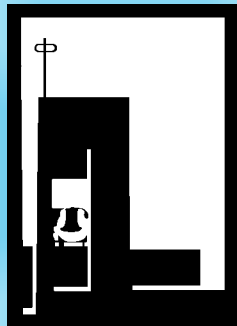
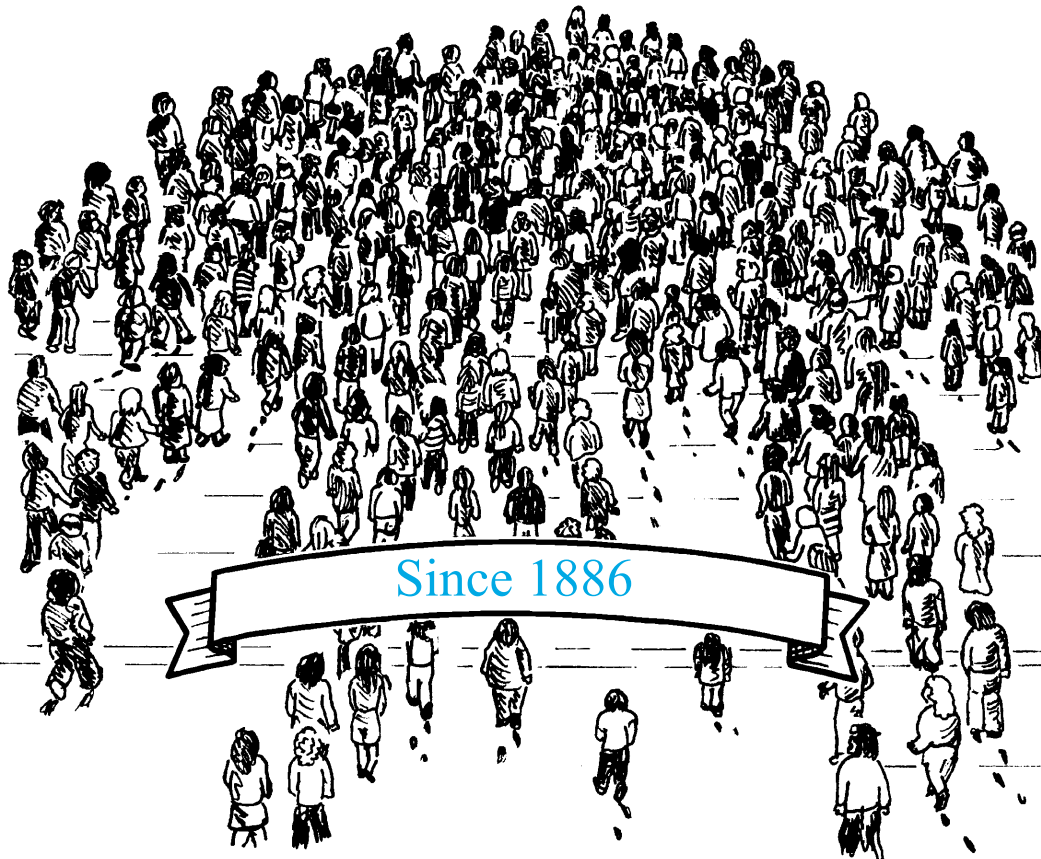


The Community of St. Matthew



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



Dear Saint Matthew Community and Visitors:

Two weeks ago I had the pleasure of spending some time in a national gathering of educators who head up the Schools of Social Work – undergraduate and graduate programs – at almost forty of the Catholic Colleges and Universities in the United States.

The meeting was convened by the School of Social Work of the College of Saint Catherine (CSC) and the University of Saint Thomas (UST). The purpose of the national conference was: (1) to provide an opportunity to connect around mutual shared commitments to the social work profession as Catholic-sponsored social work education programs; (2) to reflect with peers on strengthening social work practice through the integration of Catholic Social Teaching.

For more than two years the local School of Social Work (CSC & UST) created and implemented a plan to bring the depth of the Church's Social Teaching into the undergraduate and graduate curriculum as an integrated feature, and as a focus that can truly distinguish the School of Social Work on a Catholic campus from the similar schools and departments of public colleges and universities.

For almost a decade there has been and continues to be a desire on the part of Catholic colleges and universities to be able to identify what makes Catholic institutions of higher education "Catholic". The question is: "How do we express and live our Catholic identity?"

Some have established "Catholic Studies Programs" in which they explore Catholic teaching. These Catholic Studies initiatives SOMETIMES morph into "Catholic Truth Squads" and seek to "police" the Catholicity – some would say "orthodoxy" – in curricula of other schools and departments of the college or university. Such an approach lacks the integrity and the "integrative" and imaginative effort the

School of Social Work has undertaken.

The Catholic Social Teaching – the best kept secret in the Catholic Church – provides a powerful way in which Catholic Identity can be articulated and lived. The principals of Catholic Social Teaching deserve to be integrated within the total curriculum and thus become the lens through which we do art and science.

"Catholic educational institutions can and indeed must carry out a precious formative service, dedicating themselves in a particular way to the enculturation of the Christian message, that is to say, to the productive encounter between the Gospel and the various branches of knowledge. The Church's social doctrine is a necessary means for an efficacious Christian education towards love, justice and peace, as well as a conscious maturation of moral and social duties in the various cultural and professional fields" (Compendium of the Social Doctrine of the Church #532).

It is a delight to see a powerful School of Social Work undertake the challenge: Social Work for Social Justice.

Yours truly,



Stephen Adrian
Pastor

PARISH EVENTS

FOOD SHELF WEEKEND—NEXT WEEK

On June 23 and 24, Christi Anderson, from Neighborhood House, will speak after all masses. Labeled bags will be handed out at the end of mass. Please use these bags to bring your donation to church on the weekend of June 30 and July 1.

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY—SIGN UP THIS WEEKEND

This is the 10th year that St Matt’s has participated in Habitat for Humanity [11 for STB and Mount Calvary] to date the 3 churches have donated 8,320 hours of labor, \$51,000, and countless amounts of baked goodies and other support services. Our week this year is July 16-20. Sign up is this weekend and June 23 & 24. There is a need for on-site volunteers, food servers, nurses and site hosts. If you have questions before then, please call Ginny Roethler: 222-2867.

For those unable to travel, or pound a nail, there’ll be an opportunity to participate—through raising funds for the project. [With the other two churches we are expected to contribute \$6,000.]

SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS FOR THE SUMMER

The school office will be open Monday through Friday from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM. Scrip is available in the school office during these times. Registration for the 2007-2008 school year is ongoing. Please call the office at 651-224-6912 to set up a time to tour the school or to receive a registration packet in the mail.

HOME AND SCHOOL AWARDS MIDDLE SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIPS

Each year the St. Matthew’s Home and School Association presents scholarships to three middle school students. This year’s recipients are: Nicholas Reding (5th grade), Reynaldo Hernandez (6th grade) and Emily Smith (7th grade). Congratulations.

RURAL LIFE SUNDAY CELEBRATION—JUNE 24TH

The Archdiocesan Rural Life Sunday Celebration is next Sunday, June 24. It begins at 1:30 Pm and includes the Eucharistic Liturgy of the Sunday with Bishop Pates presiding, a creation blessing, and essay and poster contest awards. This year’s event is sponsored by the parish of Most Holy Redeemer in Montgomery and is being held at the Jeff and Anne Tuma family farm. Dinner and refreshments will be served (free will offering accepted.) Games and activities for children. Petting zoo. Czech music and entertainment. Please bring lawn chairs and blankets. Some seating provided. All are welcome! For map and directions, go online to www.archspm.org and look for the Rural Life Sunday link or call the Rural Life Office at (651) 645-8590.

THIS WEEK AT
SAINT MATTHEW

Sunday	June 17
12:00 PM, CH	Baptism
12:30 PM, CH	Baptism
Monday	June 18
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
Tuesday	June 19
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
Wednesday	June 20
12:00-7:00 PM, PC	St. Mary’s Clinic
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
Thursday	June 21
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
Friday	June 22
Saturday	June 23
	Food Shelf Weekend
9:30 AM, PC	Centering Prayer
Sunday	June 24
	Food Shelf Weekend
10:30 AM, MC	Baptism
12:00 PM, CH	Baptism
12:30 PM, CH	Baptism

Mark your calendars!!

Wednesday August 15
5:30-8:00 PM Assumption Mass
Cherokee Park and Picnic
 Watch bulletin for more details as the day approaches.

Abbreviations:

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

STEWARDSHIP

In the first reading today, the Lord reminds David of all the good that was given him. Then He asks why David has spurned Him and done evil? When confronted, David realizes his sinfulness and repents. If we can be more conscious of all the good given to us—and use those gifts of time, talent, and treasure for the building up of the kingdom, we will not have to confess that sinfulness!

A continued thanks to parishioners for acting as good stewards and using time, talent, and treasure for the good of all. Thanks for modeling such a life.

Prayer: Five hours of prayer, prayed for two sick relatives, led the rosary on weekdays before Mass, prayed for two hours on First Friday, 14 hours of prayer last week.

Service: Visited the sick, 25 hours volunteering in the community, washed dishes for a friend, planned activities at school, visited the homebound, helped a neighbor.

Sharing: Last weekend \$10,362 was contributed to the “regular” fund; \$2,039 was given electronically. Thank you. The average Sunday is now \$9,637 [last year \$11,100 was used for the number to expect each Sunday; this coming year the number expected will be \$9,500.]

As well, \$276 was given in school fund envelopes and \$1,287 was given in the appeal for the support of Global Solidarity. Thank you to each contributor

WEEKLY READINGS

Readings for the Week of June 17, 2007

Sunday: 2 Sm 12:7-10, 13/Gal 2:16, 19-21/
Lk 7:36—8:3 or 7:36-50
Monday: 2 Cor 6:1-10/Mt 5:38-42
Tuesday: 2 Cor 8:1-9/Mt 5:43-48
Wednesday: 2 Cor 9:6-11/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
Thursday: 2 Cor 11:1-11/Mt 6:7-15
Friday: 2 Cor 11:18, 21-30/Mt 6:19-23
Saturday: 2 Cor 12:1-10/Mt 6:24-34
Next Sunday: Vigil: Jer 1:4-10/1 Pt 1:8-12/Lk 1:5-17
Day: Is 49:1-6/Acts 13:22-26/Lk

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Dir. KLT Kids*Jennifer Slaten*
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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

Parish Council email: *parishcouncil@st-matts.org*

Becky Montgomery	Larry Sachi
Nicole Johnson	John Sekevitch
Connie Aligada	Sister Joanna Illg
Lucus Ecker	Mark Thomford
Sheila Brunelle	Stephen Adrian

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