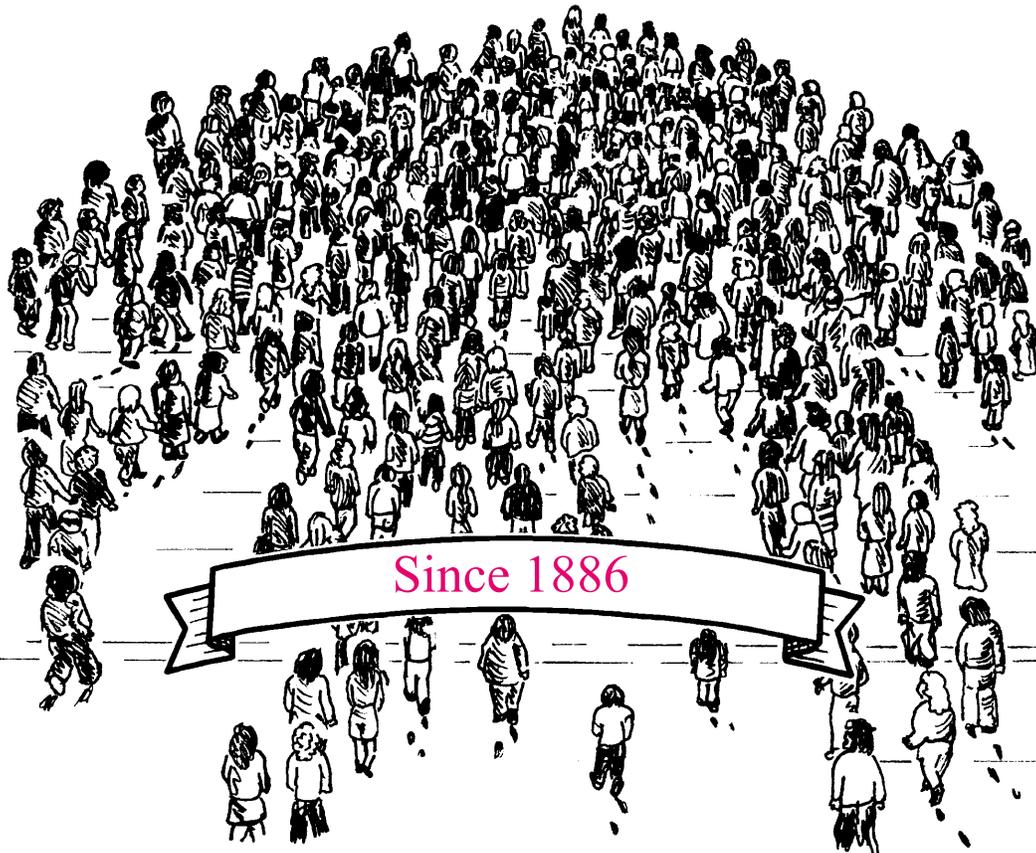


The Community of St. Matthew



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



Dear Saint Matthew Community and Visitors:

The 19th century saw a new breed of Catholic leadership – women and men who saw a profound connection between their faith and the philosophy underpinning life in the United States.

Our own bishop, John Ireland, was such a person. Prior to Ireland a sadly little known figure, Isaac Thomas Hecker, a prophet and eternal optimist, believed that the United States of America and the Catholic Church could help and compliment each other.

Hecker was a convert to the faith – having first identified with the New England Transcendentalists. These charismatic men and women were some of the great American souls of the time – Ralph Waldo Emerson, Henry David Thoreau, Orestes Brownson, Margaret Fuller, the Alcott family—to name a few. These Transcendentalists explored the thirsts of the human soul – for unity, truth, goodness and beauty.

In time Hecker came to believe that what ultimately quenches the soul's thirst is the Holy Spirit. He wrote: "Through the Holy Spirit we receive all that is holy and true and good and beautiful." In 1844 he wrote "The good, the true and the beautiful are worshipped in mystic unity under the form of the holy in the Catholic religion....."

Hecker entered the Catholic Church in 1844. Connected with his passion for Catholicism was his passion for America. He was profoundly convinced that America was good for the Church. He believed that the doctrine of

religious freedom in America was helping the Church grow in openness to the Spirit.

Pope Pius IX cautioned that "in the United States there exists too unrestricted liberty." In a face to face meeting with the pope Hecker said, "Many seeing in the United States that the Church is alone and independent, begin to regard it as a divine institution, and not as necessarily connected with what they term despotism."

Isaac Hecker founded the first Catholic religious society for men – the Missionary Society of Saint Paul, commonly known as the Paulists.

The nexus between the Church and American Society is not always an easy one to make. It demands patience, honesty and most of all, respectful dialogue. We need the spirit of Isaac Hecker. We need men and women with the unbounded enthusiasm and optimism of Hecker. We need more of the 20th century disciples of Hecker – Dorothy Day, Thomas Merton, Joseph Cardinal Bernardin, etc. The best of the Church has so much to offer to American life, and the best of America has so much to offer the Church.

Yours truly,



Stephen Adrian
Pastor

PARISH EVENTS

WELCOME FATHER JEROME KEISER!

We are pleased to welcome back to our community this weekend, Father Keiser of St. Francis of Assisi on Lake Saint Croix Beach. Father Keiser will be celebrating the liturgies with us this weekend while Father Adrian will be celebrating with the community of St. Francis. Stop by and say hello to Father Keiser before or after mass.

LITURGICAL MINISTRY SUMMER SCHEDULES

If you are a Lector, Communion Minister, Usher/Greeter, Altar Server or Gift Bearer please save us postage by picking up your schedule from the back of church. Thanks!

A GIANT "THANK YOU"

To our choirs, cantors & instrumentalists for their music ministry over the last 9 months -- their generosity of time & talent has greatly enriched our worship experience. Their ministry is great fun but it also demands dedication to rehearsal times, individual preparation & "showing up" for scheduled masses. Thank you to members of our Adult Ministry: Carol, Mary, **Mary Rose**, Nicole, **Larry, Linda, Rich**, Rick, David, Ralph, Jack, Liza, Theresa B., **Theresa S., Rachel**, Dana D., Cathy, Michele B., Michelle P., **Lori**, Lorilyn, Sr. Anne, Jeanne, Zeta, Liz, Michelle M., **Maya, Samantha**, Denny, Andy, Hugh, Joanne, Eunice, Christine, Kelsey, Kevin, Chris, Mark, John, and Paul. And thank you to members of our Parish Youth Choir: Jasmine, Lexie, Shaela, Alayna, Alicia, **Maya, Samantha C., Anne, Rebecca, Daniel**, Shaughn, Samantha H., Bridget, Julianna, Tristan, Christine, Sylvia. & Tiana. The **HIGHLIGHTED NAMES** will be continuing in a ministry of **Cantor & Student Cantor** over the summer months. Thank you for your loyal service to the liturgy & the worshipping community of St. Matthew's!

EDUCATION AND
FAITH FORMATION NEWS



HIGH SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED

The following scholarships were awarded at last week's eighth grade graduation. St. Matthew's Home and School Association Scholarship—Samantha Casillas (Cretin-Derham Hall), Brian Edwards (Cretin-Derham Hall), Jasmine Johnson (Cretin-Derham Hall). St. Matthew's School Alumni Association Scholarship— Brian Edwards. Scholarships from the Catholic Community Foundation: Nilles Scholarship —Vincent Abrego (St. Bernard's), Skipper Slavik Scholarship— Samantha Napier (Visitation) and Alan Owens (Cretin-Derham Hall). Congratulations to all our scholarship recipients. A big thank you to the St. Matthew's Home and School, St. Matthew's Alumni Association and Catholic Community Foundation for sponsoring these scholarships.

THANK YOU TO GRADUATION HELPERS

Thank you to the Home and School Association for sponsoring the graduation luncheon. Special thanks to the following people who made this event a success: Peg Mike (chair), Donna Jenniges, Pat and Anne Schletty, Carol, Ephraim and Tori Alojado, Kathy, Becca and Bridget Goldenstein, Anna Hernandez, Kristine and Anna Erickson, Joyce Osborne, Sue and Sami Holman, and Maureen Gitlin. Thanks to the Men's Club for the donation of pop and to Mike Bauer for helping to serve it.

NEW PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS CHOSEN

The following individuals having put themselves forward and having gone through the discernment process have been selected to serve on the St. Matthew Parish Council. Nicole Johnson, Becky Montgomery and John Sekevitch will each serve a three year term. Sheila Brunelle will complete two years of a three year term. Council terms begin on July 1.

ST. MATTHEW'S LEISURE CLUB

The annual luncheon will be held on Wednesday, June 14 at noon at Awada's Restaurant. Come one, come all, enjoy. This will be the last meeting of the year. Watch for details of the September meeting in future bulletins. Have a wonderful summer.

BASE CABINETS FOR OUR FOOD SHELF CORNER

We're still looking for used kitchen cabinets (with counter tops) that will serve for food collection site & bag/box storage. They don't have to be "pretty" -- we have volunteers who are willing to paint & adapt them to our use. A corner unit would be nice; but we can create an "original" if necessary. Please call the Parish Center if you know of any "displaced cabinets" due to kitchen remodeling, etc. 651-224-9793.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR DONATIONS OF KITCHEN SUPPLIES

Thanks to the generosity of many parishioners, a very full truck load of kitchen items was delivered to the St Paul Area Council of Churches. The Council will distribute these donations to 9 battered women's shelters. Items included dishes, utensils, pans, towels, buckets, baskets, cleaners, soaps, scrubbers, brooms, mops, and even more. It was much appreciated.
St Matthew's Rosary Society/ CCW

GRADUATES OF OUR COMMUNITY

We would like to recognize those who are graduating from high school or college this year. If we missed your name in last week's bulletin please call the parish center (651)224-9793 with your name, school graduating from, school attending in the fall and any honors and scholarships, we will include your name in next week's bulletin

THIS WEEK AT
SAINT MATTHEW

Sunday 2:00 PM, CH	June 11 Baptism
Monday KLT Closed 3:00 PM, SH 6:30 PM, SC 6:45 PM Thompson Park	June 12 Loaves and Fishes Education Advisory Committee Meeting Boy Scout Court of Honor Picnic
Tuesday KLT Closed 3:00 PM, SH	June 13 Loaves and Fishes
Wednesday KLT Closed 12:00 PM, Awada's 12:00-7:00 PM, PC 3:00 PM, SH 8:00 PM, SH	June 14 Leisure Club Annual Luncheon St. Mary's Clinic Loaves and Fishes Men's Club Meeting
Thursday 3:00 PM, SH	June 15 Loaves and Fishes
Friday	June 16
Saturday 9:00 AM, PC	June 17 Centering Prayer
Sunday 10:30 AM, MC 12:00 PM, CH 12:30 PM, CH	June 18 Baptism Baptism Baptism

Abbreviations:

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

STEWARDSHIP

Plate and envelope-June 4	\$10,489.00
Needed per week:	\$9,457.00
Plate & envelope to date:	\$441,669.00
Need to date:	<u>\$463,483.00</u>
	-\$21,814.00
School Fund	\$979.00
Holy Day	\$115.00

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, June 11	8:00 AM +Joseph Kammerer +Richard Charbonneau, Jr. 10:30 AM +Harold Licha Parishioners
Monday, June 12	+James and Carol Kilberg
Tuesday, June 13	+Sr. Colleen Hau, SSND +Jeanette Dieter
Wednesday, June 14	+John Williams, Klinger Family
Thursday, June 15	Parishioners
Friday, June 16	
Saturday, June 17	+James J. Fee, +Joseph Palermo, +George Lackner
Sunday, June 18	8:00 AM +John Bandholz +Bernard Bukowski +Robert Stickler, Sr. 10:30 AM +Harold Licha Parishioners

WEEKLY READINGS

Readings for the Week of June 11, 2006

Sunday:	Dt 4:32-34, 39-40/ Rom 8:14-17/ Mt 28:16-20
Monday:	1 Kgs 17:1-6/ Mt 5:1-12
Tuesday:	1 Kgs 17:7-16/ Mt 5:13-16
Wednesday:	1 Kgs 18:20-39/ Mt 5:17-19
Thursday:	1 Kgs 18:41-46/ Mt 5:20-26
Friday:	1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-16/ Mt 5:27-32
Saturday:	1 Kgs 19:19-21/ Mt 5:33-37
Next Sunday:	Ex 24:3-8/ Heb 9:11-15/ Mk 14:12-16, 22-26

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 Dir. Child Care..... *Dimary Rosado*
 Dir. Marketing & Development.....*Maureen Gitlin*
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 Child Care Center..... 651-224-1450
 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 six months prior to wedding. Must be a member of the parish

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
*-Facilitator	

Committee Chairs

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