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The Community of St. Matthew



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



Mass Intentions

Monday	6:45 AM	Florence Warner
Tuesday	6:45 AM	Robert Norton Cora Hout
Wednesday	6:45 AM	Sara Caban
Thursday	6:45 AM	Marie A. Wiler Paul Schommer
Friday	6:45 AM	Renee Charboneau Elizabeth Unze
Saturday	5:00 PM	Helen Liebl Irene and Clarence Bunde
Sunday	8:00 AM 10:30 AM	Parishioners

Feast of All Saints
Holy Day of Obligation
Thursday, November 1, 2001
Mass at the Church of Saint Matthew
6:45 AM
8:20 AM
5:15 PM

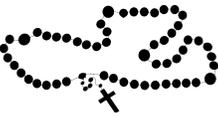
Feast of All Souls
Friday, November 2, 2001
Mass at the Church of Saint Matthew
6:45 AM
5:15 PM

Weekly Schedule

Readings for the Week of October 28, 2001

Sunday, October 28	Sir 35:12-14, 16-18; 2 Tm 4:6-8, 16-18; Lk 18:9-14
Monday, October 29	Rom 8:12-17; Lk 13:10-17
3:00 PM	Loaves & Fishes - Social Hall
Tuesday, October 30	Rom 8:18-25; Lk 13:18-21
3:00 PM	Loaves & Fishes - Social Hall
6:30 PM	Guitar Group Practice - Church
Wednesday, October 31	Rom 8:26-30; Lk 13:22-30
6:30 PM	Adult Handbell Practice - Church
Thursday, November 1	Rev 7:2-4, 9-14; 1 Jn 3:1-3; Mt 5:1-12a
3:00 PM	Loaves & Fishes
5:00 PM	Youth Handbell/Choir Practice - Church
5:30 PM	Youth Choir Practice - Church
7:00 PM	Adult Choir Practice - Choir
Friday, November 2	Dn 12:1-3; Rom 6:3-9; Jn 6:37-40
Saturday, November 3	Rom 11:1-2a, 11-12, 25-29; Lk 14:1, 7-11
8:30 AM	Liturgy Committee Meeting - Church
6:00 PM	Scouts Wreath Sale - Church
Next Sunday, November 4	Wis 11:22-12:2; 2 Thes 1:11-2:2; Lk 19:1-10

CONSIDER ADOPTION AS AN ALTERNATIVE If you or someone you know is facing an unplanned pregnancy, a loving choice is available. Through Catholic Charities, birthparents can interview and select a family for their child and decide on the level of communication they will have over the years. Many caring couples and families are waiting for children. Adoption is no longer the cold, and impersonal process of the past. Adoption offers a loving and realistic alternative to abortion. For more information call Catholic Charities at (651) 603-0223. One meeting of this adoption seminar will be held Sunday, November 18th at 9:00 AM in the Parish Center. Mark your calendar.



ROSARY AND BENEDICTION It's the last Tuesday in October and we will have the Rosary and Benediction service at 6:45 PM in the church chapel. We hope you'll come and pray for peace with us. God's blessings to all.



ANNUAL WREATH SALE! Saint Matthew Boy Scout Troop 107 will be holding their annual wreath sales next weekend, November 3rd and 4th. Orders will be taken after all Masses at the doors of the church. The profit from these sales helps pay for the Scouts' camping trips for the next year. Delivery will be at the church on November 24th and 25th. Thank you for your support!

VENTURING UPDATE The crew has decided to go on a ski trip to Spirit Mountain. We have rented two villas for the weekend of January 18th - 20th. There is still room for more young people to sign up and go, as well as to participate in fund-raising. The next coordinating meeting will be Wednesday, November 7th in the Scout Room from 6:30 - 7:30 PM. If you are between ages 14 - 20 and interested in becoming part of this group, please come to the meeting or call Larry Sachi at (651) 451-8960. (P.S. Adults are also welcome to come on-board as leaders.)

AMERICAN LEGION Challenger Post will hold it's Semi-Annual Pancake Breakfast, on Sunday, October 28th, at the National Guard Armory, 1346 S. Robert St., W. St. Paul, from 8:00 AM - 1:00 PM. All the 'cakes you can eat with sausage, milk, coffee and juice. See you there!

† **STEWARDSHIP** ☒
God never asks more of us than we have.

Treasure Last Weekend: \$7496.39 The budgeted amount for the year from plate and envelopes is \$10,000 per Sunday. Remember that for the fiscal year the average needed is \$10,000 per Sunday. Year to date \$8734.23 **Youth Treasure:** \$20.40 was given in child and young peoples envelopes. Thanks to every young person for their weekly stewardship contributions.

School Fund: Another \$16.00 was contributed to our day school



BUILDING FOR TODAY...VISIONS FOR TOMORROW

Saint Matthew's Capital Campaign Update:

As of October 23rd we have received in gifts/pledges/deferred gifts a grand total of \$473,314.57.

The amazing thing about this gift total is: It represents gifts from only 82 parishioners!!!

Yes, 82 parishioners have donated as of last Thursday \$473,314.57. Take a bow, this is great!!!

Now we must move ahead and seek a gift from each and every parishioner at Saint Matthew's. Father Steve has challenged many of us to consider a gift of \$100.00 per month for the next three years. If three hundred parishioners who have not given as of yet would take on Father Steve's challenge, we would raise over \$1,000,000 - from just three hundred parishioners - AMAZING!!!

Of course, not everyone will be able to contribute \$100.00 per month for three years, BUT please; know that your gift, your sacrifice, in any amount will be deeply appreciated. Many, many gifts add up to big gifts!!!

We are visiting as many parishioners personally as we can. Our Home Visitors are calling on parishioners right now. On Tuesday, we will mail to those parishioners who we cannot personally visit. We just do not have enough Home Visitors to call on everyone. So when you receive your request to give and to give generously to your parish campaign - don't hesitate - make your pledge right now.

The reason we are asking for you to make sacrifices for Saint Matthew's is clear:

- Our buildings are worn out. they need to be repaired, just like our homes must be!
- We need to add to our educational endowment to help families with tuition assistance. These families want their children to receive a Catholic education, just like most of us did!
- The Archbishop has asked us to help with the serious needs of the Archdiocese and help we must. He has never turned us down when we sought his help, and we must not let him down now!

Please, we are all members of this faith community - help it to live and grow by pledging your support NOW!

CYCLE A ST. JOSEPH SUNDAY MISSALS will be available for purchase before and after Mass next weekend. The cost is \$5.00. You may still have a Cycle A missal from a previous year; but since calendar dates fall on different days of the week each year it's wise to purchase the current missal for the current Sunday celebrations.

THANKSGIVING DAY DINNER This is the 18th year that the Casper Family has opened their restaurant to the community on Thanksgiving Day. If you and your family would like to share in this complementary meal, if it is impractical for you to prepare a Thanksgiving meal, if you are working on that day and have no chance to be with family and friends, if it is more convenient for you to celebrate Thanksgiving at the restaurant - this invitation is for you.

A traditional thanksgiving meal is provided - turkey, dressing, cranberries, mashed potatoes and gravy and pumpkin pie.

Last year more than 2500 meals were served by the Cherokee on Thanksgiving Day - 700 diners ate their meal in the restaurant, 1800 diners had their meal at home - picked up from the restaurant or delivered by churches.

If you wish to take part in the **Annual Thanksgiving Dinner** from the Cherokee Sirloin Room, please call the Church office (651) 224-9793. Tickets for the meal will be available at the Parish Center. The times of the meal on Thanksgiving Day are 12:00 Noon and 1:30 PM.

This meal is provided as a "thank you" to the community by the Cherokee Room at no cost to the participants.

RETIREMENT PARTY After over 25 years of service, Judy Helsper is retiring on Wednesday, October 31st. Join us as we thank her for her years of service and dedication and wish her health and relaxation in her retirement. There will be a reception for Judy on Sunday, November 11th from 9:00 AM until 10:30 AM, stop in for some light refreshments and to visit with Judy. Any questions please call Jan Casillas at (651) 450-6781 or Kathy Goldenstein at (651) 455-8683.

ATTENTION ALL LITURGICAL MINISTERS: We are gearing up for a new Ministry Schedule - our current one ends November 25th. If you are a lector, communion minister, gift bearer, alter server, usher or greeter please let us know what your schedule conflicts and requests are for the next ministry schedule covering December 2nd through February 10th. Also, if you know that you will be in town over the Christmas holiday and you would be able to minister at one of our Christmas liturgies on Christmas Eve, Christmas Day or New Years Day, please call and leave that information as well at (651) 310-0830. The Liturgy Committee wishes to thank all the liturgical ministers for the great turn out at our October 6th Liturgy In-Service. Thank you for your time, your input and your willing participation!

CHRISTMAS TREE FOR OUR WORSHIP SPACE Each year someone in the neighborhood graciously gifts our community with a big and beautiful evergreen - usually from their yard. This is a large space, so the tree needs to be a good 18 feet or taller (within reason); and, of course, it needs to be well-shaped. Do you have such a tree - or know of someone who has one? Call the Parish Center or leave a message at (651) 310-0830. It would be great to have the tree up by the first Sunday in December.

PERCUSSION WORKSHOP AT THOMAS BECKET Our sister parish has invited us to attend a special workshop on the use of drums, tambourines, chimes and other percussion instruments to enhance worship. If you are a teenager or adult who is interested in music during Mass (especially the use of rhythm instruments) please mark your calendar for Sunday, November 11th, from 2:00 to 5:00 PM. The workshop will be at the Church of St. Thomas Becket in Eagan. Call Dana at (651) 310-0830 and/or check next week's bulletin for more details.

Dear Saint Matthew Community and Visitors:

This week features three distinct and yet connected celebrations - Halloween, the Feast of All Saints and the Feast of All Soul's.

Halloween is the eve of All Saints Day - thus the name - a contraction of the old English name for the vigil - All Hallow's Eve.

This is the night when our ancestors began the celebration of All Saints. They dressed up in costumes of ancestors, spirits, images of those who had gone before them. It was a night to make sport of death and to revel in one's baptism. It was a time to party and make merry - and in some instances to play pranks and get a little wild - not unlike the festivities of Mardi Gras.

In some cultures there is a village or town celebration. Just before midnight a person appears wearing the costume of death and calls everyone into the village square. One by one people take turns dancing with death - and know that "once you have danced with death, you have nothing to fear."

I usually prepare for Halloween by rereading The Legend of Sleepy Hollow. This short story by Washington Irving paints a delightful picture of New England life along the banks of the Hudson River.

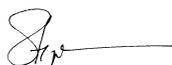
All Saints Day is a Holy Day. It is the annual remembrance of all those who have gone before us in faith and who share the fullness of life with God. It is a celebration of the lives of the countless heroes and heroines of faith. It is a day on which we remember that the lives of the Saints are a testimony to the grace of God - that in the lives of our ancestors of faith we find a witness of God's mercy and grace. It is a good day to remember our patron saint, or a saint to whom we may have a particular devotion.

All Souls Day is a kind of Catholic Memorial Day. It is a very personal day. It is the day on which we remember in prayer family and friends who have died. It is a day to fondly remember. It is a day to give thanks to those who have touched our lives.

On November 1st and 2nd I will remember in Mass by name the members of Saint Matthew's who have died during the past year - October 31st 2000 to November 1st 2001.

Faith and the celebration of faith finds a container in culture - culture is the sum total of our non-biological inheritance. It is difficult to overestimate the formative power of culture in every life. Culture is like the air around us, it is all pervasive, yet we are rarely conscious of its presence. Celebrate this week, celebrate according to your culture, remember that at the base of it all is a statement of faith - "in death life is changed and not ended."

Yours truly,



Stephen Adrian

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(651) 228-1535

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(651) 224-1450 and (651) 224-1459

Liturgies and Sacraments

Celebration of Sunday Liturgy

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