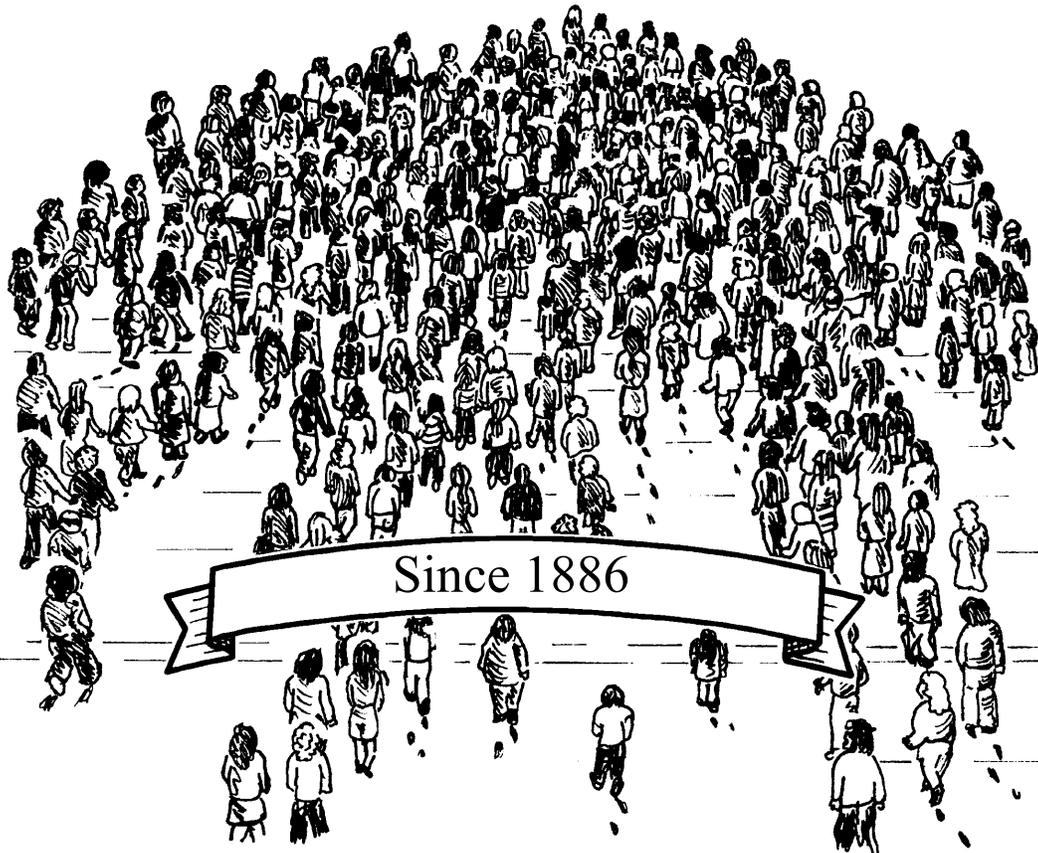
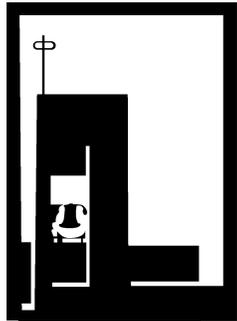


The Community of St. Matthew



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

Dear Saint Matthew's Community and Visitors:

Affordable healthcare and available prescription medications are a clear issue of justice. Human beings have a right to ordinary and regular medical care.

Saint Mary's clinics have been providing free medical care to uninsured in the Saint Paul area for eleven years at Saint Matthew's. This past year Saint Mary's Clinics opened a second clinic day at Saint Matthew's. In opening this second day the clinic is now able to serve many women, men and children who might otherwise go without health-care.

During the fiscal year -- July 1, 2002 - June 30, 2003 -- the Saint Matthew's Clinic recorded 657 patient visits. The percentage of non-English speaking persons seen at the Saint Matthew's Clinic was 69.2%.

Our clinic is very stable and has exhibited few shifts over the last few years in tracked data such as age, gender, employment status, etc.

All of the Saint Mary Clinics are staffed by volunteers (physicians, nurses, drivers, and admissions personnel). Volunteers at the Saint Matthew's site have contributed 1,459 hours of service during the

past year. This is an average of 19.5 hours per clinic session donated by those staffing the clinic.

Saint Mary's Clinics are always looking for new volunteers. Currently, there is a great need for licensed nurses, as well as admissions personnel, drivers, interpreters, and family practice physicians. If you, or anyone you know, are interested in volunteering, please call 651-690-7020.

Saint Matthew's parish provides the clinic with space and receptionist services. This ministry is a strong witness to our commitment to our neighborhood community.

In a recent patient survey, one clinic patient wrote: "It is a blessing of God to find persons like you. You didn't care about my race or religion. You were concerned for me. Thank you." Another wrote, "Many time we don't have anything to eat, much less the wherewithal to see a doctor. I thank God for the doctors, nurses and for all the people who are able to donate a little of their time to give this medical service to the community".

Yours truly,

Stephen Adrian
Pastor

P A R I S H E V E N T S

ROSARY SOCIETY/CCW NEWS

Please read the brochure, this week's bulletin insert, to find out about the activities and meetings of the Rosary Society. An envelope is enclosed for dues or for a donation. Members should pick up a copy of the newsletter "Reflections" in the back of church. Extra copies are available for anyone interested. The meeting on Tuesday, September 9 at 6:30 PM will include dinner and the game of Bunco. Details are in the newsletter. All women are invited to attend.

CONFIRMATION STUDENTS

All students grade 10 and older who are interested in participating in the Confirmation class this year should call the parish center and leave your name with Nicole. The first Confirmation meeting for students and parents will be Sunday, September 14 in the church at 3:30 PM. All Confirmation classes this year will take place on the second Sunday of the month. Class will be from 3:30-6:00 PM, with the celebration of mass at 5:00 PM in the chapel. Confirmation will take place on Tuesday, April 27, 2004, at 7:00 PM at the Cathedral.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION

Mark your calendars for Wednesday, September 17 at 7:00 PM in the Church for registration for Religious Education for grades 1-10. All students preparing for First Communion and Reconciliation will also register on September 17. More details in future bulletins.

EDUCATION AND FAITH FORMATION NEWS



SCHOOL IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER

The school office is open week days from 10:00 AM– 2:00 PM. Registrations are still be taking for the upcoming school year. School families are invited to St. Matthew's on the evening of August 28 for a chance to visit with the teachers, meet new families and reconnect with old friends. More details in next week's bulletin.

ST. MATTHEW'S CHILD CARE NEWS

It has been a very busy summer at the Center. The children have traveled to the Library, local parks, the Health East Campus and other locations! We are currently enrolling students for Fall in our preschool room (ages 33 months-5 years). We offer a full-day Head Start curriculum, healthy meals and snacks, and teachers who have been with the Center a minimum of 5 years. If you, or a friend, would like more information about enrolling please call Denise or Maureen at 651-224-1450.

FALL FESTIVAL—SATURDAY, SEPT. 20 AND SUNDAY, SEPT. 21

Fall Festival meetings are every Thursday at 7:00 PM in the Social Hall. WE NEED YOUR HELP! The committee is looking for families or a group of friends to staff one of the many game booths during the festival. No meetings required, nothing to purchase. You just have to show up to operate the game booth on festival day from 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM. Booths require only 2 people to operate. A family or group of 4, sharing time, would still be able to participate in festival activities. WE NEED YOUR IDEAS! We are looking for more food booth ideas. As an example, the Boy Scouts have volunteered to make S'mores this year. We will supply the ingredients, you prepare and serve. WE NEED YOUR DONATIONS! 1 or 2 liter bottles of pop and juice, bottle lotto items, munchies 9\$1-\$2 bags), theme baskets, new or excellent condition collectables (we've already received a moped with less than 50 miles on it), paddlewheel prizes valued at \$15 or more. Don't have time to shop? We need donations to fund the cost of the food, game rentals, and game prizes. Your donations and help are critical to a successful festival including telling your neighbors, relatives, friends, co-workers about the festival. Tell them now before they schedule something else on that weekend. Come to the meeting, call Tim or Wayne, email Tim, or stop by the Scrip table after mass. Tim Nowak, 651-450-4975, email: timothy.nowak@usdfamily.net, Wayne Gilbertson, 651-451-9726.

SCHOOL UNIFORM SCRIP AVAILABLE

School uniforms are available through Donald's. Scrip for Donald's and many other stores are available at the school office Monday through Friday, 10:00 am—2:00 pm. SCRIP certificates are also available in the back of church after weekend Masses.

THIS WEEK AT SAINT MATTHEW

Sunday	August 17
12:00 PM, CH	Baptism
12:30 PM, CH	Baptism
Monday	August 18
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
Tuesday	August 19
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
Wednesday	August 20
12:00-7:00 PM, PC	St. Mary's Clinic
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
Thursday	August 21
12:00-7:00 PM, PC	St. Mary's Clinic
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
7:00 PM, SH	Fall Festival Planning Committee
Friday	August 22
Saturday	August 23
Sunday	August 24
12:00 PM, CH	Baptism
12:30 PM, CH	Baptism

Abbreviations:

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

STEWARDSHIP

Envelope and Plate donations on Sunday, August 10:
\$8,349.92

Children and Youth Envelopes: **\$4.00**

School Education Fund: **\$ 100.00**

Additional Holy Day Envelope: **\$140.00**

Stewardship is a way of life—a graciousness by which I return to God a portion of what God has lavished on me.
s.j. adrian

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, August 17	8:00 AM 50th Anniversary Al and Mary Jane Austing 10:30 AM Parishioners
Monday, August 18	Parishioners
Tuesday, August 19	Joseph Karas
Wednesday, August 20	Parishioners
Thursday, August 21	Matt Adrian
Friday, August 22	
Saturday, August 23	John and Irene Pachl Andre Menard Maria Morales
Sunday, August 24	8:00 AM Rose Garcia 10:30 AM Parishioners

WEEKLY READINGS

Readings for the Week of August 17, 2003

Sunday:	Prv 9:1-6; Eph 5:15-20; Jn 6:51-58
Monday:	Jgs 2:11-19; Mt 19:16-22
Tuesday:	Jgs 6:11-24a; Mt 19:23-30
Wednesday:	Jgs 9:6-15; Mt 20:1-16a
Thursday:	Jgs 11:29-39a; Mt 22:1-14
Friday:	Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22; Mt 22:34-40
Saturday:	Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17; Mt 23:1-12
Next Sunday:	Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b; Eph 5:21-32; Jn 6:60-69

SEEDS OF HOPE 2003

Please join the School Sisters of Notre Dame at Seeds of Hope, a dinner and musical performance benefiting their ministries for those most in need, especially women and children. Voice Trek in Concert, two time winners of the Minnesota Music Award, will perform varied selections. Sunday, September 7, Old Log Theatre, Dinner and Performance, \$75 per person, Performance Only, \$25 per person. For additional information call Sister Jeanne at 651-695-0570.

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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 three months prior to wedding.

Parish Council Members

Kathy Goldenstein	Linda Sellars
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John Finnegan	Tim Jack
Doug Kennedy	Becky Montgomery
John Sekevitch	

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