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The Community of St. Matthew



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



Mass Intentions

Monday	6:45 AM	Ivan K. Klein Vern Cashman
Tuesday	6:45 AM	Betty Soller Elizabeth Unze
Wednesday	6:45 AM	Rosalinda Herrera Elizabeth Wanna
Thursday	6:45 AM	Bernard Ferber
Friday	6:45 AM	
Saturday	5:00 PM	Margaret Przblek Joseph Karas
Sunday	8:00 AM	Renee Charboneau Liz Losoya
	10:30 AM	Parishioners

FIRST COMMUNIONS THIS WEEKEND: Nicholas Snaza-Babcock, Kristy Escoto (Saturday, 5:00 PM); Zachary Wenner, Andrea Del Rio, Chris Burth (Sunday, 10:30).

THANK YOU to the volunteers who worked at our recent Bloodmobile Drive on Holy Saturday, March 30, We had many who had made appointments although several were unable to give for a variety of reasons. We didn't meet the goal set of 55 units but we did donate a total of 35 units of whole blood which will help 70 patients in one way or another. Kathy Moore received her 1 gal. pin and Jacquelyn Morales received her 2 gal pin. Thank you to all who signed up or "walked in" to donate the Gift of Life. Thank you too, Fr. Adrian for your announcements from the altar about the importance of giving the gift of life. This year was a "trial" run because of the change of the traditional Monday in Holy week to Holy Saturday and also, a change in hours from afternoon and early evening to morning and early afternoon. We will be having another drive during Holy Week, probably Holy Saturday in 2003. Please mark your calendars!! Again, thank you everyone who was involved in one way or another. You are all very special. God's Blessings Always, Carol Murphy.

"THE CHANGING FACE OF FAMILIES" sponsored by the Parish Enrichment Committee will be presented on Sunday, April 21 from 4:00 PM-5:30 PM in the church, please join us. Panel members will discuss how the St. Matthew Community welcomes and includes family in its various guises. Come hear the stories, ask questions, share your experiences. Refreshments follow.

Weekly Schedule

Sunday, April 14	Acts 2:14, 22-33; 1 Pt 1:17-21; Lk 24:13-35
11:30 AM	Fr. Steve's 60th Birthday Celebration Social Hall
Monday, April 15	Acts 6:8-15; Jn 6:22-29
3:00 PM	Loaves and Fishes, Social Hall
Tuesday, April 16	Acts 7:51-8:1a; Jn 6:30-35
3:00 PM	Loaves and Fishes, Social Hall
Wednesday, April 17	Acts 8:1b-8; Jn 6:35-40
3:00 PM	Loaves and Fishes, Social Hall
6:30 PM	Cub Scouts, Social Hall
6:30 PM	Scouts, Parish Center
6:30 PM	Hand Bell Choir, Church
Thursday, April 18	Acts 8:26-40; Jn 6:44-51
10:00 AM	Grief Care Group, Parish Center
3:00 PM	Loaves and Fishes, Social Hall
5:00 PM	Youth Hand Bell Choir, Church
5:30 PM	Youth Choir, Church
7:00 PM	Adult Choir, Church
Friday, April 20	Acts 9:1-20; Jn 6:52-59
Saturday, April 21	Acts 9:31-42; Jn 6:60-69
6:00 PM	Planned Giving Information Meeting Social Hall
Sunday, April 22	Acts 2:14a, 36-41; 1 Pt 2:20b-25; Jn 10:1-10
9:00 AM	Planned Giving Information Meeting Social Hall
10:30 AM	Baptism, Church
11:30 AM	Planned Giving Information Meeting Social Hall
12:30 PM	Baptism, Chapel
1:00 PM	Baptism, Chapel
4:00 PM	The Changing Face of Families, Adult Enrichment, Church

JOSEPH'S COAT is an inner city free store in the heart of downtown St. Paul We provide free clothing and household items for the poor. We are currently serving about 600 people a week. At this time we are asking for your help. We sorely need personal products; deodorant, toothpaste, toothbrushes, disposable razors, shaving cream, shampoo, conditioner, bars of soap, foot power and chapstick, We also need socks and underwear for men, women and children (all sizes including XL size for men). Cash donations will be used towards paying the rent which is our biggest struggle. If you can help, please bring your items to church next weekend, April 20 and 21. Thank you, Elaine Goldberg, Volunteer and Liz Lutton, Director.

STEWARDSHIP
If your treasure is on earth, you are going from it; if it is in heaven, you are going to it.

The stewardship for Sunday, April 7th: \$10,345.13. The weekly budgeted amount from plate and envelope is \$10,000. We are still behind the target amount for this calendar year. **Youth Treasure;** \$37.10 donated in children and young peoples' envelopes. **School second collection:** \$1324.50.



BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION Please join us today 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.

SAINT MATTHEW'S HOME AND SCHOOL extends our thanks to all who purchased a Quilt Raffle ticket this past Lenten Season. The H&SA made \$784.00 in donations. The monies go toward the end of the year school activities. A special thank you to the St. Matthew's Quilters for sewing the beautiful quilt and donating it to the H&SA. Congratulations to Lisa Solis a parent of two St. Matthew's students for purchasing a chance on the quilt and winning! Congrats and keep warm.

FUNERALS CELEBRATED at the Community of Saint Matthew during the month of March gave support and solace to the families of : Ella Rosenberger, Daniel Becker, Daniel Stelter, Rose Lippert and Bernard Ferber.

FEELING GOOD? SHARE THE FEELING! The Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet invite you to join us at our annual Carondelet Gala to benefit St. Mary's Health Clinics, which provide free health care to women , children and men without health insurance at 10 neighborhood clinics throughout the metro area. A pair of tickets to the wonderful event provides a year's worth of health care for a person who cannot afford health insurance and does not qualify for government programs. Our Carondelet Gala, celebrating 10 years of St. Mary's Health Clinics, will be held at the Radisson Riverfront Hotel, St. Paul on Friday, April 26. Champagne reception at 6:30 PM, Elegant Dinner at 7:30 PM, Entertainment by the Sevilles at 9:00 PM, followed by dancing until midnight. To receive an invitation, please call 651-690-7026. Ticket prices start at \$150 per person.

PLEASE REMEMBER THE CHURCH Often when people move to a new address they forget to change their address with their church. This is completely understandable with all the hustle and bustle of moving into a new home. Please remember while you are changing your address with the post office, to call the Parish Center to change your address. This will help us with Parish mailing and stewardship envelopes to find you in a timely manner. If you have any questions or to make an address change or if you would like to join St. Matthew's as a new member , please call Sirena at the Parish Center 651-224-9793.

ATTENTION LITURGICAL MINISTERS! It's time to prepare our Summer Schedule of Liturgical Ministry for Lectors, Altar Servers, Communion Ministers, Ushers/Greeters and Gift Bearers. This schedule will run from the first weekend of June through Labor Day weekend. If you have any scheduling conflicts or requests, please contact the Scheduling Committee before May 3rd. Leave a message with Ginny at 651-222-2867 or email her at gbd1252@aol.com Label yourself as St. Matthew's schedule or you might get tossed out with the junk mail!

ST. MATTHEW'S HOSPITALITY MINISTRY: In his letter to the Romans, the apostle Paul says, "you should make hospitality your special care." Our parish's Project 2000 focus echoed this concern, calling us to manifest God's love as a community that is "open handed, inclusive, gracious, welcoming, respectful, and hospitable." For the past couple of years , the Liturgy Committee has sought to honor its part in this vision through developing St. Matthew's Hospitality Ministry as it is expressed through the role of Usher and Greeter. We are still working to build up this ministry. Several new faces have come forward as both ushers and greeters, yet we have also lost a number of valued ministers. Experience tells us that people are more inclined to join in the worship and parish life of a community that welcomes them with a smile and a friendly hello. Can you offer your smile and friendly hello to the Hospitality Ministry? Thank about it and look for more information in next week's bulletin.

YOUR WILL AND ESTATE PLANNING If you have ever thought about (or are willing to consider) leaving a gift to Saint Matthew's in your will or estate, a brief presentation is taking place after Masses on the weekend of April 20th and 21st. I will be joined by lawyers from the parish community and members of the Planned Giving Committee to present information on drafting wills and planning one's estate. There is no obligation involved in attending this presentation. This opportunity can provide you with some important information and ideas.

If you do plan to leave a gift to Saint Matthew's Church or Saint Matthew's School or Saint Matthew's Child Care or Saint Matthew's Capital Campaign any friend of Saint Matthew's or parish member will receive a will drafted at no charge.

Planned Giving Information Meeting
April 20th following the 5:00 PM Mass
April 21st following the 8:00 and 10:30 AM Masses

Dear St. Matthew Community and Visitors:

On Tuesday of last week I attended and participated in a forum designed by the Saint Paul Area Council of Churches on hate and bias crimes. Since September 11, there has been and continues to be racial and ethnic tensions that periodically erupt in incidents of violence — violence against persons and violence against property.

We viewed a law enforcement training film used by police departments to assist officers in investigating hate crimes and working with victims. A prosecutor from the United States Attorney's Office made a presentation on federal laws governing bias or hate crimes and the manner in which the federal government prosecutes such crimes in the State of Minnesota.

A panel of clergy entered into a conversation with community and church participants reflecting on the reality of bias crimes and the effect of such crimes on neighborhoods and communities.

I come away from this gathering with the following thoughts and reactions:

1. I have no idea what it means to be marginalized. I am a white, middle class, male - all three descriptors mean "privilege" - racial, economic and social privilege.
2. Sometimes bias and hate hide under the mantle or cloak of religion; and yet, religious tradition speaks of dignity, respect, honor, justice and love - be that tradition Christian, Moslem, Jewish or Hindu. small groups of religious fanatics ignite and fan the fires of hate, which can stampede and hold whole communities hostage.
3. The roots of hate are wrapped in fear and ignorance - ignorance of other and fear of losing myself. This ignorance allows for the development of stereotypes and assumptions about those whom I do not know. Fear allows me to martial all the primal survival, and self-defense mechanisms against the other - the enemy, the one who would "take my life," oppose my values, contradict my worldview, alter my perceptions of "what must be," and of what is "the good."
4. Good people often trivialize hate incidents and so allow them to go unchecked, un reported, unaddressed. The majority of hate crimes and incidents of bias go un reported and uncorrected.
5. When people are marginalized they are defined by one quality, one descriptor, one single aspect of their lives-their color, their religion, their ethnic background, their mobility, their gender, etc. Such a defining strips a person of his/her personality, individuality - and is blatantly false. Such a definition would claim that Jesse Jackson, Jesse Helms, Bill Clinton, Jerry Fallwell are all the same - they are all Baptists!

Yours truly,



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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.