

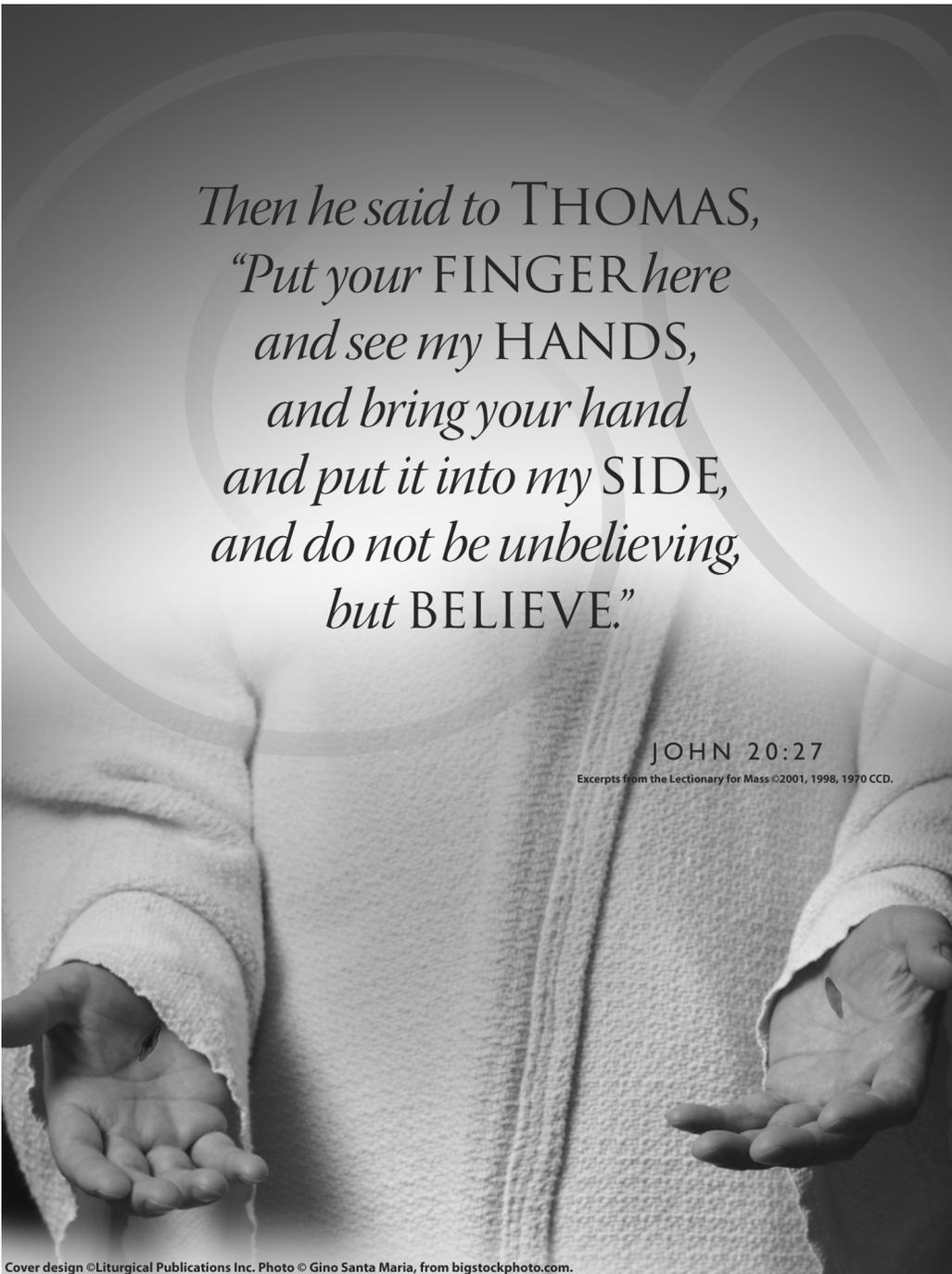
The Community of St. Matthew

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

*Then he said to THOMAS,
“Put your FINGER here
and see my HANDS,
and bring your hand
and put it into my SIDE,
and do not be unbelieving,
but BELIEVE.”*

JOHN 20:27

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Dear Saint Matthew Community and Visitors:

I want to take this opportunity to announce news of a legacy gift made through the estate of a Saint Matthew School Alum to the Saint Matthew Education Endowment.

Vivian (Wiler) Byers died on June 8, 2009. She was an 8th grade student at Saint Matthew's in 1939.

Vivian was born October 20, 1925. Her early years were spent in Minneapolis before her parents moved to the West Side of Saint Paul. After graduating from Saint Matthew's School she attended Saint Joseph's Academy and graduated in 1943. She went to work for Minnesota Transfer Railway, where she became the chief clerk for the mechanical and engineering departments. She held this job until she retired in 1983.

On March 31, 1951 she married Harold T. Byers.

Vivian was an unassuming person. She never owned a car; early in her life she rode the street car and then later the city bus. People described her as "giving", "generous", "very independent" and a "very happy person". Vivian and Harold lived a simple life.

Music was a passion for Vivian which began in grade school. Vivian and her life-long friend, Sister Lorraine Mosso, SSND would play piano duets together at school dismissal time in the first floor of Saint Matthew's School. For years she sang in the church choir at Saint Francis de Sales and led the funeral choir at Saint James.

Vivian and her husband Harold both became proficient in doing taxes. They volunteered as tax preparers at many sites. After Harold died Vivian continued to help the elderly do their taxes.

In 2007 Vivian's health waned and she was no longer able to live in her own home. She lived the final two years of her life at Saint Mary's Home on Norfolk in Saint Paul.

Through the years Vivian would send me a check each Christmas Season for the Pastor's Scholarship Fund for Saint Matthew Students. Her annual gifts to the

endowment were between \$3000 and \$5000.

She strongly believed that the education she received at Saint Matthew's put her in a good place to make a living, to know right from wrong and to deepen her Catholic faith.

After her death we learned that she had created an education endowment for Saint Matthew at the Catholic Community Foundation in excess of \$850,000.00. She provided in a similar fashion for Saint Francis/St James School and for the School Sisters of Notre Dame retirement fund.

The Saint Matthew Education Endowment now exceeds \$1,000,000 thanks to the gifts of so many hundreds of people and families. Beginning in 2011 this endowment will provide in excess of \$50,000 annually for tuition assistance and other needs of Saint Matthew students.

No gift to the endowment is insignificant. Each gift is a gift forever – the invested principal is never touched and annually a portion of the earned income is used for education. The endowment option is a way for a gift to keep on giving.

The support for the educational mission of Saint Matthew depends equally on annual gifts of support and gifts to the education endowment – it is not an either/or; it is both/and.

Thank you to Vivian Byers and to the many hundreds of parish members, alums and friends of Saint Matthew who make our educational mission possible!

Yours truly,



Stephen Adrian
Pastor



COFFEE SUNDAY

Today's Coffee Sunday will be hosted by the Rosary Society. Please come downstairs and catch up on Easter stories with your friends and fellow parishioners.

ROSARY SOCIETY MEETING

The Rosary Society is meeting on April 13, at 6:45 PM. Election of officers will take place. The entertainment will be an impersonator of Julia Child. Please join us and bring your friends and neighbors, it should be a fun evening!

EDUCATION AND
FAITH FORMATION NEWS

PASTORAL COUNCIL SELECTION

Pastoral Council selection process will be completed on Pentecost Sunday, May 23. Parishioners are invited to enter the discernment process, or to suggest the names of others who should be invited [current council members will do the inviting]. Contact any one of the council members--or call the parish office--for more information.

DO YOU WANT YOUR CHILD TO HAVE FREE TUTORING IN READING THIS SUMMER?

The East Side Learning Center will provide one-on-one tutoring in reading this summer for students from St. Paul in grades K-4. Students need to attend every day, Monday through Friday, from June 28 through July 20 for one hour. Tutoring will take place both in the mornings and afternoons at North End Elementary, 27 E. Geranium Av. Student does not need to be in summer school to attend tutoring. There is a \$5 non-refundable registration fee or special arrangements can be made. Call (651) 793-7331 for more information or to register. Openings will be filled on a first come first serve basis. Registrations close June 15.

TRADITIONAL LEBANESE DINNER

Holy Family Maronite Church is having a traditional Lebanese dinner on Sunday, April 18, 2010, serving from 11:30 AM to 4:30 PM at the Holy Family Dining Hall, 1960 Lexington Avenue South, Mendota Heights. Tickets: \$15.00 Full Dinner, \$8.00 Half Dinner. Take out items available at deli counter. Ticket sales end April 11. Call 651-291-1116 for more information.

OPEN HOUSE AT REALIFE COOPERATIVE

1 and 2 bedroom units are available for purchase in this Senior Living 55+ Cooperative. The open house takes place today, April 11, from 1-4:00 PM, at 170 Emerson Avenue E., West st. Paul. For more information call 651-455-1340.

FALL FESTIVAL PLANNING MEETING

The meeting takes place on Wednesday, April 14th at 6:30 PM in the Social Hall. The meeting is open to all. Please bring your ideas, suggestions and questions! Joan, Jan, Elaine, Angela, The Sassy Silver Seniors.

WEEKLY READINGS

Readings for the Week of April 11, 2010

- Sunday: Acts 5:12-16/Rv 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19/Jn 20:19-31
- Monday: Acts 4:23-31/Jn 3:1-8
- Tuesday: Acts 4:32-37/Jn 3:7b-15
- Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26/Jn 3:16-21
- Thursday: Acts 5:27-33/Jn 3:31-36
- Friday: Acts 5:34-42/Jn 6:1-15
- Saturday: Acts 6:1-7/Jn 6:16-21
- Next Sunday: Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41/Rv 5:11-14/Jn 21:1-19 or 21:1-14

THIS WEEK AT
SAINT MATTHEW

Sunday	April 11
Monday	April 12
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
6:45 PM, XC	Boy Scout Meeting
Tuesday	April 13
2:00-6:00 PM, PC	St. Mary's Clinic
9:00 AM, PC	Alums & Friends
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
6:30 PM, SH	Rosary Society
Wednesday	April 14
1:00-6:00 PM, PC	St. Mary's Clinic
2:45 PM, MC	Children's Choir
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
6:30 PM, SC	Religious Education, Grades 1-10
6:30 PM, SH	Fall Festival Mtg.
7:00 PM, MC	Adult Choir
8:00 PM, MC	Men's Club
Thursday	April 15
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
Friday	April 16
Saturday	April 17
Sunday	April 18
10:30 AM, MC	Confirmation Candidates Presented at Mass

Abbreviations:

- MC – Main Church
- CH – Chapel
- PC – Parish Center
- SH – Social Hall
- SC – School
- CC – Child Care
- XC – Extended Day

STEWARDSHIP

“Blessed are they who have not seen and have believed,” Jesus says in today’s Gospel. For those who have not seen to believe, however, we must be good stewards of our faith, living it joyfully and sharing it generously. Then, in our time too, “men and women in great numbers’ will be “added to the Lord.”

Sharing Thank you to every faithful steward this past weekend. The Sunday total: \$12,946 is about \$3,000 greater than budget.

Also, thank you for \$3,759 in Easter envelopes and plate; \$1,061 in school collection; \$411 from Holy Thursday for food shelf.

CHALLENGE : thanks for the responses to the challenge by a parishioner couple. The window for this challenge will be open until ‘tax day.’ Please mark your donation accordingly: ‘regular donation’ and ‘challenge donation’. Thank you. [For those who are reading this the first time: the challenge is to raise \$7,000 to cover the regular collection shortfall; the parishioner couple will match, dollar-for-dollar to \$3,500, each dollar given for this effort.]

Service: Lector... church office volunteer... visit the homebound... volunteered at Loaves & Fishes... chauffeuring... in choir Holy Week and Easter.

Prayer: Daily rosary, prayer, scripture reading, mass attendance... stations of the cross

Children: \$10.75, Thank you! They wrote: Raked... cleaned rabbit cage... washed dishes.

St. Matthew School Alum—Reunion Sunday. This is the 4th annual celebration. First Sunday of May [May 2]. All alums, especially those celebrating 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50 [and more] years since 8th grade. Come to 10:30 Mass together, share a complimentary brunch, and tour the school [maybe even with Sousa music]. RSVPs for the morning: to the parish office or the school office.

National Catholic Education Association’s annual meeting was in Minneapolis this past week. Educators and administrators from all over the U—and all of our school faculty—attended. Cressy Epperly, a member of Saint Matthew’s parish community, and principal of St. Croix Catholic School in Stillwater, was one of 12 U.S. Catholic school principals who received the NCEA Dr. Robert J. Kealey Distinguished Principal Award.

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Schedule of Services

Weekend Liturgies Saturday: 5:00 PM
 Sunday: 8:00 & 10:30 AM
 Weekday Liturgies Monday-Friday: 6:45 AM
 1st Friday: 6:45 AM & 5:15 PM

Reconciliation

Tuesday..... 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 six months prior to wedding. Must be a member of the parish

Parish Council Members

Parish Council email: *parishcouncil@st-matts.org*

Karen Thompson	Georgann Henjum
Connie Aligada	Joyce Osborne
Jason Delmont	Anthony Minus
Dean Steinbrenner	Chris Stevens
Stephen Adrian	David Burrows