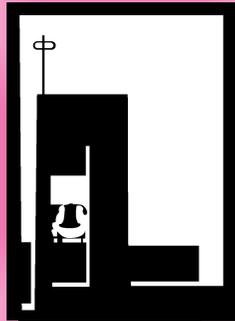
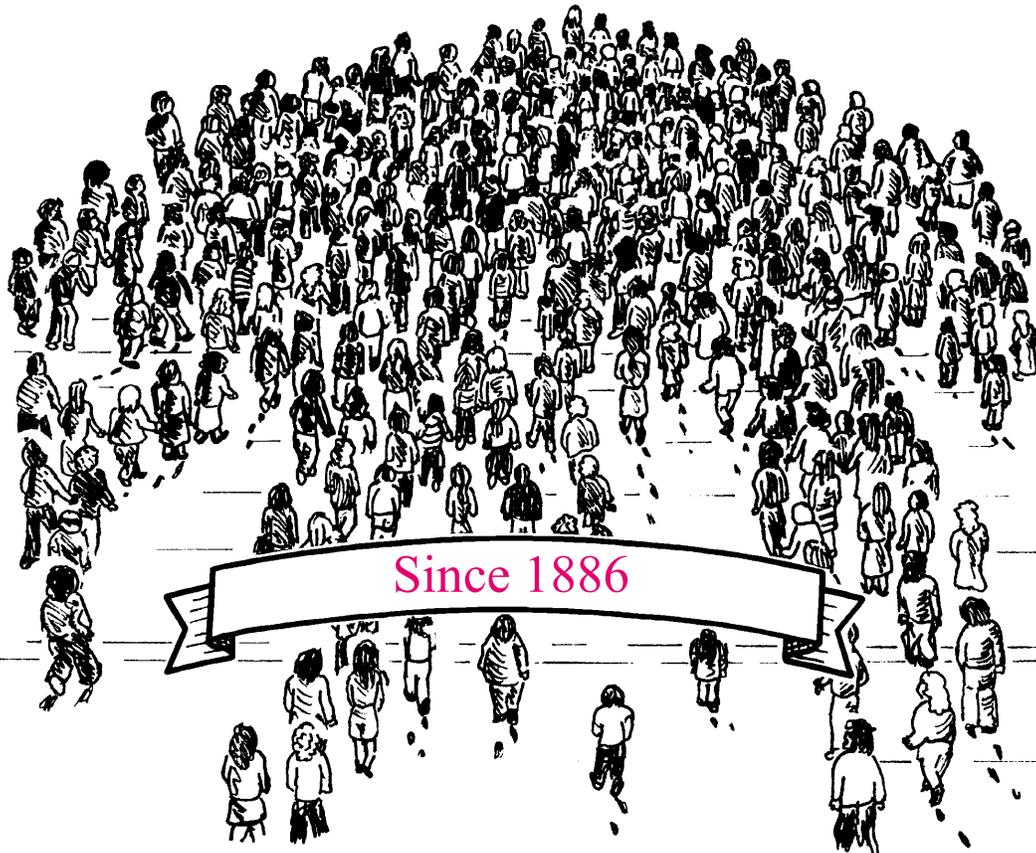


# The Community of St. Matthew



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



Dear Saint Matthew Community and Visitors:

The Adult Enrichment Committee has been meeting and doing long range planning for our observance of the Season of Lent. Last year you walked the journey of Lent in the footsteps of John XXIII. We reflected on the words of John as we sought to walk more deeply in the suffering, death and resurrection of Jesus.

This year we are considering the writings and the lives to two great 20<sup>th</sup> century American Catholics – Dorothy Day and Thomas Merton.

Both figures captured the imagination and interest of Americans; both are converts to the faith; both came to faith through difficult and soul wrenching experiences; both lived and wrote for Catholics with an American experience.

This year a bright, young author, Paul Elie, produced his first book, [The Life You Save May Be Your Own](#). His writing has appeared in *The New Republic*, *Commonweal* and other journals.

In the middle of the 20<sup>th</sup> century four American Catholics, working independently, came to believe that the best way to explore the questions of faith was in writing.

Thomas Merton was a Trappist monk in Kentucky, Dorothy Day was the foundress of the Catholic Worker Movement, Flannery O'Connor was a literary prodigy in Georgia, and Walker Percy was a doctor in New Orleans who quit medicine to write fiction and philosophy. For three decades these four people exchanged correspondence, read each other's

books, and grappled with what one of them called a "predicament shared in common".

All four of these authors explored Catholic faith and practice; all struggled with what it means to be a disciple; all found a uniquely American experience of Catholicism.

Especially the first two, Dorothy Day and Thomas Merton captured the attention of the nation, and offered a challenge for spiritual living to a post world war affluent and powerful people.

They may be welcome and helpful guides as we walk the journey of Lent in 2004. If you would like to offer the Adult Enrichment Committee some ideas, advice and help, please feel free to call the Church Office – 224-9793.

In the meantime, both Merton and Day wrote autobiographies – Merton, [The Seven Story Mountain](#) and Day, [The Long Loneliness](#). If you wish to discover or rediscover their lives in their own words you might read these – they can be readily gotten in any good used bookstore. You might also wish to dip into Elie's book.

We can learn a lot from heroes and heroines; from giants of faith.

Yours truly,

Stephen Adrian  
Pastor

## PARISH EVENTS

### ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

Young people 4th grade and over who are interested in becoming an altar server, are asked to contact the Parish Center at 224-9793. There will be a **mandatory training** on Sunday, October 26 in the Church. The training will be at 9:15 AM (between the masses). Be sure to reserve your spot by calling the Parish Center.

### MARK YOUR CALENDARS—CELEBRATE WITH FATHER STEVE HIS 35TH JUBILEE

On Saturday, December 6 there will be a dinner in honor of Father Steve. Cost of the evening will be \$35 per person. Watch next week's bulletin for your invitation to this event.

### WORKBOOK FOR LECTORS AND GOSPEL READERS

If you are a LECTOR you will find this to be a valuable tool for your ministry. You can order one on the sheet provided in the main sacristy next to the Ministry Sign-in Board. A sample copy is there if you want to examine it first before ordering. The cost per book is \$10.00. Supplies are limited.

### HOSPITALITY SIGN-UP

Joanne Smith spoke to all 3 masses last weekend on how YOU can help make our community a warm and welcoming place to worship. If you didn't get around to signing up for ministry as either an Usher or Greeter, there's still time! Sign-up sheets are in the back of church. Someone from the Liturgy Committee will contact you regarding scheduling and training.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK CELEBRATION NEXT WEEKEND

You are invited to attend our communal celebration of the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick next weekend, **October 25-26**. The Sacrament will be **celebrated at all three Masses**. It is an opportunity for all who suffer from physical, mental or emotional illness. We invite you to celebrate this Sacrament. There is no need to pre register, name tags will be available that weekend for people to use.

CHALLENGER POST PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Sunday, October 19 from 8:00 AM until 1:00 PM there will be a pancake breakfast at the West St. Paul Armory (1346 Robert Street). All the cakes you can eat with sausage, milk, coffee, and juice.

NEW LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULES

We will be drafting the next liturgical ministry schedule on November 1. This schedule will cover 11/30—2/22. We need to know NOW if you have any special requests or conflicts. This schedule will include Christmas Eve and Day, New Year's Eve and Day, so please let us know if you really WANT to minister at a given holiday mass or if you will NOT be available for any holiday masses. Contact Ginny Roethler at 651-222-2867 or by e-mail at [gbd1252@aol.com](mailto:gbd1252@aol.com). This schedule applies to all Lectors, Communion Ministers, Ushers/Greeters, Gift Bearers and Altar Servers.

DAY OF RECOLLECTION

Wednesday, October 29 10:00 AM—3:00 PM  
Church of Saint Matthew

This day of recollection will be presented by 3 Holy Spirit Missionary Sisters from Techney, Illinois. The theme of the day is the Holy Spirit—as seen in the Old and New Testament and as active in our lives today. This opportunity allows us to see better the presence of the Holy Spirit in our lives and the world around us, and encourages us to live our baptismal commitment where we find ourselves.

If you would like to participate in this day of prayer and study, please call the church office (224-9793) and leave your name. There is no cost, a free will offering will be taken, and lunch will be provided. Please bring your copy of the Bible to the Day of Recollection.

ST. MATTHEW'S MEN'S CLUB FALL WINE TASTING

There will be a large selection of wines from around the world for you to sample on Friday, October 24 from 7-10PM in the Social Hall. You can socialize with your friends and neighbors and the proceeds support the St. Matthew's Athletic Programs. Admission is \$15.00 per person.

BORDER BATTLE—VIKINGS VS. PACKERS—SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 2

Watch the football game on the big screen in the Social Hall. Admission is \$10.00 and includes refreshments and snacks, plus food at half time. Wear your team colors and cheer the Vikings on to victory! Packer fans also welcome and will be provided with a crying towel!! Doors open at 7:00 PM.

**THIS WEEK AT  
SAINT MATTHEW**

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>October 19</b>
12:00 PM, CH	Baptism
12:30 PM, CH	Baptism
<b>Monday</b>	<b>October 20</b>
9:00 AM, PC	Faith Sharing Group
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
6:45 PM, XC	Boy Scout Meeting
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>October 21</b>
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>October 22</b>
12:00-7:00 PM, PC	St. Mary's Clinic
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
6:30 PM, SC	Religious Education Grades 1-10
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>October 23</b>
12:00-7:00 PM, PC	St. Mary's Clinic
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
5:00 PM, MC	Youth Choir
7:00 PM, MC	Adult Choir
<b>Friday</b>	<b>October 24</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>October 25</b>
<b>Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick at Mass</b>	
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>October 26</b>
<b>Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick at Masses</b>	
9:15 AM, MC	Altar Server Training
12:00 PM, CH	Baptism

Plan ahead:	
October 29	Day of Recollection 10:00AM-3:00 PM
December 6	Father Steve's 35th Jubilee 6:00PM

**Abbreviations:**  
MC – Main Church  
CH – Chapel  
PC – Parish Center  
SH – Social Hall  
SC – School  
CC – Child Care

## STEWARDSHIP

### Sunday, October 12

Envelope and plate offering	\$7301.68
Children and Youth Envelopes	\$3.85
School Fund Envelopes	\$106.00

*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, October 19	8:00	Living & Deceased Members of the St. Matthew's Catholic Aid
	10:30	Parishioners
Monday, October 20		Eva Rauschnot
Tuesday, October 21		Gloria Brunzel
Wednesday, October 22		Anamay Strauss
Thursday, October 23		James Maher
Friday, October 24		
Saturday, October 25	5:00	Harriet Ames Maynard Eastman Leonard Voto
Sunday, October 26	8:00	Ed Maher
	10:30	Parishioners

## WEEKLY READINGS

### Readings for the Week of October 19, 2003

Sunday, October 19:	Is 53:10-11; Heb 4:14-16; Mk 10:35-45
Monday, October 20:	Rom 4:20-25; Lk 12:13-21
Tuesday, October 21:	Rom 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21; Lk 12:35-38
Wednesday, October 22:	Rom 6:12-18; Lk 12:39-48
Thursday, October 23:	Rom 6:19-23; Lk 12:49-53
Friday, October 24:	Rom 7:18-25a; Lk 12:54-59
Saturday, October 25:	Rom 8:1-11; Lk 13:1-9
Next Sunday, October 26:	Jer 31:7-9; Heb 5:1-6; Mk 10:46-52

### OTHER PARISH EVENTS

October 28, 7:00 PM	Hill Murray Open House Details call 651-748-2406
October 30, 7:00 PM	St. Bernard's High School Open House Details call 651-489-1338

## 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 .....	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	