

# The Community of St. Matthew

**PARENT BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHTS  
AUGUST 6 AND 7  
6:30 - 8:00 PM**

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**COMPLETE INFORMATION INSIDE THIS BULLETIN. NEW REGISTRATIONS FOR 2002-03 WILL BE ACCEPTED BOTH NIGHTS. WE HOPE TO SEE ALL OUR PARENTS AS WE KICK OFF ANOTHER WONDERFUL YEAR.**

**Mass Intentions**

Monday	6:45 AM	Joan Zeman Bernard A. Ferber
Tuesday	6:45 AM	Art and Corrine Roarke Rosemary Becker Howard
Wednesday	6:45 AM	Lloyd Erickson Pauline Reiland
Thursday	6:45 AM	Joseph C. Heppelmann
Friday	6:45 AM	
Saturday	5:00 PM	Joseph Karas Frank Jack
Sunday	8:00 AM	Karl Marsollek Robert Michalski
	10:30AM	Parishoners



**PARENT BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHTS** Fall is fast approaching and

parent information nights for the school will be on Tuesday, August 6 and Wednesday, August 7 from 6:30 -8:00 PM. We will begin in the church at 6:30 for a number of important presentations on school policy, tuition, school athletics, uniforms, etc. The meeting will conclude in the school where sign up will be available for Scouts, used uniforms may be purchased and registration packets completed. New registrations will also be taken those nights.

**SAINT MATTHEW'S SCRIP** Remember as you start back to school buying that the Saint Matthew's Scrip program has gift certificates to Donald's Department Store for your uniform purchases. We receive a 6% return on your purchases!

**LAST CALL FOR SCHEDULING REQUESTS!!!**

The new liturgy schedule for September 8th through November 24th will be prepared next weekend (though it won't be ready for distribution for a while yet.) If you are a Lector, Communion Minister, Altar Server, Gift Bearer, or Usher/Greeter please contact Ginny Roethler regarding any scheduling conflicts or requests. Leave a message at (651) 222-2867 or e-mail her at [gbd1252@aol.com](mailto:gbd1252@aol.com). (Be sure to indicate "Liturgy Schedule" so she doesn't toss you out as junk mail.) It will help our schedulers tremendously if you get your information to them early this week!

**Readings for the Week of August 4, 2002**

Sunday, August 4	Is 55:1-3; Rom 8:35, 37-39; Mt 14:13-21
Monday, August 5	Jer 28:1-17; or, Mt 14:22-36
3:00 PM	Loaves & Fishes - Social Hall
Tuesday, August 6	Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; 2 Pt 1:16-19; Mt 17:1-9
3:00 PM	Loaves & Fishes - Social Hall
Wednesday, August 7	Jer 31:1-7; Mt 15:21-28
3:00 PM	Loaves & Fishes - Social Hall
Thursday, August 8	Jer 31:31-34; Mt 16:13-23
3:00 PM	Loaves & Fishes - Social Hall
Friday, August 9	Na 2:1, 3; 3:1-3; Mt 16:24-28
Saturday, August 10	2 Cor 9:6-10; Jn 12:24-26
Next Sunday, August 11	1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a; Rom 9:1-5; Mt 14:22-33

**HELP NEEDED!** The Saint Matthew's Loaves & Fishes team which serves Monday, August 5th needs help with clean-up. If you are strong and can handle a mop, you are needed. Clean-up is from 6:00 - 7:00 PM. Please call Doris at (651) 690-7077.

**MANKATO TRIP** If you are interested in this one day trip to the craft fair at the Motherhouse of the SSND on October 12th, (and have not already been called) please call Sister Mary Colleen at (651) 224-9793 *this week!* If we have enough people to fill a bus the trip will happen, otherwise it will be cancelled.

**GRIEF CARE GROUP** Saint Matthew's is once again offering a series of eight Grief Care meetings beginning on Thursday, September 5th from 10:00 - 11:30 AM at the Parish Center. There is no charge to participate. If you are grieving the death of a loved one you will find strength and understanding among others who are going through the same experience. If interested in joining the group or if you have questions please call Sister Mary Colleen, Pastoral Minister at (651) 224-9793 by August 12th at the latest. If you are interested in being in a group but can only attend evenings, please call with that information. We have made arrangements whereby you can attend an evening group.

**The stewardship offering for Sunday July 28: \$7388.60.** The weekly budgeted amount from plate and envelope is \$10,000. We are behind the target amount for this calendar year. **Youth Treasure:** \$ 12.40 donated in children and young people's envelopes Thank you for your stewardship and generous giving.

**Stewardship is a way of life- a graciousness by which I return to God a portion of what God has lavished on me.**



Dear Saint Matthew Community and Visitors:

As I write this article plans are finalized for Pope John Paul II's visit to Mexico City for the canonization of Juan Diego. Mexico is a country built on its wounds.

Much has been written in past months speculating about the identity of this man. Did he exist? Is his name really Juan Diego? Did the miracle of Guadalupe occur through him?

The fact of the matter is that Our Lady of Guadalupe appeared to Aztec people of the mountains in December of 1531. She asked that a place of pilgrimage be built in her honor. She singled out the outcasts of society to deliver this message to the Spanish establishment of church and state. She provided the miracle of the roses and the miracle of the woven cactus fiber mantle – the *tilma*.

The *Nican Mopohua* is a short text written in Nahuatl, the Aztec language, and its origins are as obscure, complex and controversial as those of the Gospel. Some attribute this writing to Don Antonio Valeriano (1520-1605), a nobleman, who according to legend was related to the Aztec imperial family. Others believe it was written much later by Luis Lasso de la Vega, one of the first vicars of the sanctuary of Guadalupe, the Ermita. It is likely no one will ever be certain of the name of its author or authors.

The manuscript was discovered in 1649, in the archives of the Ermita. It is the oldest testimony, and one of the most reliable, to the events of Guadalupe.

On a cold December morning in 1531, a short, squat man walks in the desolate countryside alone. He is heading to church, nine miles distant from his home in Tolpetlac.

This man is one of the greatest unknowns of history. Very few things about him are clear. Some people have spent their lives digging through musty old libraries to find the parchment, the letter that would prove he *never* existed because nothing proves that he *ever* existed – nothing but a devotion strong as a tidal wave and an immense love, both of which, from a strictly scholarly point of view, prove nothing.

The little man's name is Juan Diego. He may be fifty-six or fifty-seven years old. But who really knows? Born Aztec, he is poor; his real name is supposed to have been Cuauhtlatohuac. He converted to the new religion brought by the white man and was baptized ten years ago, receiving the unmistakably Christian name Juan Diego. He may also be married or a widower. Some traditions grant him a Maria Lucia, perhaps dead, perhaps alive and well on this cold December morning.

Today we celebrate this man, and all whom he represents, all those who have ears to hear, all those who take the Word of God to heart. We celebrate the faith of the Juan Diegos of the world – those to whom God has entrusted the message of his great mercy and justice. Today we celebrate Our Lady of the Americas, Our Lady of Guadalupe.

Yours truly,

Stephen Adrian  
Pastor



**OUR SOCK DRAWER IS EMPTY!** Listening House, a daytime drop-in center for people who are homeless, needs your help. Foot ulcerations continue to be the most common medical ailment among people without shelter. They walk a lot, they don't take off their shoes for fear of having them stolen, and they tend to have poor foot hygiene. The exchange of dirty socks for clean, cuts down on the percentage of foot ailments. Many generous donations have been made in the past, allowing us to reach our goals. Your continued support not only fills our drawer, it fills the needs of Listening House guests and makes our much needed sock program a success. Please drop off your donation of *men's white athletic socks* in the containers provided in the church. The Listening House currently has a good supply of women's and children's socks. Thank you.

**CONFERENCE FOR SEPARATED & DIVORCED** This annual conference will be held on September 14th from 8:30 to 3:30 at Corpus Christi Church. The cost for the day is \$25.00 which includes a box lunch. Financial aid is available. For a brochure call (651) 215-2217, or call Sister Mary Colleen at (651) 224-9793. You may also stop in at the Parish Center to pick one up.

**WASTE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM** Waste Management collects trash for Saint Matthew's **free of charge**. This is more than a \$4,000 annual savings to the parish operating budget.

For every parishioner who uses Waste Management, the Church also receives \$25 annually. So if ten parish households use this service the parish receives \$250; if 100 households use Waste Management the parish receives \$2,500. If 250 households use Waste Management, the parish receives \$5,500.

If you are a current user of Waste Management please call the church office and give your address. Your bill will be updated to show that you are on the Saint Matthew Church Plan - this involves no further cost to you.

If you are looking for an efficient, courteous, inexpensive hauler, please call Waste Management and tell them you would like the Saint Matthew's Plan. Their number is (952) 890-1100.

More details about this plan are contained in the flyer in the bulletin and have been mailed to each household with your quarterly contribution statement.

For Saint Matthew's Church to continue to receive free service from Waste Management households of the parish must cooperate.

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***Liturgies and Sacraments***

**Celebration of Sunday Liturgy**

Saturday: 5:00 PM; Sunday: 8:00 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.