

# The Community of St. Matthew

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

Dear Saint Matthew Community and Visitors:

Included in this week's bulletin is a summary statement of the goals and action plans for Saint Matthew adopted by the Saint Matthew Parish Pastoral Council.

From October 4, 2007 to May 1, 2008, with the help of Bob Burke, retired planner for the Archdiocese of Saint Paul and Minneapolis, the Parish Pastoral Council has undertaken to set priorities for the parish for the next five years.

This effort sought to involve each parish ministry and organization, it took the information gathered in the parishioner interviews and distilled material into four broad categories – Liturgy and Spirituality, Education and Formation, Outreach and Finances.

Goals for each of these areas were developed along with action plans and accountability and evaluation processes. Once the goals and action plans were put to paper each ministry and parish group were asked to critique the work.

On May 1, 2008 at the Parish Pastoral Council meeting the plan was accepted and the attached summary was approved for distribution.

Planning is only as good as the commitment to work

the plan – all planning ultimately degenerates into work.

To monitor this work the plan will have a consistent place on each Parish Pastoral Council agenda.

Priorities and planning dictate the parish's use of resources – financial, personnel and space.

Next Sunday, May 18<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 am parishioners are invited to meet with Council members to reflect on the plan, ask questions and make suggestions on implementation.

Sunday, May 18<sup>th</sup>  
9:00 am  
Social Hall

Yours truly,



Stephen Adrian  
Pastor

## PARISH EVENTS

### COFFEE SUNDAY

Coffee Hour after both Sunday masses is being served by Joanne Smith, Jerry Smith and Marion Wolters – thanks.. . All are welcome to stop by for a hot cup of coffee, good things to eat and conversation in the Social Hall.

### LEISURE CLUB

St. Matthew's Leisure Club will meet on Wednesday, May 14 at 1:30 PM in the social hall. Please purchase tickets for the June luncheon at this time. Date: June 11 at 12:00 PM. It will be a pork dinner catered by Magnolias, price \$11.00. Please invite a friend to dinner also.

### SHARING THE GOOD NEWS

Do you know of anyone who might be interested in becoming a Catholic or in learning more about the Catholic faith? It may be a member of your own family, a relative or a neighbor who is not presently a member of the Catholic Church. If you are interested or know of someone who is, please call the parish office 651-224-9793.

### HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

Habitat for Humanity is gearing up for another season. This year we know our work week early enough for everyone to work it into their summer schedule. We will be working July 14 through 18 at Van Cleve Court in Minneapolis. The only requirement is a willingness to be a good steward. Either catch me after church or call me at 651-222-2867. Ginny

## EDUCATION AND FAITH FORMATION NEWS

### FIRST COMMUNIONS CELEBRATED THIS WEEKEND

Saturday, May 10, 5:00 PM - Estaban Salazar, Chase Barrera. Sunday, May 11, 10:30 AM - Cassandra Hatfield, Antonio Solis, Alexis Kramer. Please welcome them to the Lord's Table with open arms and offer your congratulations.

### SAINT BERNARD'S CATHOLIC AID COUNCIL DINNER

Saint Bernard's Catholic Aid Council is having a Pork Roast & Sauerkraut Dinner, Saturday, May 17 from 4:00-7:00 PM. Dinner includes: Potatoes, Dumplings, Gravy, Dessert, and Beverage. Bottomless cups of coffee. Prices: Adults \$7.00 Children 12 and under \$3.00. The proceeds from this fundraiser will be donated to Saint Bernard's School, plus the Catholic Aid Association will make a matching grant of up to \$1000.00. For more information call 488-6733.

### VESPERS-RECEPTION FOR BISHOP RICHARD PATES

Archbishop John C. Nienstedt and Archbishop Harry J. Flynn and the Archdiocese of Saint Paul and Minneapolis extend an invitation to a Vespers service on Wednesday, May 14, 2008 at the Cathedral of Saint Paul. 7:00 PM Vespers, 7:45 PM-9:15 PM Reception.

### ROSARY SOCIETY MEETING

The Rosary Society meets on Tuesday, May 13 at 6:45 p.m. We will begin with rosary, benediction and installation of officers in the chapel and follow up with meeting in the social hall. This will be the last meeting until fall.

### AN INVITATION TO SOLITUDE

Get away in early June to the beautiful grounds at St. John's for a time of quiet and reflection. *An Invitation to Solitude* is a five day retreat at St. John's Abbey Guesthouse in Collegeville offered by Loyola Spirituality Center. Your room in the new guesthouse has an unobstructed view of Lake Sagatagan. The trails into the forest and around the lakes literally begin at the front door. The retreat includes opportunities for daily spiritual direction, twice a day centering prayer, daily Eucharist, the Liturgy of the Hours with the Abbey community, and a tour of the St. John's Bible. Dates of the retreat are June 8 through June 13, 2008. The cost is \$550 which includes all meals (limited scholarship money is available). Call for information or to register: 651/641-0008 or register on-line at [www.loyolaspiritualitycenter.org](http://www.loyolaspiritualitycenter.org). Register by Friday, May 30. Space is limited.

### ARBY'S/SBARRO NIGHT

Join St. Matthew's School families for the last Arby's/Sbarro night of the School Year on Thursday, May 15, from 4:00-8:00 PM at the Arby's/Sbarro on Robert Street. Tell them you are from St. Matthew's and the school receives 20% of your total order. Hope to see you there.

## THIS WEEK AT SAINT MATTHEW

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>May 11</b>
<b>Monday</b>	<b>May 12</b>
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
6:30 PM, SC	EAC meeting
6:45 PM, XC	Boy Scout Meeting
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>May 13</b>
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
6:30 PM, SC	Home & School mtg.
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>May 14</b>
9:00 AM, MC	Project Rainbow Mass
12:00-7:00 PM, PC	St. Mary's Clinic
1:30 PM, SH	Leisure Club
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
8:00 PM, SH	Men's Club mtg.
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>May 15</b>
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
4:00-8:00 PM	Arby's/Sbarro Night
<b>Friday</b>	<b>May 16</b>
9:00-11:00 AM	Kindergarten Visit Day
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>May 17</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>May 18</b>

### Abbreviations:

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

STEWARDSHIP

In the second reading today, St. Paul reminds the Corinthians: “There are different gifts, but the same Spirit; there are different ministries but the same Lord.” What are my different gifts? What are my different ministries? Am I using them for the Lord? for the common good?

Service: Another—broader—thank you for all who made Reunion Sunday a success: to the coordinator, Jan Mike Casillas [St. Matt’s ‘75]; to the servers: Samantha Casillas [‘06]; Becca Goldenstein [‘07], Emily Smith [‘08], Bridget Goldenstein [‘10], Nicole Brown [‘10], Hannah Delmont [‘12], Jack Smith [‘10], Holly Casillas [‘14]; to parent/parishioner workers: Pat Weber Sekevitch ‘63], John Sekevitch, Kathy Goldenstein, Jennifer Delmont, Sister Caroline Fasnacht, Peter Casillas, Lynn Volkenant; to the school hosts: Doug Lieser and Lynn Volkenant. Thanks for donations from: Wabasha Deli [Stephen Mike], John and Pat Sekevitch, Sister Virginia Bieren, Connor Sexton.

About 25 alums from the class of ‘58 were present; and about 35 alums from other classes attended Mass, brunch, and school tour.

Heads up for next year: Reunion Sunday will be May 3, 2009. Anniversary classes—the 4s and 9s—will be featured, especially the 50 year class—1959.

Sharing Last weekend \$11,036 was contributed [electronically, by mail, plate and in envelopes at Mass]. Thank you. Total to date is \$415,138. That is 2.7% behind the budgeted amount [about \$259 per Sunday]. All are reminded the expenses of the parish and its programs do not take any breaks during the summer. We stewards are challenged to be faithful on a regular, consistent basis.

Additionally: \$1,515 was given in education envelopes; \$343 was given in holyday envelopes; \$10 for Romania and \$5 for the food shelf. Thank you to all for all.

Young People’s Stewardship: \$3.25 Thank you!

Fall Festival: About four months away; now is the time for planning a wonderful weekend of events. Come to the first of such meetings: Wednesday, May 14 at 7:00PM in the Parish Center. Thanks for your presence.

WEEKLY READINGS

Readings for the Week of May 11, 2008

- Sunday: Vigil: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39  
Day: Acts 2:1-11/1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13/Jn 20:19-23
- Monday: Jas 1:1-11/Mk 8:11-13
- Tuesday: Jas 1:12-18/Mk 8:14-21
- Wednesday: Acts 1:15-17, 20-26/Jn 15:9-17
- Thursday: Jas 2:1-9/Mk 8:27-33
- Friday: Jas 2:14-24, 26/Mk 8:34—9:1
- Saturday: Jas 3:1-10/Mk 9:2-13
- Next Sunday: Ex 34:4b-6, 8-9/2 Cor 13:11-13/Jn 3:16-18

PARISH DIRECTORY

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Pastoral Staff

Pastor..... *Father Stephen Adrian*  
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Dir. Music & Liturgy .....*Bonnie Faber*  
Dir. Child Care.....*Shar LaVelle*  
Dir. KLT Kids .....*Cherri Trapp*  
Dir. Marketing & Development.....*Maureen Gitlin*  
Bookkeeper ..... *Cindy Hoffman*  
Administrative Assistant ..... *Nicole Johnson*  
Dir. Food Service ..... *Alice Schletty*  
Parish Engineer.....*David Rosas*

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Child Care Center..... 651-224-1459  
Liturgy and Music Voicemail..... 651-310-0830  
Prayerline ..... 651-686-5463 or 651-455-6886

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 Nicole Johnson  
Connie Aligada Sister Joanna Illg  
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