

The Community of St. Matthew

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

*Jesus said to Simon Peter,
“Simon, son of John,
do you LOVE me MORE than these?”
Simon Peter answered him,
“Yes, Lord, you KNOW that I love you.”
Jesus said to him, “FEED my lambs.”*

JOHN 21:15

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Dear Saint Matthew Community and Visitors:

The Saint Matthew Parish Pastoral Council is made up of ten persons; nine lay parish members and the pastor.

These ten people are called to meet regularly – monthly – and reflect on the life of the parish community, the long range plan for parish life, the challenges that face the parish community and then make decisions about the life of the parish.

Decisions are made under a consensus model; we reflect, speak, pray and thus seek the appropriate actions which we believe are the call of the Holy Spirit.

The nine lay members of the council are selected for a three year term. Each year three council members complete their term and thus each year the parish is challenged to search out and encourage members to consider serving on the council.

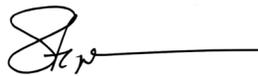
The parish is in that process right now. Each council member has been asked to search out a person or two who might consider serving on the council.

I appeal to all of you to think about parish members who you think will bring a commitment to parish mission and the ability to work collaboratively.

I ask you to call me and let me know who you think might be a good council person. I will do the asking of that person if you would rather have me do that. I would simply say to that person “a parish member thought that you might have the qualities and abilities to serve the parish as a council member. Would you consider this opportunity? Would you be willing to attend an information meeting to help you decide if this is the kind of service you would like to offer to your parish?”

The reorganization of the Archdiocese will touch the life of each parish. Council members will be key players in helping the parish to adapt and change to a different way of being church according to the reorganization plan the Archbishop will roll out by the end of this year.

Yours truly,



Stephen Adrian
Pastor

PARISH EVENTS

SPRING FESTIVAL ON THE WILDER CAMPUS

Spring Festival & Garage Sale at the Wilder Campus– 508 Humboldt– on Friday, April 23rd from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM. There will be a raffle of a quilt and other items, bakery for sale, and a light lunch.

63RD ANNUAL MAY DAY FAMILY ROSARY PROCESSION

On Sunday, May 2nd, 2010, Bishop Lee Piché will be leading the 63rd annual May Day Family Rosary Procession from the Minnesota State Capitol to the Cathedral of Saint Paul. It is the goal of the Procession Committee to unite thousands of individuals and families in the prayer of the Rosary and the Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament, for the intentions of families. **Gathering time at the State Capitol is 1:30 PM.** Details and more are on the Procession website: www.familyrosaryprocession.org



EDUCATION AND
FAITH FORMATION NEWS

NCEA CONVENTION

Last week the teaching staff participated in the National Catholic Education Association (NCEA) annual convention. This year we were fortunate to have the convention in Minneapolis. The convention included local and national speakers on a variety of educational topics. It is one of the many ways our staff stays current on educational best practices!

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.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS TOOTSIE ROLL DRIVE

The second collection on Saturday, April 24 and Sunday, April 25 will be taken up for the Knights of Columbus Tootsie Roll Drive. After each mass the Knights will be inside and outside the church giving out Tootsie Rolls. The proceeds will go to programs for the developmentally disabled. This drive is sponsored by the West St. Paul Knights of Columbus. Thank you for your support.

WAKOTA LIFE CARE CENTER FUNDRAISER

The West Saint Paul Knights of Columbus are holding The Eighth Annual Knights for Life Dinner and Silent Auction to benefit Wakota Life Care Center. The event will be Saturday May 1st, 6:00 p.m. at St. Joseph's Church, 1138 Seminole West St. Paul. The speaker will be Most Reverend Harry Flynn, Archbishop Emeritus. For tickets or more information call Dave Plum at 651-686-2806. Before I formed you in the womb I knew you. Jeremiah 1:5.

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.

THIS WEEK AT
SAINT MATTHEW

Sunday	April 18
10:30 AM, MC	Presentation of Confirmation Candidates
Monday	April 19
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
Tuesday	April 20
2:00-6:00 PM, PC	St. Mary's Clinic
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
6:45 AM, XC	Boy Scout Committee Mtg.
Wednesday	April 21
9:15 AM, MC	School Mass
1:00-6:00 PM, PC	St. Mary's Clinic
2:45 PM, MC	Children's Choir
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
6:00 PM, SC	Home & School
7:00 PM, MC	Adult Choir
Thursday	April 22
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
Friday	April 23
Saturday	April 24
Sunday	April 25

Abbreviations:

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

STEWARDSHIP

In today's Gospel, Jesus tells Peter again and again, "If you love Me, feed my sheep." He says the same to each of us: "If you love Me, use the gifts I have given you to serve your sisters and brothers" [on the Westside and beyond!].

Sharing Last weekend: \$11,209; the weekly amount, year-to-date \$380,705 is \$7,705 greater than last year at this same time. Thank you to each faithful stewarding 'family.'

Additional donations: \$227 in school envelopes; \$139 for Easter; \$195 for the food self; \$5 for Romanian children. Thanks for each.

CHALLENGE: the deadline is today; more than \$950 has been given through last Sunday. Thanks both to the challengers and to the challenged! Look for a final tally next week.

Service: Visiting friends in nursing home... Helping to care for an elderly person... choir member... helped at a funeral luncheon.

Prayer: Daily rosary, mass, prayer, spiritual reading... prayers for 1st communion students and confirmation candidates.

Children: \$9.75 Thank you! They wrote: Helped grandma in the yard... did laundry... helped clean... raked.

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.

WEEKLY READINGS

Readings for the Week of April 18, 2010
 Sunday: Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41/Rv 5:11-14/Jn 21:1-19 or 21:1-14
 Monday: Acts 6:8-15/Jn 6:22-29
 Tuesday: Acts 7:51-8:1a/Jn 6:30-35
 Wednesday: Acts 8:1b-8/Jn 6:35-40
 Thursday: Acts 8:26-40/Jn 6:44-51
 Friday: Acts 9:1-20/Jn 6:52-59
 Saturday: Acts 9:31-42/Jn 6:60-69
 Next Sunday: Acts 13:14, 43-52/Rv 7:9, 14b-17/Jn 10:27-30

PARISH DIRECTORY

Saint Matthew Church Office..... 651-224-9793
 Hours: Monday-Friday, 8:00 AM-4:00 PM
 Web site: st-matts.org
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Pastoral Staff

Pastor..... *Father Stephen Adrian*
 Deacon..... *Rev. John Murphy*
 Parish Pastoral Administrator..... *John Riehle*
 Dir. Education & Formation.....*Doug Lieser*
 Dir. Music & Liturgy*Bonnie Faber*
 Dir. Child Care and KLT *Shar Lavelle*
 Bookkeeper *Cindy Hoffman*
 Administrative Assistant *Nicole Johnson*
 Dir. Food Service *Donna Jenniges*
 Parish Engineer.....*David Rosas*

Phone Numbers

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 KLT Kids 651-665-0786
 Child Care Center..... 651-224-1459
 Prayer line 651-686-5463 or 651-455-6886

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