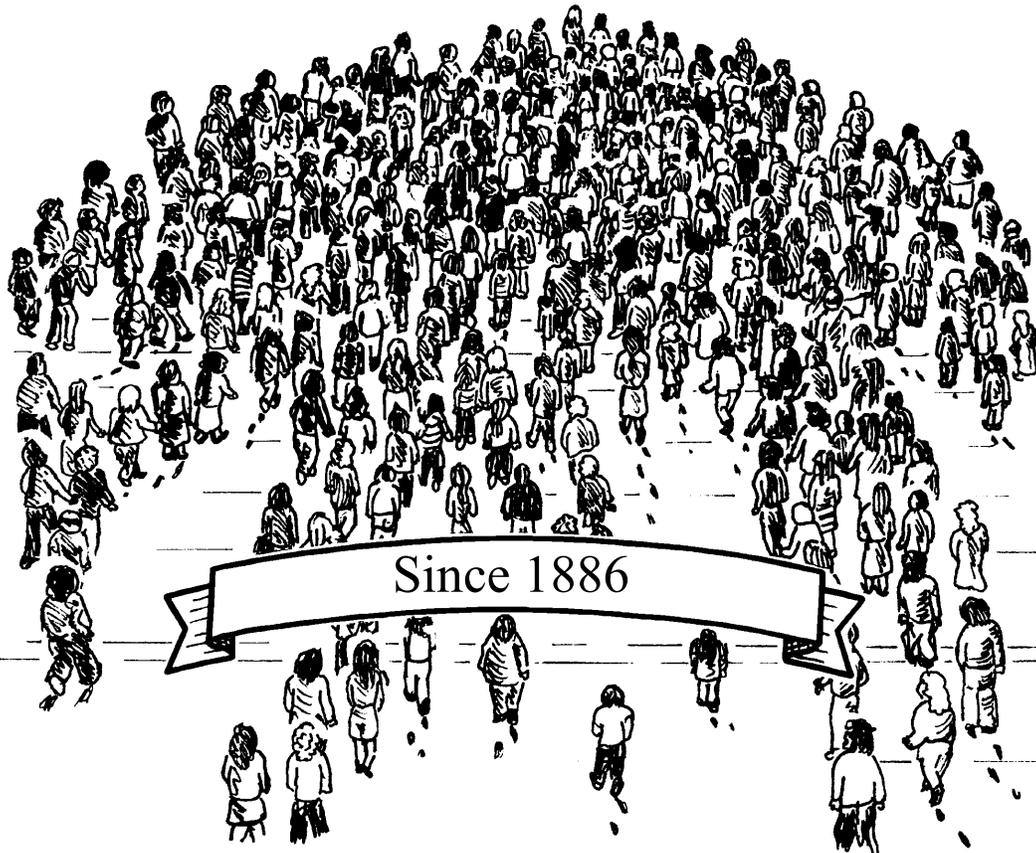
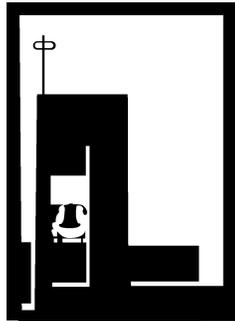


# The Community of St. Matthew



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

Dear Saint Matthew Community and Visitors:

Next weekend marks the end of the summer, the beginning of school, the close of the State Fair. Next weekend we observe Labor Day.

One hundred and twelve years ago, 1891, Pope Leo XIII wrote a letter about labor and the dignity of work and the right and dignity of workers. This letter inaugurated what has come to be known as our church's "social teaching."

I learned from my earliest days that work is good, and that men and women are ennobled by work. I learned that my work contributes to the "common good" of a society. I learned that people are entitled to the fruit of their work, a living wage.

My grandfather was a boiler maker for the railroad and worked all his life at the "Omaha Shop." My godfather was a book binder and my dad was a printer; all three were "union men."

One hundred and twelve years ago Leo XIII reminded the Catholic world that collective bargaining is a right of workers and levels the playing field between labor and management. He reminded us that a living wage was the right in justice of all workers, and that the state had a right and responsibility to make sure that workers were not exploited.

He encouraged the church and members of the church to seek the dignity of work and the dignity of workers as flowing from our moral teaching.

During those years following 1891 the church was in the vanguard of support for working men and women. In this

community such persons as John A. Ryan and Francis Giligan and John Ireland and Franz Mueller made international and national contributions to the development of opportunities for working families.

Leo XIII saw that unbridled capitalism as well as rampant socialism demeaned human dignity. He encouraged people of good will to find a common ground on which the common good of all might thrive.

Today we face difficult economic times. American labor is outsourced, wage and benefits for workers are frozen or cut back, state support of education, child care, medical care is diminished; retirement benefits for employees have been lost. Affordable housing for working families is less and less available.

It is time to rethink the need for a renewed social contract, a contract by which the common good of a people, the dignity of family and worker, their rightful return on investment, availability of good health care for all is seen as the best for a society and the best for our future.

Labor Day is and can be a time to turn our eyes to "a social contract for America."

Yours sincerely,



Stephen Adrian  
Pastor

## PARISH EVENTS

### PARISH PICNIC A SUCCESS

Thursday, August 14th, over 150 community members enjoyed a beautiful evening of fellowship and good food at Cherokee Park at the First Annual Parish Picnic. Thank you to the Adult Enrichment Committee for spearheading this event. Thank you to Fr. Steve, Dana, the Guitar Group and the other Liturgical ministers for a wonderful celebration of the Eucharist. Thank you to the Men's Club for providing and cooking the meat. Thank you to everyone who attended and their wonderful array of dishes that were shared. Look for the Second Annual Parish Picnic next summer.

### ADULT ENRICHMENT SEEKING NEW MEMBERS

The Adult Enrichment Committee will be meeting on Friday, September 5th, at 9:00 AM in the Parish Center. We will be reviewing the success of the parish picnic and setting up the schedule of events for the coming year. Anyone interested is welcome to join, for more information call Mary Lou Logsdon at 651-222-2121.

### ROSARY SOCIETY DINNER MEETING

The dinner meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 9th, 6:30 PM in the Parish Center. For reservations, please call one of the officers or the Parish Center by September 2nd. All women are invited.

## EDUCATION AND FAITH FORMATION NEWS



### SCHOOL UNIFORM SCRIP AVAILABLE

School uniforms are available through Donald's. Scrip for Donald's and many other stores is 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.

### PROJECT RAINBOW

Are you an elder who would like to have a pen pal? Students in grades 4 through 8 at Saint Matthew's Catholic School are looking for pen pals. If you are interested, please contact April Stagg at 651-222-0152.

### CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

Thanks for the wonderful response for Adult Leadership. We're still in urgent need of people who can assist our leaders. This is an excellent opportunity for young people in our parish to serve their community in a very important capacity. Children's Liturgy of the Word is offered during 10:30 AM Masses (beginning mid-September) for children ages 3 through 6. It involves about 25 minutes of Mass time. We need a minimum of eight to nine volunteers so that we can have at least two helpers for every Sunday, with each helper scheduled for just one Sunday a month. Have questions or want to volunteer? Leave Dana a message at 651-310-0830 and she'll get back to you.

### MUSIC MINISTRY

Is there a song in your heart-or a musical gift you've been hoarding away? Our music ministries will be gearing up for another full season in just a few short weeks. Check out the gold brochure "Serving the Prayer of Our Community" at each of the doors. It contains a description of all opportunities for liturgical ministry at Saint Matt's, including music. If you have more questions, or would like to volunteer your gifts, please leave Dana a message at 651-310-0830, or fill out the brochure's form and drop it in the collection basket.

### IN MEMORY OF CLARENCE KAMMERER

Clarence Kammerer's family has donated funds for new cloths and season vestments for the Altar and Tabernacle in our Chapel. Drop by the Chapel for a look at the first installment of these beautiful new vestments-created by our talented Saint Matthew's quilters.

### ST. JOSEPH'S SCHOOL OF MUSIC

St. Joseph's School of Music, 1550 Summit Avenue, will begin the fall term on September 2nd. All ages, all levels are welcome. Suzuki and traditional methods are taught. Training in all instruments, voice, composition and theory, orchestra and ensembles. For additional information contact the school at 651-690-4364 or [www.stjoseph-schoolofmusic.net](http://www.stjoseph-schoolofmusic.net).

## THIS WEEK AT SAINT MATTHEW

### Sunday

#### Monday

3:00 PM, SH Loaves and Fishes

#### Tuesday

3:00 PM, SH Loaves and Fishes

#### Wednesday

12:00-7:00 PM, PC St. Mary's Clinic  
3:00 PM, SH Loaves and Fishes

#### Thursday

12:00-7:00 PM, PC St. Mary's Clinic  
3:00 PM, SH Loaves and Fishes  
5:00 PM, MC Youth Choir  
7:00 PM, MC Adult Choir  
7:00 PM, SH Fall Festival Mtg.

### Friday

### Saturday

### Sunday

#### 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 17:  
**\$7140.91**

Holy Day Envelopes: **\$938.26**

Children and Youth envelopes: **\$4.10**

School Education Fund: **\$55.00**

*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, Aug. 24

8:00am Rose Garcia, Charles Diprima

10:30am Parishoners

Monday, Aug. 25, Sr. Colleen Hau, SSND

Tuesday, Aug. 26 Jig Masek, Joseph Karas

Wednesday, Aug. 27, Philip J. Snaza

Thursday, Aug. 28, George A. Reiland

Friday,

Saturday, Aug. 30, John & Irene Pachl, Harriet Ames

## WEEKLY READINGS

Readings for the Week of August 24, 2003

Sunday, August 24: Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b; Eph  
 5:21-32; Jn 6:60-69

Monday, August 25: 1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10; Mt 23:13-  
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Tuesday, August 26: 1 Thes 2:1-8; Mt 23:23-26

Wednesday, August 27: 1 Thes 2:9-13; Mt 23:27-32

Thursday, August 28 1 Thes 3:7-13; Mt 24:42-51

Friday, August 29: 1 Thes 4:1-8; or, Mk 6:17-29

Saturday, August 30: 1 Thes 4:9-11; Mt 25:14-30

Next Sunday: Dt 4:1-2, 6-8; Jas 1:17-18, 21b-  
 22, 27; Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

### PLANETAIDE—INTERFAITH CHALLENGE

PlanetAide and Father Bill Whittier invite you to support an Interfaith Challenge to provide education, medicines and proper health care facilities for HIV infected people in Imphal in the Northeast regions of India. For more details visit PlanetAide's website at [www.planetaide.org](http://www.planetaide.org) or call Jack Weatherford at PlanetAide, 612-333-6003. Or visit Father Bill Whittier's website at [www.i35north.com/frbill](http://www.i35north.com/frbill) or call Father Bill at 763-544-5359. Thank you for your support.

## PARISH DIRECTORY

Saint Matthew Church Office ..... 651-224-9793  
 Web site: [st-matts.org](http://st-matts.org)

### Pastoral Staff

Pastor ..... *Father Stephen Adrian*

Priest in Residence.....*Father Marty Warren*

Deacon ..... *Rev. John Murphy*

Pastoral Administrator

Dir. Education & Formation ..... *Beth Behnke*

Dir. Music & Liturgy..... *Dana McCarthy*

Dir. Pastoral Ministry.....

Dir. Child Care..... *Maureen Gitlin*

Business Administrator ..... *Debra Lindstedt*

Administrative Assistant..... *Nicole Johnson*

Dir. Food Service ..... *Alice Schletty*

Parish Engineer..... *David Rosas*

### Phone Numbers

Fax..... 651-228-9448

Parish School..... 651-224-6912

Extended Day..... 651-228-1535

Child Care Center..... 651-224-1450

Liturgy and Music Voicemail..... 651-310-0830

Prayerline Receiver ..... 651-222-3622 or 651-224-2903-

### 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

Marty Olson Jeff Gilberg

Paul Kempe Suzanne Clarke

John Finnegan Tim Jack

Doug Kennedy Becky Montgomery

John Sekevitch

### Committee Chairs

Finance..... Peter Grayson

Education Advisory ..... Michele Edwards

Liturgy