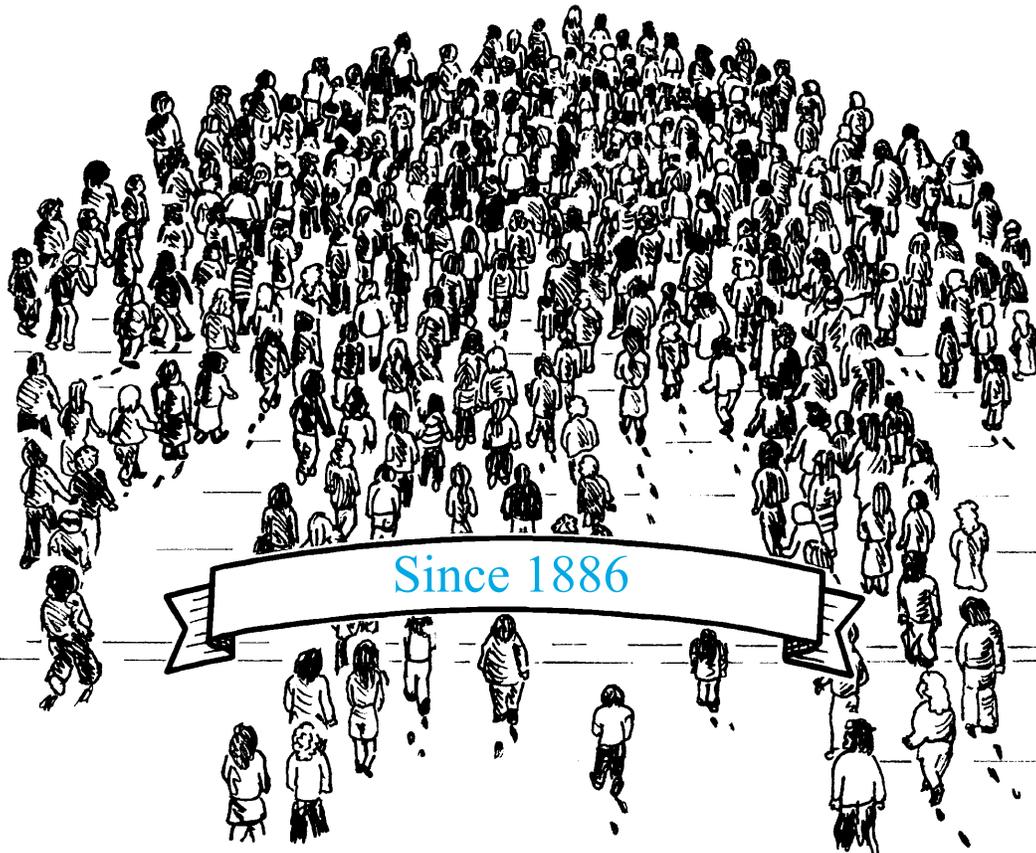


The Community of St. Matthew



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



Dear Saint Matthew Community and Visitors:

One of the many ministries at Saint Matthew is the St Matthew site of St Mary's Health Clinic. July 29th marks the 15th anniversary of the establishment of the health clinic at Saint Matthew's Parish Center.

Between July 1, 2006 and June 30, 2007 The Saint Matthew's Clinic recorded 534 patient visits (46 more than last year). The clinic has seen the numbers of Hispanic patients increase over the years from 26% in its first year to nearly 98% this past year.

The percentage of non-English speaking persons seen at St Matthew's Clinic during the past year was 82.5%. This is a decrease from last year's 87.1%

The rate of patients seen who are unemployed has been slowly growing over the last few years to 44%. This is an increase of 2% over last year.

Over the last few years a shift has been seen between the numbers of patients seen who are employed full-time and those who are employed part-time. The percentage of full-time employed patients has been slowly declining (from a high of 49.2% in 2001 to 19.5% in 2005). This past year the percentage of full-time employed patients dipped to 17.4%. The percentage of patients who are employed part-time

has increased 34.9% this past year.

The clinic is staffed by volunteers (physicians, nurses, divers, and admissions personnel). The Saint Matthew's Clinic volunteers have contributed 1209.25 hours of service during the past year. That is an average of 23.25 hours per clinic session each Wednesday of last year.

The St. Mary's Health Clinics are always on the look-out for new volunteers. Currently, there is a need for licensed nurses and interpreters, as well as admissions personnel, drivers and family practice physicians.

If you, or anyone you know, are interested in volunteering for st. Mary's Health Clinic, please call (651) 690-7020 for more information.

Yours truly,



Stephen Adrian
Pastor

PARISH EVENTS

SAINT'S TRIP

The St. Matthew's Men's Club trip to a St. Paul Saints game is scheduled for Tuesday, July 31. A bus will leave from St. Matthew's (rectory lot) at 5:00 pm to tailgate in the parking lot before the game. Game time is 7:05. Cost \$20 per person includes ticket, bus, food, refreshments. Contact Tim Nowak - Home 651-450-4975, Cell 612-269-9471, or email to timothy.nowak@usfamily.net. We have 50 seats currently reserved. Please reserve ASAP

CHRISTMAS IN JULY -ST. MARY'S CLINIC FUNDRAISER

Oh, the weather outside frightful, but inside it's so delightful... (funny how that works just as well in July as it does in December...) But unlike the song, there IS someplace to go - the Associates of St. Mary's clinics' CRISTMAS IN JULY and EVERYONE IS INVITED!!! Gather your friends, family, even complete, and stop by Carondelet Center (1890 Randolph Avenue, St. Paul) on July 25, 2007 between 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. where you will enjoy fresh baked Christmas cookies while you check out the 2008 desk and wall calendars, lovely note cards, a nice selection of sympathy cards, as well as Christmas cards and stationary- all available for purchase. Card prices start at \$1 each, and the profits benefit the uninsured patients served by the St. Mary's Health Clinics. For more information call (651) 690-7020.

ISAIAH PROJECT BAKE SALE THIS WEEKEND!

Last year, St. Matthew's became a member parish of ISAIAH, a collection of congregations who have committed themselves to each other in order to build power to act effectively in the community. Nicole Johnson, parish secretary and member of St. Matthew's ISAIAH Project Core Team will be attending a leadership training in Chicago. To help with the cost of registration and the trip, the core team is having a bake sale this weekend after each mass. Stop by the back of church to purchase some goodies, chat to members of the core team, and learn more about St. Matthew's membership in ISAIAH.

HOMEBOUND VISITS

If you or a loved one would like visit from our homebound ministry, please call Sr. Anne Becker at the Parish Center—651-224-9793. Or if you would like to be a homebound minister please call Sr. Anne.

HELP ST. MATTHEW'S SCHOOL WITH SCHOOL SUPPLIES

The students of St. Matthew's School are in need of the following items to help get their school year started: 8 count classic colored markers (both fine and wide tip), colored pencils, child sized scissors, glue sticks, and 24 count crayons. A box will be placed in the back of the church, near the SCRIP table, to collect these items. Thank you in advance for helping our students start the year with all of the materials needed.

M A S S I N T E N T I O N S

Mass intentions may be found on the monthly calendar available in the back of church.

W E E K L Y R E A D I N G S**Readings for the Week of July 22, 2007**

Sunday: Gn 18:1-10a/Col 1:24-28/Lk 10:38-42
 Monday: Ex 14:5-18/Mt 12:38-42
 Tuesday: Ex 14:21—15:1/Mt 12:46-50
 Wednesday: 2 Cor 4:7-15/Mt 20:20-28
 Thursday: Ex 19:1-2, 9-11, 16-20b/Mt 13:10-17
 Friday: Ex 20:1-17/Mt 13:18-23
 Saturday: Ex 24:3-8/Mt 13:24-30
 Next Sunday: Gn 18:20-32/Col 2:12-14/Lk 11:1-13

**THIS WEEK AT
S A I N T M A T T H E W**

Sunday 12:00 PM, CH	July 22 Baptism
Monday 3:00 PM, SH	July 23 Loaves and Fishes
Tuesday 3:00 PM, SH 6:30 PM, SC	July 24 Loaves and Fishes Home & School Mtg.
Wednesday 12:00-7:00 PM, PC 3:00 PM, SH	July 25 St. Mary's Clinic Loaves and Fishes
Thursday 3:00 PM, SH	July 26 Loaves and Fishes
Friday	July 27
Saturday	July 28
Sunday 12:00 PM, CH 12:30 PM, CH	July 29 Baptism Baptism

Abbreviations:

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

STEWARDSHIP

Today’s readings speak of hospitality. Abraham, who cheerfully did for his guests all that desert hospitality required, was rewarded with his heart’s desire—a son. Martha also busied herself with all the details of hospitality, but grudgingly and with complaint. Am I a cheerful or a grudging giver?

Prayer: attended Mass during the week...prayed nightly for my deceased husband...read Sacred Scripture each morning...daily rosary...30 minutes in prayer each day of the week...meditated each day [Thank you for the wonderful examples of “regular” prayer! The regularity can be more important than the amount.]

Service: visited a sick friend...baked food for habitat for humanity workers...helped my son go to sleep before surgery...attended by block club meeting...did homebound ministry...ministered as money counter

Sharing last weekend: \$7,838. Thank you. To date, this fiscal year: \$27,371; that is slightly below the budgeted \$9,500 each Sunday. Other contributions: \$30.25 in school fund envelopes; \$300 to serve the poor. Special thanks for the second collection: \$1,188 for Habitat for Humanity. This will help achieve the \$6,000 necessary from our three participating churches.

Window project...take a good look around the parish center; 3rd floor is completed; 2nd floor is almost there. We’ll have a new looking building in short order, thanks to the tens of thousands of dollars that were contributed for this capital project.

Young People’s Stewardship: \$5.60 Examples of service this week: Looked for the owner of a lost ring, helped around the house.

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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

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