

The Community of St. Matthew

St. Matthew's School Marathon for Non-Public School Education Friday, October 7

Father Steve joins St. Matthew's students as they prepare to walk the marathon this Friday, October 7. All these students have been busy collecting pledges. Here's your opportunity to help Father Steve fill his pledge form. Look for St. Matthew's School students after each of this weekend Masses and they will cheerfully accept your pledge donation for Father Steve. Look for our students, families, faculty, staff and Father Steve this Friday as they walk to Cherokee Park. Thank you for your continued support of our school!



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

Dear Saint Matthew Community and Visitors:

There is a rule of thumb that tailors use -- "measure twice, cut once". This guarantees that there is no waste and that the work is done efficiently.

Periodically every institution reflects on its procedures and adjusts them to ensure efficiencies and accountability.

The Archdiocese asks that each parish and church institution conform to some basic procedures when handling money.

There are more than 200 parishes in the Archdiocese and many institutions. One can only imagine the unique manner each of these has in financial matters -- all of them long standing and useful -- but no consistency from parish to parish.

Many highly dedicated and dependable parish members and employees serve in a variety of ways that touch the financial life of the parish; all of us work hard and honestly. All of us, myself included, may have to do a few things differently so as to conform to efficient, transparent and accountable practice.

I encourage the parish finance committee to put together simple procedures which will allow us to follow Archdiocese practice and ensure the proper collecting,

counting, recording, banking and disbursement of your funds.

These procedures will be in place by the beginning of the new year, January 1, 2006. A series of short meetings will take place for those who collect and receive funds, those who count and record funds, those who bank funds, those who disburse funds -- cut checks, and sign checks. These procedures will affect the finance council and the parish trustees as well.

These procedures will be simple and transparent. I ask that not only the parish office and school and child care and KLT and food service implement these procedures, but also parish organizations and clubs and societies and associations and ministries.

Msgr. Hayden, the former Rector of the Cathedral, used to tell young priests -- "The secret to being a good pastor is: say your prayers, be kind to people and sign the checks". Fidelity to God, the love of one's neighbor and responsible stewardship of the goods entrusted to us -- not a bad rule of thumb for a disciple of Jesus.

Yours truly,



Stephen Adrian
Pastor

PARISH EVENTS

2005 FALL FESTIVAL RAFFLE WINNERS

2005 Raffle winners - Tom Vorderbruggen - \$1,000, Bob Stickler - \$300, Pauline Dalzell - \$100, Thanks to everyone who supported this year's festival.

Parish Council Meeting

The Parish Council meeting will be held Sunday, October 2 in the Parish Center at 7:00 PM. Agenda, minutes of the last meeting, and schedule for upcoming Parish Council meetings are available on the website, by calling the parish office or coming to the meeting.

ROSARY SOCIETY OCTOBER DINNER MEETING.

During the past year the Rosary Society has provided servers for 23 Funeral Luncheons. We have also provided funds for Hosts and Wine, ceiling fans, Christmas gifts to staff, a folding machine, vigil lights, Solar Ovens, clean water in 3rd world countries, and Our Lady of Good Counsel Cancer Home. In recognition of their contributions to our programs, the Rosary Society invites all members and women interested in joining the Rosary Society/ CCW to our complimentary dinner and meeting on Tuesday, October 11. If you need a relative or friend to help you get to the meeting, they too are invited to dine with us. Come when you can. The schedule is: Mass in the chapel at 5:30; Social Hour in the Social Hall at 6:00; Dinner at 6:30; Meeting at 7:15; Door Prizes at 8:10. We will adjourn at 8:15. For reservations, call Barb Kraft at 455-2174 or Hope Savard at 457-0228. You may also call the Parish Center by 11:00 a.m. on Monday, October 10.

EDUCATION AND FAITH FORMATION NEWS



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASS

Students in grades 1-10 will have class this Wednesday, October 5 from 6:30-7:45 PM. If you have not registered for religious education classes please stop in the school office before class on Wednesday to register your child.

RECONCILIATION PREPARATION CLASS

Students preparing for their First Reconciliation will meet with their parents on Tuesday, October 4 in the chapel at 7:00 PM. We will be distributing the textbooks that students will be using at home with their parents so it is important you attend this meeting. If you need to register your child for this class please call the school office at 651-224-6912.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD DURING 10:30 MASS

We have a tradition of offering a Liturgy of the Word for children ages 3 through 6 from October through May. It is a time when our young ones are invited to go to the chapel and listen to God's Word in an environment that helps them hear and understand the scripture, as well as learn about our liturgy's prayers and rituals. We need the support and participation of community and parents to make this happen. If you would like to know more about how YOU can help, please contact Dana at the Parish Center or leave her a message with times to call you at 651-310-0830.

OUR MUSIC MINISTRY NEEDS YOU!

Do you have piano, organ or guitar skills? Our assembly's song needs strong instrumental leadership. Do you love to sing? Both our Adult (grade 8 & up) and Youth (grades 3-8) choirs are looking for new members. Do you have other instrumental skills to share with the community, or would you like to "try your hand" at Hand Bells? There's "Plenty Good Room for You"! For more information, pick up a sheet on our music ministry at the doors this weekend -- or stop by the music corner for a chat with Dana. You can also leave her a message at 651-310-0830.

SACRAMENT OF THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK

At all Masses on the weekend of October 8 and 9, the Sacrament of the Sick will be celebrated. This sacrament is meant for all those who are facing serious illness, who are in recovery from drug or alcohol dependency or who because of advancing age experience debilitating conditions. Adults and children can be proper recipients of this sacrament. Mark your calendars and plan to participate in the Sacrament of the Sick.

ANNUAL TRIP TO SCHOOL SISTERS OF NOTRE DAME CRAFT FAIR

Please join us for our annual trip to Mankato for the Craft Fair. There will be many wonderful crafts as well as baked goods, jams and other wonderful gifts. The trip will take place on Saturday, October 8. We will gather at St. Matthew's at 7:00 AM for departure, returning at 3:30 PM. The cost of the trip is \$15.00 per person. To reserve your seat or more information call Nicole at 651-224-9793. Reservations must be in by October 5.

THIS WEEK AT SAINT MATTHEW

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| Sunday | October 2 |
| 9:15 AM, SH | World Premiere Eucharist Documentary |
| 12:00 PM, CH | Baptism |
| 12:30 PM, CH | Baptism |
| Monday | October 3 |
| 3:00 PM, SH | Loaves and Fishes |
| 6:30 PM, SC | Religious Education Class, Grades 1-10 |
| 6:45 PM, XC | Boy Scout Meeting |
| Tuesday | October 4 |
| 3:00 PM, SH | Loaves and Fishes |
| 7:00 PM, CH | Reconciliation Preparation Class |
| Wednesday | October 5 |
| 12:00-7:00 PM, PC | St. Mary's Clinic |
| 3:00 PM, SH | Loaves and Fishes |
| Thursday | October 6 |
| 3:00 PM, SH | Loaves and Fishes |
| 5:00 PM, MC | Youth Choir |
| 7:00 PM, MC | Adult Choir |
| Friday | October 7 |
| Saturday | October 8 |
| 5:00 PM, MC | Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick |
| Sunday | October 9 |
| 8:00 AM, MC | Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick |
| 10:30 AM, MC | Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick |
| 4:00 PM, MC | Confirmation Class |
| 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 SEPTEMBER 25, 2005

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| Sunday Envelopes and Plate | \$6,126.96 |
| Youth and Children's Envelopes | .80 |
| School Fund | 60.00 |

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

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| Sunday, October 2 | 8:00 AM Larry Simmons Living and deceased members of Rosary Society |
| | 10:30 AM Parishioners Bernice & Louis DeNardo |
| Monday, October 3 | Mary Mike |
| Tuesday, October 4 | Sam and Mary Mike |
| Wednesday, October 5 | Parishioners |
| Thursday, October 6 | |
| Friday, October 7 | 6:45 AM Parishioners 5:15 PM World Peace |
| Saturday, October 8 | Howard Lauen (Ann'y) Deceased members of the Haas Family |
| Sunday, October 9 | 8:00 AM Rose Garcia Charles and Agnes Appel |
| | 10:30 AM Parishioners |

WEEKLY READINGS

Readings for the Week of October 2, 2005

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| Sunday: | Is 5:1-7/ Phil 4:6-9/ Mt 21:33-43 |
| Monday: | Jon 1:1-2:2, 11/ Lk 10:25-37 |
| Tuesday: | Jon 3:1-10/ Lk 10:38-42 |
| Wednesday: | Jon 4:1-11/ Lk 11:1-4 |
| Thursday: | Mal 3:13-20b / Lk 11:5-13 |
| Friday: | Jl 1:13-15; 2:1-2/ Lk 11:15-26 |
| Saturday: | Jl 4:12-21/ Lk 11:27-28 |
| Next Sunday: | Is 25:6-10a/ Phil 4:12-14, 19-20/ Mt 22:1-14 or 22:1-10 |

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.....*Doug Lieser*
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
Extended Day 651-228-1535
KLT Kids 651-665-0786
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

Parish Council email: parishcouncil@st-matts.org

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| 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