

The Community of St. Matthew



**St. Matthew's School
Alumni Barbecue
June 23, 2004
6:00 PM
497 Humboldt Avenue
School Playground
(in Church Social Hall if it rains)**

Come and join fellow alumni for a fun filled evening. Tour the school and visit with other alumni while enjoying a meal of hamburgers, brats, potato salad, snacks, dessert, beer, wine or soda.

RSVP to: Carol Casey 451-1679, Lorraine Cook 457-0899, Marian Wolters 488-641 or Joan Guertin 488-7605



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

Dear Saint Matthew Community and Visitors:

This weekend we celebrate the Feast of the Body and Blood of the Lord, the Feast of Corpus Christi. The very center of our faith life is found in the fact that we gather together each Sunday and celebrate the very presence and mystery of God among us in the Death and Resurrection of Jesus Christ. As we pray, the bread and wine we offer becomes the very Body of Blood of Jesus. But, does any other change take place? The following is an article from the Liturgical Training Institute of Chicago. I recommend it to you.

Yours truly,



Stephen Adrian
Pastor

What Gets Changed?

A few years ago at a parish in Cleveland, some Catholics were interviewed about going to Mass. One of the questions was: "At Mass, when we pray and sing, when the priest stands at the altar and we pray over the bread and wine, when we come to holy communion, what gets changed?"

One middle-aged man named Sam answered quick as a wink and spoke straight from his heart: "What gets changed? Sam! Sam gets changed."

Now that man, whether he realized it or not,

knew the church's theology deep down in his being. He had experience—not just book learning—of the church's theology of the Eucharist.

At our baptism, we put on Christ. We died, we renounced, we turned our backs on whole ways of life. If we were baptized as infants, then our parents meant us to enter on such a Catholic life. At baptism, whether as an infant or an adult, the people already baptized took us into a home. And in that home we do the things that Catholics do, we try to live with others the way the gospels and our saints show us. We try to be one of those to whom the Lord will say: "I was hungry and you fed me, thirsty and you gave me a drink, in prison and you visited me."

Baptism got us into this house, this Catholic house. Sunday Eucharist trains us in the life and language and loving deeds of Catholics. It gets us around that table where from the first generation of Christians we've been gathered to give God thanks over bread and wine. Doing that again and again changed Sam. Little by little, it changes us all. The most sacred mystery of the Eucharist is that this bread and wine become for us the body and blood of Christ. The most sacred mystery of the Eucharist is that we, slackers and sinners all, become the body and blood of Christ. So what gets changed? Sam gets changed.

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PARISH EVENTS

ST. MATTHEW'S CENTURY CLUB - 2004

At their annual meeting on April 26, 2004, the Century Club decided to fund a new water boiler/heater that supplies hot water to the St. Matthew facilities (including the School, Church and Parish Center). Our old one is beyond help! Not only is it terribly inefficient, but it breaks down regularly and has recently sprung a new leak. If you are interested in being a part of this worthy project, you can mail your annual Century Club dues of \$100 to Judy Helper at 360 Ruby Drive, West St. Paul, MN 55118. We will keep you updated as the project progresses.

SCRIP MONTHLY PRIZE DRAWINGS - THE SUMMER CHALLENGE

We have a goal of selling \$30,000 in SCRIP certificates over the 13 weeks of summer. We can reach that goal if 100 certificates of \$25 are sold each week! Each \$25 SCRIP purchase you make will earn you a raffle ticket for the monthly drawings. Remember, this is the fundraiser that costs you nothing!! We now also carry Holiday Gas SCRIP, as well as SuperAmerica!

CENTERING PRAYER GROUP

The Prayer Group will be meeting at 9:30 AM in the Parish Center on Friday, June 25. You are most welcome to attend, whether this is a new form of prayer for you or one with which you are familiar.

EDUCATION AND
FAITH FORMATION NEWS



ST. MATTHEW'S SCHOOL SUMMER HOURS

Now that the school year has been completed the school will be going to summer hours. During the month of June the school will be open 9:00 AM-2:00 PM. During the month of July the school will be closed but personnel may be contacted by calling the parish office at 651-224-9793. On August 2-13 the school will be open from 9:00 AM- 12:00 PM and beginning August 16 from 8:00 AM-3:00 PM.

ST. MATTHEW'S CHILD CARE GRADUATES

Congratulations to the 8 children who will be leaving us for Kindergarten in the fall. Our graduates are: Qua'Tavius Gladney, Naya Martin-Bonnett, Alejandro Lopez, Cole Behnke, Priscilla Sanchez, Austin Doren, Roger Morgan II, and Sharice Crockson-Brown. We wish them all the best in their future education.

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY – THIS IS OUR WEEK!

Thank you to everyone who has volunteered to help us with our week building a home for Habitat for Humanity. Treat and snack donations can still be contributed! Contact Ginny at 651-222-2867 if you have any questions about the Habitat project.

A SPECIAL VISITOR TODAY –

DOMINICAN MISSIONARY, FR. MALACHY CLUNE, O.P.

As was announced in last week's bulletin, we welcome today a Dominican Missionary, Fr. Malachy Clune, O.P. He will speak to us from his personal experience of 41 years in missionary work in Latin American and in the West Indian Islands. In so doing he will make a direct appeal to each of us on behalf of the Dominican Missions in Haiti, the poorest nation in the Western world. It is a country of almost seven million people, the majority of whom are Catholic. Because of brutal oppression over many years, the country has been reduced to hunger and misery. The average life-span has now been reduced to 43 years and roughly half of the children die before the age of four. These are just some of the terrible problems facing our missionaries in Haiti today. Bearing witness to Jesus in such crucifying conditions involves enormous sacrifice. Please help us to keep HOPE alive in a better tomorrow for the long-suffering Haitian people. May God reward your generosity – Fr. Malachy Clune, O.P.

RED LAKE MISSION SUMMER PROJECT

Teens and adults from St. Matthew's are invited to join a group from St. Thomas Becket that will be going to St. Mary's Mission in Red Lake, MN to help run a vacation bible school for the children there. Cost is \$80/includes meals, transportation and lodging. For more information, contact Linda Anderson at the St. Thomas Becket Parish Office, 651-638-9308.

OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE CHURCH ANNUAL FUNDRAISER FIESTA

The festival takes place on the church grounds and will be held on Sunday, June 27 from 12:00 – 6:00PM. There will be food, beverages, music and entertainment. If you have any questions, please call 651-228-0506.

THIS WEEK AT
SAINT MATTHEW

Sunday	June 13
Monday	June 14
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
6:45 PM, XC	Boy Scout Meeting
Tuesday	June 15
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
Wednesday	June 16
12:00-7:00 PM, PC	St. Mary's Clinic
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
Thursday	June 17
12:00-7:00 PM, PC	St. Mary's Clinic
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
Friday	June 18
Saturday	June 19
Sunday	June 20

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 June 6, 2004

Sunday Envelopes & Plate	\$ 9723.57
Youth & Children's Envelopes	9.65
School Fund	881.70
Holy Day	10.00

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, June 13	8:00 AM	Larry Simmons Shirley Shepard
	10:30 AM	Jeanette Dieter Parishioners
Monday, June 14		Joyce Ann
Tuesday, June 15		Gerald Husman
Wednesday, June 16		D. Michael
Thursday, June 17		James Fee
Saturday, June 19		Leonard Lang Anniv Arlene Kammerer Wilbert Jack Anniv
	8:00 AM	George Bohrer Ed Maher John Bandholz Anniv
Sunday, June 20	10:30 AM	Juli Hafiz Bernard Bukowski Parishioners

WEEKLY READINGS

Readings for the Week of June 13, 2004

Sunday:	Gn 14:18-20; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Lk 9:11b-17
Monday:	1 Kgs 21:1-16; Mt 5:38-42
Tuesday:	1 Kgs 21:17-29; Mt 5:43-48
Wednesday:	2 Kgs 2:1, 6-14; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
Thursday:	Sir 48:1-14; Mt 6:7-15
Friday:	Ez 34:11-16; Rom 5:5b-11; Lk 15:3-7
Saturday:	2 Chr 24:17-25; Lk 2:41-51
Next Sunday:	Zec 12:10-11; 13:1; Gal 3:26-29; Lk 9:18-24

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
Extended Day.....	651-228-1535
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

Kathy Goldenstein	Linda Sellars
Marty Olson	Jeff Gilberg
Paul Kempe	Suzanne Clarke
John Finnegan	Tim Jack
Doug Kennedy	Becky Montgomery
John Sekevitch	

Committee Chairs

Finance.....	Peter Grayson
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Liturgy	