

The Community of St. Matthew

St. Matthew's School

Loaves and Fishes

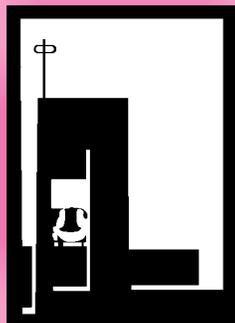
School Sisters of Notre Dame

St. Matthew's Child Care

Religious Education

St. Matthew's Home and School

Rosary Society



St. Matthew's Men's Club

St. Mary's Clinic

Parish Council

Liturgical Ministries

Centering Prayer

Sacrament Preparation

Parish Registration

KLT

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

Parish Ministry Fair

Sunday, January 29

9:00 AM – 1:30 PM

in the Social Hall

Come and learn about the Ministries of the
St. Matthew's Community and how you can
become involved.

Dear Saint Matthew's Community and Visitors:

Next Sunday is the beginning of Catholic Schools Week, the Saint Mathew Ministry Fair and the presentation of the Family Concert by the Metropolitan Symphony Orchestra -- lost of "stuff" going on, and all of it good!

Catholic Schools Week is the annual celebration of the contribution Catholic elementary and secondary schools make to the life of our communities and the life of our nation.

Catholic schools are part of the fabric of American life and have been so since the very beginning. These schools, established to educate immigrant children, continue today to educate children of all economic and social backgrounds. These schools were the first to educate young women -- in a time when American public education saw no reason to provide higher education for women. The first institutions of higher education to serve the Black community arose out of Catholic schools -- Xavier University of New Orleans.

Come to Saint Matthew's school after 10:30 Mass next Sunday. Tour the school. Visit with the teachers. Saint Matthew's School has been an integral part of this parish since its inception -- 1886.

The Saint Matthew Ministry Fair takes place in the social hall next Sunday after the 8:00 and 10:30 Masses.

Displays will show off the various ministries of our parish and offer all the opportunity to become involved in a parish ministry. This opportunity is the result of the work of the Parish Council and one of the priorities the council has undertaken for the year.

The Metropolitan Symphony Orchestra offers its annual Family Concert at Saint Matthew's Church at 4 pm next Sunday afternoon. For almost 20 years this great local orchestra has blessed out community with a concert. This concert is "child friendly", it is meant to entertain not only adults but young people. It is a unique opportunity for young people to be very close to a symphony orchestra, to talk with the performers and conductor and perhaps to try out one or other of the instruments.

Invite your family and friends to join you. Bring them to church for Mass and the to the School Open House, the Ministry Fair and cap the day off with a wonderful hour of orchestral music.

Next weekend truly is a "jammed packed" weekend at Saint Matthew.

Yours truly,



Stephen Adrian
Pastor

P A R I S H E V E N T S

THANK YOU!!

St. Matthew's parishioners have again shown their generosity to Our Lady of Good Counsel Home. A van load of paper products, toiletry items and canned good was delivered to the home last weekend, along with monetary donations totaling \$3,329.80. 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 collections at the doors of the church. Thank you all and God bless you for your generosity and concern for others. — Corinne Brengman

SUPER BOWL PARTY

The St. Matthew's Men's Club is hosting their annual Super Bowl Party on Sunday, February 5th, 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.

YEAR END STATEMENTS

We are implementing a new procedure regarding end of year stewardship statements. If you are a parishioner and receive envelopes and would like a copy of your statement please call Nicole at 224-9793 and one will be mailed to you. We will not be doing a general mailing of statements, so this is the only way you will receive a statement.

EDUCATION AND
FAITH FORMATION NEWS



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASS

There will be religious education classes for grades 1-10 this Wednesday, January 25 at 6:30 PM. Class ends at 7:45 PM.

WHAT IS KLT?

KLT, Kids Learning Together, is a before and after school program sponsored by our parish community. KLT serves children in grades K - 6 who attend St. Matthew's School and the surrounding public schools. While at KLT children participate in a variety of activities including homework, crafts, outdoor play, snack and games. KLT is located in the lower level of the Parish Center, they welcome visits, call Sheri at 651-665-0786 to set up a time to visit.

MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY BREAKFAST

St. Matthew's was the host of the 4th annual West Side/West St. Paul Martin Luther King Day Breakfast this past Monday. This event was organized by members of the community lead by the St. Paul Area Council of Churches. Over 200 people, representing over 25 faith communities enjoyed a traditional Mexican breakfast and a fabulous speech by keynote speaker John Robert Lewis, D-GA. St. Matthew's Child Care was selected as the recipient of this year's Good Will donation and received more than \$450 from attendees.

SCHOOL CHOICE FAIR

On Saturday, January 21, St. Matthew's School was represented at the School Choice Fair at the RiverCentre in downtown St. Paul. The fair gave parents in the St. Paul and surrounding school districts a chance to see many of the schools that are available to choose from throughout the city. It was a pleasure to show others our school and invite them to our Open House next Sunday.

STEWARDSHIP REMINDER

Over the past eight weeks our weekly stewardship has been wonderful. We were able to make up over \$10,000 of the \$28,000 year to date short fall. This past week our stewardship fell to \$2,500 less than the \$9,400 needed weekly to meet our parish operating budget.

ECUMENICAL PRAYER SERVICE FOR LIFE

Sponsored by the archdiocese Respect Life Office, this Monday, January 23 at 10:30 AM at the Cathedral of St. Paul. Please join Archbishop Flynn and Pastor Tim Vanderveld (Berean Baptist Church) in prayer as we thank God for the gift of life.

ST. MATTHEW'S FIFTH GRADE SERVICE PROJECT

Thank you to everyone who has contributed to the fifth grade class service project. We are still collecting personal hygiene products to distribute to the guests of Loaves and Fishes. You may drop your contribution in the box at the back of church or drop them off at the school office.

THIS WEEK AT
SAINT MATTHEW

Sunday	January 22,
12:00 PM, CH	Baptism
12:30 PM, CH	Baptism
Monday	January 23
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
6:45 PM, XC	Boy Scout Meeting
Tuesday	January 24
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
Wednesday	January 25
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
Thursday	January 26
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
5:00 PM, MC	Youth Choir
7:00 PM, MC	Adult Choir
Friday	January 27
Saturday	January 28
Sunday	January 29
11:00 AM-1:00 PM	Parish Ministry Fair
Social Hall,	School Open House
School	
4:00 PM, MC	Metropolitan Symphony Orchestra

Abbreviations:

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

STEWARDSHIP

Plate and envelope-January 15	\$6,930.00
Needed per week:	\$9,457.00
Plate & envelope to date:	\$253,715.00
Need to date:	<u>\$274,253.00</u>
	-\$20,538.00
School Fund	\$220.00
Holy Day	\$25.00
Youth & Children's Envelopes	\$1.00

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

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, January 22	8:00 AM Dorene George 10:30 AM Parishioners
Monday, January 23	Parishioners
Tuesday, January 24	World Peace
Wednesday, January 25	Parishioners
Thursday, January 26	World Peace
Friday, January 27	
Saturday, January 28	John Williams
Sunday, January 29	8:00 AM Earl Cafilisch (Ann'y) 10:30 AM Parishioners

WEEKLY READINGS

Readings for the Week of January 22, 2006

Sunday:	Jon 3:1-5, 10/ 1 Cor 7:29-31/ Mk 1:14-20
Monday:	2 Sm 5:1-7, 10/ Mk 3:22-30
Tuesday:	2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19/ Mk 3:31-35
Wednesday:	Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22/ Mk 16:15-18
Thursday:	2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5/ Mk 4:21-25
Friday:	2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17/ Mk 4:26-34
Saturday:	2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17/ Mk 4:35-41
Next Sunday:	Dt 18:15-20/ 1 Cor 7:32-35/ Mk 1:21-28

PARISH DIRECTORY

Saint Matthew Church Office..... 651-224-9793
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Pastoral Staff

Pastor..... *Father Stephen Adrian*
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 Dir. Music & Liturgy *Dana McCarthy*
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 Dir. Marketing & Development..... *Maureen Gitlin*
 Business Administrator *Cindy Hoffman*
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Phone Numbers

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 Parish School..... 651-224-6912
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 KLT Kids 651-665-0786
 Liturgy and Music Voicemail..... 651-310-0830
 Prayerline Receiver..... 651-222-3622 or 651-454-5021

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

Parish Council email: parishcouncil@st-matts.org

Becky Montgomery	Larry Sachi
Marty Olson	John Sekevitch
Connie Aligada	Sister Joanna Illg
Lucus Ecker	Mark Thomford
Tony Joe Wenker	Stephen Adrian

Committee Chairs

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