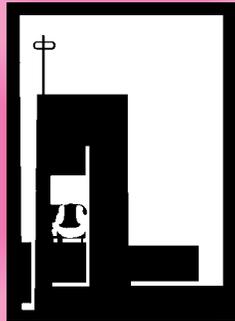


# The Community of St. Matthew



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



Dear Saint Matthew Community and Visitors:

Monday, January 17<sup>th</sup> is Dr. Martin Luther King Jr Day.

This national holiday draws attention not only to the man, but perhaps more importantly to the message, a message of hope and freedom for all people.

A year ago Archbishop Harry Flynn challenged the Catholic community and the whole metropolitan Twin Cities community to undertake a serious self examination on racism.

Racism is found in churches and office building, it is found in schools and the halls of justice, it is found in the market place and on the play ground. Racism excludes, builds walls and fences, reduces a human being to a pawn. Racism is a sin of blasphemy – it defaces the very image of God!

He encouraged us to struggle to make sure that all people have access to institutions, that all people have a voice in decision making and that all people have opportunity to succeed. The barrier of color so often minimizes opportunity.

We seek to make the programs of Saint Matthew parish open and available and encouraging to persons of all races and ethnic backgrounds. We seek to make sure that the subtle, pernicious, destructive effects of institutional racism are curbed and blotted out.

Dr. King rallied a nation, a world, to rededication to the proposition that all people are created equal, that all women and men are endowed by God with human rights, that all persons are the very image of the living God and must be seen as such.

Dr. King's Birthday is more than a day off work or school, it is more than a day when the mail isn't delivered and the parking meters are free. This day is a time for soul searching, rededication and re-commitment to the proposition that all people bear the image of the living God.

Yours truly,



Stephen Adrian  
Pastor

## PARISH EVENTS

### OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL COLLECTION

This is the weekend of our annual collection for Our Lady of Good Counsel Free Cancer Home sponsored by the St. Matthew's Rosary Society/CCW. Donated items may be left in the side room at the front entrance of the church. Rosary members will be at the doors of the church after each Mass, to accept monetary donations. Checks may be made out directly to "Good Counsel Cancer Home". Thank you and God bless you for your generosity.

### LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR THE COMING WEEKDAYS OF LENT

As in the past, we have sign-up sheets in the Main Sacristy awaiting your volunteered ministry. Lent begins Wednesday, February 9th.

### FLOAT YOUR BOAT COLLECTIONS NETS 22 BOATS

From the very youngest parishioner to the oldest, St. Matthew's Community has once again show their generosity to those in need. We collected a little over \$11,000 in last week's collection for the tsunami victims. That translates to 22 boats, and 22 families whose lives will forever be changed because of your generosity. Thank you. If you still wish to make a donation, you may write the check to St. Matthew's and indicate that it is for Tsunami Relief or write the check directly to the American Refugee Committee and place it in the collection or send it to the parish center office.

### THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO HELPED WITH THE "GREAT CHRISTMAS TAKE-DOWN"!

We finished in record time this year -- 30 to 45 minutes and the church was clear. What a great finish to a busy season! Thank You, Thank You, Thank You!!!

## EDUCATION AND FAITH FORMATION NEWS



### MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

Join the students, faculty, staff and families of St. Matthew's School on Sunday, January 23 as we celebrate Catholic Schools Week with a lunch in the social hall beginning after the 10:30 AM Mass. Then take the opportunity to tour our classrooms and attend the 7th Grade play "Joseph and His Brothers" at 1:15 PM in the gym. Come celebrate almost 120 years of Catholic education on the West Side!!

### THANK YOU TO THE MEN'S CLUB

Thanks to the St. Matthew's Men's Club for purchasing, cleaning, restoring and installing lockers in the middle school classrooms during the recent Christmas break. The middle school students thank you for your hard work and dedication to our school.

### RED & WHITE DINNER, "FAITH IN EVERY STUDENT"

Mark your calendars! The next Red & White endowment dinner, the theme of which is "Faith in Every Student," is scheduled for Saturday, April 23, 2005. Watch for tickets to soon become available. If you wish to help with the planning and organization of the event, join the committee at its next meeting on February 14, 2005, at 6:30 p.m. in the school. If you have any questions about the event, call Lynda Nelson (651-455-3685) or the school office (651-224-6912).

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASS

There is religious education class this Wednesday for all students in grades 1-10.

### FIRST COMMUNION CLASS

Parents and students preparing for First Communion in the spring are reminded of the class on Tuesday, January 18 at 7:00 PM. Class will be held in the church.

### MEN'S CLUB SUPER BOWL PARTY

Join us on Sunday February 6. We know the Packers won't be playing. Will this be the Vikings year? Watch the game on an 8' x 12' big screen TV. There will also be snacks, food, refreshments, door prizes, and a game area for the kids. Bring your family and friends. Doors open 1 hour before the game. Adult admission is \$10.00, children under 14 are free.

### COMING SOON TO A SOCIAL HALL NEAR YOU!

Six Fridays of the best all you can eat fish fry dinners. Yes, they're getting closer. It all starts on Friday, February 11.

### ARBY'S/S'BARRO NIGHT

Give yourself the day off from cooking. Stop by Arby's on Robert Street on Thursday, January 20 from 4:00-8:00 PM, tell them you are from St. Matthew's and our school receives 20% of your order. Thanks for your continued support.

## THIS WEEK AT SAINT MATTHEW

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>January 16</b>
12:00 PM, CH	Baptism
<b>Monday</b>	<b>January 17</b>
7:00-9:30 AM	Martin Luther King, Jr. Breakfast and program
Augustana Lutheran Church	Loaves and Fishes
3:00 PM, SH	Boy Scout Meeting
6:45 PM, XC	
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>January 18</b>
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
7:00 PM, MC	First Communion Class
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>January 19</b>
12:00-7:00 PM, PC	St. Mary's Clinic
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
6:30 PM, SC	Religious Education Class, Grades 1-10
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>January 20</b>
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
5:00 PM, MC	Youth Choir
7:00 PM, MC	Adult Choir
<b>Friday</b>	<b>January 21</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>January 22</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>January 23</b>
10:30 AM	Catholic Schools Week Mass
11:30 AM-1:15 PM	School Open House
12:00 PM, CH	Baptism
1:15 PM, Gym	7th Grade Play

### 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

Sunday Envelopes and Plate	\$8,612.34
Tsunami Relief	\$11,030.38
School Fund	\$578.18
Holy Day	\$62.00
Initial Collection	\$121.00

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

## MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, January 16	8:00 AM Robert Stickler, Sr Larry Simmons Dorene George
Monday, January 17	10:30 AM Parishioners
Tuesday, January 18	Parishioners
Wednesday, January 19	Florence Kwasniewski
Thursday, January 20	World Peace
Friday, January 21	Parishioners
Saturday, January 22	Edward Snaza Tim Jack
Sunday, January 23	8:00 AM Audrey Larson 10:30 AM Parishioners

## WEEKLY READINGS

Readings for the Week of January 16, 2005

Sunday:	Is 49:3, 5-6/ 1 Cor 1:1-3/ Jn 1:29-34
Monday:	Heb 5:1-10/ Mk 2:18-22
Tuesday:	Heb 6:10-20/ Mk 2:23-28
Wednesday:	Heb 7:1-3, 15-17/ Mk 3:1-6
Thursday:	Heb 7:25-8:6/ Mk 3:7-12
Friday:	Heb 8:6-13/ Mk 3:13-19
Saturday:	Heb 9:2-3, 11-14/ Mk 3:20-21
Next Sunday:	Is 8:23-9:3/ 1 Cor 1:10-13, 17/ Mt 4:12-23

### CONSULTA LEGAL GRATIS

Consultas con Abogados para personas que no hablan Ingles. Donde: La Escuela Roosevelt, 160 E. Isabel. Cuando: Meircoles at las 6:00 PM to 7:30 PM. Fechas: 19 de Enero, 2 de Febrero, 16 de Febrero. Para mas informacion llame Gilbert de la O, 651-789-2544.

## PARISH DIRECTORY

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

### Pastoral Staff

Pastor..... *Father Stephen Adrian*  
Priest in Residence ..... *Father Marty Warren*  
Deacon..... *Rev. John Murphy*  
Dir. Education & Formation.....*Beth Behnke*  
Dir. Music & Liturgy ..... *Dana McCarthy*  
Dir. Child Care..... *Dimary Rosado*  
Dir. Marketing & Development.....*Maurcen Gitlin*  
Business Administrator .....*Debra Lindstedt*  
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  
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
Larry Sachi	Connie Aligada

### Committee Chairs

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