

# The Community of St. Matthew



**BOY SCOUT FUNDRAISER  
HOLIDAY WREATH SALE**  
ORDERS WILL BE TAKEN NEXT WEEKEND  
AFTER ALL MASSES

**SUPPORT OUR  
TROOP 107!**



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

**Mass Intentions**

Monday	6:45 AM	Lloyd Erickson
Tuesday	6:45 AM	Don Hau
Wednesday	6:45 AM	Robert Norton
Thursday	6:45 AM	Gertrude Mack
Friday	6:45 AM	FEAST OF ALL SAINTS Lucile & Charles Mitchell Arthur Geis
	8:30AM	FEAST OF ALL SAINTS
	5:15PM	FEAST OF ALL SAINTS Bernard Verber
Saturday	5:00 PM	Art & Corrine Roarke Marie Wiler Margaret Przblek
Sunday	8:00 AM	Living & Deceased Members of the Rosary Society Renee Charboneau Rose Garcia
	10:30 AM	Parishioners Living & Deceased Members of the Catholic Aid Society

**BOY SCOUT TROOP 107**

The boys are starting to take orders for Christmas wreaths November 2-3 after masses. There is a new centerpiece they will be selling. If you haven't ordered from

a scout, this will be your chance to get the wreaths ordered for the holiday season. The wreaths will be delivered the weekend of Thanksgiving. The boys are earning the money for their camping activities. The **next** aluminum can collection will be the weekend of November 9th and 10th.

**PLEASE HELP US UPDATE**

We would like to update our list of parishioners who are in Health Care Facilities. The last update we had was a year ago. If there have been any additions or changes since then, please call Sr. Mary Colleen (224-9793) with that information. The 2nd grade class at St. Matthew's School will be writing to these parishioners and we don't want to miss anyone. A special thanks to the students and their teacher, Sara Hilo, for their eager willingness to continue this ministry.

**STEWARDSHIP REPORT**

**The stewardship offering for Sunday, October 20th:** \$7,646.26. The weekly budgeted amount from plate and envelope is \$10,000.. We are behind the target amount for this calendar year.

**As of 9/30/2002 we are behind \$12,711.65 from the weekly budgeted amount.**

**Youth treasure:** \$15.73 donated in children and young peoples' envelopes.

Thank you also for the prayers, pictures, and good deeds you listed on your envelopes.

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

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 27, 2002**

Sunday, October 27:	<i>Ex 22:20-26; 1 Thes 1:5c-10; Mt 22:34-40</i>
8:00AM & 10:30AM	Anointing of the Sick during Mass
Monday, October 28:	<i>Eph 2:19-22; Lk 6:12-16</i>
3:00PM	Loaves & Fishes, Social Hall
Tuesday, October 29	<i>Eph 5:21-33; Lk 13:18-21</i>
9:30AM	Bible Study, Parish Center
3:00PM	Loaves & Fishes, Social Hall
Wednesday, October 30	<i>Eph 6:1-9; Lk 13:22-30</i>
3:00PM	Loaves & Fishes, Social Hall
6:30PM	1st Communion; 1st Reconciliation Meeting in Church
7:30PM	Confirmation Meeting in Church
Thursday, October 31	<i>Eph 6:10-20; Lk 13:31-35</i>
3:00PM	Loaves & Fishes, Social Hall
Friday, November 1:	<i>Rv 7:2-4, 9-14; 1 Jn 3:1-3; Mt 5:1-12a</i>
Feast of All Saints	Masses: 6:45AM, 8:00AM; 5:15 PM
Saturday, November 2	<i>Dn 12:1-3; Rom 6:3-9; Jn 6:37-40</i>
Next Sunday, November 3	<i>Mal 1:14b—2:2b, 8-10; 1 Thes 2:7b-9, 13; Mt 23:1-12</i>

**FEAST OF ALL SAINTS**

Friday, November 1st is a Holy Day  
Mass Schedule at St. Matthew's:

6:45 AM  
8:30 AM  
5:15 PM

**CLERGY APPRECIATION AND COFFEE SUNDAY**

This Sunday, after the 8AM and 10:30AM Mass, coffee and donuts will be served in the Social Hall. Please join us and let our clergy know you appreciate all they do for St. Matthew's parish and community. St. Matthew's Rosary Society/CCW will be hosting this event.

**ST. THOMAS ACADEMY** - Admissions Reception, Nov 3 at 1:00PM  
For more info on enrollment or the reception,  
call 651-683-1515

**ST. BERNARD'S SCHOOL** - Open House, November 7 at 7:00PM  
For more info on enrollment, or the open house,  
call 651-489-1338

Dear Saint Matthew Community and Visitors:

This week I reprint the final installment of *Anniversary Thoughts: Ten Lessons from 'Good Pope John'*, published in *America*, October 7, 2002 and written by Reverend Gerald Twomey.

### **7. Appreciate the redemptive, purgative value of suffering and patience.**

John XXIII saw the church moving toward "a new order in human relationships which, through the operation of people, and, moreover, above and beyond their own expectations, are tending towards a fulfillment of higher and unforeseen designs; and everything, even human adversity, is ordered for the greater well-being of the church." Change is often painful and exacts a price. Once, in the garden at his summer palace in Castelgandolfo, Pope John said to Cardinal Suenens: "Oh, I know what my personal part in the preparation of the council will be...it will be suffering." The French Dominican and council *peritus*, Yves Congar, O.P., (who, like many practitioners of the "new theology," was silenced by the Vatican in the 1950's) invoked this spirit: "Patience is a certain quality of mind, or rather of soul, which takes root in profound convictions. Only through the Cross do we ourselves achieve authenticity and depth of existence. Nothing is worth doing unless one agrees to pay the price."

Patience and suffering can yield positive fruits when one entertains dreams and pays the price to make them come true.

### **8. Maintain a tempered, optimistic spirit.**

In his famous inaugural speech at the council, Pope John responded to those "prophets of doom who continually announce baleful events as if the end of the world were impending." During the council's first session, the pope met with the French bishops. He confided: "Yes, there's an argument going on. That's all right. It must happen. But it should be done in a fraternal spirit. It will all work out. *Moi, je suis optimiste*" ("As for me, I am an optimist").

As grim as some situations presently appear, the prophets of gloom and doom will eventually be overcome. In the end, "all things work together unto the good for those who love God" (Rom. 8:27).

### **9. Cultivate a sense of humor and use it when things go wrong.**

Pope John was fond of saying that "without a little holy folly the church will not enlarge her tabernacles." Humor can cut through cant and be a healing balm. When he became pope, he altered the lion in his papal coat-of-arms, representing his see in Venice, to "make him look more human," so that it "wouldn't frighten anyone." When asked how many people worked in the Vatican, he replied: "About half of them." Even in the face of his imminent death, he told his brothers: "My bags are packed; I'm ready to go."

### **10. Trust the Holy Spirit's unflagging role as comforter and guide in the church.**

On the day Pope John summoned the council, the archbishop of Milan at the time, Cardinal Giovanni Battista Montini (later Pope Paul VI), called upon a trusted spiritual guide. He said: "This holy old boy doesn't seem to realize what a hornet's nest he's stirring up." "Don't worry, Don Battista," replied Passionist Father Giulio Bevilacqua. "Let it be, for the Holy Spirit is still awake in the church." As John prayed in his Christmas message of 1961: "Renew, O Lord, your wonders in our time, as though for a new Pentecost...increase the reign of the Divine Savior, the reign of truth and justice, the reign of love and peace."

"Good Pope John" scrutinized the signs of the times, discerned the opportunities and moved forward into a new and challenging reality. He bore witness to the light, made the rough ways plain and prepared a path, revealing Christ to the world. Let us seek his guidance during these troubled times, and pray that the Holy Spirit will be awake and effective at every level in the church, ushering in a new order as part of the divine plan.

Yours truly,



Stephen Adrian  
Pastor

**SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION****FIRST COMMUNION, FIRST RECONCILIATION  
AND CONFIRMATION**

If you have a child preparing for First Holy Communion or First Reconciliation (usually at the 2nd and 4th grade age), you and your child are expected to be at a parent/child meeting on: **WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 30 6:30-7:30PM**  
IN THE CHURCH

If you have a young adult preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation (usually 10th grade) you and your student are expected to be at a meeting on:

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 30 7:30-8:30PM**  
IN THE CHURCH

**“POT LUCK “PRAYER-AT-TABLE BREAKFAST/  
BRUNCH FOR ALL\* LITURGICAL MINISTERS**

This morning meeting is planned for Saturday, November 16th from 9-11AM in the Social Hall. Following prayer and food, Fr. Steve will discuss new liturgical norms mandated by Rome for implementation this Advent. The morning will conclude with a brief in-service for those whose ministry is most directly affected by these changes. A main dish will be provided for the meal. Participants may bring either fruit or breads (or a breakfast surprise) to round out the feast. Please **RSVP** by November 9 to Dana at 651-310-0830.

\*This includes music ministers, altar servers, lectors, communion ministers, gift bearers, usher/greeters, and Children's Liturgy of the Word.

**ATTENTION ALTAR SERVERS, COMMUNION MINISTERS, LECTORS, GIFT BEARERS, USHER/GREETERS**

Remember to get your requests and conflicts in by Wednesday, October 30th for the new Liturgical Ministry Schedule covering December 1 thru March 2. If you would like to minister at any of the Christmas Eve or Christmas Day liturgies, make that request now as well. Call Ginny at 651-222-2867 or e-mail her at **gbd1252@aol.com**. Please identify yourself as St. Matt's schedule so she doesn't toss you out!

**CHILD CARE CENTER**

Early this fall, the Child Care Center received a grant from the United Way in the form of two "Young Explorer" computers. These are manufactured by Little Tikes and are preloaded with over thirty educational programs. The computers are specially designed for children and seat two children at a time. Our children have been delighted with the computers and are having fun exploring the world of technology. By integrating the computers into our curriculum, the teachers have been able to develop creative ways to build on the children's reading, math, and science skills. They also offer the children opportunities to develop social skills and gain a sense of accomplishment and self-confidence.

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**Office Hours:**

Mon. thru Thurs. 8:30am-7:30 pm;  
Fri. 8:30am-4 pm; Sat. 9 am-1 pm

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Father Stephen J. Adrian

**Priest in Residence:**

Father Martin L. Warren

**Deacon:**

Rev. Mr. John Murphy

**Pastoral Minister:**

Sister Mary Colleen Hau, SSND

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Dana McCarthy, (651) 310-0830

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Patty Flynn

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222-3622 or 224-2903

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**Day School**

(651) 224-6912

**Extended Day**

(651) 228-1535

**Saint Matthew Child Care Center**

(651) 224-1450 / 224-1459

**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.