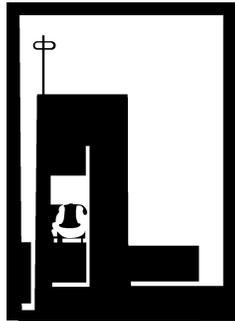


The Community of St. Matthew

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



Dear Saint Matthew Community and Visitors:

I am pleased to announce that the new Director of Education for the Saint Matthew Community is **Mrs. Beth Behnke**.

A few months ago Mr. Breimhorst and I began some conversations about his need to work closer to his home. Scott and his family live in Chaska. Scott and Molly have a small child, Eve; and the demands of work and parenting are such that working closer to home makes life work better. Scott was offered the position of principal of the middle school for the Shakopee Catholic School. Work is now only a few miles from home. For this reason he chose to accept the new position.

I invited a search committee to form and elect a chairperson. Representatives from the faculty of Saint Matthew's School and Saint Matthew's Child Care and a teacher from the Saint Matthew's Religious Education program were invited to sit on the committee. The committee also contained representatives of the Child Care Parent Advisory Board, the Education Advisory Committee, the Home and School Association and the Saint Matthew Parish Pastoral Council, as well as a parish member at large.

The committee elected a chairperson and developed the content and process for interviewing candidates. We chose not to advertise for the opening but to recruit candidates. Five candidates were invited to apply, and all five did.

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

VIDEO LIBRARY NEWS

Father Adrian has donated "A Crowning Achievement: The Restoration of the Cathedral of St. Paul" in appreciation for the Saint Matthew's Confirmation Class of 2003.

SAINT MATTHEW'S 500 CARD CLUB

May 500 Card Club winners:
1st place, 3470: Charlotte St. Martin and Gayle Stelter
2nd place, 3000: Tecla Ambrose and Linda Brook

The search committee conducted a series of interviews and recommended to me the name of Beth Behnke. I had met with Beth and other candidates before the interview process, and I was pleased to accept the unanimous recommendation of the search committee.

Beth is currently the principal of St. Columba School, and prior to that was the principal of the consolidated Catholic schools of Faribault. She has experience as a teacher in each grade and a strong experience as an administrator.

Beth is a creative, alive, bright and enthusiastic person. She brings commitment and energy to her work at Saint Matthew.

In the fall of the year two of her children will be students at Saint Matthew's School and her four year old will be in the Saint Matthew Child Care Center.

I am grateful to the search committee for their timeliness and efficiency. I am deeply aware of the seriousness with which they undertook this work. This process is a strong witness to collaboration and community involvement in a decision that affects the life of the total Saint Matthew Community. Thank you, to the committee. Welcome, to Beth.

Yours truly,



Stephen Adrian
Pastor

RECEPTION FOR JUBILARIANS NEXT WEEKEND

Joining us for the 10:30 AM Mass next weekend will be several religious who have served St. Matthew's in the past. They are all celebrating jubilees this year and we have invited them back to thank them for their years of service to the church, and especially the time they spent here at Saint Matthew's. Coffee and donuts will be served after mass, stop in and greet them.

PARISH PICNIC AND ASSUMPTION MASS

Mark your calendars for Thursday, August 14 for the parish picnic at Cherokee Park. Mass for the Assumption will be celebrated at 6:00 PM followed by good food and good conversation. Please bring a dish to share, hamburgers and brats will be available for a nominal cost. Also bring chairs, paper products and a beverage for your family. Watch this space for more information.

EDUCATION AND
FAITH FORMATION NEWS



MIDDLE SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

Congratulations to the following Saint Matthew's School Middle School students who were awarded scholarships during the 10:30 mass last Sunday:

Taya Ortiz—Skipper Slawik Scholarship; Andrew Heitzinger—Skipper Slawik Scholarship; Christopher Kempe—Nilles Family Scholarship; Daniel Karas—Home and School HSS; Ryan Brengman—Home and School HSS; Daniella Garcia—Home and School Middle School; Theresa Schletty—Home and School Middle School; Sam Casillas—Home and School Middle School.

SCHOOL OFFICE IS OPEN DURING JUNE

The school office will be open Monday thru Friday from 9:00 am-3:00 pm during the month of June. Registration for school or religious education is on-going. Call the school office at 224-6912 for more information.

BAPTISMS CELEBRATED IN MAY

Blessings of welcome to the following who were Baptized in the month of May: Kailey Ann Burington; Alisyn Leigh Burington; Tyler Vanderhyde; Aaliyah Elizabeth Gurley; Henry Gardner Sherwood.

SAINT MATTHEW'S WEBSITE

Have access to the internet? Check out the new homepage of the parish website www.st-matts.org. Featured on the page are pictures and clips from the March 30 Vatican II speakers program we had in church. Videos of the program are still available for purchase through the Parish Center or on the website.

MAY FUNERALS

Our prayers are with the families and friends of the following who were buried from Saint Matthew's in May: Lillian Justice; Abigail Gallegos.

COMMUNITY EVENTS AT OTHER PARISHES

June 16	St. Therese Church, St. Paul Special Mass of Healing at 7:30 pm
June 21	Little Sisters of the Poor, St. Paul Annual Summer Festival, 651-227-0336
June 28 - 29	Our Lady of Guadalupe Church, St. Paul Annual Fund Raiser Fiesta, 651-228-0506
July 8-9	Franciscan Retreat, Prior Lake details at 952-447-2182
August 23-24	Basilica of Saint Mary, Minneapolis All School Reunion, 651-317-3429

THIS WEEK AT
SAINT MATTHEW

Sunday	JUNE 15
12:00 PM, CH	Baptism
12:30 PM, CH	Baptism
HAPPY FATHER'S DAY	
Monday	JUNE 16
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
Tuesday	JUNE 17
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
Wednesday	JUNE 18
12:00-7:00 PM, PC	St. Mary's Clinic
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
Thursday	JUNE 19
12:00-7:00 PM, PC	St. Mary's Clinic
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
Friday	JUNE 20
Saturday	JUNE 21
5:00 PM, MC	Baptisms
Sunday	JUNE 22
11:30 AM, SH	Reception for Jubilarians
12:00 PM, CH	Baptism

MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW FOR THE PARISH MASS AND PICNIC ON THURSDAY, AUGUST 14 AT CHEROKEE PARK, 6:00 PM.

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

