

The Community of St. Matthew

St. Matthew's School
The Catholic School of the West Side
Family Information Night
August 10 & 11
6:30 PM – 8:00 PM
In the Church

Join us for an evening to learn about
our school curriculum and policies.
New registrations for 2005-2006 for all grades
will be accepted both nights.
Give your child the gift of a faith filled education
in a school with a 118-year tradition
of providing a high quality education
Help us welcome our new
Director of Education,
Doug Lieser.

This is a mandatory event for families that are currently
enrolled for the 2005-2006 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:

This weekend, August 6th and 7th is the 60th anniversary of dropping the Atomic Bomb over Hiroshima and Nagasaki. While this event ended the war in the Pacific, it also was the inaugural moment of the nuclear arms race.

I remember as a child watching TV in the early morning as the testing of atomic weapons in Yucca Flats, Arizona was televised live around the nation. The countdown, the spectators using smoked glass to view the explosion, and then the earth shaking explosion and the rising mushroom cloud with the fall out minutes later that leveled buildings. Each test was declared "successful" by measure of the force that equaled ten or twenty or fifty or hundred or a bazillion times the power of the bomb that leveled Hiroshima or Nagasaki.

I remember the drills in school -- "duck and cover" and the signs on the sides of public building indicating that in the basement was a shelter equipped with food and water should there be an atomic accident or attack.

The stock piling of weapons by East and West was seen as a deterrent, the cold war was that standoff between "us and them". In the 50's the "red phone" was installed in the Kremlin and in the White House.

Saber rattling and threats often brought the world to the "brink". In fact a new word came into the language: the act of testing one's opponent was called "brinkmanship".

The East and West achieved such nuclear fire power as to be able to destroy the entire earth many thousands of times over. By the late 50's this reality was no longer able to be dismissed. Dwight Eisenhower asked native Minnesotan and signer of the United Nation's Charter, Harold Stassen to become the first special secretary to the President for Disarmament. Pope Pius XII and especially Pope John XXIII repeatedly begged heads of state to seek a sane and immediate reduction in arms.

Often times a problem is born into the world as a solution; and such was truly the case with the atomic bomb; hailed as the weapon which would make war unthinkable became the ultimate threat and crisis of the last half of the 20th century.

Today that threat rears it's head again. Korea continues to develop nuclear capability; China undertakes new nuclear testing; President Bush tells us that we will resume testing and nuclear development -- and so the insanity goes on.

This weekend we pray for those who died in Nagasaki and Hiroshima; we also pray for the wisdom to disarm all nuclear weapons; we pray for the courage and the willingness to take the first step in this effort.

Yours sincerely,



Stephen Adrian
Pastor

PARISH EVENTS

FALL FESTIVAL UPDATE

Bring your donations for Bottle Lotto and Theme Baskets to the Parish Center during the week or the SCRIP table on weekends. The success of our festival depends on the donations received. The next meeting of the Festival committee is on Wednesday, August 17 at 7:00 PM in the social hall. Mark your calendar today to join us!!

NEW LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULES ARE ON THE HORIZON!

If you are a lector, communion minister, altar server, gift bearer or usher/greeter, it's time to make your scheduling requests. The new schedule will cover September 10 through November 20. Please make your requests no later than Wednesday, August 17th. Call Ginny at 651-222-2867 or e-mail her at gbd1252@aol.com.

PARISH PICNIC—AUGUST 15, 2005

Join us at Cherokee Park on Monday, August 15 for mass and a parish picnic. Mass will be celebrated at 5:45 PM with a potluck picnic to follow. Brats, burgers and hot dogs will be provided. Please bring a dish to pass. Also bring beverages, paper plates and utensils for your family. You may also want to bring lawn chairs or blankets. Hope to see you all there!!

EDUCATION AND FAITH FORMATION NEWS

CONFIRMATION PROGRAM

Students, 10th grade and older, are invited to join the Confirmation class of 2005-2006. Confirmation candidates meet once a month on Sunday afternoon for class, an evening mass and social time. Our first meeting for parents and students will be on Sunday, September 11 at 4:00 PM in the church. Please call the parish center (224-9793) and leave your name and address and we will send out more information the end of August.

GENTLY USED UNIFORMS WANTED

Have you been cleaning closets getting ready for the new school year? St. Matthew's School is looking for donations of gently used uniforms to be sold at the September 1st Back to School Night. All sizes are needed. Donations can be brought to the school office or the parish center. This is a great way to recycle outgrown uniforms.

CHILD CARE OPENINGS

Do you need, or know someone who needs high-quality child care on the West Side? St. Matthew's Child Care is now accepting children ages 6 weeks - 5 years. Children enrolled in the Center receive daily home cooked meals, outdoor play time, a school readiness multi-cultural curriculum, and tender loving care from a our long-term dedicated staff. Call Dimary or Denise today at 651-224-1450 to schedule your tour and/or enroll.

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. Remember we are still in the midst of our Summer SCRIP Blitz. You can win one of 2 gas grills, donated by Langula's Hardware and Menard's in Midway. Each week after mass SCRIP is available for purchase. You will receive a raffle ticket for each \$50 in SCRIP. Stop by the table in the back of the church and take a look. SCRIP is the fundraiser that costs you nothing extra!! You may also purchase SCRIP at the school office during regular office hours, 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM, Monday thru Friday.

SCHOOL YEAR VOLUNTEERS

Do you have 2-3 hours per week to give to the students at St. Matthew's School? Do you like to read, would you like to read with our children? Do you play chess, we have an active chess club always looking for new players to challenge? You may enjoy volunteering in our school library or assisting teachers with special projects in the classroom. Do you have a special talent (sewing, knitting, woodwork, cooking, etc.) that you would like to share? If any of these ideas interest you, please call Maureen at 651-224-6912 for more information.

THIS WEEK AT SAINT MATTHEW

Sunday 12:00 PM, CH	August 7 Baptism
Monday 3:00 PM, SH 6:45 PM, XC	August 8 Loaves and Fishes Boy Scout Meeting
Tuesday 3:00 PM, SH	August 9 Loaves and Fishes
Wednesday 12:00-7:00 PM, PC 3:00 PM, SH 6:30 PM, MC	August 10 St. Mary's Clinic Loaves and Fishes St. Matthew's School Parent Information Night
Thursday 3:00 PM, SH 6:30 PM, MC 7:00 PM, PC	August 11 Loaves and Fishes St. Matthew's School Parent Information Night AA Meeting
Friday	August 12
Saturday	August 13
Sunday	August 14
Monday 5:45 PM Cherokee Park 6:30 PM Cherokee Park	August 15 Mass for the Feast of the Assumption Parish Potluck Picnic

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 JULY 17, 2005

Sunday Envelopes and Plate \$6,795.45
 School Fund 55.00

If you are going to be on vacation, you can drop off contribution envelopes in the Parish Office.

*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 7 8:00 AM Larry Simmons
 Living & deceased members
 of the Rosary Society
 10:30 AM Pauline Reiland
 Parishioners
 Monday, August 8 World Peace
 Tuesday, August 9 Parishioners
 Wednesday, August 10 Evelyn Gross
 Thursday, August 11 Parishioners
 Friday, August 12
 Saturday, August 13 Anthony Argo
 Sunday, August 14 8:00 AM Robert Stickler, Sr.
 10:30 AM Agnes DeFoe
 John Meyers, Parishioners

WEEKLY READINGS

Readings for the Week of August 7, 2005

Sunday: 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a/Rom 9:1-5/
 Mt 14:22-33
 Monday: Dt 10:12-22/ Mt 17:22-27
 Tuesday: Dt 31:1-8/ Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14
 Wednesday: 2 Cor 9:6-10/ Jn 12:24-26
 Thursday: Jos 3:7-10a, 11, 13-17/ Mt 18:21-19:1
 Friday: Jos 24:1-13/ Mt 19:3-12
 Saturday: Jos 24:14-29/ Mt 19:13-15
 Next Sunday: Is 56:1, 6-7/ Rom 11:13-15, 29-32/
 Mt 15:21-28

PARISH DIRECTORY

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

Pastor..... *Father Stephen Adrian*
 Priest in Residence *Father Marty Warren*
 Deacon..... *Rev. John Murphy*
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 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
 Extended Day..... 651-228-1535
 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 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
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Committee Chairs

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