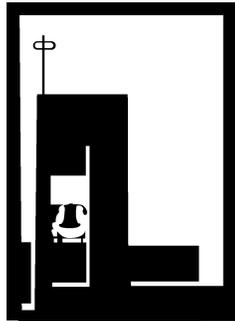


# The Community of St. Matthew



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



Dear Saint Matthew Community and Visitors:

Part 3 of a series on The Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy of the Second Vatican Council.

Prior to the reform of the liturgy most Catholics “attended Mass”, “went to Mass”. The parish pastor “read Mass” or “sang Mass”. Clearly the words used betrayed an understanding of the Sunday liturgy as an event to which we came, and during which we prayed. The Mass “belonged” to the priest, it was his work, his prayer – the rest of us attended Mass and said “our prayers”. Catholics might pray the rosary during the Mass, or read prayers from their prayer book; some even had a missal and read the English translation of the Latin prayers the priest was praying.

The very architecture of the Church reflected a theology of the Eucharist – the sanctuary at the far end of a long, narrow building. A closed communion railing appeared as a physical barrier between the congregation and the priest – a clear visual of a theology of church and ministry that saw the Eucharist as the work of the priest – albeit for the good and salvation of a people.

The prayers of the Mass were in an ancient language which few understood and the priest stood at the altar, with his back to the congregation and without the benefit of a microphone quietly praying the prayers of the Eucharist.

Any Catholic fifty years old or older can vividly recall this description of Mass.

In some parishes congregational singing was part of Mass – opening and closing hymns, a communion hymn, and perhaps a simple setting of the Latin sung parts of the Mass. In some parishes the “missa recitata” took place – the practice of the whole congregation praying the responses that might ordinarily be prayed by the altar server.

The reforms of the Council rested upon a principle enunciated in paragraph 14 of the Constitution on the

Sacred Liturgy:

*The Church earnestly desires that all the faithful should be led to that full, conscious and active participation in liturgical celebrations which is demanded by the very nature of the liturgy and to which the Christian people have a right and obligation by reason of their baptism.*

The primacy of the Sacrament of Baptism is affirmed. It is by the fact of baptism that a person is called to an active involvement and participation in worship. Baptism is the initiation into the fullness of the life of Christ. Baptized persons are the Church – and the highest expression of our identity is found in our “full, active and conscious” participation in the liturgy.

We are called, not “to attend Mass” or “to go to Mass” – but to participate in and celebrate the liturgy of the Eucharist. The Eucharist belongs to the people of God.

The reforms of the liturgy, the use of vernacular language, the new designs of Church art and architecture, the development of sacred music indigenous to a people, the expanded roles of ministry, the reception of the Eucharist under forms of both bread and wine – all these and so much more evolved as ways of encouraging “full, active and conscious” participation in the liturgy.

Yours truly,



Stephen Adrian  
Pastor

## PARISH EVENTS

### 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.

### RECEPTION FOR JUBILARIANS THIS WEEKEND

Joining us for the 10:30 AM Mass this weekend will be several religious who have served Saint 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.

### NEW ENVELOPES

Parishioners may have received envelopes from the new company providing envelopes to Saint Matthew's. You may now have two sets of envelopes for the month of July. Either set may be used when making your contributions. Thank you.

## EDUCATION AND FAITH FORMATION NEWS



### SCHOOL OFFICE WILL BE OPEN THE MONTH OF JUNE

The school office is open Monday thru Friday from 9:00 AM until 3:00 PM during the month of June. Registration for school or religious education may be completed at the school office. Scrip is also available at the office during the week.

### LAST CALL FOR NEW LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULES

Most of you have picked up your schedules—THANK YOU! There are, however, still a few left. If you pick up your schedule for Altar Server, Communion Minister, Lector, Usher/Greeter or Gift Bearer this weekend, it will save us postage. Thanks for your help— and thank you to ALL liturgical ministers for your faithful service. Also, summer time can be hectic and spontaneous, thank you (in advance) for remembering to arrange for a substitute, and for informing the MC/Sacristan, if you run into a conflict.

### MEAL ON WHEELS

A volunteer is needed for delivery once a month on Wednesday from 10:45 AM to about noon. Please call Ron Finnegan, 651-457-9183.

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### FATHER ADRIAN IN ROCHESTER

Father Adrian along with all the priests of the diocese will be in Rochester from Monday afternoon, June 23 until Thursday afternoon, June 26. Father Warren will be available for daily mass and any funerals which may take place on those days.

### ST. MARY'S HEALTH CLINIC—IN NEED OF VOLUNTEERS

St. Mary's Health Clinic housed here at St. Matthew's on Wednesday and Thursday afternoons is in need of Spanish interpreters and Spanish speaking nurses for the Wednesday afternoon clinic. If you are interested in volunteering, please call Diane at 651-690-7024.

### EVENING RECEPTIONIST NEEDED AT THE PARISH CENTER

If you are looking for a volunteer opportunity here at the parish we are looking for you. We are in need of evening receptionists to answer phones and greet visitors at the Parish Center. Training is provided. Evening receptionist work one night a week. If interested please call Nicole at 224-9793.

## THIS WEEK AT SAINT MATTHEW

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>JUNE 22</b>
11:30 AM, SH	Reception for Jubilarians
12:30 PM, CH	Baptism
<b>Monday</b>	<b>JUNE 23</b>
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>JUNE 24</b>
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>JUNE 25</b>
12:00-7:00 PM, PC	St. Mary's Clinic
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
6:00—11:00 PM	Alumni Cookout
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>JUNE 26</b>
12:00-7:00 PM, PC	St. Mary's Clinic
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
5:00 PM, MC	Youth Choir
7:00 PM, MC	Adult Choir
<b>Friday</b>	<b>JUNE 27</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>JUNE 28</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>JUNE 29</b>

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

STEWARDSHIP

Sunday contributions for June 15: \$5, 815.10 Youth & Children's Envelopes for June 15: \$6.42  
 School envelopes: \$40.00

*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 22 8:00 AM Parishioners  
 10:30 AM Louis J. De Nardo  
 Monday, June 23  
 Tuesday, June 24 John Bandholz, Nathan Golden, Bernard Bukowski  
 Wednesday, June 25 Robert Stickler  
 Thursday, June 26 Marion Kammerer  
 Robert Stickler  
 Friday, June 27  
 Saturday, June 28 Donald Neff, John and Irene Pachtl  
 Sunday, June 29 8:00 AM Agnes Breimhorst  
 10:30 AM Parishioners

WEEKLY READINGS

Readings for the Week of June 22, 2003  
 Sunday, June 22 Ex 24:3-8; Heb 9:11-15; Mk 14:12-16, 22-26  
 Monday, June 23 Gn 12:1-9; Mt 7:1-5  
 Tuesday, June 24 Is 49:1-6; Acts 13:22-26; Lk 1:57-66, 80  
 Wednesday, June 25 Gn 15:1-12, 17-18; Mt 7:15-20  
 Thursday, June 26 Gn 16:1-12, 15-16; Mt 7:21-29  
 Friday, June 27 Hos 11:1, 3-4, 8c-9; Eph 3:8-12, 14-19; Jn 19:31-37  
 Saturday, June 28 Gn 18:1-5; Mt 8:5-17; or Is 61:9-11; Lk 2:41-51  
 Next Sunday, June 29 Acts 12:1-11; 2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18; Mt 16:13-19

If there is righteousness in the heart,  
 there will be beauty in the character.  
 If there be beauty in the character,  
 there will be harmony in the home.  
 If there is harmony in the home,  
 there will be order in the nation.  
 When there is order in the nation,  
 there will be peace in the world.  
 Chinese proverb

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  
 Pastoral Administrator  
 Dir. Education & Formation ..... Scott Breimhorst  
 Dir. Music & Liturgy ..... Dana McCarthy  
 Dir. Pastoral Ministry ..... Mary Colleen Hau, SSND  
 Dir. Child Care ..... Maureen Gitlin  
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 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