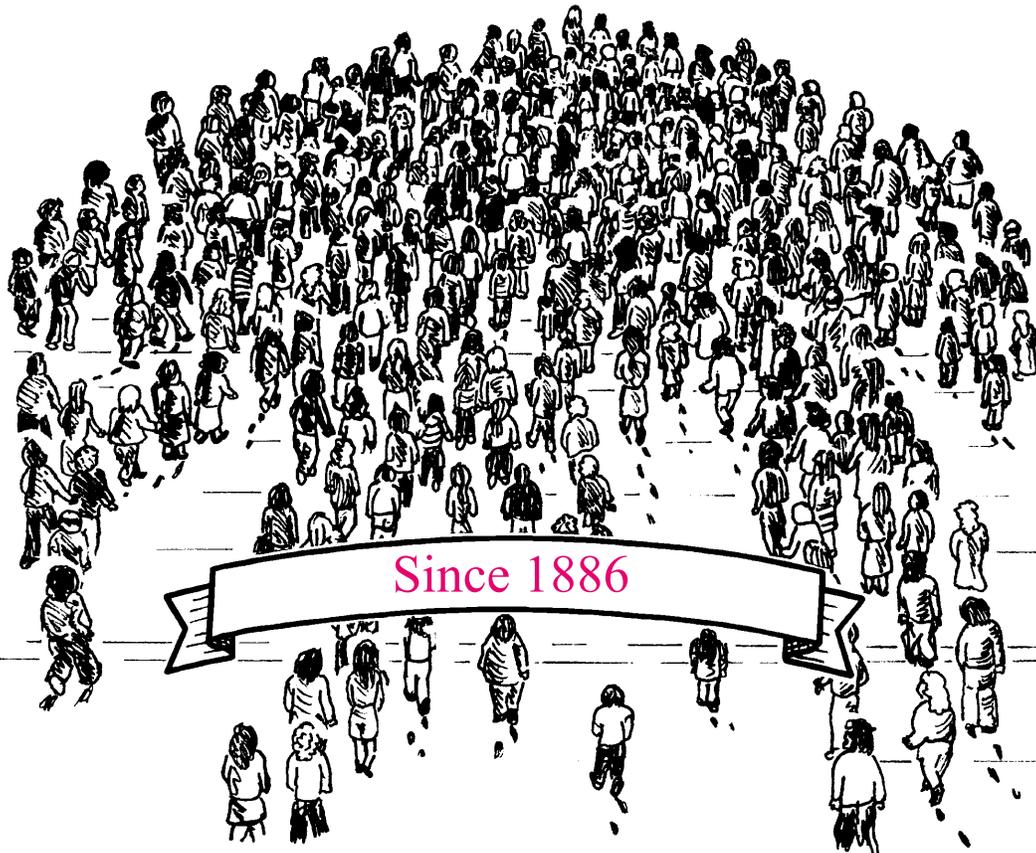


The Community of St. Matthew



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



Dear Saint Matthew Community and Visitors:

Within 10 days the new school year begins. Where did the summer go? From the very beginning school has been integral to the life and mission of the Church of Saint Matthew. Saint Matthew's School is not an adjunct to our parish; it is suffused with the mission of the parish, imbued with the lived faith of the parish and instrumental in the formation of future parish leadership.

Our parish, founded by German immigrants and first generation Americans regarded education as "the key" to a future. School Sisters of Notre Dame of the Mankato Province began teaching children of the parish within a very short time of the parish founding -- 1886; and until this year members of the SSND Community have been teaching in our school.

We are a Catholic School: The mission we proclaim is the mission of the Church. We are committed to prepare young people to take their rightful place in a complex and changing world outfitted with a high quality education and a deep grounding in their faith and their relationship to Jesus. They are taught to be people of the Word of God and young men and women of the Eucharist. They are "schooled" in the liturgy of the Church and helped to see that the liturgy is the summit toward which all human endeavor strives and the source of all Christian life and work.

We are a place of academic learning and excellence: We prepare competent and skillful young people. Our students consistently achieve honor rolls in high school and college; they make the "dean's list"; and often rank in the top percentiles of their class. We are a small school -- one class room per grade; we have no desire to "grow large", we do seek and work at growing better. Class size is about 25. Our capacity is about 230 students. We can accept students in each grade for this coming year -- grades K-8.

We are a Community School: Saint Matthew's School is the Catholic School of the West Side. We seriously endeavor to be a community education opportunity -- our

students are parish families and non-parish families; our students are Roman Catholic and young people of other religious traditions and practices. Our school is rooted in this community and has been since its origin. Our student body reflects the growing racial, ethnic, cultural and religious diversity of our community. This is both a blessing and a profound challenge. It provides us the opportunity to educate young people in an atmosphere that will more truly reflect the world in which they will live their adults lives.

We strive to create a synthesis between culture and faith: Knowledge set in the context of faith becomes wisdom and life vision. The endeavor to interweave reason and faith makes for unity, articulation and coordination. It brings forth within what is learned in school a Christian vision of the world, of life, of culture and history. There is no separation between acquiring information and growing in wisdom. All of this demands a fearless and constant thirst for truth and desire to pursue truth wherever it leads. Integral to this work is a teaching staff of men and women -- competent, convinced and coherent educators -- teachers of learning and of life.

We take seriously our commitment to our society: We are a center of learning; we are also a center of citizen development. A free society demands an educated citizenry; demands men and women capable of engaging in civic discourse and debate; demands men and women articulate and persuasive. We share this work with all public and non-public educational institutions. Our future as a people depends on the quality education of our young.

I am proud of Saint Matthew's School and the many sacrifices and efforts we make today and have been made by generations before us to provide a high quality Catholic school on the West Side of Saint Paul.

Yours truly,



Stephen Adrian, Pastor

PARISH EVENTS

ALUMINUM CAN RECYCLING

Boy Scout Troop 107 Can Recycling will be on September 3 & 4 before and after all Masses. Scouts will be in the church parking lot to accept your aluminum cans only. All proceeds go to support Scout events and campouts.

AUGUST PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Parish Council meeting will be Wednesday August 31 at 7:00 PM. The location for this meeting is changed for this month only to the Neighborhood Development Alliance office at 481 S. Wabasha St. (below the Child Care). Agenda and minutes of last meeting are available on website or available at Parish Center (call Nicole at 224-9793).

EDUCATION AND FAITH FORMATION NEWS



WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT

Students and parents are invited to join us for a planned social evening combined with classroom information on Thursday, September 1. Come meet your child's teacher, fellow student and families. Classroom information sessions will be held in each classroom starting at 5:15 PM. The Home and School Association will be providing a light picnic supper. If you are still looking for a school for your child, stop in and check us out on September 1, registrations for all classrooms are still be accepted.

MUSIC MINISTRY NEEDS YOU!!

Our Music Ministry is gearing up for another year of service to the liturgy. We look forward to seeing familiar faces; but we're also hoping to see some new faces. If you have a musical gift to share with your community, please leave Dana a message at 651-310-0830 or stop by the piano to visit her after mass this weekend. Our music ministry has a place for YOU in Adult Choir (grades 8 and beyond), Youth Voice and Bell Choir (grades 3 thru 8), Adult Hand Bell Choir (grade 7 and beyond), Guitar Group, keyboard accompanists, and occasional instrumentalists. We offer a welcoming, volunteer-friendly ministry; join us this year!

CONGRATULATIONS!

Reba Bisciglia, Janice Geis and Sadie Ward received their Girl Scout Silver Awards in May at the recognition ceremony at the College of St. Catherine. This award is the second highest award that girls can earn in scouting. All three of these girls will be sophomores in high school this year. Congratulations!

ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL MASS WITH THE DISABLED

Sunday, September 11 at 3:00 PM at St. Mary's Seminary Chapel on the campus of St. Paul's Seminary at the University of St. Thomas please join the Archbishop as he celebrates the annual Mass with the Disabled. For more information call 612-925-1203.

ST. MATTHEW'S WOMEN'S EVENING BRIDGE GROUP

The Bridge Group is in need of players. The group meets the first Monday of the month (October through May) at the Cherokee Sirloin Room in West St. Paul. Dinner at 6:00 PM- bridge at 7:00 PM. If interested please call Mary Hanson at 651-451-0567 or Betty Shaughnessy at 651-457-6299.

CONGRATULATIONS, MIKE MOLINA

Mike is a 2002 graduate of St. Matt's and is entering his senior year at St. Bernard's. Mike is a 2005 Academic Letter Winner (GPA of at least 3.5) and a National Honor Society Member for 2006 (GPA of at least 3.3).

THIS WEEK AT SAINT MATTHEW

Sunday	August 28
12:00 PM, CH	Baptism
Monday	August 29
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
6:45 PM, XC	Boy Scout Meeting
Tuesday	August 30
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
Wednesday	August 31
12:00-7:00 PM, PC	St. Mary's Clinic
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
Thursday	September 1
12:00-7:00 PM, PC	St. Mary's Clinic
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
5:30 PM, SC	Back to School Information Night
Friday	September 2
Saturday	September 3
Sunday	September 4
12:00 PM, CH	Baptism

Abbreviations:

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

STEWARDSHIP

DONATIONS FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 7, 2005

Sunday Envelopes and Plate	\$6,742.50
Holy Day	371.25

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

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, August 28	8:00 AM Joseph Karas, Jr. Ed Maher, 10:30 AM George Reiland Parishioners
Monday, August 29	Earl Calfsich
Tuesday, August 30	Parishioners
Wednesday, August 31	World Peace
Thursday, September 1	Parishioners
Friday, September 2	6:45 AM Parishioners 5:15 PM Alice Marthaler
Saturday, September 3	George A. Reiland
Sunday, September 4	8:00 AM Living and deceased members of the Rosary Society Helen & Leonard Lang 10:30 AM Parishioners

WEEKLY READINGS

Readings for the Week of August 28, 2005

Sunday:	Jer 20:7-9/ Rom 12:1-2/ Mt 16:21-27
Monday:	1 Thes 4:13-18/ Mk 6:17-29
Tuesday:	1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11/ Lk 4:31-37
Wednesday:	Col 1:1-8/ Lk 4:38-44
Thursday:	Col 1:9-14/ Lk 5:1-11
Friday:	Col 1:15-20/ Lk 5:33-39
Saturday:	Col 1:21-23/ Lk 6:1-5
Next Sunday:	Ez 33:7-9/Rom 13:8-10/Mt 18:15-20

PARISH DIRECTORY

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Pastoral Staff

Pastor..... *Father Stephen Adrian*
Priest in Residence *Father Marty Warren*
Deacon..... *Rev. John Murphy*
Dir. Education & Formation.....*Doug Lieser*
Dir. Music & Liturgy *Dana McCarthy*
Dir. Child Care..... *Dimary Rosado*
Dir. Marketing & Development.....*Maureen Gitlin*
Business Administrator *Cindy Hoffman*
Administrative Assistant *Nicole Johnson*
Dir. Food Service *Alice Schletty*
Parish Engineer *David Rosas*

Phone Numbers

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Parish School..... 651-224-6912
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Child Care Center 651-224-1450
Liturgy and Music Voicemail..... 651-310-0830
Prayerline Receiver..... 651-222-3622 or 651-454-5021

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

Parish Council email: parishcouncil@st-matts.org

Becky Montgomery	Larry Sachi
Marty Olson	John Sekevitch
Connie Aligada	Sister Joanna Illg
Lucus Ecker	Mark Thomford
Tony Joe Wenker	Stephen Adrian

Committee Chairs

Finance..... Linda Sellars
Education Advisory Richard Dunn