

# The Community of St. Matthew

## Catholic Schools Week

**St. Matthew's School**  
**Sunday, January 28**  
**11:30 AM – 1:00 PM**



See what is new!

**\*\*Mobile Computer Lab\*\***

**\*\*Science Lab\*\***

**\*\*Rhythm Instruments\*\***



See what makes us special!

**\*\* Dedicated Staff\*\***

**\*\*Up to Date Curriculum\*\***

**\*\*Caring Community\*\***

Join the 120-year tradition of  
Catholic Education on the West Side!

# Open House

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

Dear Saint Matthew community and Visitors:

Next week is the annual observance of Catholic Schools Week. Each year at the end of January Catholic Schools throughout the nation invite friends and neighbors to walk the corridors of Catholic schools and reacquaint themselves with the work and accomplishments of what is perhaps the most significant contribution to the life of the Church in the history of the United States – a system of education – elementary through graduate – known as Catholic Schools.

Some of the earliest heroes and heroines of Catholic faith in the United States are association with the founding of Catholic schools – St Elizabeth Seton, St Frances Cabrini, and St. Katherine Drexel.

These schools were established to provide strong education for immigrant families and for those whom the state educational system ignored – women and minorities.

The goal of Catholic schools is to provide excellence in education, strong formation in the values of the Gospel articulated and expressed in the traditions of the Catholic Church and the development of leaders for our society.

A strong democracy depends on an educated populace, people with a sense of the common good and men and

women committed to serve the communities in which they live. Catholic schools today and yesterday are academies for a strong democracy.

Saint Matthew's School is 120 years old – founded in 1887 by the School Sisters of Notre Dame. We are a small school committed to excellence in education with a great track record in producing accomplished students and citizens.

Next Sunday after Mass there is an Open House at our school. Please plan to take time to visit, meet teachers and staff, view the work and projects of students, enjoy some refreshment and celebrate 120 years of educational accomplishment for the parish community and the wider community of the West Side.

The face of Roman Catholicism in the United States would be remarkably different today without a more than 200 year history of Catholic education.

Yours truly,



Stephen Adrian  
Pastor

## PARISH EVENTS

### LITURGICAL MINISTER SCHEDULING TIME

All Altar Servers, Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, Ushers and Gift Bearers scheduling will be done on February 10th. We will need your scheduling requests no later than Wednesday February 7th. The new period covers from the Sunday after Ash Wednesday [2/25] to the Sunday before Memorial Day [5/27]. You can leave a message for Ginny at 651-222-2867 or send and e-mail. NOTE: the new e-mail is: GBD1252@comcast.net please indicate Liturgy Schedule in the subject of your e-mail.

### ECUMENICAL PRAYER SERVICE FOR LIFE

Monday, January 22 from 10:30 AM to 11:30 AM at the Cathedral. Archbishop Flynn and Pastor Mark Herringshaw of North Heights Lutheran Church will preach. For more information please call the Archdiocese Respect Life Office at 651-291-4515.

### MEN'S CLUB SUPER BOWL PARTY

The St. Matthew's Men's Club is hosting their annual Super Bowl Party on Sunday, February 4th, at 5 pm in the Social Hall. Watch the game and those great commercials on an 8 foot by 12 foot screen. Everyone is welcome to attend! There will be activities for children and cribbage for the adults. Food, snacks, and refreshments will be served. Adult admission is \$10.00, children, 13-18 \$5.00 and children under 13 are free. Questions, call Tim, 651-450-4975.

### COFFEE HOUR AFTER BOTH MASSES THIS WEEKEND

Coffee Hour after both Sunday masses is being served by Joann Smith and Marion Wolters (happy day after birthday) - thanks. All are welcome to stop by for a hot cup of coffee, good things to eat and fellowship. Treats are welcome and helpers are needed to staff future coffee hours too. Contact John at 651-221-0871.

### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FREE THROW CONTEST

Attention boys and girls age 10-14! A free throw contest will be held at St. Joseph's Auditorium, W. St. Paul on January 27. There will be some men from the Knights of Columbus to help to record the scores from 10:30 AM to 12:30 PM. Any questions call Joe Stevens, 224-8270.

EDUCATION AND  
FAITH FORMATION NEWS



**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASS THIS WEEK**

There will be religious education class for all students in grades 1-10 this week. Class begins at 6:30 PM and ends promptly at 7:45 PM.

**FAMILY CONCERT**

Metropolitan Symphony Orchestra  
January 28, 2007  
3:00 pm

The program will include:

Dominik Argento – The Breman Town Musicians

*Brother Grimm's tale about how four vagabond animals become  
Crimebusters as well as musical stars.*

Wolfgang Mozart – Concerto #4 in E# for Horn & Orchestra

John Williams – Adventures on Earth from E. T.

Benjamin Britten – The Young Person's Guide to the Orchestra

The concert lasts one hour. The concert is free.

**THANK YOU**

St. Matthew's parishioners have again shown their generosity to Our Lady of Good Counsel Home. A car load of paper products, toiletry items, and canned goods was delivered to the home last weekend, along with monetary donations totaling \$3,258.20. The sisters and staff were very grateful for everything that was donated. I would also like to thank the Rosary Society members who helped with the collections at the doors of the church. Thank you all and God bless you for your generosity and concern for others. Corinne Brengman

**BOY SCOUT EAGLE COURT OF HONOR**

Have you seen the fresh paint in the gym at the school? Joseph Foss, a parishioner of St. Matthew's and member of St. Michael's Boy Scout Troop 288, got the materials, supplies and volunteers together last spring to give the gym a fresh look for his Boy Scout Eagle Project. May of you participated and all of you are invited to celebrate Joe's Eagle Ceremony which will be held at St. Michael's Church gymnasium this Sunday, January 21 at 1:00 PM. Thank you for your support.

**HELP YOUR NEIGHBOR IN NEED**

Every weekend food is collected at St. Matthew's to help those who are struggling to put food on their table. Some of the groceries are taken by, or to parish members on the weekend. The remaining food is taken to the Neighborhood House Food Shelf. We depend on contributions from YOU. Please help us by bringing a non-perishable food item with you as part of your weekly Eucharistic celebration, or make a monetary offering in the yellow envelopes provided in the back of church. St. Matthew's Food ministry thanks you.

THIS WEEK AT  
SAINT MATTHEW

<b>Sunday</b> 12:00 PM, CH	<b>January 21</b> Baptism
<b>Monday</b> 3:00 PM, SH 6:45 PM, XC	<b>January 22</b> Loaves and Fishes Boy Scout Meeting
<b>Tuesday</b> 3:00 PM, SH	<b>January 23</b> Loaves and Fishes
<b>Wednesday</b> 9:00 AM, MC 12:00-7:00 PM, PC 3:00 PM, SH 6:30 PM, SC	<b>January 24</b> School Mass St. Mary's Clinic Loaves and Fishes Religious Education Class, Grades 1-10
<b>Thursday</b> 3:00 PM, SH 5:00 PM, MC 7:00 PM, MC	<b>January 25</b> Loaves and Fishes Youth Choir Adult Choir
<b>Friday</b>	<b>January 26</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>January 27</b>
<b>Sunday</b> 10:30 AM, MC 11:30 AM-1:00 PM SC 3:00 PM, MC	<b>January 28</b> Baptism Catholic Schools Open House Metropolitan Symphony Orchestra

**Abbreviations:**

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

## STEWARDSHIP

*The United States bishops' pastoral on stewardship reinforces today's reading from 1 Corinthians: "Because its individual members do collectively make up the Body of Christ, that body's health and well-being are the responsibility of the members—the personal responsibility of each one of us. We are all stewards of the Church."*

Prayer: Thanks for these examples from the envelopes: First Friday Adoration; prayed with Bible 4 times during the week; early each morning. These can be examples for all of us.

Service: Thanks from the envelopes: helped with Religious education session; facilitated a group of college teachers. How are serving?

Sharing: Thanks—\$8,517 was given through the different avenues: envelopes, plate and electronic. The average for the three banking Mondays in January is greater than \$9,600. Though that is below the budget from last summer, it is greater than the amount pledged. Thank you.

Young people's stewardship: \$10.19 was contributed by the youth and children of our parish. Time and talent of our youth this week included spending time in prayer, doing chores, helping a friend with math homework and helping with the care of their pets.

Financial statements for both the regular giving and for the capital campaign are prepared. If you would like yours, please call the parish office; they can be picked up in person or sent through the mail.

Electronic giving is still possible. Call John Riehle at the parish office to learn how to begin.

## WEEKLY READINGS

### Readings for the Week of January 21, 2007

Sunday: Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10/1 Cor 12:12-30 or 12:12-14, 27/Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21  
 Monday: Heb 9:15, 24-28/Mk 3:22-30  
 Tuesday: Heb 10:1-10/Mk 3:31-35  
 Wednesday: Heb 10:11-18/Mk 4:1-20  
 Thursday: Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22/ Mk 16:15-18  
 Friday: 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5/Mk 4:26-34  
 Saturday: Heb 11:1-2, 8-19/Mk 4:35-41  
 Next Sunday: Jer 1:4-5, 17-19/1 Cor 12:31—13:13 or 13:4-13/Lk 4:21-30

## PARISH DIRECTORY

Saint Matthew Church Office..... 651-224-9793  
 Hours: Monday-Friday, 8:00 AM –4:00 PM  
 Web site: st-matts.org  
 Bulletin Email: bulletin.editor@st-matts.org

### Pastoral Staff

Pastor..... *Father Stephen Adrian*  
 Deacon..... *Rev. John Murphy*  
 Parish Pastoral Administrator..... *John Riehle*  
 Dir. Education & Formation.....*Doug Lieser*  
 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  
 KLT Kids ..... 651-665-0786  
 Child Care Center ..... 651-224-1450  
 Liturgy and Music Voicemail.....651-310-0830

### 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)

Becky Montgomery Larry Sachi  
 Nicole Johnson John Sekevitch  
 Connie Aligada Sister Joanna Illg  
 \*Lucus Ecker Mark Thomford  
 Sheila Brunelle Stephen Adrian

\* - Facilitator

### Committee Chairs

Finance.....  
 Education Advisory ..... Richard Dunn