

The Community of St. Matthew

**Benefit Fundraiser for the Family of
LATERESA SCHLETTY**



Taco Dinner & Silent Auction

Fiesta Plate: 2 Tacos, rice & beans + 1 drink

Saturday, November 19th

Noon - 6:30 pm



At St. Matt's Social Hall
510 Hall Avenue - in St. Paul

Tickets \$10 in advance

or at the door.

Call Tessa or Auggie Garcia for info:

651-248-3009 or 651-455-4778

give-a-ways food drink friends fun

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

Dear Saint Matthew Community and Visitors:

Two weeks ago our parish sent a check for more than \$14,300 to the Church of Saint Matthew The Apostle, our sister parish in the Archdiocese of New Orleans.

Following is the letter I received on October 29th

Dear Father Adrian:

It is with humble appreciation that I accept your donation on behalf of St. Matthew the Apostle Parish. Words cannot express how truly touched we are by the generosity of this gift.

We are located in River Ridge, a suburb of New Orleans. St. Matthew's was founded in 1959 and serves as the worship, education service and social center for our area.

Katrina delta a devastating blow to the region, but she has only made us more determined to fulfill our mission.

St Matthew is very fortunate in that our neighborhood was spared the worst of Katrina. Our church was able to serve without interruption and our school began classes on October 3rd.

Despite the good fortune of the parish plant many of our parish members face difficult challenges due to Katrina and Rita. People have lost homes, jobs, schools and personal and household belongings. We have not, however, lost faith.

Through Saint Vincent DePaul and SMA Cares, our parish's relief effort, we have been able to identify and address many of our community needs. Your kind gift will go a long way to help us meet our goals to help those who still suffer the Katrina and Rita.

Please express our most humble gratitude to your church community. We are blessed to partner with such wonderful, generous people. With kindest personal regards, I am

Sincerely in Christ,

Nghiem Van Nguyen
Pastor

As Thanksgiving comes our way, I take time to both thank God that I did not have to experience the ravages of a hurricane and flood. I'd really don't know how I would have done that. I am also most thankful for the opportunities to stretch out a hand to our sisters and brothers of New Orleans and to have a partner to make sure the funds we collected are put to good use.

Yours truly



Stephen Adrian
Pastor

PARISH EVENTS

BORDER BATTLE 2

Watch the Viking vs Packer football game on the BIG screen in the St. Matthew's Social Hall on Monday November 21. Admission: \$10 Adults, \$5 under 18. Refreshments and snacks provided. Wear your team colors and cheer your team on to victory! Doors open at 7:30 pm.

ROSARY SOCIETY MEETING—TUESDAY

The Rosary Society meets this Tuesday, November 15, in the social hall at 6:45 PM. We will plan the Christmas Bake Sale and make greeting cards for Thanksgiving and Christmas. All women are invited to come and find out about the Rosary Society and its activities.

"CYCLE B" ST. JOSEPH'S MISSALS

Missals are available for purchase at the back of church. Our new liturgical year begins November 27th and this year's Cycle B will be significantly different from previous Cycle B missals you may have on your shelf at home. This year Christmas & New Years fall on Sunday. Purchase price is \$5.00.

"THE PASTORAL CONSTITUTION ON THE CHURCH IN THE MODERN WORLD -- FORTY YEARS LATER -- HAS IT ANYTHING TO SAY TO US?"

Join us for a presentation and discussion of Father Adrian's paper presented in Rome last spring. Father will present his paper between Masses in the Social Hall on November 20, 2005 beginning at 9:00AM and ending at 10:00AM. Refreshments will be served, and all are welcome to attend. Please invite your family members and children to join us as we discuss this paper.

ST. MATTHEW'S MEN'S CLUB HOLIDAY AUCTION

On Wednesday December 7, 6:30 pm the Men's Club annual holiday auction will take place in the Social Hall. All the proceeds go to the St. Matthew's Holiday Giving and the School Sisters of Notre Dame Retirement Fund. Donations are needed and pick-up is available. Call Wayne (651-451-9726) or Tim (651-450-4975).

HARVEST OF SOULS

We invite you to fill out a prayer card for remembrance of deceased loved ones who are not inscribed in the Books of Remembrance displayed by our Paschal Candle. Place the card in the basket provided. May perpetual light shine upon them and upon all who have died in the hope of Christ's resurrection

EDUCATION AND FAITH FORMATION NEWS



FIRST COMMUNION PREPARATION CLASS

Students preparing for First Communion and their parents will meet on Tuesday, November 15 in the chapel at 7:00 PM for our first class. Students and parents should have completed the first two chapters of their

books before Tuesday's class.

ARBY'S/S'BARRO NIGHT

Thursday, November 17 is St. Matthew's Night at the West St. Paul Arby's/Sbarro. From 5:00-8:00 PM, 20% of all sales will come back to St. Matthew's School if you tell your order taker that you are with St. Matthew's. **NEW THIS MONTH-** we now have SCRIP available for Arby's! Pick up yours at the SCRIP table following all masses.

10:30 CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD NEEDS YOUR HELP!

In order to provide a "quality" time for our little ones, our leaders need adult assistants to help with the children. PLEASE consider helping out once or twice a month. Call Gloria Deziel at 651-714-7009 or go down wit the kids next time and check out what's happening.

SCRIP FOR THE HOLIDAYS

The Holiday season is approaching fast. SCRIP makes great holiday gifts for everyone on your gift giving list. We have recently added Arby's and Bucca di Beppo to our on hand inventory. Special orders and large holiday orders should be placed as soon as possible to guarantee pre-holiday delivery. All proceeds from the SCRIP program go to St. Matthew's School and are used to meet a variety of needs. Happy Shopping!

THANKSGIVING DINNER — CHEROKEE SIRLOIN ROOM

For almost two decades, the Casper Family and staff of the Cherokee Sirloin Room have provided a community Thanksgiving Dinner free of charge. This opportunity is meant for anyone who would find it inconvenient to celebrate Thanksgiving at home or those who are away from home. Come with your friends, come with your family, come alone. All are welcome. Last year more than 2500 dinners were eaten at the restaurant or delivered to homes. If you would like a ticket for dinner or home delivery please call the Church office at 651-224-9793.

ECUMENICAL THANKSGIVING SERVICE

West Side churches are hosting an Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service on Tuesday, November 22, 7:00 PM at St. Matthew's. Sponsoring congregations include St. Matthew's, Holy Trinity/San Martin Lutheran Church, Cherokee Park United Church, Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church, Hmong Community United Methodist Church and the St. Paul Mennonite Fellowship. There will be an Ecumenical Choir as part of the service. Interested singers are asked to come to St. Matthew's at 6:15 Pm, the day of the service, for a choir rehearsal. A fellowship hour will follow the service. Everyone is welcome.

THIS WEEK AT SAINT MATTHEW

Sunday

4:00 PM, MC
5:00 PM, CH
5:45 PM, SH

November 13

Confirmation Class
Confirmation Mass
Confirmation Meal

Monday

3:00 PM, SH
6:45 PM, XC

November 14

Loaves and Fishes
Boy Scout Meeting

Tuesday

3:00 PM, SH
7:00 PM, CH

November 15

Loaves and Fishes
First Communion Preparation Class

Wednesday

12:00-7:00 PM, PC
3:00 PM, SH
6:30 PM, SC

November 16

St. Mary's Clinic
Loaves and Fishes
Religious Education Class, Grades 1-10

Thursday

3:00 PM, SH
5:00-8:00 PM
5:00 PM, MC
7:00 PM, MC

November 17

Loaves and Fishes
Arby's/S'Barro Nite
Youth Choir
Adult Choir

Friday

November 18

Saturday

12:00-5:00 PM,
SH

November 19

Schletty Benefit Dinner and Auction

Sunday

12:00 PM, CH
12:30 PM, CH

November 20

Baptism
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Abbreviations:

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

STEWARDSHIP

Plate and envelope-November 6: \$9,768.80
 Needed per week: \$9,457.00

Plate & envelope to date: \$152,453.00
 Need to date: \$170,226.00
 -27,541.00

Children's Envelopes \$1.00
 School Collection \$1,155.77
 Holy Day \$1,036.70

Stewardship is a way of life—a graciousness by which I return to God a portion of what God has lavished. s.j. adrian

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, November 13 8:00 AM Agnes Stefaniak
 Agnes DeFoe, John Meyers
 10:30 AM Parishioners
 Monday, November 14 Helen Lang (anniversary)
 Tuesday, November 15 Edward Snaza
 Wednesday, November 16 Parishioners
 Thursday, November 17 World Peace
 Friday, November 18
 Saturday, November 19 The Bisciglia Family
 Joseph Karas, Sr.
 Joseph Karas, Jr.
 Sunday, November 20 8:00 AM Robert Stickler, Sr
 Carol & Douglas Nehring
 (55th Anniversary)
 10:30 AM Jim Dieter
 Parishioners

WEEKLY READINGS

Readings for the Week of November 13, 2005
 Sunday: Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31/ 1 Thes 5:1-6/
 Mt 25:14-30
 Monday: 1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63/
 Lk 18:35-43
 Tuesday: 2 Mc 6:18-31/ Lk 19:1-10
 Wednesday: 2 Mc 7:1, 20-31/ Lk 19:11-28
 Thursday: 1 Mc 2:15-29/ Lk 19:41-44
 Friday: 1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59/ Lk 19:45-48
 Saturday: 1 Mc 6:1-13/ Lk 20:27-40
 Next Sunday: Ez 34:11-12, 15-17/ 1 Cor 15:20-26, 28/
 Mt 25:31-46

PARISH DIRECTORY

Saint Matthew Church Office.....651-224-9793
 Web site: st-matts.org
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Pastoral Staff

Pastor..... *Father Stephen Adrian*
 Deacon..... *Rev. John Murphy*
 Dir. Education & Formation.....*Doug Lieser*
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 Dir. Marketing & Development..... *Maureen Gitlin*
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Phone Numbers

Fax..... 651-228-9448
 Parish School..... 651-224-6912
 Extended Day..... 651-228-1535
 KLT Kids 651-665-0786
 Liturgy and Music Voicemail..... 651-310-0830
 Prayerline Receiver..... 651-222-3622

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

Parish Council email: *parishcouncil@st-matts.org*

Becky Montgomery Larry Sachi
 Marty Olson John Sekevitch
 Connie Aligada Sister Joanna Illg
 Lucus Ecker Mark Thomford
 Tony Joe Wenker Stephen Adrian

Committee Chairs

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