

The Community of St. Matthew



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



Dear Saint Matthew Community and Visitors:

Today we celebrate the Feast of Corpus Christi -- the Feast of the Body of Christ. This feast arises out of Eucharistic devotion in the Middle Ages. The more ancient feast of the Holy Eucharist is the Solemn Supper of the Lord on Holy Thursday.

The Church has long maintained that the reserved Eucharist, the Eucharist left over after Sunday Mass, is kept for communion to the sick, for Viaticum -- the final communion before death, and for devotion and adoration.

The Feast of Corpus Christi emphasizes the last purpose of retaining the Eucharist after Sunday Mass -- to provide an opportunity for devotional prayer and worship.

At Saint Matthew's we have Eucharistic Adoration once a month, on the First Friday of the month between 7:15 am and 5:15 pm in the Chapel. Eucharistic adoration begins after the morning Mass and concludes before the afternoon Mass. There are some churches that have "perpetual adoration" -- adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 24/7.

At Saint Matthew's we have difficulty finding people willing and able to spend a half hour of prayer in the chapel before the Blessed Sacrament on the First Friday of the month. This really should not be difficult with a parish of more than 2500 members.

If you are willing to take a half hour for this private prayer time on First Friday's, **please call Marie Cafilisch -- 651-227-1259**. Marie takes care of the "adoration schedule" for the First Friday's of the month.

The celebration of the Eucharist is the central act of worship for the Church, and the reverence and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament flows from this central sacramental act of worship.

Yours truly,



Stephen Adrian
Pastor

PARISH EVENTS

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED MEMORIAL DAY

The parish office will be closed Monday, May 30 in observance of Memorial Day.

MEMORIAL DAY MASS

Monday, May 30, 2005
9:00 AM

There will be no 6:45 AM Mass on Memorial Day.

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

The Habitat for Humanity week this year will be August 1-5. Please, I need help doing bulletin announcements, bulletin board, sign-ups and other things of that nature. If you can help please call Ginny at 651-222-2867.

FALL FESTIVAL PLANNING MEETINGS

St. Matthew's Festival weekend is September 17 and 18. Kick-off meetings will be held on Tuesday, June 7 at 7 pm and Sunday, June 12 at 9:15 am in the Social Hall and should take 1 hour. Come to either meeting with an idea, come to help, or come to listen and express your opinion, but do come! Do you have an idea for a booth your family or friends would be willing to operate? We'll pay the expenses, you do the work. Can't make the meeting, stop by the Scrip table after any mass and talk to me. If you have any questions or comments, please call or email Tim Nowak @ 651-687-2850 weekdays or 651-450-4975 evenings/weekends. Email address: timothy.nowak@usfamily.net. Summer will be a good time to start gathering the items that will be needed: theme baskets, collectibles, pristine items, donated services, antiques. THE SUCCESS OF THE FESTIVAL IS DEPENDENT ON THE SUPPORT OF THE PARISH COMMUNITY! The festival committee members are the coordinators of the event.

EDUCATION AND FAITH FORMATION NEWS



CATECHISTS NEEDED FOR FALL, 2005

The St. Matthew's Religious Education program which meets on Wednesday evenings during the school year is looking for new Catechists for the 2005 - 2006 school year. If you enjoy children and would like to share your faith with them this volunteer opportunity is for you. If you are interested please contact Beth Behnke at 651-224-6912.

ARE YOU LOOKING FOR GRADUATION AND FATHER'S DAY GIFTS? SCRIP is available after all weekend masses and at St. Matthew's School during the week. There are gas cards, retail stores and restaurants available. What a quick and easy way to purchase gifts!

NEW LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULES ARE READY!

Our new schedule runs from May 21 thru Labor Day. Please save us postage by picking up your schedule from the back of church. If you cannot find an envelope with your name on it (or want a hard copy in addition to your electronic copy) there are extra schedules on the counter in the Sacristy. This schedule covers the ministries of Altar Server, Communion Minister, Gift Bearer, Lector & Usher/Greeter.

LEISURE CLUB

Our June luncheon will be held on June 8 at 1:00 PM in the Social Hall for all members. Please purchase your \$10.00 ticket by June 1 (deadline date). For any questions call Gayle Stelter at 228-0856.

ST. LUKE'S AND IHMALUMNI, WE ARE LOOKING FOR YOU.

Did you graduate from St. Luke's Grade School between 1905 and 1991? Or Immaculate Heart of Mary between 1953-1990? How about IHM-St. Luke's between 1992-2004? Get on our mailing list: alumni@ihm-stlukes.org or call Julie (Hermes) Hersman (St. Luke's class of 1976): 651-773-2188 for more information and how to get involved. And, mark your calendar for the evening of June 4, 2005, when decades of alum converge for the party of the century. There will be ONE celebration Mass held at the Church of St. Luke at 4:30 pm (IHM 4 pm Mass will be the regular Saturday Mass.) followed by an evening of drinks and hors d'oeuvres at IHM-St. Luke's School.

THIS WEEK AT SAINT MATTHEW

Sunday	May 29
Monday	May 30
Memorial Day —	Parish Office Closed
9:00 AM, MC	Memorial Day Mass
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
6:45 PM, XC	Boy Scout Meeting
Tuesday	May 31
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
Wednesday	June 1
12:00-7:00 PM, PC	St. Mary's Clinic
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
Thursday	June 2
12:00-7:00 PM, PC	St. Mary's Clinic
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
Friday	June 3
Saturday	June 4
Sunday	June 5
10:30 AM, MC	8th Grade Graduation

Abbreviations:

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

STEWARDSHIP

DONATIONS FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 22, 2005

Sunday Envelopes and Plate	\$6049.30
Youth and Children Envelopes	\$2.40
Holy Day	\$22.00

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, May 29	8:00 AM Earl Cafilisch 10:30 AM Parishioners
Monday, May 30	9:00 AM Dorothy O'Day (Anniversary)
Tuesday, May 31	Gloria Bartolerio
Wednesday, June 1	Parishioners
Thursday, June 2	World Peace
Friday, June 3	6:45 AM Parishioners 5:15 PM Arthur Geis
Saturday, June 4	Parishioners
Sunday, June 5	8:00 AM Living & deceased members of the Rosary Society 10:30 AM Parishioners

WEEKLY READINGS

Readings for the Week of May 29, 2005

Sunday:	Dt 8:2-3, 14b-16a/ 1 Cor 10:16-17/ Jn 6:51-58
Monday:	Tb 1:3; 2:1a-8/ Mk 12:1-12
Tuesday:	Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16/ Lk 1:39-56
Wednesday:	Tb 3:1-11a, 16-17a/ Mk 12:18-27
Thursday:	Tb 6:10-11; 7:1bcd, 9-17; 8:4-9a/ Mk 12:28-34
Friday:	Dt 7:6-11/ 1 Jn 4:7-16/ Mt 11:25-30
Saturday:	Tb 12:1, 5-15, 20/ Lk 2:41-51
Next Sunday:	Hos 6:3-6/ Rom 4:18-25/ Mt 9:9-13

PARISH DIRECTORY

Saint Matthew Church Office..... 651-224-9793
Web site: st-matts.org
Bulletin Email: bulletin.editor@st-matts.org

Pastoral Staff

Pastor..... *Father Stephen Adrian*
Priest in Residence *Father Marty Warren*
Deacon..... *Rev. John Murphy*
Dir. Education & Formation.....*Beth Behnke*
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*

Phone Numbers

Fax..... 651-228-9448
Parish School..... 651-224-6912
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 three months prior to wedding.

Parish Council Members

Linda Sellars	Becky Montgomery
Marty Olson	John Sekevitch
Suzanne Clarke	Doug Kennedy
Larry Sachi	Connie Aligada

Committee Chairs

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