

# The Community of St. Matthew

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



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## PALM SUNDAY





## EDUCATION AND FAITH FORMATION NEWS

### HOLY THURSDAY COLLECTION FOR THE POOR

Unlike other collections throughout the church year, on this holy night we take up a collection that is strictly for the poor. Like last year, we are offering food items as well as money for the poor. We are asking that the worshipping assembly keep their gifts of food and money with them at their seat until it is time to present their gifts at the altar during preparation. There will be a basket present for collecting your gifts of money—your Lenten alms; as well as a designated place in the sanctuary to leave items for our area food shelf. Assistance will be available for those who need help bringing their gifts forward. **Our Eucharist is not complete when our neighbor's table is empty.**

### NOTICE: CHANGE IN LOCATION

**Knights of Columbus Fr. Lucien Galtier Council no. 4184.** Meetings are held on the first Monday of every month. The next meeting will be held on April 6, 2009 at 7:30 PM at St. Joseph's great room. If you would like to join KoC call Joe Stevens 651-224-8270.

*"As I have done, so you must do."*

Everyone will be invited to participate in the foot washing ritual this Holy Thursday. As a parish we want to build on the power and meaning of the symbolic "12" that have participated in the past. To witness this ritual is significant itself. To join in the action is to open ourselves to a deeper sense of the command of Jesus to do as he did.

Several stations will be set up for the ritual on Holy Thursday. You will be invited forward to have your feet washed. You will then be invited to wash the feet of the next person in a act of humble service. We present ourselves; young and old, broken and whole, joy-filled and struggling, all members of the body of Christ, called to be Christ to each other.

Watching the ritual likely changes us in a moving, faithful way. Participating invites all of us to a deeper experience of Jesus command, "As I have done, so you must do."

## WEEKLY READINGS

Readings for the week of April 5, 2009

Sunday: Mk 11:1-10 or Jn 12:12-16 /Is 50:4-7/Phil 2:6-11/Mk 14:1---15:47 or 15:1-39  
 Monday: Is 42:1-7/Jn 12:1-11  
 Tuesday: Is 49:1-6/Jn 13:21-33, 36-38  
 Wednesday: Is 50:4-9a/Mt 26:14-25  
 Thursday: Chrism Mass: Is 61:1-3a, 6a, 8b-9/Rv 1:5-8/Lk 4:16-21  
 Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper: Ex 12:1-8, 11-14/1 Cor 11:23-26/Jn 13:1-15  
 Friday: Is 52:13---53:12/ Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9/Jn 18:1---19:42  
 Saturday: Vigil: Gn 1:1---2:2 or 1:1, 26-31a/Gn 22:1-18 or 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Ex 14:15---15:1/Is 54:5-14/ Is 55:1-11/Bar 3:9-15, 32---4:4/Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28/Rom 6:3-11/Mk 16:1-7  
 Next Sunday: Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/Jn 20:1-9 or Mk 16:1-7

## THIS WEEK AT SAINT MATTHEW

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>April 5</b>
8:00 AM, MC	Mass
10:30 AM, MC	Mass
Blessing of palms at each mass	
<b>Monday</b>	<b>April 6</b>
6:45 AM, CH	Mass
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
6:30 PM, XC	Boy Scout Meeting
6:30 PM, SC	EAC Meeting
7:00 PM, MC	Stations of the Cross
7:00 PM, PC	Liturgy Committee
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>April 7</b>
6:45 AM, CH	Mass
12:10 PM, CH	Mass
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>April 8</b>
6:45 AM, CH	Mass
9:15 AM, MC	School Mass
12:00-7:00 PM, PC	St. Mary's Clinic
12:10 PM, CH	Mass
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
8:00 PM, SH	Men's Club
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>April 9</b>
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
7:00 PM, MC	Supper of the Lord
8:00-10:00 PM	Adoration
<b>Friday</b>	<b>April 10</b>
3:00 PM, MC	Stations of the Cross
7:00 PM, MC	Liturgy
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>April 11</b>
8:00 PM, MC	Easter Vigil
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>April 12</b>
8:00 AM, MC	Mass
10:30 AM, MC	Mass
<b>Abbreviations:</b>	
MC – Main Church	
CH – Chapel	
PC – Parish Center	
SH – Social Hall	
SC – School	
CC – Child Care	
XC – Extended Day	

STEWARDSHIP

*Good stewards strive to conform their lives to that of Christ—emptying themselves of all pride and putting themselves at the service of others.*

Sharing Last weekend \$7,112 was given in faithful stewardship. Thank you. That was week 39—[75% of the year] and the amount was about 4.8% behind the budget for the fiscal year-to-date.

Also, thanks for and acknowledgement of other dollars: \$145 in school envelopes; \$25 for the food shelf; \$3 in initial envelopes. As well, \$705 was given in memory of family and friends—given toward flowers and decorations in the church.

Service: Helped someone with shopping; helped someone clean the summer porch; helped prepare the wake and funeral service for a dear friend; volunteered at a hospital; volunteered at a fundraiser; kept vigil with a person during their last hours of life.

Prayer: prayed for those violently killed along the US/Mexico border; prayed for those affected by the floods in the Red River Valley; had a water-only fast day; did family intercessory prayer; prayed for the requests on the prayer line; participated in prayer group; prayed stations of the cross; a number of exercises daily: rosary, prayer, scripture reading, mealtime prayer, nighttime prayer.

Young People’s Stewardship; \$7.00, Tank you! They wrote: meal prayers... helped set up fish fry.

2009 Catholic Services Appeal—remember: 25% is returned to parish use and there will be follow-up phoning. Now is the time to respond.

Looking for an angel driver: A retired person living at Cerenity, without a car, wants to use some money once each month to purchase a good amount of food for those in need. Would you be willing to be the driver for this person who wants to do good for others? Please call the parish office.

Bulletin advertisers: The individuals and companies who advertise on the back of the bulletin underwrite its printing, etc. [We receive the bulletin each week at no cost to us. In fact, we also receive a small rebate annually.] Please patronize those businesses; if you’re interested in advertising...the number is on the bulletin. Thank you.

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**Pastoral Staff**

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 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*

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