counting money is a "behind-the-scenes," often thankless job. But it's necessary. There are teams of parishioners who do it faithfully each week. A few more team members are needed Please call Judy at the parish office to inquire about an appointment to a team.



**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION** classes resume on Monday (grades 1-6) and Wednesday (see the Seder Meal announcement on previous page).

**SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION** for first communion continues on Tuesday, April 10 at 7:00 Pm in the church with conversations and family work.

**CONGRATULATIONS** to the young people who-with their families—celebrated Reconciliation for the first time last Tuesday evening: Thomas Ahern, Matthew Barstad, Alex and Timothy Caturia, Daniella Garcia, Ava Gardner, Maranda Gorr, Ricky Jenniges, Emily Christian, Benjamin Kempe, Madeline and Corey McBride, Melissa Mike, Gage Miller, Jake Nielsen, Bryan Nowak, Reena Rosas, Joey Sontoya, Rachel Thompson, Ben Vasterling, Casey Vielieux, Lizzy Zweber.

**THANKS TO ALL WHO CONTRIBUTED** to the 7th and 8th Grade Evening Religion Class project for the Dorothy Day Center. We collected \$700 and a lot of grooming supplies. We used the cash to purchase items to round out the donations. We were able to make about 225 personal grooming bags, we added a card that the donations were from St. Mathew's and said a prayer for the recipients. The Dorothy Day Center was very glad to get all our donations. Thank you for your generosity.

**GIRL SCOUTS EXCEED GOAL!** The Girl Scout Troops of St. Matthew's collected 623 lbs. of food in their annual food drive at St. Matthew's School. Good work, scouts. Thanks to all who contributed.

**ALUMINUM CAN COLLECTION** - The Boys Scouts will be collecting aluminum cans after masses this weekend. Please help them earn money for their activities and also help the environment.

**BOY SCOUT FOOD DRIVE** - St. Matthew's Troop 107 will be participating in the Boy Scout Food drive on the weekend of April 28 and 29. The Scouts will hand out bags after mass on April 21 and 22. The Boy Scouts will collect the bags of food the following weekend.

**RED AND WHITE GALA** for the Saint Matthew Educational Endowment, on April 28, 2001. Tickets are available in the back of church or at the parish office. Come, and bring your friends. Enjoy a *Touch of the Tropics*.

**RED AND WHITE COMMITTEE** is asking for donations of costume jewelry. These will be used as props and not returned to you. Drop at the parish center or in the sacristy after Mass or call Jan Mike Casillas (Holly and Samantha's Mom) at 450-6781 to arrange a drop off. Thanks.

**DECORATING THE CHURCH FOR EASTER** will take place Saturday morning, April 14 from 9:00 AM to Noon. We have lots to do, so we can use lots of helping hands.

**HOLY THURSDAY** - It's still not too late to sign up to be a part of the Footwashing Ritual (list is in the Sacristy); and sign-up for the Chapel Vigil continues in the back of church. Everyone is invited to join the Eucharistic procession into the Chapel which takes place following communion. Those not participating the procession are invited to leave the church in silence immediately after singing Holy Thursday's traditional "Pange Lingua" This is the hushed anticipation of Easter Joy!

**GOOD FRIDAY** change in celebration times from previous years. Note that there is a celebration at 3:00 PM and at 7:00 PM. There is vigiling in the worship space from 12:00 NN to 7:00 PM but there will be no formal worship service at 12:00.

**LOAVES AND FISHES** begins a week from Monday. St. Matthew's team members are reminded of the kitchen acquaintance tour on Monday of this week at 4:00 PM The first serving night for the hometown team will be Monday, June 4.

The **Fourth Quarterly Deanery meeting** will be held Thursday, April 19th at Holy Childhood Church. All Rosary/CCW members are invited to attend. For reservations call Beth Geis at 651-455-0298.

**"How the Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual & Transgender Collective Experience Can Help Us Grow as a Church"** Bishop Thomas Gumbleton will talk at Guardian Angels Church in Oakdale on Wednesday, April 18th from noon to 1:30. Bring a bag lunch (coffee & dessert provided). To register call 612-872-9128.

Dear Saint Matthew Community and Visitors:

Today is Palm Sunday, the beginning of the week of all weeks in the solemn celebration of the Church. It is this week, more than others, that we are drawn into the center of our faith life and the celebration of the mystery by which we are freed.

I am sure that each of us knows someone who is a person of faith and yet who has not been to church for a long time. Perhaps this is a family member, a co-worker or a neighbor.

This person is deeply connected with the Lord, strives to lead a strong Christian life, is sincere in his/her commitment to the Gospel—yet he/she seeks to do all of that without the support and benefit of a community, without the regular gathering of people who share a common faith and who walk as disciples of the Lord,

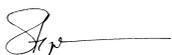
This person may have been turned off by his/her church community in the past, this person may have felt unwelcome for one reason or another, this person may feel that the church is not a very safe or encouraging place.

I encourage you to invite this person to come to church with you, I ask that you make no judgments on this person, I ask that you respect their faith and their commitment to the Lord. I ask that you be an instrument through which this person might once again connect with a church community, might once again have the chance to celebrate with others the very heart of our faith. I ask that you be a careful and respectful occasion of grace in this person's life.

Their mystery of Christ is meant to be lived in community, the mystery of Christ is celebrated in community, the mystery of Christ finds its strength in community.

We are all instruments of evangelization.

Yours sincerely,



Stephen Adrian

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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.