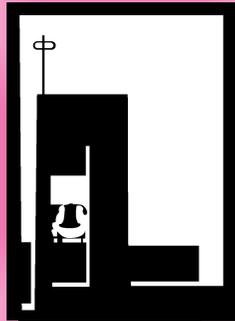
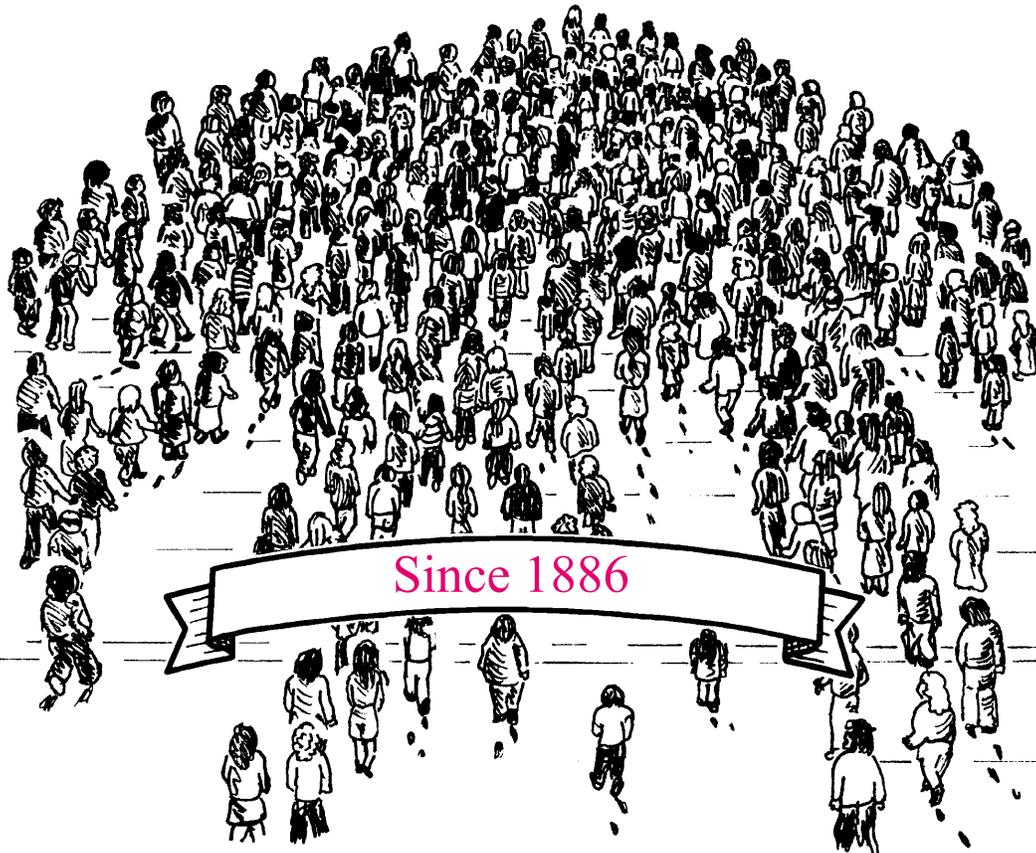


The Community of St. Matthew



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



Dear Saint Matthew community and Visitors:

Monday, October 6th is Yom Kippur, The Day of Atonement, the holiest day in the year for our Jewish sisters and brothers. This day is like our observance of Ash Wednesday -- a day to remember who we are, where we come from and our need for the mercy of God.

The Feast of Yom Kippur invites a careful reflection on one's relationships, and to see our relationships as the hallmark of holiness. It is a day of fast and a time of prayer.

Almost all Jews will observe this day, even if they are less than observant during other times of the year.

We can use this day as a time to reflect, an opportunity to remember, that unity between the creature and creator is marked by the manner in which a person treats others.

I grew up in a neighborhood where households were either Catholic or Jewish. Many of my boyhood friends were Jewish and I came to experience at a child's level the rhythms of those Jewish households. Children talk freely, compare experiences, ask questions and seek answers. Children are not defensive. In this atmosphere I breathed in the smells and sounds and values of my Jewish friends, as they saw Catholicism through my eyes and others. Shabbat observance was as regular in my neighborhood as Catholic meatless Fridays. Hanukkah and Christmas were dual neighborhood festivals. Orange busses wending their way through the neighborhood picking up and returning Hebrew School students were as common as the comings and goings of Catholic kids going to and from religious education classes.

The first girl who took a shine to me was a checkout girl at the Applebaum market in Highland Park where I was a bagboy. She tried to convert me to Christianity, assuming that I was Jewish because all my friends seemed to be Jewish.

I never linked the State of Israel and the violence of the Middle East to the faith of my friends; they never saw my faith or me as tied to the work of the Inquisition. We saw each other for who we are and did not expect each other to carry the burdens of history.

I never thought of my friends as being responsible for the death of Jesus, I had no problem seeing Jesus as a Jew and I saw myself, as a Catholic, a younger brother to those of Jewish faith. So, when I was a college student it surprised me that the documents of the Second Vatican Council that called for reconciliation between Christians and Jews created such a surprise.

I will remember my childhood friends in prayer on Monday. I will remember Steve and Scarlet, Marcia and Michael, Marshall and Jeff and Carol and Danny and Abe. I will remember that I am a younger brother of the house of Israel. I will remember that the faith of Abraham and Isaac and Jacob is the faith from which springs my Christian faith.

Yours truly,



Stephen Adrian
Pastor

PARISH EVENTS

LEISURE CLUB—CATHEDRAL TOUR/LUNCH

St. Matthew's Leisure Club will meet for a tour of the Cathedral on October 8th at 10:00 AM. We will meet in front of the altar. Parking is available on the Selby side of the church. Lunch, (on you own), will be at City View in St. Paul Technical College at 11:30 AM. Parking is available by the school. If you have questions call Gayle Stelter at 228-0856.

ATTENTION LECTORS

If you would like to purchase a copy of "Workbook for Lectors and Gospel Readers" for Cycle C which begins the first Sunday of Advent, please sign up on the order sheet provided in the main sacristy next to the Ministry Sign-In Board. These books are a valuable preparation tool for your ministry—providing help with pronunciation, the history and interpretation of your scripture passage, and even tips on "delivery". Since reading within a cycle are subject to change in order to accommodate special feast days which fall on the Sundays of any given year, the Liturgy Committee encourages you to make use of this resource. Supplies will be limited so don't delay in requesting your workbook.

EDUCATION AND FAITH FORMATION NEWS



MARATHON FOR NON-PUBLIC EDUCATION

Thanks to everyone who made a contribution to Father Steve for the school marathon fund raiser. Students collected almost \$700 for Father Steve last weekend. They also made sure he walked the whole way and didn't take any short cuts. Thank you for your continuing support of our school.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

You are invited to attend our communal celebration of the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick on the weekend of **October 25-26** here at St. Matthew's. The Sacrament will be **celebrated at all three Masses**. It is an opportunity for all who suffer from physical, mental or emotional illness. If you are...

- going to have surgery;
- suffering from prolonged/chronic illness;
- suffering from mental/emotional illness;
- recovering from a serious illness/surgery;
- suffering from an addiction in your life;
- a Senior Citizen looking for support as your grow older;

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.

IT'S NOT TOO LATE!

In fact, it's NEVER too late! There's always room for more in music ministry. We practice in the church on Thursdays" Parish Youth Choir—5:30 to 6:15 PM.—for young people in grades 3 thru 8 & Adult Choir—7:00 to 8:30 PM—for teens and the young at heart. Call 651-310-0830 to sing on OR for more information, Dana will get back to you.

FESTIVAL THANK YOU

Another Fall Festival has come to a successful conclusion. A big thank you to everyone who made a donation, sold or bought a raffle ticket, or helped at the festival. Special thanks to Bob and Sue Nowak for making and serving 432 tacos; to Dave and Doris Bisciglia for getting Hamline and Sibley student volunteers, ordering the prizes and running the prize booth; to the Men's Club for operating the food and refreshment booths; to the Hamline and Sibley student volunteers for their help; to the Rosary Society for the bakery booth; to the quilters for the beautiful quilt; to Dennis Einberger for donating the moped; to the dunk tank volunteers who took the plunge; and to Bob and Dave Pavlak for security and the K9 demonstration. Raffle winners names were published in last week's bulletin.

ROSARY SOCIETY MEETING

We will meet Tuesday, October 14 at 7:00 PM in the chapel for Mass. Followed by the general meeting and exercise program in the Social Hall. Each participant is asked to bring a bag of dried bean/rice or soup can to be used during the exercise session. They will then be donated to the food shelf. All women are invited.

THIS WEEK AT SAINT MATTHEW

Sunday	October 5
12:00 PM, CH	Baptism
12:30 PM, CH	Baptism
Monday	October 6
9:00 AM, PC	Faith Sharing Group
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
6:45 PM, XC	Boy Scout Meeting
Tuesday	October 7
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
Wednesday	October 8
10:00 AM	Leisure Club
	Cathedral Tour & Lunch
12:00-7:00 PM, PC	St. Mary's Clinic
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
7:00 PM, SH	Men's Club Meeting
Thursday	October 9
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 10
Saturday	October 11
Sunday	October 12
12:00 PM, CH	Baptism
12:30 PM, CH	Baptism

Abbreviations:

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

STEWARDSHIP

Sunday, September 28, 2003:

Envelope and Plate collection	\$6,591.47
Children and Youth Envelopes:	\$2.30
School Fund Envelopes:	\$70.00
Vigil Candle Monies:	\$9.00

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 5	8:00 AM World Peace 10:30 AM Parishioners, Agnes DeFoe
Monday, October 6	Parishioners
Tuesday, October 7	Robert Stickler
Wednesday, October 8	Clarence and Irene Bunde
Thursday, October 9	Parishioners
Friday, October 10	
Saturday, October 11	Joseph Karas Clarence Kammerer
Sunday, October 12	8:00 AM Howard Laven, Edward Maher 10:30 AM Parishioners Juli Hafiz

WEEKLY READINGS

Readings for the Week of October 5, 2003

Sunday:	Gn 2:18-24; Heb 2:9-11; Mk 10:2-16
Monday:	Jon 1:1-2:1, 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 3:13-20a; 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:	Wis 7:7-11; Heb 4:12-13; Mk 10:17-30

CHRISTMAS CARD SALE TO BENEFIT ST. MARY'S CLINIC
Hundreds of selections from three national printers. Cards may be purchased on Friday, October 10, Monday, October 20 or Thursday, October 23 from 11:00 AM-4:00 PM at the Sisters of St. Joseph Administration Center, 1884 Randolph Ave., St. Paul. Cards may also be purchased on Friday, October 24 at Dorothy Bade's House, 688 Ohio St., St. Paul from 11:00 AM-3:00 PM. For more information please call Jan Driscoll, 747-8090, Ellen McGarty, 646-8004 or Mary Kay Ryan, 224-2272. Your purchase will help the medically uninsured served by St. Mary's Health Clinics.

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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.

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