

The Community of St. Matthew



ROSARY SOCIETY MEETING

OCTOBER 12, 2004

This past year the Rosary Society has provided funds for these activities and provided these services:

St. Matthew's

Hosts and Wine
Volunteers at Bakery Booth
St. Matthew's Scholarship
Serving at Funeral Brunches
Christmas Gifts to Staff
Confirmation Brunch
Chapel Fans and Vigil Lights

Community/world:

Blood Drive
5 Solar Ovens
Cancer Home
Madonna Plan: funds
for clean water in 3rd
world countries

Members and women interested in joining the Rosary Society/
CCW are invited to our meeting and complimentary dinner.

Mass: 5:30
Social Hour: 6:00
Dinner: 6:45
Meeting: 7:45
Door Prizes: 8:15?

For reservations, call a Rosary Society officer
or the Parish Center by Monday, October 11, 10:00 a.m.

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

Dear Saint Matthew Community and Visitors:

Next weekend we will celebrate the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick at each of the Sunday liturgies.

In the old days this sacrament was often referred to as “The Last Sacraments” or “The Last Rites” or “Extreme Unction.” People would wait until almost the time of death and then call to receive this sacrament. The church even suggested that a person could receive “The Last Sacraments” up to three hours after “apparent death.” Clearly the focus was on death and being anointed “for glory.”

Following the Second Vatican Council the church undertook the reform and renewal of the seven sacraments and sought to bring the sacramental practice of the church into conformity with the original intention of the early church.

The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick underwent such a renewal and reform in the mid ‘60’s and early ‘70’s along with the other sacraments.

The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick is meant not only for those who face immanent death, but for all those who live with serious illness or the weakness of old age. The sacrament is not a private prayer, but it is the communal celebration of the healing grace of Jesus – whether the sacrament is celebrated in the home or in a hospital or in the parish church.

The sacrament calls upon the healing grace of Jesus for our brother and sisters who are burdened with illness. Illness is a difficult and demanding condition which weakens not only the body but assaults the soul. Some-

times people become despondent, depressed, fearful, anxious and troubled at times of illness. The sacrament is meant to free a person from such darkness of soul as well as the sufferings of the body.

The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick is the prayer of the whole community for the welfare and well being of sick members.

So, if you are suffering from a serious illness, a life threatening condition or the weakness associated with advancing age, you are eligible to receive the Sacrament at church next weekend. The sacrament is for old and young and for all ages in-between – sometimes times children live with a life threatening condition or experience serious illness. Chemical addiction is a life threatening condition, so people who are in recovery are suitable recipients of the sacrament. Cancer survivors live with a life threatening condition and so they are suitable recipients of the sacrament.

If you have family members or friends who are in need of the sacrament, please bring them to church with you next weekend – it is a time for our community to remember all our sisters and brothers who struggle with illness.

The Anointing of the Sick will take place at each of the weekend liturgies – Saturday, 5:00 pm and Sunday at 8:00 and 10:30 am.

Yours truly,



Stephen Adrian
Pastor

PARISH EVENTS

PARISH ENRICHMENT POTLUCK

The Parish Enrichment Committee is hosting a potluck on Wednesday, October 12, in the faculty lounge of St. Matthew’s School. The after dinner discussion topic is Hans Kung’s concept of a global ethic. Father Adrian wrote of Dr. Kung’s ideas in the parish bulletin of September 12. We will provide copies of the National Catholic Reporter article on this topic at the potluck or you can pick up a copy at the Parish Center. Dinner begins at 5:45 PM, discussion at 6:30 PM. We will be finished by the end of religious education, 7:45 PM. Come for part or all. Everyone is welcome

ANNUAL TRIP TO SCHOOL SISTERS OF NOTRE DAME CRAFT FAIR

Please join us once again for our annual trip to Mankato, for the School Sisters of Notre Dame 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 9. 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 for more information, please call Nicole at 651-224-9793.

ST. MATTHEW’S LEISURE CLUB

Just a reminder, we will be meeting at the Old Country Buffet on Robert Street on October 13th at 11:30 AM. Come hungry!!

THANK YOU FOR PRAYERS

Sincere thanks and appreciation for your prayers these past weeks.
Alma Becker

EDUCATION AND
FAITH FORMATION NEWS

OUR PARISH YOUTH CHOIR (AKA THE HUMMMDINGERS)

We will begin rehearsals Thursday, October 7 from 5-6:15 PM in the church. Open to boys & girls in grades 3 thru 8, this choir performs both vocal and hand bell/chime music. For more information, or to sign up, please call Dana at 651-224-9697 or leave a message at 651-310-0830. For more information on opportunities for music ministry at St. Matt's —check out one of our colorful fliers available at each entrance to the church

LAST CALL FOR LECTOR WORKBOOKS!!

A new cycle of readings is just around the liturgical corner. If you would like to purchase (at a bargain rate) a Workbook for Lectors for the coming "Cycle A" readings, please check your name off on the list provided in the Main Sacristy this weekend. In addition to the scripture texts, this book provides guidance for pronouncing difficult words and insight into the history and meaning of the texts. More information is provided on the sign-up sheet. We will be placing our order this week.

ALUMINUM CAN RECYCLING

The Boy Scouts from Troop 107 will be collecting aluminum cans before and after mass the weekend of October 9 and 10. Please remember to bring your cans to mass and thank you for your continued support.

PROJECT RAINBOW VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

St. Matthew's School is in need of Seniors to be pen pals for our students in grades 4-8. Volunteers will trade letters with student during the school year and then join us for a celebratory mass and reception in May. In the past some very solid relationships have been built while working on the lost art of letter writing. If you would like to be a pen pal, please call Maureen Gitlin at 651-224-6912 ext. 24.

WANTED

KLT Kids is in search of a male role model to work approximately 10 hours per week in the after-school program. Position requires a love of children, patience, ability to work with other adults and availability Monday-Friday in the after school hours. This is a paid position. For more information, please contact Jennifer Slate at 651-665-0786.

EAT FREE FOR ONE YEAR

Watch this space to learn how you can eat free for one year at 6 local restaurants: McDonald's, Burger King, Buffalo Wild Wings, Dairy Queen, Papa Johns Pizza and Subway. Your chance will come soon!

OCTOBER IS THE MONTH OF THE ROSARY

The rosary is prayed every morning before the 6:45 AM Mass and during the month of October at 7:00 PM on Tuesdays in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel at St. Matthew's Church.

THIS WEEK AT
SAINT MATTHEW

Sunday	October 3
12:00 PM, CH	Baptism
12:30 PM, CH	Baptism
Monday	October 4
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
6:45 PM, XC	Boy Scout Meeting
Tuesday	October 5
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
Wednesday	October 6
12:00-7:00 PM, PC	St. Mary's Clinic
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
6:30 PM, SC	Religious Education Class, Grades 1-10
Thursday	October 7
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
Friday	October 8
Saturday	October 9
5:00 PM, MC	Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick
Sunday	October 10
8:00 AM, MC	Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick
10:30 AM, MC	Baptism
10:30 AM, MC	Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick
12:00 PM, CH	Baptism
3:30 PM, MC	Confirmation Class
5:00 PM, CH	Confirmation Mass

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 SEPT 19, 2004

Sunday Envelopes and Plate	\$7,806.20
Youth and Children's Envelopes	\$12.75
School Fund	\$85.00

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 3	8:00 AM Mary Mike Agnes DeFoe, Living and Deceased members of the Rosary Society
Monday, October 4	10:30 AM Parishioners Gladys Blaeser Arthur Geis
Tuesday, October 5	Ben Blaeser
Wednesday, October 6	Sr. Colleen Hau, SSND
Thursday, October 7	Robert L. Pavlak, Sr. Howard Lauen
Friday, October 8	
Saturday, October 9	Sophie Verbance Arlene & Clarence Kammerer Alice Marthaler
Sunday, October 10	8:00 AM Robert Stickler Larry Simmons Dorene George 10:30 AM Juli Hafiz Parishioners

WEEKLY READINGS

Readings for the Week of October 3, 2004

Sunday:	Hb 1:2-3; 2:2-4; 2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14; Lk 17:5-10
Monday:	Gal 1:6-12; Lk 10:25-37
Tuesday:	Gal 1:13-24; Lk 10:38-42
Wednesday:	Gal 2:1-2, 7-14; Lk 11:1-4
Thursday:	Gal 3:1-5; Lk 11:5-13
Friday:	Gal 3:7-14; Lk 11:15-26
Saturday:	Gal 3:22-29; Lk 11:27-28
Next Sunday:	2 Kgs 5:14-17; 2 Tm 2:8-13; Lk 17:11-19

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.....*Maurcen 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 Day651-228-1535
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

Linda Sellars	Becky Montgomery
Marty Olson	John Sekevitch
Suzanne Clarke	Doug Kennedy
Tim Jack	Larry Sachi
Connie Aligada	

Committee Chairs

Finance..... Peter Grayson
Education Advisory Michele Edwards
Liturgy