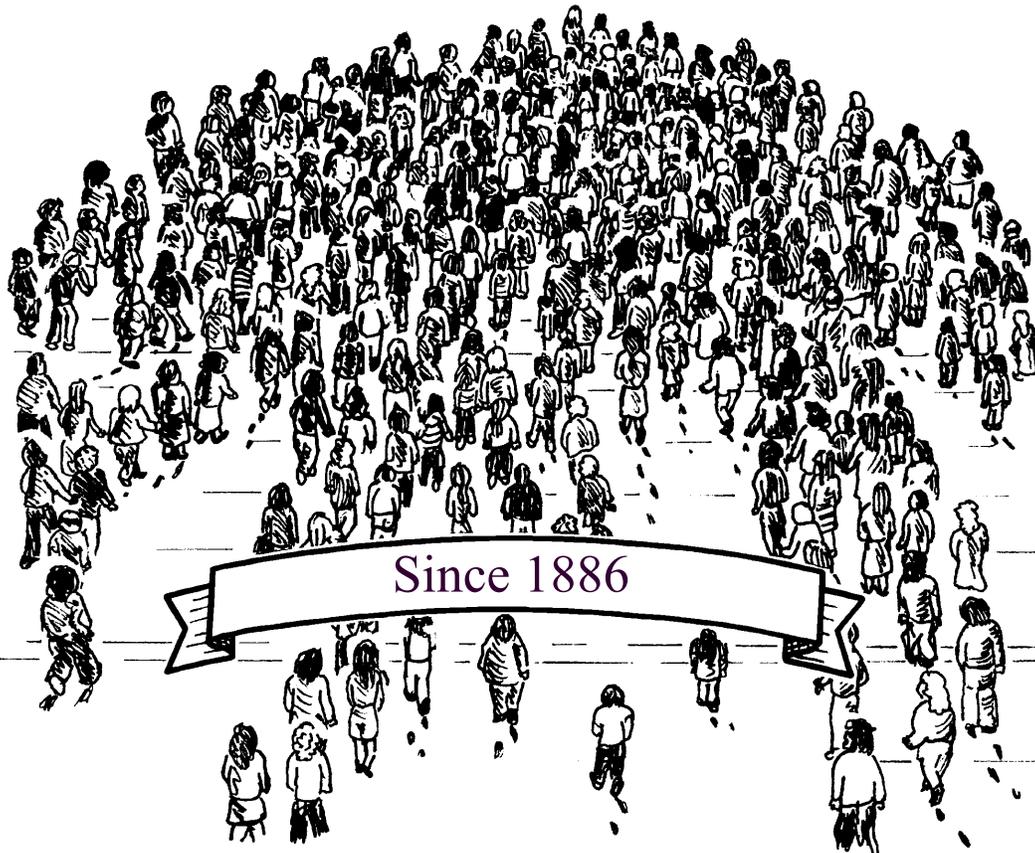
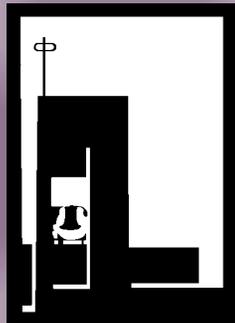


The Community of St. Matthew



*... exists
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Dear Saint Matthew Community and Visitors:

Last weekend Doug Lieser, St Matthew Director of Education, Maureen Gitlin, Development Director and I spent our time on Saturday evening and Sunday morning at our Sister Parish, St Francis in St Croix Beach. I celebrated the weekend masses, Doug preached and Maureen answered questions between masses. The purpose of the weekend was to offer the members of St Francis the opportunity to create scholarships for Saint Matthew's School. Below find the material presented to our Sister Parish.

Yours truly,



Stephen Adrian
Pastor

Partners in Education

St. Matthew's Community: A visible expression of God's love

St. Matthew's Catholic Community is a vibrant symbol of commitment to the faith and values of the people living on the West Side of St. Paul. The parish was founded in 1886 by German immigrants. St. Matthew's lives its mission and serves others through a variety of programs including:

- Educational Programs – includes a day school, child care center, extended day program, faith formation, sacramental preparation, and adult enrichment.
- Loaves and Fishes – a free meal program offered 4 days per week.
- St. Mary's Clinic - this clinic serves those who are uninsured.
- Catholic Charities Hispanic Outreach - a worker assigned to assist in the resettlement of recent immigrants.
- Community Meeting Space - the parish buildings are used by Alcoholics Anonymous, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts and other community organizations to hold regular meetings.

St. Matthew's School: A visible expression of God's love. Providing a foundation of excellence. Making a difference in lives.

The School Sisters of Notre Dame opened the parish school in 1888. We still use the 1902 building along with our "new" addition built in 1928.

- Daily religion class and prayer with bi-weekly mass
- Service-learning projects at each grade level
- Current curriculum with technology support
- On the most recent state Basic Skills Test (BST) taken by 8th grade students, our students' passing rate was 35% points higher in Reading and 23% points higher in Math than St. Paul Public Schools
- 71% of graduates are on the honor roll at our local Catholic high schools
- Two Athena Award winners (best female scholar-athlete in the school) the past 3 years

The St. Matthew's School demographic profile includes:

- 48% of students qualify for free or reduced lunch
- 34% of students live in single parent homes
- The average income of those who applied for tuition assistance was \$28,000
- 60% of all students are children of color
- Over 70% of the students receive some type of financial assistance to attend school.

The 2006-2007 school year tuition is \$2,550 for grades K – 5 and \$2,900 for grades 6 – 8. This amount covers approximately 50% of the funds needed to educate a student. The Parish community and grants from the Archdiocese of St. Paul/Minneapolis provide for the majority of the remaining costs.

Partnership for Education: St. Matthew's/St. Francis Sister Parish Tuition Aid Project

Members of the sister parish core committee are working to create a sustainable tuition assistance program. This program will help make a Catholic education available for families who wish to send their children to St. Matthew's, but are unable to afford the financial commitment. Components of the tuition aid project are as follows:

- **Partners in Education** 10 scholarships of \$1500 each for the 2006-2007 school year
 - o Partial scholarship contributions
 - o Full and multiple scholarship contributions
 - o Matching contributions from local employers
 - o Personal commitment of time and talents to St Matthews School
- **St. Matthew's Students**
 - o Distributed based on financial need of the family
 - o Need is demonstrated by completing Financial Assistance forms and a copy of the family's 2005 tax return
 - o Special circumstances are taken into consideration
- **Selection**
 - o Recipients to be chosen by a committee comprised of 2 members of each of the participating parishes.

EDUCATION AND
FAITH FORMATION NEWS



HOME AND SCHOOL ASSOCIATION AWARDS MIDDLE SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIPS

On Wednesday, June 7 at the final prayer service of the school year, the Home and School Association awarded scholarships to three students who will be in middle school next fall at St. Matthew's. This year the scholarships were awarded to: Daniel Goldenstein (6th grade), Zach Wenner (7th grade) and Anne Schletty (8th grade). Thank you to the Home and School for sponsoring these scholarships.

ST. MATTHEW'S NIGHT AT THE DOME!

Join the St. Matthew's Men's Club on Tuesday June 27 for a night at the dome, Twins vs. LA Dodgers. Gather at the Fort Snelling Club between 5:00- 5:30 for food on the patio or meet us at 6:30 and ride the train to the dome. Contact Tim Nowak @ the Scrip table or @ 651-450-4975 eve/weekend or 651-687-2850 days to reserve a spot. Cost \$16/ticket and \$10/person to eat. The price DOES NOT include the train ride 6 hour pass which is \$3.50 for adults (discounts for youth/seniors).

JERABEK'S 100TH ANNIVERSARY PARTY!

Join our long time neighbor as they celebrate 100 years of service. Come for cake, ice cream, music, fun and prizes. Saturday, June 24 from noon to 6:00 PM. Happy Anniversary Jerabek's.

HELP KEEP THE FOOD SHELF WELL STOCKED

The need for the food shelf is ongoing. St Matthew's Food Shelf Ministry collects food every weekend for Neighborhood House. Please help us by bringing a non perishable item or placing a cash donation in the collection. The collection basket, donation envelopes and wish lists can be found in the back of church. Thank you for your generosity.

LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR SUMMER FESTIVAL

Saturday, June 24 and Sunday, June 25 from noon-5:00 PM. Spaghetti dinner will be served all day: \$8.00/adults, \$6.00/children. Other activities include: Craft sale, bake sale, silent auction, garage sale, games of chance, kids games, snack bar.

OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE PARISH FESTIVAL- CELEBRATING OUR 75TH ANNIVERSARY!!

Mark your calendars for two days of family fun! Our Lady of Guadalupe invites you to our annual Parish Festival, Saturday, June 24 from 5:00-9:00 PM and Sunday, June 25 from 12:00-6:00 PM. Each day is different! Something for everyone! Experience delicious and authentic food, cold beverages, excellent entertainment, a raffle drawing with great prizes, and games for the children. Fun for the entire family!

THIS WEEK AT
SAINT MATTHEW

Sunday	June 18
10:30 AM, MC	Baptism
12:00 PM, MC	Baptism
12:30 PM, MC	Baptism
Monday	June 19
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
6:30 PM, Drkula's	Altar Server Party
Tuesday	June 20
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
Wednesday	June 21
12:00-7:00 PM, PC	St. Mary's Clinic
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
6:00 PM, PC	Finance Committee Meeting
Thursday	June 22
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
Friday	June 23
Saturday	June 24
Sunday	June 25
10:30 AM, MC	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	\$9,601.20
Needed per week:	\$9,457.00
Plate & envelope to date:	\$451,270.00
Need to date:	<u>\$472,940.00</u>
	-\$21,670.00
School Fund	\$193.00
Holy Day	\$45.00

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 18	8:00 AM +John Bandholz +Bernard Bukowski +Robert Stickler, Sr. 10:30 AM +Harold Licha Parishioners
Monday, June 19	World Peace
Tuesday, June 20	+Leonard Lang (Ann'y
Wednesday, June 21	+Edna Haas
Thursday, June 22	+James Cecka
Friday, June 23	
Saturday, June 24	+Joseph Karas, Sr., +Joseph Karas, Jr., +Wilbert Jack
Sunday, June 25	8:00 AM +Ed Maher +Larry Simmons, +Ignatius and Marcie Marsollek 10:30 AM +Agnes DeFoe +John Meyers, +Klotine Mosby, Parishioners

WEEKLY READINGS

Readings for the Week of June 18, 2006

Sunday:	Ex 24:3-8/ Heb 9:11-15/ Mk 14:12-16, 22-26
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:	Hos 11:1, 3-4, 8c-9/ Eph 3:8-12, 14-19/ Jn 19:31-37
Saturday:	Is 49:1-6/ Acts 13:22-26/ Lk 1:57-66, 80
Next Sunday:	Jb 38:1, 8-11/ 2 Cor 5:14-17/ Mk 4:35-41

PARISH DIRECTORY

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Deacon..... *Rev. John Murphy*
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Dir. Music & Liturgy *Dana McCarthy*
Dir. Child Care..... *Dimary Rosado*
Dir. Marketing & Development.....*Maureen Gitlin*
Business Administrator..... *Cindy Hoffman*
Administrative Assistant.....*Nicole Johnson*
Dir. Food Service..... *Alice Schletty*
Parish Engineer.....*David Rosas*

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KLT Kids 651-665-0786
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

Committee Chairs

Finance..... Linda Sellars
Education Advisory..... Richard Dunn