

The Community of St. Matthew



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



Dear Saint Matthew Community and Visitors:

During the summer months more than 150 individuals -- parish members and community people -- gathered to reflect on the mission of Saint Matthew's, what Saint Matthew's does well, what we does poorly, what we should stop doing, what we should begin doing. This far ranging discussion yielded a host of ideas, suggestions, thoughts and reflections. The group was mixed and chosen by parish members -- long time parish members, rather new parish members, senior citizens, young people -- the sampling was wide and mixed.

On Saturday, October 15th the Saint Matthew Parish Council, the leadership of parish committees and organizations, those who participated in the summer discussions and all other interested parish members are invited to spend time distilling the recommendations and setting some priorities for the parish efforts for the coming few years.

The challenge will be to make sure that these priorities and goals are SMART:

Specific
Measurable
Achievable
Realizable
Timely

The Parish Council has taken seriously the suggestions and ideas generated during the summer meetings and now seeks to engage as many as possible in making the final determination on priorities.

The schedule for the meeting on October 15th is:

Saturday, October 15th
8:00-12:00 noon
Saint Matthew Social Hall

8:00	Gathering and Continental Breakfast
8:30	Opening prayer and setting the context
9:00	A series of break out sessions and working groups to arrive at specific goals and priorities.
11:30	Conclusion of work sessions and identification of priorities.
12:00	Adjourn

Please call the church office and indicate your attendance, so that we can make sure to have sufficient breakfast items available for all. The Church Office is, 651-224-9793.

Yours truly,



Stephen Adrian
Pastor
Church of Saint Matthew

PARISH EVENTS

ROSARY SOCIETY OCTOBER DINNER MEETING

The Rosary Society/CCW invites all members and women interested in becoming members to our dinner 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. The schedule is: Mass in the chapel at 5:30 PM; 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 PM. We need you to make a reservation. Call Barb Kraft at 455-2174 or Hope Savard at 457-0228. You may also call the Parish Center by 11:00 AM on Monday, October 10.

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

This is a great opportunity to sample a large selection of wines from around the world. Bring your relatives, friends and neighbors. Admission is \$15 per person. Come to the Social Hall on Friday October 21 from 7 to 9 pm.

LEISURE CLUB MEETING

St. Matthew's Leisure Club will meet on Wednesday, October 12, at 1:30 PM. Basket Bingo will be played. The dues for the year are \$7.50. Tickets for the Christmas Party dinner will be available at the meeting for \$15.00. Please ring a friend a join us.

DO YOU AND YOUR SPOUSE NEED A BREAK FROM YOUR HECTIC SCHEDULE

Experience rest, renewal, and spiritual reflection by participating in a Franciscan Married Couples Retreat, October 21-23, 2005. Please contact Gina and Mark Kempe at 651-450-6513. Information regarding this and other retreats can also be found at www.FranciscanRetreats.net

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.

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 STILL 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.

ATTENTION ALL LECTORS!

We are putting in our annual order for "Workbook for Lectors & Gospel Readers". Please go to the Sacristy before or after mass today and put a "yes" or a "no" by your name on the Sign-Up Sheet next to the Ministry Board. More information is on this sheet -- we need to hear from you THIS weekend. The order goes in on Tuesday. Thanks!

ATTENTION BOYS & GIRLS IN GRADES 4 AND HIGHER:

Would you like to be an Altar Server? After training, you will be scheduled, on average, once or twice a month; and every effort will be made to honor family requests around scheduling. You MUST ATTEND a training session before you are put on the schedule; and you will always be scheduled with an experienced server during your first year of service. If you are interested or would like more information, please call Dana at 651-224-9793 or leave her a message at 651-310-0830.

IF YOU ARE A LITURGICAL MINISTER

Please save the morning of November 12th for our annual "Liturgical Ministry Morning" with Fr. Steve. Watch the mail and this bulletin for more information.

THIS WEEK AT SAINT MATTHEW

Sunday

8:00 AM, MC

10:30 AM, MC

4:00 PM, MC

5:00 PM, CH

5:45 PM, SH

Monday

3:00 PM, SH

6:45 PM, XC

Tuesday

3:00 PM, SH

5:30 PM, CH

6:00 PM, SH

Wednesday

12:00-7:00 PM, PC St. Mary's Clinic

1:30 PM, SH

3:00 PM, SH

6:30 PM, SC

Thursday

3:00 PM, SH

5:00 PM, MC

7:00 PM, MC

Friday

Saturday

Sunday

12:00 PM, CH

12:30 PM, CH

October 9

Sacrament of the

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Confirmation Class

Confirmation Mass

Confirmation Social

October 10

Loaves and Fishes

Boy Scout Meeting

October 11

Loaves and Fishes

Rosary Society Mass

Rosary Society

Dinner and Meeting

October 12

St. Mary's Clinic

Leisure Club

Loaves and Fishes

Religious Education,

Grades 1-10

October 13

Loaves and Fishes

Youth Choir

Adult Choir

October 14

October 15

October 16

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

DONATIONS FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 2, 2005

Sunday Envelopes and Plate	\$8,833.12
Youth and Children's Envelopes	.80
School Fund	847.25

*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, October 9	8:00 AM Rose Garcia Charles & Agnes Appel 10:30 AM Carol Grundei Parishioners 5:00 PM Confirmation Candidates
Monday, October 10	World Peace
Tuesday, October 11	Parishioners
Wednesday, October 12	World Peace
Thursday, October 13	Parishioners
Friday, October 14	
Saturday, October 15	The Bisciglia Family Bernard Ferber, Joseph Karas Sr., Joseph Karas, Jr.
Sunday, October 16	8:00 AM Robert Stickler, Sr. Dorene George 10:30 AM Agnes DeFoe John Meyers, Parishioners

WEEKLY READINGS

Readings for the Week of October 9, 2005

Sunday:	Is 25:6-10a/ Phil 4:12-14, 19-20/ Mt 22:1-14 or 22:1-10
Monday:	Rom 1:1-7/ Lk 11:29-32
Tuesday:	Rom 1:16-25/ Lk 11:37-41
Wednesday:	Rom 2:1-11/ Lk 11:42-46
Thursday:	Rom 3:21-30/ Lk 11:47-54
Friday:	Rom 4:1-8/ Lk 12:1-7
Saturday:	Rom 4:13, 16-18/Lk 12:8-12
Next Sunday:	Is 45:1, 4-6/ 1 Thes 1:1-5b/ Mt 22:15-21

PARISH DIRECTORY

Saint Matthew Church Office..... 651-224-9793
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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
Child Care Center.....651-224-1450
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*

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