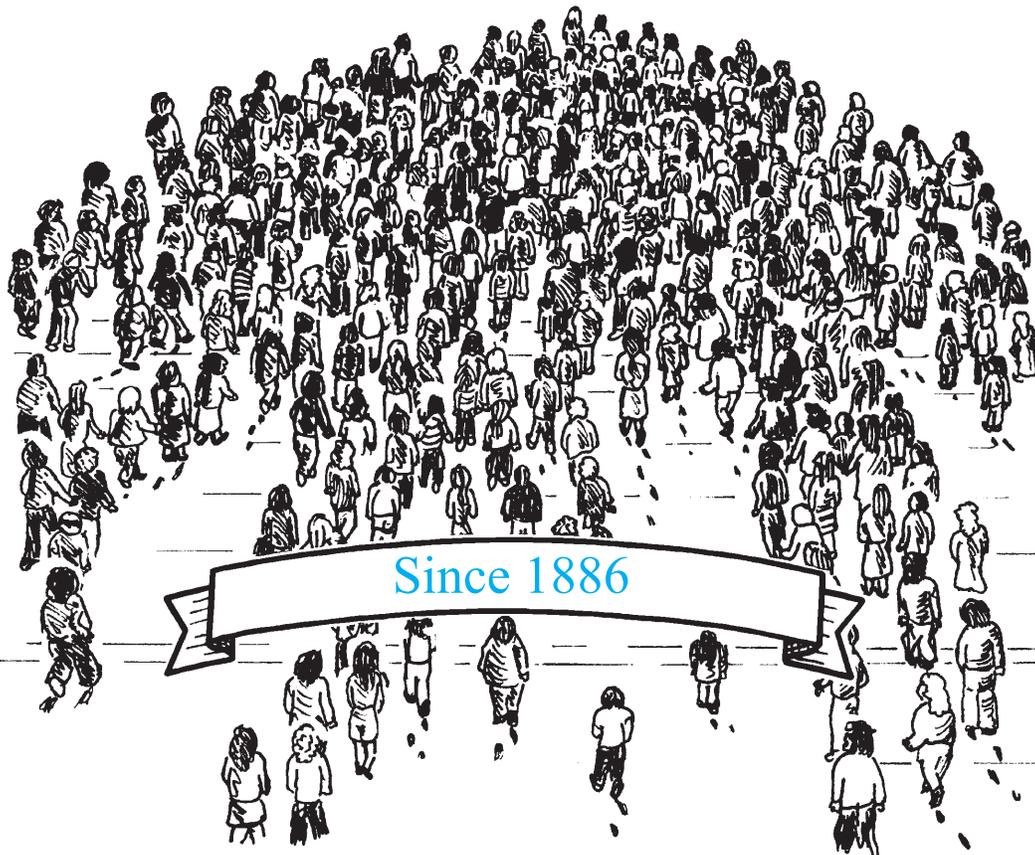


The Community of St. Matthew



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



Dear Saint Matthew Community and Visitors:

Last Sunday, August 15th the annual parish picnic and Mass took place in Cherokee Park at 11 am.

The day was perfect – blue sky, slight breeze, low humidity; bright sun, temperature in the high 70's.

By 11 am all was ready – families had gathered, lawn chairs were set up, children had been gathered. Musicians were ready. The liturgy was informal and the spirit was joyful. After ten days of record heat and humidity this was the first day in a while when the outdoors were a welcome place to be.

Following the Mass was the parish pot luck picnic. Men's Club provided and grilled the brats and burgers; Rosary Society provided the paper products and hospitality; most families brought a salad or desert to share.

The event was a parable about church and how church works.

The gathered community is diverse by age, race, culture, income, ethnicity, education, physical abilities, family and marital status – married, single widows, widowers.

People came as they are – the tone was informal – a day in the park.

Most families/individuals brought a salad or desert or side dish.

Each brought something, and each enjoyed more than they brought.

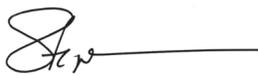
Food and fellowship were the theme – the food and fellowship of the Eucharist and the food and fellowship of the picnic. The table of the Lord led us to the table of shared daily bread. We arrived as individuals and families; and without losing our individuality we became a community of prayer and hospitality.

Many people performed differing roles in the events – liturgical ministries, hospitality, cooking, food preparation – and all of those “works” contributed to the whole, the gathering and celebration of a community.

Church is like that.

I am grateful to all for this experience of church and a very homey and practical experience it was!

Yours truly,



Stephen Adrian
Pastor

PARISH EVENTS

DID YOU KNOW?

In 2009, 4,004 pounds of food was donated to Neighborhood House Food Shelf by St Matthews. More items were used by our own parishioners before transport. Thanks to all who were so generous. Non-perishable food items are collected at church at all masses. Grocery bags are always needed and appreciated also. St Matthew's Food Shelf Team.



FALL FESTIVAL CORNER

The festival time is quickly approaching. Your donations for the Fall Festival would be appreciated. Please do not bring “garage sale” items; we need new or very gently used items only. If you can bring your items in early, we will know how much space we need to set up each booth. Bring all donations to the Parish Center, Monday thru Friday, 8:00 AM-4:00 PM and to the back of church on the weekends. Volunteers are needed! Sign-up in the back of church and someone will contact you. Our quilt and painting raffle chances are also available at the back of church—please support our festival and buy a chance to win one or both of these beautiful handmade items. We hope everyone is selling their Fall Festival Raffle tickets which have chances to win up to \$1,000! The next meeting for the Fall Festival will be Wednesday, August 25, at 6:30 PM at the Parish Center. All interested people are welcome to attend.

EDUCATION AND
FAITH FORMATION NEWS

CELEBRATING 125 YEARS ON THE WEST SIDE

To commemorate our 125 years on the West Side, St. Matthew's will begin a 13 month celebration on Saturday, March 5, 2011. Join us at 5:00 pm Mass celebrated by Archbishop Harry Flynn followed by a Mardi Gras Dinner/Dance. Watch for more details but mark your calendar for March 5, 2011 - the first of many planned events culminating in our final celebration of our 125th anniversary on Sunday, April 15, 2012 - the 70th birthday of Fr. Steve Adrian.

HISTORY OF THE PARISH - THE LAST 25 YEARS (1986-2011)

At the time of St. Matthew's Centennial [1986] a history of St. Matthew's was compiled by Mary Catherine Dunkel. This was done in mini-chapters covering 2 years each. You may recall that a mini-chapter was read on each weekend of the celebration year. Would you be interested in researching and writing the last mini-chapters of our history? Please contact John Riehle at the parish center, 651-224-9793, if interested or for more information.

SAINTS BASEBALL GAME TRIP

The annual St. Matthew's trip to a Saint's Baseball game hosted by the St. Matthew's Men's Club is on Wednesday August 25. A bus will leave St. Matthew's Church at 5:45 and Gallagher's Bar at 6:00. This is the last home game of the season. The Saint's are thrilled that we coming and will have a large fireworks show for us after the game! Food and refreshments will be served in the Saint's parking lot prior to the game. Cost is \$25 per adult and \$15 per child (16 or under) and includes ticket, bus, and pre-game food and refreshments. A down payment of \$10 per ticket is required. Contact Tim Nowak - cell 612-269-9471, or email to timothy.nowak@usfamily.net.



THIS WEEK AT
SAINT MATTHEW

Sunday	August 22
Monday	August 23
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
6:45 PM, XC	Boy Scout Meeting
Tuesday	August 24
9:00 AM, PC	Alums & Friends
2:00-6:00 PM, PC	St. Mary's Clinic
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
Wednesday	August 25
1:00-6:00 PM, PC	St. Mary's Clinic
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
6:30 PM, PC	Fall Festival Mtg.
Thursday	August 26
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
Friday	August 27
Saturday	August 28
Sunday	August 29

Abbreviations:

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

STEWARDSHIP

Today's reading from Isaiah describes the Israelites bringing their offering to the Lord "in clean vessels." The gift of myself—my patient endurance and fidelity to the will of God—is as important as the monetary gift I offer.

Sharing Last weekend [including Mass in the park] there was \$6,232 given by faithful stewards. Thank you. Seven weeks in this fiscal year: there is a lag of \$693 between budget and actual.

Also: \$20 was given for the food shelf; \$481 in Assumption envelopes. Thank you.

Service Much thanks for the time, effort, sweat [though it was kind-a cool], and patience by all those who helped with the Assumption Mass and picnic in the park last Sunday. Among others: musicians; those who handled the 'liturgy' pieces; the Men's Club for both supplying meat, buns, drinks as well as grilling the meat; the Rosary society of the paper products and organizing the buffet. Question: should we do it again next year?

Prayer: Daily mass, prayer, rosary and spiritual reading.

Youth: \$3.00, Thank you! They wrote: picked tomatoes... helped grandma.

MASS INTENTIONS

Mass intentions may be found on the monthly calendar available in the back of church.

WEEKLY READINGS

Readings for the Week of August 22, 2010

Sunday: Is 66:18-21/Heb 12:5-7, 11-13/Lk 13:22-30
 Monday: 2 Th 1:1-5, 11-12/Mt 23:13-22
 Tuesday: Rv 21:9b-14/Jn 1:45-51
 Wednesday: 2 Th 3:6-10, 16-18/Mt 23:27-32
 Thursday: 1 Cor 1:1-9/Mt 24:42-51
 Friday: 1 Cor 1:17-25/Mt 25:1-13
 Saturday: 1 Cor 1:26-31/Mt 25:14-30
 Next Sunday: Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29/Heb 12:18-19, 22-24a/Lk 14:1, 7-14

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 Deacon..... *Rev. John Murphy*
 Parish Pastoral Administrator..... *John Riehle*
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 Dir. Music & Liturgy..... *Bonnie Faber*
 Dir. Child Care and KLT..... *Shar Lavelle*
 Bookkeeper..... *Cindy Hoffman*
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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

Karen Thompson	Georgann Henjum
Mark Thomford	Joyce Osborne
Jason Delmont	Anthony Minus
Dean Steinbrenner	Chris Stevens
Stephen Adrian	Becky Montgomery