

The Community of St. Matthew



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



Dear Saint Matthew Community and Visitors:

The first Sunday of May is “All School Reunion Sunday”. Today we welcome Saint Matt’s alums and in a special way acknowledge those for whom this is the 25th, 30th, 35th, 40th, 45th, 50th, 55th, 60th, 65th, 70th, 75th and 80th anniversary of their graduation from Saint Matthew’s School.

Since 1888 Saint Matthew’s School has served families of our parish and West Side community in educating young people to take their place as strong, effective, vibrant, well educated, highly motivated and religiously grounded members of their family, church, community and society.

Some alums come back this weekend for the first time in many years to reacquaint themselves with classmates and teachers. Some come from great distances to celebrate. Many alums continue to live in the Saint Matthew’s parish community and the metro area.

After the 10:30 Mass they will gather and enjoy a brunch in the social hall and then have the opportunity to visit the school and talk with classmates, friends and some teachers of their youth.

The approach to education changes with the years, the methods of education change as well; yet, the

object of education remains the same: a guided opportunity for each student to develop the talents and gifts with which God has endowed him/her.

Over the past few years The Friends and Alums of Saint Matthew’s School have successfully reconnected alums with their school through the bi-monthly newsletter, *The Good News From Saint Matthew*. Alums have generously supported our annual giving program to make tuition assistance available to current families and some have become active as volunteers in our school.

I am delighted and proud to welcome alums back to their *alma mater*, their lives are the success stories of Saint Matthew’s School.

Yours truly,



Stephen Adrian
Pastor

PARISH EVENTS

COFFEE SUNDAY

There is no coffee hour after either Sunday morning masses as St. Matthew’s School welcomes back the class of 1959 for a gathering in the Social Hall. C4aC will return on Mother’s Day (Sunday, May 10) with Casa Guadalupana serving.

SAVE THE DATE!

This year’s parish Fall Festival will be held on September 19-20. Spread the word to family and friends!

MOTHER’S DAY RAFFLE

This is your last chance to buy tickets for the Rosary Society’s raffle which includes prizes for three restaurants, three grocery stores, two gasoline stations, and three fast food places. The ticket states that the drawing will be May 4, but we will actually draw the winners on Thursday May 7 to give you a chance to get your tickets in. Mail your tickets and a check to Rosary Society, 490 Hall Ave. St. Paul, MN 55107. Thank you.

“I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. These also I must lead, and they will hear my voice, and there will be one flock, one shepherd. This is why the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again.” - Jn 10:16-17

EDUCATION AND
FAITH FORMATION NEWS

Community of Saint Matthew Parish Pastoral Council Agenda - May 7 th , 2009 Facilitator: Becky Montgomery	
6:45 to 7:00 pm	Reflection
7:00 pm	Business Meeting
I.	Public Comments
II.	Consensus on Agenda
III.	Consensus regarding Minutes
IV.	Committee/Task Force Reports
A.	Outreach
-	Family Fun Nights
-	Coffee for a Cause May 17 th
B.	Liturgy/Spirituality
C.	C. Education/Formation
V.	Parish Ministerial Fair
-	October 10 th and 11 th , 2009
VI.	Discernment Process Update
VII.	Parish Council Visibility
VIII.	Other Business
VIII.	Items for Next Meeting
IX.	Adjournment

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

All you lectors, Eucharistic ministers, Altar servers, ushers, greeters and gift bearers time flies and it is time to get your scheduling conflicts in for the next period. The new schedule will cover from the Sunday after Memorial Day [May 31] through the Sunday before Labor Day [Sept 6]. Please get the information to Ginny no later than Wed. May 6, 2009 at 5:00 pm. If there is anyone who would like to join any of these ministries please feel free to also use this contact information. 651-222-2867 or GBD1252@comcast.net. If you would consider being a Sacristan/Mass Coordinator at either the 10:30 or 5:00 masses please let us know.

62ND ANNUAL MAY DAY FAMILY ROSARY PROCESSION

On Sunday, May 3rd, 2009, Archbishop John Neinstedt will be leading the Family Rosary Procession from the Minnesota State Capitol to the Cathedral of Saint Paul. It is the goal of the Procession Committee to unite thousands of individuals and families in the prayer of the Rosary and Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament, for the intentions of families and for a renewed culture of life. Gathering time is at 1:30 PM on the State Capitol lawn. Details and more on the procession website: www.familyrosaryprocession.org.

THIS WEEK AT
SAINT MATTHEW

Sunday	May 3
10:30 AM, MC	School Reunion Sunday
Monday	May 4
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
6:30 PM, XC	Boy Scout Meeting
7:00 PM, PC	Liturgy Committee
Tuesday	May 5
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
Wednesday	May 6
12:00-7:00 PM, PC	St. Mary's Clinic
2:45 PM, SC	Children's Choir
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
5:00 PM, MC	HummDingers
6:30 PM, PC	Fall Festival meeting
7:00 PM, MC	Adult Choir
Thursday	May 7
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
6:45 PM, PC	Parish Council
Friday	May 8
Saturday	May 9
Sunday	May 10
Mother's Day	

Abbreviations:

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

STEWARDSHIP

To be good stewards, we must be good shepherds, willing to lay down our lives for those committed to our care, not mere hired hands who run off, "leaving the sheep to be snatched and scattered by the wolf."

Sharing Last weekend—through the usual four methods—\$8,457 was contributed. Thank you. The total—year-to-date—is \$389,103. That amount is 5.2% [\$21,347] behind the budget.

Other donations: \$60 in school envelopes; \$25 for the food shelf; \$88 in holyday envelopes—both Easter and Ascension. Thank you.

Young People's Stewardship: \$3.18, Thank you! They wrote: 1 hour in prayer; helped a kid at school.

Eagle Project: Connor Ward, a parishioner and Eagle scout candidate in Inver Grove Heights is doing his service project here at Saint Matthew's. Next weekend he will speak after Communion about a service to Neighborhood House. He will invite all to participate; he'll have a means for participation.

Electronics needs: 1) do you like to work with an iPod? Would you be willing and interested to make certain the homily is recorded each weekend? How about every other week? 2) do you have talent and time for web design? The web page for the parish could use some "re-modeling."

For questions or response to either, please call the parish office.

Fall Festival: the next meeting of the committee is Wednesday, May 6 at 6:30PM in the social hall. Thank you to some women who have taken the leadership: Joan Lannon, Angela Pirkl, Jan Steinbrenner, Elaine Goldberg. Come and share your ideas and offer your help.

WEEKLY READINGS

Readings for the week of May 3, 2009

- Sunday: Acts 4:8-12/1 Jn 3:1-2/Jn 10:11-18
- Monday: Acts 11:1-18/Jn 10:1-10
- Tuesday: Acts 11:19-26/Jn 10:22-30
- Wednesday: Acts 12:24---13:5a/Jn 12:44-50
- Thursday: Acts 13:13-25/Jn 13:16-20
- Friday: Acts 13:26-33/Jn 14:1-6
- Saturday: Acts 13:44-52/Jn 14:7-14
- Next Sunday: Acts 9:26-31/1 Jn 3:18-24/Jn 15:1-8

PARISH DIRECTORY

Saint Matthew Church Office..... 651-224-9793
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Pastoral Staff

Pastor..... *Father Stephen Adrian*
 Deacon..... *Rev. John Murphy*
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 Dir. Child Care and KLT *Shar Lavelle*
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 Child Care Center..... 651-224-1459
 Prayer line 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 Chris Stevens
 Jason Delmont Anthony Minus
 David Burrows Joyce Osborne
 Stephen Adrian