

# The Community of St. Matthew

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## **Back To School Night**

Thursday, September 2  
5:15-7:30 PM

Come join us for an evening  
mixed with Classroom Information and  
Socializing

Come meet the teachers, students and  
families of St. Matthew's School.



A light picnic dinner will be provided by the  
Home and School Association

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

Dear Saint Matthew Community and Visitors:

For years an uneasy accommodation was possible in Iraq between Muslim and Christian communities. Over the past year, with the rise of extremist Muslim sects, Christians are now terrorized. On Sunday, August 1<sup>st</sup>, terror came as people gathered for Mass.

The wave of explosions – at least four of them car bombings – began at 6 pm on Sunday, August 1<sup>st</sup> as people gathered for Mass. The blasts, just minutes apart, sent worshippers screaming into the streets, leaving four churches in Baghdad badly damaged.

A police witness said that a suicide bomber detonated the first car bomb outside an Armenian Catholic Church in the Kadara district. The blast was followed minutes later by the explosion at a nearby Syrian Catholic Church. The force of the second blast hurled a dozen parked cars into the church compound, flipping them upside down. Police said 25 people were injured in the two blasts and neighborhood houses were damaged.

The third blast targeted the Caldean church of Saints Peter and Paul. The fourth attack was against the Caldean church of St. Elijah.

These attacks killed 20 people and wounded 40. The parish priest at St. Elijah's said he discovered the bodies of more than 20 whose cars exploded as they tried to leave the scene. The priest said one boy was killed and two others seriously wounded as they sought to stop a car bomber from entering the church compound. The boys had heard that churches were being targeted across the city and they ran to St. Elijah's, interrupted the priest in the middle of Mass, telling him to evacuate the packed church. "Their bravery undoubtedly saved many lives", said the priest.

As Sunday is a working day in Iraq, Mass takes place in the early evening, after work.

As we pray for a quick and just end to violence, remember that small group of Christians who now live in fear and terror as extremists seek to further undermine any sense of cooperation and partnership between middle eastern people.

Yours truly



Stephen Adrian  
Pastor

## PARISH EVENTS

ST. MATTHEW'S FALL FESTIVAL  
FEAST OF ST. MATTHEW  
SEPTEMBER 18 & 19, 2004  
MARK YOUR CALENDARS  
INVITE YOUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY

### FALL FESTIVAL MEETING

Join the Fall Festival planning committee on Tuesday at 7:00 PM in the Social. Any and all are welcome, bring your ideas and your enthusiasm to this major fundraiser for St. Matthew's. WANTED: collectibles, pristine items, donated services, antiques, etc. to raffle or auction. Questions? Call Tim at 651-687-2850, weekdays or 651-450-4975 evenings/weekends.

### THANK YOU

I want to give you, the Saint Matthew Community, a sincere thank you for your support in prayers as well as financial help as I get ready to embark on the next chapter in life as a lay missionary in Honduras. Your excitement and interest in my work has further strengthened my reason why I should go and has gotten me even more excited to begin. It is nice to know that such a great community can unite and rise together to support a great cause. I look forward to going on this journey and sharing it with. God Bless, Rafael Harrington

### ARCHBISHOP FLYNN MASS FOR HANDICAPPED PERSONS

Each year the Archbishop celebrates Mass with handicapped persons and their families. If you have person in your family who is disabled you may wish to bring that person and participate in this Mass and social opportunity. The Mass will take place Sunday, September 12 at 3:00 PM at the St. Mary's Chapel on the campus of the St. Paul Seminary School, 2260 Summit Avenue. For further information call Joanne or Alan Foley at 612-925-1203.

EDUCATION AND  
FAITH FORMATION NEWS



**TECHNOLOGY GRANT RECEIVED**

St. Matthew's School would like to thank the Catholic Aid Foundation for a generous grant to the technology program at our school. Mary Adamle, Field Representative assigned to our parish is available to speak with anyone interested in the programs proved by the Catholic Aid Association. Mary can be contacted at 651-436-2892 or by e-mail at madamle@catholicaid.com

**NOW ENROLLING**

St. Matthew's School ,St. Matthew's Child Care and KLT Kids are currently enrolling students at most grade levels. For care for children ages 6 weeks-5 years call Dimary at 651-224-1450. For students in grades K-8 call Peg or Beth at 651-224-6912 For students in grades K-6, those enrolled and St. Matthew's or other area schools, KLT Kids offers and before and after school program, please call Jenny at 651-224-6912.

**FINAL WEEK OF SUMMER SCRIP CHALLENGE**

This is the last week of the summer challenge, but definitely not the last week for SCRIP!! Watch the bulletin for additional vendors and information. Thank you for helping our school to earn over \$1300 this summer. August winners will be in the bulletin next weekend.

**ST. MATTHEW'S BOY SCOUT TROOP 107 RECYCLING NEXT WEEKEND!**

Scouts from Troop 107 will be available next weekend, September 4 and 5 for 1/2 hour before and 1/2 hours after each mass to accept your aluminum cans for recycling. The Boy Scout trailer is located in the Social Hall/ School parking area. The money earned from this fundraiser goes directly to our scouts so they are able to attend scout events Thank your for your support!

**SCOUT COMMITTEE MEETING**

Scout Committee members are reminded that the next meeting will be Tuesday, September 7 from 7:00-8:30 pm in the Extended Day area.

**LABOR IN THE PULPIT**

Again this year , St. Matthew's will participate in the "Labor in the Pulpit" a program commemorating Labor Day and the struggle for workers, sponsored by the Twin Cities Labor and Religion Network. Do you have a story you'd like to share with us Labor Day weekend? Call the Parish office (224-9793) and leave your name, or call Mary Cathryn Ricker, 651-491-1778. Training will be provided.

THIS WEEK AT  
SAINT MATTHEW

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>August 29</b>
12:00 PM, CH	Baptism
12:30 PM, CH	Baptism
<b>Monday</b>	<b>August 30</b>
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
6:45 PM, XC	Boy Scout Meeting
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>August 31</b>
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>September 1</b>
12:00-7:00 PM, PC	St. Mary's Clinic
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>September 2</b>
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
5:15-7:30 PM, SC	Back to School Night
<b>Friday</b>	<b>September 3</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>September 4</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>September 5</b>

**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 22, 2004

Sunday Envelopes and Plate	\$6,834.00
Youth and Children's Envelopes	\$11.00
School Fund	\$10.00
Holy Day	\$103.00

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

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, August 29	8:00 AM Earl Cafilisch Ed Maher 10:30 AM Parishioners
Monday, August 30	Dorothy O'Day
Tuesday, August 31	Rosemary & Robert Preuss
Wednesday, Sept. 1	Parishioners
Thursday, Sept. 2	
Friday, Sept. 3	6:45 AM George Reiland Arthur Geis 5:15 PM World Peace
Saturday, September 4	Helen & Leonard Lang George Lackner Arlene & Clarence Kammerer
Sunday, September 5	8:00 AM Arlene Kammerer Agnes DeFoe Living and deceased members of Rosary Society 10:30 AM Parishioners

WEEKLY READINGS

Readings for the Week of August 29, 2004

Sunday:	Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29; Heb 12:18-19, 22-24a; Lk 14:1, 7-14
Monday:	1 Cor 2:1-5; Lk 4:16-30
Tuesday:	1 Cor 2:10b-16; Lk 4:31-37
Wednesday:	1 Cor 3:1-9; Lk 4:38-44
Thursday:	1 Cor 3:18-23; Lk 5:1-11
Friday:	1 Cor 4:1-5; Lk 5:33-39
Saturday:	1 Cor 4:6b-15; Lk 6:1-5
Next Sunday:	Wis 9:13-18b; Phlm 9-10, 12-17; Lk 14:25-33

PARISH DIRECTORY

Saint Matthew Church Office.....651-224-9793  
 Web site: st-matts.org

**Pastoral Staff**

Pastor.....	<i>Father Stephen Adrian</i>
Priest in Residence .....	<i>Father Marty Warren</i>
Deacon.....	<i>Rev. John Murphy</i>
Dir. Education & Formation.....	<i>Beth Behnke</i>
Dir. Music & Liturgy .....	<i>Dana McCarthy</i>
Dir. Child Care.....	<i>Dimary Rosado</i>
Dir. Marketing & Development.....	<i>Maureen Gitlin</i>
Business Administrator .....	<i>Debra Lindstedt</i>
Administrative Assistant .....	<i>Nicole Johnson</i>
Dir. Food Service .....	<i>Alice Schletty</i>
Parish Engineer.....	<i>David Rosas</i>

**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**

Linda Sellars	Becky Montgomery
Marty Olson	John Sekevitch
Suzanne Clarke	Doug Kennedy
Tim Jack	Larry Sachi
Connie Aligada	

**Committee Chairs**

Finance.....	Peter Grayson
Education Advisory .....	Michele Edwards
Liturgy	