

# The Community of St. Matthew



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**T**hey were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.

– Mt 2:10-11 NAB

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

Dear Saint Matthew Community and Visitors:

**Annual Martin Luther King Jr. Community Breakfast**

Celebrate Martin L. King's birthday with your neighbors and friends. Enjoy a **free, hot breakfast** and watch the broadcast of the General Mills MLK Celebration from the Minneapolis Convention Center. Hear senior correspondent for National Public Radio and prize-winning author, **Juan Williams**; deliver the keynote address in honor of Dr. King.

**Date: Monday, January 17, 2005**

**Schedule: Breakfast 7:00-7:45 am  
Program: 7:30-9:30 am**

**Reservations required:** Free. Space limited. Register at [www.spacc.org](http://www.spacc.org) or (651) 646-8805, ext. 56. Reservations must be made by January 11<sup>th</sup>. Children are more than welcome, but must be accompanied by an adult.

**Place: Augustana Lutheran Church  
1400 S. Robert St.  
West Saint Paul, MN 55118**

This is the third year that such a gathering has taken place in our community. In 2003 it took place at Saint Matthew's, in 2004 it took place at Our Lady of Guadeloupe and this year it takes place at Augustana Lutheran Church.

I especially encourage parents with middle school and junior high students to bring your sons/daughters to this event. It truly allows a young person to grow in an appreciation of the values and work advanced and nurtured by Dr. King.

Mark your calendars! Encourage your friends to attend! Make reservations before January 11<sup>th</sup>. School is out on Martin Luther King Day, this event provides an appropriate way for young people to celebrate the day.



Yours truly,

Stephen Adrian  
Pastor

## PARISH EVENTS

### WHAT GOES UP MUST COME DOWN!

Next weekend (Jan. 9) we will have our annual Christmas "Take Down" following our 10:30 AM Mass. For the past two years we have finished the entire job in about an hour. Let's make it three years running! This is a family affair. Liturgy committee members will offer supervision for what goes where. Please plan on staying. When it comes to "Take Down" more hands make MUCH less work!

### DECEMBER 500 CARD CLUB WINNERS

1st place—3260—Theresa Gubash & Delores Gubash; 2nd place—Bea O'Neill & Rita Marquardt.

### ATTENTION ALL LECTORS, COMMUNION MINISTERS, ALTAR SERVERS, GIFT BEARERS AND USHERS/GREETERS!

We're gearing up for another Liturgical Ministry Schedule. This one will cover February 12 through May 15. Please contact Ginny no later than January 12th with any scheduling requests or conflicts you may have. E-mail her at [gbd1252@aol.com](mailto:gbd1252@aol.com) or leave her a message at 651-222-2867.

### ATTENTION ROSARY SOCIETY MEMBERS

In the event of illness or death of Rosary Society members, please notify Sister Brigid at 222-1706. This is for the months of January, February and March, only.

### CENTERING PRAYER MEETING

The next Centering Prayer meeting is Saturday, January 8 at 9:30 AM in the parish center. The topic is "Prayer and Miracles." Future dates: January 22, February 8 and February 19, 2005.

## EDUCATION AND FAITH FORMATION NEWS



### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES RESUME

Students in grades 1-10 will resume religious education class on Wednesday, January 5 at 6:30 PM in the school.

### FIRST RECONCILIATION CLASS

Parents and students preparing for First Reconciliation are reminded of class on Tuesday, January 4 at 7:00 PM in the main church. Students and parents should continue to work through the textbook at home.

### CONFIRMATION CLASS

Confirmation candidates will meet on Sunday, January 9 at 3:30 PM in the main church for class. We will celebrate Mass at 5:00 PM in the chapel, parishioners are welcome to us. After Mass we will have a light supper in the social hall. Confirmation candidates are reminded to bring a bible to class. If you are unable to attend class, candidates should call the parish center and leave a message for Father Steve.

### 2005 CALENDARS AVAILABLE

The School Sisters of Notre Dame have provided calendars for the parishioners of St. Matthew's. These calendars are available in the back of church.

### YEAR END CONTRIBUTIONS

End of year contributions will be accepted through Tuesday, January 4, 2005. The parish center will be open until 5:00 PM on January 4, if you would like to drop off your contribution. Please specify that these contributions are for 2004.

### 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!!

### ST. BERNARD'S HIGH SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

Eighth graders and their parents are invited to St. Bernard's Open House on Tuesday, January 4 at 7:00 PM.

## THIS WEEK AT SAINT MATTHEW

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>January 2</b>
<b>Monday</b>	<b>January 3</b>
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
6:45 PM, XC	Boy Scout Meeting
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>January 4</b>
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
7:00 PM, MC	First Reconciliation Class
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>January 5</b>
12:00-7:00 PM, PC	St. Mary's Clinic
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
6:30 PM, SC	Religious Education Classes, Grades 1-10
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>January 6</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 7</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>January 8</b>
9:30 AM, PC	Centering Prayer Group
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>January 9</b>
3:30 PM, MC	Confirmation Class
5:00 PM, CH	Confirmation Mass
5:45 PM, SH	Confirmation Dinner

#### 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	\$8,237.10
Youth and Children's Envelopes	\$11.50
School Fund	\$25.00
Christmas	\$12,245.99
Holy Day	\$22.00

*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 2	8:00 AM Living and Deceased members of the Rosary Society 10:30 AM Agnes DeFoe Parishioners
Monday, January 3	Arthur Geis
Tuesday, January 4	Lorraine Heinisch (Ann'y)
Wednesday, January 5	Parishioners
Thursday, January 6	World Peace
Friday, January 7	6:45 AM Parishioners 5:15 PM World Peace
Saturday, January 8	James Fee (Ann'y) Tim Jack, Frank Jack
Sunday, January 9	8:00 AM Parishioners 10:30 AM Parishioners 5:00 PM Confirmation Candidates

## WEEKLY READINGS

Readings for the Week of January 2, 2005

Sunday:	Is 60:1-6/ Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/ Mt 2:1-12
Monday:	1 Jn 3:22-4:6/ Mt 4:12-17, 23-25
Tuesday:	1 Jn 4:7-10/ Mk 6:34-44
Wednesday:	1 Jn 4:11-18/ Mk 6:45-52
Thursday:	1 Jn 4:19-5:4/ Lk 4:14-22a
Friday:	1 Jn 5:5-13/ Lk 5:12-16
Saturday:	1 Jn 5:14-21/ Jn 3:22-30
Next Sunday:	Is 42:1-4, 6-7/ Acts 10:34-38/ Mt 3:13-17

## 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.....	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
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	