

The Community of St. Matthew

St. Matthew's School
The Catholic School of the West Side
Family Information Night
August 9-10
6:30—8:00 PM
In the Church

Join us for an evening to learn about
our school curriculum and policies.
New registrations for 2006-2007 for all grades
will be accepted both nights.
Give your child the gift of a faith-filled education.
Meet the Director of Education, Doug Lieser,
classroom teachers, and staff.

This is a mandatory event for families that are currently
enrolled for the 2006-2007 school year.

For more information call the school office at 651-224-6912



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

Dear Saint Matthew Community and Visitors:

I had the opportunity to spend ten days in Manitoba, particularly the city of Winnipeg. Much community entertainment takes place at "The Forks", the place where the Assiniboine River flows into the Red River. The Red River ultimately flows into Lake Winnipeg – the seventh largest fresh water lake in the world. Late in July Winnipeg hosts the Fringe Festival (the second largest in North America) and the Manitoba Rodeo.

One of the many sites is the Winnipeg Zoo and the statues commemorating Winnie The Pooh.

In 1914, Winnipeg soldier Harry Colebourn bought an orphaned black bear cub in White River, Ontario while en route to fight in the First World War. He named the bear "Winnie" after his hometown, Winnipeg. The cub became the mascot of Colebourn's regiment.

When Colebourn was shipped out to the front in France, he donated the bear to the London Zoo, where it spent twenty (20) years entertaining zoo goers, including Christopher Robin Milne, the young son of author and playwright A.A. Milne.

The young Milne renamed his stuffed bear Winnie the Pooh and his father later crafted stories about a boy and his bear, Winnie.

Gas sells at \$1.15 per liter, \$4.35 per US gallon. The US dollar is about 10% stronger than the Canadian dollar. The Canadian dollar is growing stronger and the US dollar has grown weaker over the past few years. 90% of the Canadian population lives within 75 miles of the United States Border.

St. Boniface Cathedral is the oldest cathedral in Western Canada, located on avenue Tache in the French speaking community of St. Boniface. It is located on the site of the first mission church constructed by Father Provencher in 1818. The current Cathedral was opened in 1972, within the stone walls of the St. Boniface Basilica which was destroyed by fire in 1968, the same year a fire destroyed Saint Matthew's Church. (Can you imagine the new Saint Matthew's of 1970 built within the shell of the old burned Saint Matthew's Church.) The Basilica, opened in 1908, had replaced a single spired cathedral, which in turn had replaced the famous stone church begun by Bishop Provencher in 1832 and destroyed by fire in 1860 and immortalized by the poet John Greenleaf Whittier in his poem "The Red River Voyageur," which told of the bells of "the turrets twain."

Manitoba is very cognizant of Native People, called there the Aboriginal People. A major TV station in Winnipeg is the Aboriginal People TV station. Also, the province and nation cooperates in a social contract with citizens. Part of that contract is to provide assistance to families with disabled children, so that children can be reared in their own homes and continue to have family relationships. Universal health care is available to all citizens. Full educational opportunities – early childhood, elementary, secondary and higher – are available to all citizens.

Perhaps we might do well to discuss a social contract among our citizens which promotes the common good of all.

Yours truly,



Stephen Adrian
Pastor

PARISH EVENTS

PARISH PICNIC—AUGUST 15

Mark your calendars for our annual parish picnic on the Feast of the Assumption. Again this year we will celebrate mass at 5:45 PM at Cherokee Park, followed by a picnic supper. Burgers, brats, hot dogs and paper products will be provided. Bring a dish to share and beverages for your family. You may also want to bring lawn chairs or blankets to sit on during the mass.

2006 IRISH FAIR AND OUTDOOR MASS

Archbishop Harry Flynn invites everyone to celebrate an outdoor mass on Harriet Island in Saint Paul on August 13th at 9:00 AM. The service is part of the 2006 Irish Fair and features Irish songs, Irish dancers, readings in Gaelic and English, Michael Loonan on piano and cantor Hailey Malone. Festival activities continue after the mass including a performance by Liam Clancy at 2:00 PM. Admission is free. Enjoy this wonderful opportunity to spend the day with your family. More festival details at www.IrishFair.com

EDUCATION AND
FAITH FORMATION NEWS



CONFIRMATION PROGRAM

Students, 10th grade and older, are invited to join the Confirmation class of 2006-2007. Confirmation candidates meet once a month on the second Sunday afternoon for class, an evening mass and social time.

Our first meeting for parents and students will be on Sunday, September 10 at 4:00 PM in the church. Please call the parish center at 651-224-9793 and leave your name with Nicole if you are interested in being a part of the Confirmation program.

SCRIP FOR BACK TO SCHOOL SHOPPING

Don't forget to pick up SCRIP for all your back to school shopping needs. We have SCRIP for Donald's, K-Mart, Kohl's and Old Navy. Stop at the SCRIP table after mass or you may also purchase SCRIP at the school office during regular office hours, 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM, Monday thru Friday.

STEWARDSHIP

Stewardship...with how much have we been gifted? how are we taking care of all we have? and what are we able to return to The Giver?

In the Gospel today, Peter years to do something to make concrete the Transfiguration he had witnessed. But to be a good steward of this spiritual gift, he was instructed to be still, to listen to Jesus, and to wait for His direction. Good advice for us, too!

Time

What are our habits—our practices—in prayer? In the same place; at the same time; in the same form? [If we're going to become good at praying it takes practice; it takes repetition.] If you want to pray before the Blessed Sacrament—come to the parish center during the day. Pray in the newly appointed small chapel. This week, pray in thanksgiving for an end to the heat, and in petition for an end of hostilities in the Middle East, and safety of all—especially children.

Talent

How have I used my talents for service to others, both within church programs as well as in many other ways in my neighborhood, at work, or with family. A couple of “behind the scenes” ministries that affect our worship each weekend: those who attend all the greenery in our space and those who make certain the votive candle area is neat and filled with new candles. Thanks to you, ladies and gentlemen.

Treasure

Thanks to all the envelope users as well as those who donated in the plate: \$7495 was given. It was the 5th weekend of the month. Please remember that the expenses of the parish do not take a vacation. Thanks in advance for remembering to “catch up” when you do come back to town. Our fiscal year-to-date collections are \$49612. That is \$9680 behind budget. Remember the call to be faithful, consistent and constant stewards. Thanks

THIS WEEK AT
SAINT MATTHEW

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| Sunday 7:00 PM, SH | August 6 Fall Festival Meeting |
| Monday 3:00 PM, SH | August 7 Loaves and Fishes |
| Tuesday 11:00 AM, CH 3:00 PM, SH | August 8 Student Cantor Practice Loaves and Fishes |
| Wednesday 12:00-7:00 PM, PC 3:00 PM, SH 6:30 PM, CH & SH | August 9 St. Mary's Clinic Loaves and Fishes St. Matthew's School Parent Information Night |
| Thursday 3:00 PM, SH 6:30 PM, CH & SH 7:00 PM, PC | August 10 Loaves and Fishes St. Matthew's School Parent Information Night AA Meeting |
| Friday | August 11 |
| Saturday | August 12 |
| Sunday 12:00 PM, CH 12:30 PM, CH 6:45 PM, PC | August 13 Baptism Baptism Parish Council Meeting |

Abbreviations:

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

HELP A SIGHT IMPAIRED SENIOR

A senior in her late 80's would appreciate a volunteer to help her with sorting photos, cards, and various other things. She is legally blind and would welcome a morning visitor on a weekday. If you are interested in helping this senior or would like more information about helping others in your community contact Barb Koenig at DARTS at 651-455-1560 or visit www.darts1.org. DARTS provides training, on-going staff support and mileage reimbursement to volunteers.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, August 6 8:00 AM +Roger Klingner
 +Charles Bauer, Jr.
 10:30 AM +Harold Licha
 +Eileen Schmidt
 +Gerald Christopherson
 Monday, August 7 +Sr. Colleen Hau, SSND
 +Pauline Reiland
 Tuesday, August 8 +Matt Adrian
 +Joseph Palermo
 Wednesday, August 9 +Clarence Steiner
 Klingner Family
 Thursday, August 10 Sister Lucy Bruskiwicz
 Friday, August 11
 Saturday, August 12 +Helen Leibl
 +Joseph Karas, Sr.
 +Joseph Karas, Jr.
 Sunday, August 13 8:00 AM +Richard
 Charboneau, Jr., +Joseph
 Kammerer, +Gerald
 Christopherson
 10:30 AM +Edna Haas
 Parishioners

WEEKLY READINGS

Readings for the Week of August 6, 2006
 Sunday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/ 2 Pt 1:16-19/
 Mk 9:2-10
 Monday: Jer 28:1-17/ Mt 14:13-21
 Tuesday: Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22/ Mt 14:22-36 or
 Mt 15:1-2, 10-14
 Wednesday: Jer 31:1-7/ Mt 15:21-28
 Thursday: 2 Cor 9:6-10/ Jn 12:24-26
 Friday: Na 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7/ Mt 16:24-28
 Saturday: Hb 1:12-2:4/ Mt 17:14-20
 Next Sunday: 1 Kgs 19:4-8/ Eph 4:30-5:2/ Jn 6:41-51

PARISH DIRECTORY

Saint Matthew Church Office.....651-224-9793
 Web site: st-matts.org
 Bulletin Email: bulletin.editor@st-matts.org

Pastoral Staff

Pastor..... *Father Stephen Adrian*
 Deacon..... *Rev. John Murphy*
 Parish Pastoral Administrator..... *John Riehle*
 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

Fax..... 651-228-9448
 Parish School..... 651-224-6912
 KLT Kids 651-665-0786
 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 six months prior to wedding. Must be a member of the parish.

Parish Council Members

Parish Council email: parishcouncil@st-matts.org

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| Becky Montgomery | Larry Sachi |
| Nicole Johnson | John Sekevitch |
| Connie Aligada | Sister Joanna Illg |
| Lucus Ecker | Mark Thomford |
| Sheila Brunelle | Stephen Adrian |

Committee Chairs

Finance.....
 Education Advisory *Richard Dunn*
 Liturgy