

The Community of St. Matthew

A FAITH FILLED FUTURE CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK JANUARY 25–JANUARY 31



OPEN HOUSE SUNDAY, JANUARY 25, 2004

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| 10:30 AM | School Mass in Church |
| 11:30 AM-1:00 PM | Chili/Soup Lunch in Social Hall
\$2.00 per person
Preschoolers free |
| 1:00-2:00 PM | Tour our School and visit the
Book Fair |
| 1:00 PM | 8th Grade Play, “The Wizard of
Oz” in School Gym |

Please join the school staff, parents and students as we celebrate Catholic Schools Week. Take the opportunity to learn about the wonderful programs at St. Matthew’s School, Child Care and Extended Day Program. Visit the classrooms and talk with our staff. Enjoy a delicious lunch, buy a book at the Book Fair and check out the 8th Graders presentation of “Wizard of Oz”.

Registration materials will be available for returning families and new student registration, or call the office at 651-224-6912.

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

Dear Saint Matthew Community and Visitors:

Central to the moral teaching of both Christians and Jews is the Decalogue -- the Ten Commandments. A collaboration between the Saint Paul Area council of Churches and the Saint Paul Synagogues offers a series of reflections on each of the commandments through film and reflection. This series takes place at Mount Zion and House of Hope. Details of this remarkable series follow. I encourage any and all to participate in this offering. It is free to the public. Invite your friends and neighbors to come with you.

Decalogue

A Ten Part Film Series

Introduced by The Reverend Lowell Erdahl
Moderated by Rabbi Barry Cytron and Rev.
Grant Abbott

Thursday Evenings

January 22 (Introduction), January 29, February 5, 12, 19, 26 at Mount Zion Temple, 1300 Summit Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota.

March 4, 11, 18, 25, April 1 at House of Hope, 797 Summit Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota.

**Each session will begin at 7 p.m.
Free and open to the public.**

Background

The most acclaimed cinematic event in Europe less than one year ago was Krzysztof Kieslowski's "Decalogue"— a ten-part series originally made for Polish television. Whether applauded at film festivals from Cannes to San Sebastian in Spain or heavily attended in a theatrical run in Paris, these one-hour dramatizations loosely based on the Ten Commandments raise universal questions about faith and morals through consideration of each of the commandments. The films transcend politics to plumb basic moral values, as depicted in the daily lives of the dwellers of a Warsaw apartment house complex. Kieslowski's films examine the moral dimension of human relations with God and with their fellow human beings.

Format

Each session will begin with a 50-minute segment of "The Decalogue." Clergy from both the St. Paul Jewish and Christian communities will give a brief response to each segment, followed by a round table discussion by the audience. Each session will conclude at 9 p.m.

Yours truly,

Stephen Adrian, Pastor

PARISH EVENTS

THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU

Following the 10:30 Mass last weekend Christmas left the church in a mighty whirlwind of activity. Thank you to ALL the MANY people (young and not-so-very young) who made quick work of a giant task. We were back to Ordinary Time in just 45 minutes—a cloud of locusts couldn't have done it better.

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED—MONDAY, JAN. 19

The parish office will be closed for the Martin Luther King Holiday on Monday, January 19. The parish office will be open again at 9:00 AM on Tuesday, January 20.

GIRL SCOUT COOKIE TIME

Girl Scouts will be taking pre orders in the back of church after all masses this weekend and next weekend. Cookies will be delivered the end of February. Cookies will also be available at the Fish Frys during Lent.

LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULE

It's time to start thinking about our next scheduling period which will run from February 29 through May 30. If you are aware of any scheduling conflicts, or have any requests, please contact Ginny Roethler before February 4. Leave her a message at 651-222-2867 or email her at gbd11252@aol.com. This applies to all weekend lectors, Communion ministers, gift bearers, usher/greeters and altar servers.

EDUCATION AND
FAITH FORMATION NEWS



CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

Check out the cover of this week's bulletin for a list of activities for the Open House next Sunday, January 25 and plan to check out the programs at our day school, child care and extended day program.

FINDING YOUR MUSIC RESOURCES FOR MASS

In an effort to clear some of the clutter off of our entry tables and simplify our music book storage and rotation, we now have rolling book racks at each of the entries. The worship aids, missals and bulletins are still stacked on the tables, but the hymnals are on shelving racks near each table. After mass it would be a BIG HELP if you would separate your worship aid from your music book; put the aid back on the table and shelve the book on its rack. Thanks for your help.

OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL CANCER HOME COLLECTION

THANK YOU! St. Matthew's parishioners went way over the top in their generosity to Our Lady of Good Counsel Cancer Home. A huge van load of paper products, toiletry items and canned goods was delivered to home last weekend, along with monetary donations totaling \$3, 375.60. This amount is the most we have ever collected for the home. The Sisters and staff were most grateful for everything that was donated. I would also like to thank the Rosary Society members who helped with the collection at the doors of the Church. Thank you all and God bless you for your generosity and concern for others. Corinne Brengman

SATURDAY CENTERING PRAYER GROUP

Anyone, new or experienced, is invited to join the Saturday, Centering Prayer Group at the Parish Center. The next meeting will be Saturday, January 27 at 9:30 AM. Future meetings are February 7 and 21. Further information please call Joanne Miller at 451-4717.

A NEW VIDEO IN THE VIDEO LIBRARY

"Blind Spot: Hitler's Secretary". This is the astonishing story of Hitler's private secretary coming to grips with working alongside unspeakable evil after remaining silent for nearly 60 years. In 1942, Trandl Junge was an apolitical 22-year old chosen from a clerical pool to work as one of Hitler's private secretaries. Working day-in and day-out for Hitler, she viewed him as a surrogate father figure, private and polite, nothing like the crazed rhetorician of his speeches. Shielded from the knowledge of his acts of atrocity and convinced she was in the center of information, she was actually in a blind spot. This interview was completed just months before her death. "Blind Spot" is a riveting personal history and interview. Check it out at the Video Library in the Parish Center.

THIS WEEK AT
SAINT MATTHEW

Sunday	January 18
12:00 PM, CH	Baptism
Monday	January 19
Parish Center Closed	
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
6:45 PM, XC	Boy Scout Meeting
Tuesday	January 20
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
Wednesday	January 21
12:00-7:00 PM, PC	St. Mary's Clinic
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
6:30 PM, SC	Religious Education Grades 1-10
Thursday	January 22
12:00-7:00 PM, PC	St. Mary's Clinic
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
5:00 PM, MC	Youth Choir
6:45 PM, PC	Parish Council
7:00 PM, MC	Adult Choir
Friday	January 23
Saturday	January 24
Sunday	January 25
10:30 AM, MC	School Mass
11:30-1:00 PM, SH	Chili/Soup Lunch
1:00 PM, SC	"Wizard of Oz" - Gym
1:00-2:00 PM, SC	Tour the School Book Fair

Abbreviations:

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

STEWARDSHIP

Sunday, January 11 Donations

Sunday envelopes & plate:	\$9,935.16
Youth & Children envelopes:	\$7.15
Holy Day Contributions:	\$98.00
Initial Collection	\$89.00

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, January 18	8:00 AM Barbara Barnard Dorene George
	10:30 AM Parishioners
Monday, January 19	Parishioners
Tuesday, January 20	Parishioners
Wednesday, January 21	Justin Arland
Thursday, January 22	Edward Snaza
Friday, January 23	
Saturday, January 25	Leonard Voto Audrey Larson
Sunday, January 26	8:00 AM Deceased members of the Maher Family
	10:30 AM Parishioners

WEEKLY READINGS

Readings for the Week of January 18, 2004

Sunday:	Is 62:1-5; 1 Cor 12:4-11; Jn 2:1-11
Monday:	1 Sm 15:16-23; Mk 2:18-22
Tuesday:	1 Sm 16:1-13; Mk 2:23-28
Wednesday:	1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51; Mk 3:1-6
Thursday:	1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7; Mk 3:7-12
Friday:	1 Sm 24:3-21; Mk 3:13-19
Saturday:	2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27; Mk 3:20-21
Next Sunday:	Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10; 1 Cor 12:12-30; Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

WOMEN WITH SPIRIT PRAYER CONNECTION SERIES

DeLaSalle High School Alumni Association is sponsoring a series for Catholic women to gather as a community and share their faith. The next gathering is set for Saturday, January 24 in the Casanova Room at DeLaSalle. The winter series theme, "The Friendship of Women—Connecting Spiritually" will begin at 9:00 AM and is free to the public. The series is coordinated by Sr. Mary Kay Brooks, SSND, Patrice Halbach, Peg Hodnapp and Mary Joy Zawislak. Reservations are requested to Amy Toney, 612-676-7687.

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.....	Maureen 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
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

Kathy Goldenstein	Linda Sellars
Marty Olson	Jeff Gilberg
Paul Kempe	Suzanne Clarke
John Finnegan	Tim Jack
Doug Kennedy	Becky Montgomery
John Sekevitch	

Committee Chairs

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