

# The Community of St. Matthew

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## SUMMER SCRIP CHALLENGE

June 1 – August 31

**Earn a raffle ticket for every \$25 in  
Scrip you purchase. Prize drawings  
will be held the last Sunday of each  
month!**

Scrip is available after all Masses in the back of church or  
at the school office during regular business hours on weekdays.

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

Dear Saint Matthew Community and Visitors:

This is Memorial Day Weekend!

When I was a child most people in the neighborhood referred to it as “Decoration Day” – the time to go to cemeteries and graveyards, clip and cut the grass around graves of family members, clean up the winter debris, place fresh cuts – often lilac taken from the back yard – in mason jars on the headstones of those who have gone before us.

It was a somber time, families walking slowly through the cemetery, looking at gravestones, talking with each other in hushed tones, pointing out the graves of neighbors and friends, telling stories of yesteryear – a time to remember – thus “memorial day”.

In a special way it is day a remember those who gave their lives in defense of our nation, and this year we have new names and faces to remember – the names and faces of those who went to Iraq and didn’t return alive.

For most of us it also marks “the first day of summer”. This weekend is the time to get the garden in, buy the bedding and vegetable plants from the market.

It is for many the first picnic or family bar-b-cue of the season.

In bygone days it was also the time to take down the storm windows and hoist the screens – wash windows, air out the house, stow away the down comforters of winter and break out the light cotton blankets of spring and summer.

Memorial Day Weekend marks a change, a change of season, change of activity, a new opportunity, a fresh start – the times and seasons provide us with such opportunities regularly.

There are many activities scheduled for this weekend, make some time to just “remember” – remember those who have gone before, remember those who gave their lives for freedom, tell stories, recall memories, look at family pictures, help younger people remember the heroes and heroines of family history. Remember the graciousness of God in your life.

Yours truly,



Stephen Adrian  
Pastor

## PARISH EVENTS

### CHOIR SEASON IS ENDING!

Last weekend our Parish Youth and Adult Hand Bell Choirs ministered at their last mass for the season. Our Adult Vocal Choir completes this season of ministry this weekend. Thank you for your dedicated service to our worshipping community and may this summer be an enjoyable and restful one. We you energized and eager to return to ministry this fall! Our Guitar Group and faithful Cantors will continue their ministry through the summer, God bless 'em. If anyone in the assembly has been “sitting on” a gift of song or music, please give prayerful consideration to sharing that gift in worship. Talk to Dana after mass any time this summer —or leave her a message at 651-310-0830.

MEMORIAL DAY MASS  
MONDAY, MAY 31, 2004  
9:00 AM in the church

There will be no 6:45 AM mass on Monday.

### THE NEW LITURGICAL SCHEDULES ARE READY FOR PICK UP!!!

If you are a Communion Minister, Altar Server, Lector, Usher/Greeter Gift Bearer please pick up your schedule from the back of church. This schedule covers June 6 through September 5.

### CENTERING PRAYER GROUP

Meetings in June will be June 11 and June 25 in the Parish Center beginning at 9:30 AM. You are most welcome to attend whether this is a new form of prayer for you or one with which you are familiar.

## EDUCATION AND FAITH FORMATION NEWS



### WHAT IS SCRIP?

**THE FUNDRAISER THAT COSTS YOU NOTHING.** Scrip are certificates for local merchants (including groceries, gas, restaurants and other retailers) that you purchase after masses on weekend or at the school during the week (9:00 AM-2:00 PM during the month of June) for face value. Then go shopping like normal using your certificate to pay for your purchase. The school receives a percentage in return based on your certificate purchase.

### SUMMER SCRIP CHALLENGE

We have set a goal of \$30,000 in Scrip certificate purchases over the 13 weeks of summer. This goal is reachable if 100 certificates of \$25 are sold each week. Each \$25 purchase will earn you a raffle ticket for monthly prize drawings. Remember, this is the fundraiser that costs you nothing!!!

### SCHOOL YEAR DRAWS TO A CLOSE

As the school year winds down there are events that we would like to invite members of the Parish to join us. The Kindergarten Graduation Celebration is Wednesday, June 2 at 7:00 PM in the school gym. The Eighth Graders will celebrate their graduation at the 10:30 AM Mass on Sunday, June 6. We welcome you to join our families for these events.

### KEEP COLLECTING!

The Home and School Association will continue to collect Campbell's Soup Labels (and related items), Box Tops for Education and Kemp's Milk tops throughout the summer. Feel free to drop off your labels, box tops and milk caps in the back of church after weekend masses. Thank you for your continued support!

### WHAT ARE YOUR CHILDREN DOING THIS SUMMER?

Did you know the South Family YMCA offers summer programs for children in preschool-8th Grade? Our programs include: Summer Power (grades K-5) and Summer Uproar. Located at South Family YMCA and St. Matthew's School. This is an all day program which features field trips three times per week and swimming in our outdoor pool. We also do fun activities that emphasize the YMCA four core values of Caring, Honesty, Respect and Responsibility. If you are interested in learning more about any of these programs, please contact Cara at 651-457-0048

### APRIL 500 CARD CLUB WINNERS

1st Place—3410—Arlene Kempe & Jean St. Martin; 2nd Place—2910—Marge Lorch & Trudy Ewald.

### FIRST COMMUNIONS CELEBRATED THIS WEEKEND

Sunday, May 30, 10:30 AM—Alyssa Staples, Elise Johnson, Crisanto Dubuc, Alyssa Del Mundo

## THIS WEEK AT SAINT MATTHEW

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>May 30</b>
12:00 PM, CH	Baptism
12:30 PM, CH	Baptism
<b>Monday</b>	<b>May 31</b>
Parish Office Closed	
9:00 AM, MC	Memorial Day Mass
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
6:45 PM, XC	Boy Scout Meeting
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>June 1</b>
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>June 2</b>
12:00-7:00 PM, PC	St. Mary's Clinic
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
7:00 PM, SC	Kindergarten Celebration
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>June 3</b>
12:00-7:00 PM, PC	St. Mary's Clinic
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
<b>Friday</b>	<b>June 4</b>
Last Day of School	
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>June 5</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>June 6</b>
10:30 AM, MC	Eighth Grade Graduation

### Abbreviations:

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

STEWARDSHIP

Sunday, May 23	
Envelopes and Plate	\$6,045.71
Youth & Children's Envelopes	\$ 7.90
School Fund	\$ 20.00
Holy Day	\$ 461.00

*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 30	8:00 AM Rose and Charles Thomas
	10:30 AM Parishioners
Monday, May 31	9:00 AM Parishioners
Tuesday, June 1	Parishioners
Wednesday, June 2	World Peace
Thursday, June 3	Parishioners
Friday, June 4	World Peace
Saturday, June 5	Philip Gilberg Arlene Kammerer James & Michael George
Sunday, June 6	8:00 AM Robert Stickler 10:30 AM Agnes DeFoe Lorraine Heinisch Parishioners

WEEKLY READINGS

Readings for the Week of May 30, 2004

Sunday:	Acts 2:1-11; 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13; Jn 20:19-23
Monday:	Zep 3:14-18; Lk 1:39-56
Tuesday:	2 Pt 3:12-15a, 17-18; Mk 12:13-17
Wednesday:	2 Tm 1:1-3, 6-12; Mk 12:18-27
Thursday:	2 Tm 2:8-15; Mk 12:28b-34
Friday:	2 Tm 3:10-17; Mk 12:35-37
Saturday:	2 Tm 4:1-8; Mk 12:38-44
Next Sunday:	Prv 8:22-31; Rom 5:1-5; Jn 16:12-15

MEMORIAL DAY SERVICES -- CATHOLIC CEMETERIES

Calvary Cemetery—10:00 AM—rain or shine.  
 Resurrection Cemetery—10:00 AM—rain or shine.  
 St. Mary Cemetery—10:00 AM. In case of rain Mass will be held at the Church of St. Joan of Arc.  
 St. Anthony's Cemetery—10:00 AM. In case of rain Mass will be held at Church of St. Clement  
 Gethsemane Cemetery —10:00 AM. In case of rain Mass will be held at St. Raphael.

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*  
 Dir. Education & Formation.....*Beth Behnke*  
 Dir. Music & Liturgy ..... *Dana McCarthy*  
 Dir. Child Care..... *Dimary Rosado*  
 Dir. Marketing & Development.....*Maureen Gitlin*  
 Business Administrator ..... *Debra Lindstedt*  
 Administrative Assistant ..... *Nicole Johnson*  
 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  
 Education Advisory ..... Michele Edwards  
 Liturgy