

# The Community of St. Matthew



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



Dear Saint Matthew Community and Visitors:

Next week we take up the annual collection for the Catholic Services Appeal (CSA).

Each year Catholics of the more than 200 parishes of the Archdiocese are invited and urged to contribute and/or pledge to the support of the work of our Church – work that does not fall under the sponsorship of individual parishes and yet provides religious and social service to Catholics and the community at large.

Over the past two years in an effort to streamline the costs of the Archdiocese more than \$3,000,000 was trimmed from the budget of the central corporation. These savings are reflected in the reduction of program and administrative staff at the Archdiocese offices. The reduction and downsizing was done in a way that would not affect the funds committed to the direct services of education, community outreach and special ministerial needs.

The insert in today's parish bulletin gives an outline of where the CSA funds go. Part of the funds go to make sure that clergy are available as hospital chaplains, prison chaplains and campus chaplains on public and private college and university campuses.

It costs \$109.00 per day for the salary and benefits of a full time hospice, hospital, prison or campus chaplain.

Through the CSA Saint Matthew's School receives \$200,000 a year to help underwrite students' education –

that translates to about \$1000 per student per year, or \$111 per student per month.

Can you contribute the funds to support one day's work of a hospice chaplain -- \$109? Can you contribute the funds to support one week of a full time hospital or prison chaplain -- \$763? Can you support tuition assistance to one student for a month of the school year -- \$111? Can you support assistance to a student for one semester -- \$500?

The need is great and every one of us is called upon to make a sacrifice to support the work of the Archdiocese Church. If we cannot provide funding for these services there will have to be cuts in service and personnel which will affect many people. Please be generous. God bless you for your kindness and generous spirit.

Yours truly,



Stephen Adrian  
Pastor

## PARISH EVENTS

### ROSARY SOCIETY MEETING

Mark you calendar and reserve the date - The next Rosary Society meeting is a Valentine Luncheon on Tuesday, February 9, 2010 in the Social Hall at 12:45 PM.



### AN OPPORTUNITY FOR YOU TO PRAY FOR PEACE

Each First Friday of the month the chapel is open for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 7:15 AM to 5:15 PM in the parish chapel. Mass follows at 5:15 PM. We welcome you for any hour or half hour at any time of the day, but we have special need for people at 8:15 AM, 12:15 PM, 4:15 PM. Can you give one hour a month to pray for peace in our world? Call the Parish Center, 651-224-9397.

### BOY SCOUT PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Boy Scout Troop 288 will hold it's annual Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, February 14, 2010 at St. Michael's Church in the cafeteria, 335 E. Hurley Street, West St. Paul. Cost for the all-the-pancakes-you-can-eat breakfast, which includes orange juice, sausages, milk and coffee is \$6.00 for adults, \$3.00 for seniors and children 12 and under, \$16.00 for family (includes children 12 and under). Tickets will be available at the door. Takeout is also available.

EDUCATION AND  
FAITH FORMATION NEWS

7TH ANNUAL EMPTY BOWLS BENEFIT

Students at Cretin-Derham Hall, working with faculty, staff, alumni/ae, parents, area schools, artisans, businesses and civic organizations, will be hosting the 7th Annual Empty Bowls Benefit on Wednesday, February 10, 2010, from 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. (lunch) and from 4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. (dinner) at Cretin-Derham Hall.

Guests will be invited to purchase a ceramic bowl, handmade by local artisans and CDH art students, and then enjoy a simple meal of soup and bread. Present at this event will be representatives from 10,000 Villages, the CDH Band with Divine (fair trade) Chocolate, the CDH Green Team's "Bring Your Own Mug" group offering fair trade coffee to drink, and CDH Guatemala Justice Trip students selling fair trade coffee for brewing.

All proceeds from the event will be donated to the Heifer Project, an international organization whose goal is to end world hunger by providing livestock and seed to families in developing countries so that the families may become self-sufficient. This year all of the money raised from Empty Bowls will go to Haiti through Heifer International. To date, CDH has raised more than \$70,000 for the Heifer Project.

On February 14th all proceeds from the coffee Sunday after 8 and 10:30 mass will contribute to the Empty Bowls event. Admission is free and open to the public. For more information, please call Mr. Peter Gleich at 651-696-3329.

NO LONGER STRANGERS

Immigration sustains the cultural diversity that defines our nation. Our country models the successful integration of cultures from all over the world into one society. We have learned to live together peacefully in a democratic society, and we have gained immeasurable richness by celebrating both our distinctions and our commonalities.

FIRST COMMUNION PREPARATION CLASS

First Communion Classes begin on Tuesday, February 16, 6:30 PM in the chapel. If you are not already registered for this class please call the school office to register before Tuesday, February 16. If you have any questions regarding First Communion Class or preparing for other sacraments (child (not infant) baptism) please call the school office at 651-224-6912.

WORLD DAY OF THE SICK

Bishop Lee Piché will preside at the Archdiocesan World Day of the Sick mass on Saturday, February 13 at 10 a.m. at the Cathedral. This mass is intended for all who are sick, their care-givers and all health care professionals. The mass will conclude with an opportunity for the sick to receive individual prayer for healing and grace. Caregivers and health care professionals will also be encouraged to receive prayer for strength, patience and love as they carry out their ministry to the sick.

THIS WEEK AT  
SAINT MATTHEW

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>February 7</b>
<b>Scout Sunday</b>	
<b>Monday</b>	<b>February 8</b>
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>February 9</b>
9:00 AM, PC	Alum's & Friends
12:30 PM, SH	Rosary Society Luncheon
2:00-6:00 PM, PC	St. Mary's Clinic
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>February 10</b>
1:00-6:00 PM, PC	St. Mary's Clinic
2:45 PM, MC	Children's Choir
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
6:30 PM, SC	Religious Education, Grades 1-10
7:00 PM, MC	Adult Choir
8:00 PM, SH	Men's Club
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>February 11</b>
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
<b>Friday</b>	<b>February 12</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>February 13</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>February 14</b>
4:00 PM, MC	Confirmation Class

**Abbreviations:**

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

STEWARDSHIP

*In today's readings, both Isaiah and Peter hear the call of God and feel themselves unworthy. But, reassured by the Lord, both answer and follow. Do I hear the Lord asking: "whom shall I send?" Am I prepared to answer: "Here I am. Send me!"*

Sharing \$7,384 this past weekend. Thank you. [The budget number until Lent begins: \$9,600. That is the Sunday average; because of electronic givers, the weekly number fluctuates because many people give only on the 5<sup>th</sup> and/or the 20<sup>th</sup>.]

Other dollars: \$168 for the Romanian orphans; \$25 in school envelope; \$10 in fuel envelope; \$5 for food shelf. Thanks.

Haiti: an additional \$145 was received last weekend. AND the school community raised \$269 by paying for the privilege of wearing pajamas to school one day. Total from the campus: \$9,858.30—57,990 meals! [The middle school students spent last Tuesday morning packing some of those meals at FMSC.]

Service: Helped a person with extra work at home.

Prayer: Prayers for the people of Haiti... daily rosary and prayers... 1 hour in prayer... spiritual reading.

Children/Youth: \$10.90, Thank you! They wrote: Helping daddy at home... praying the rosary for a friend... cleaned room.

MASS INTENTIONS

Mass intentions may be found on the monthly calendar available in the back of church.

WEEKLY READINGS

Readings for the Week of February 7, 2010  
 Sunday: Is 6:1-2a, 3-8/1 Cor 15:1-11 or 15:3-8, 11/  
 Lk 5:1-11  
 Monday: 1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13/Mk 6:53-56  
 Tuesday: 1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30/Mk 7:1-13  
 Wednesday: 1 Kgs 10:1-10/Mk 7:14-23  
 Thursday: 1 Kgs 11:4-13/Mk 7:24-30  
 Friday: 1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19/Mk 7:31-37  
 Saturday: 1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34/Mk 8:1-10  
 Next Sunday: Jer 17:5-8/1 Cor 15:12, 16-20/Lk 6:17,  
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PARISH DIRECTORY

Saint Matthew Church Office..... 651-224-9793  
 Fax..... 651-228-9448  
 Hours: Monday-Friday, 8:00 AM-4:00 PM  
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Pastoral Staff

Pastor..... *Father Stephen Adrian*  
 Deacon..... *Rev. John Murphy*  
 Parish Pastoral Administrator..... *John Riehle*  
 Dir. Education & Formation..... *Doug Lieser*  
 Dir. Music & Liturgy ..... *Bonnie Faber*  
 Dir. Child Care and KLT ..... *Shar Lavelle*  
 Bookkeeper ..... *Cindy Hoffman*  
 Administrative Assistant ..... *Nicole Johnson*  
 Dir. Food Service ..... *Donna Jenniges*  
 Parish Engineer ..... *David Rosas*

Phone Numbers

Parish School..... 651-224-6912  
 KLT Kids ..... 651-665-0786  
 Child Care Center..... 651-224-1459  
 Prayer line ..... 651-686-5463 or 651-455-6886

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](mailto:parishcouncil@st-matts.org)

Karen Thompson	Georgann Henjum
Connie Aligada	Joyce Osborne
Jason Delmont	Anthony Minus
Dean Steinbrenner	Chris Stevens
Stephen Adrian	David Burrows