

The Community of St. Matthew

FALL FESTIVAL

Saturday, September 18

6:00-10:00 PM

- **Free Street Dance**
- **Food and Refreshments**



Sunday, September 19

11:30 AM-5:00 PM

- **Children's Games**
- **Bakery Goods**
- **Bingo**
- **Raffle**
- **Paddle Wheel**
- **Auction**
- **Theme Baskets**
- **Food and Refreshments**



**Come Celebrate with Neighbors
and Friends!!**



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

Dear Saint Matthew Community and Visitors:

The world is changing, in fact it has changed dramatically. With the end of the Cold War, the fall of the Soviet Union, the founding of the European Common Market and the “globalization” of the economy life as we knew it, alliances of yesterday, former military and political strategies and the attendant ethical values no longer apply.

The human family is challenged to find a new way of living. John Paul II and others have called this “A New World Order”. This New Order demands a new global ethic.

Dr. Hans Kung, Catholic theologian and significant voice in the Second Vatican Council, has joined with other world religious leaders and national voices in calling for this new ethic, a new way of doing justice and living in peace. Dr. Kung is 76 years old and has been a priest of the church for 50 years. More and more he is regarded as a voice of sanity and hope as we struggle to make sense of a new way of living.

Kung maintains that the secret to achieving peace and justice is found in the world religions. He affirms:

No peace among nations without peace among religions.

No peace among religions without dialogue between religions.

No dialogue between religions without common ethical standards.

No survival of our world in peace and justice without a global ethic.

The Torah, the Quran, the Bhagavad-Gita, the Sermon on the Mount, the discourses of Buddha and the sayings of Confucius – in other words, the normative religious “books” of the world religions – show that compassion, love, equality and honesty are the common threads embedded in the world religions and offer a beginning place for a global ethic. All the world’s main creeds call for (1) the humane treatment of each person and (2) the observance of the Golden Rule.

These two norms offer a direction for a new world community. They are fundamental and have ramifications which can lead to peace and justice:

Not to murder, torture, torment or wound; but to commit to a culture of nonviolence and reverence for life.

Not to lie, deceive, forge or manipulate; but to speak truthfully and act tolerantly.

Not to steal, exploit, bribe or corrupt; but to build a culture of fairness and a just economic order.

Not to exploit sexually, cheat, humiliate or dishonor; but to build a culture of harmony and equal dignity for all women and men.

Kung suggests “what seems clear to all is that problems of global terrorism, international crime, ecology, nuclear technology and genetic engineering threaten to overwhelm us all”.

World religions can not only be part of the solution to the challenges facing us, they can be the starting point and the catalyst for building a global ethic which can bring peace and justice to this New World Order.

Ecumenism, in the broadest sense of that word, is still the best hope we all have. It is what Jesus prayed for – “I pray, Father, that they all may be one, as you are one with me and I am one with you, that they may be one with us. So that the world may believe that you sent me.”

Yours truly



Stephen Adrian
Pastor

PARISH EVENTS

GIRL SCOUTS RECEIVE GOLD STAR

Two young parishioners received Girl Scouts highest award this past year. Joan Geis (parishioner) with Anna Sauber Kuntz did their project “Beyond the Pages” at both St. Matthew’s Child Care and extended day programs. They told and read stories to the children, made and gave away fringed throws and purchased books to give to each child, aged 3 to 8. Joan and Anna graduated from Visitation in June. Christine Foss (parishioner) graduated from Sibley High School in June. She did her project at Garlough Elementary School. Congratulations to you all.

FALL FESTIVAL UPDATE – FESTIVAL DATES –

SEPTEMBER 18 AND 19

RAFFLE TICKETS—If you will not be purchasing or selling the book of raffle tickets you were sent, please return them either to the SCRIP table in the back of church or to the Parish Center so they may be sold. Also, if you are in need of more tickets see Tim Nowak or stop by the Parish Center to pick up additional tickets.

WANTED—Donations of new or pristine items for the silent auction, the live auction and theme baskets. People with home businesses are encouraged to donate and leave a business card as well. 2 liter bottles of pop or similar shaped bottled beverages for the Ring Toss Game. These can be dropped off in the back of the church or brought to the Parish Center during the week.

EDUCATION AND FAITH FORMATION NEWS

MARATHON FOR NON-PUBLIC SCHOOL EDUCATION



St. Matthew's School annual Marathon is scheduled for Friday, October 1, 2004. Watch for mailings and announcements as this date approaches and consider donating your time and/or money to this important fund-raising opportunity. All the school office at 224-6912 with any questions. Thanks for your continued support of St. Matthew's School!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION NIGHT

Now is the time to register for Religious Education and/or Sacramental Preparation courses. It is very important that you attend the Registration meeting on Wednesday, September 22 from 6:30-7:30 PM in the church. There will be a brief information session followed by registration and a meeting with your child's teacher. Classes are scheduled to begin on Wednesday, September 29 at 6:30 PM. If you are interested in helping on class nights, please call the school office at 651-224-6912. We are still in need of teachers for grades 4 and 6.

OUR MUSIC MINISTRY IS GEARING UP FOR ANOTHER SEASON

We always welcome new voices to our Adult and Youth Choirs; our need for cantors, accompanists (organ and piano), guitarists and other instrumentalists is ongoing; and this year we have two new openings in our Adult Hand Bell Choir. Leave a message for Dana at 651-310-0830 and she'll get back to you. Or, if you prefer, come to the music corner after mass any weekend for more information or to sign-on for service. **Adult Choir Rehearsals** have begun—every Thursday in the church from 7:00 to 8:30 PM. As for the **Parish Youth Choir**—watch the bulletin for information regarding the start-up date.

SEEDS OF HOPE BENEFIT CONCERT

Please join the School Sisters of Notre Dame at Seeds of Hope, a dinner and musical performance benefiting their ministries for those most in need, especially women and children. Neal and Leandra, a musical team of folk singers/songwriters who sing to sell out crowds in the Midwest, will perform. Sunday, September 19, 2004 at St. Edward's Bloomington. Dinner and performance, \$75 per person, Performance only, \$25 per person. For additional information or tickets please contact a School Sister of Notre Dame in your parish or Sister Jeanne at 651-695-057 or jwing1948@aol.com

CONFIRMATION MEETING TODAY

Students in 10th grade or higher and their parents are invited to the first Confirmation meeting, this Sunday at 4:30 PM in the main church. Information about the program & registration will take place. Mass at 5:00 PM in the chapel will follow.

THIS WEEK AT SAINT MATTHEW

Sunday	September 12
12:00 PM, CH	Baptism
12:30 PM, CH	Baptism
4:30 PM, MC	Confirmation Class
5:00 PM, CH	Confirmation Mass
Monday	September 13
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
6:45 PM, XC	Boy Scout Meeting
Tuesday	September 14
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
Wednesday	September 15
12:00-7:00 PM, PC	St. Mary's Clinic
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
Thursday	September 16
3:00 PM, SH	Loaves and Fishes
7:00 PM, MC	Adult Choir
Friday	September 17
Saturday	September 18
6:00 PM, SH	Fall Festival
School parking lot	Dance
Sunday	September 19
11:30 AM-5:00 PM	Fall Festival
4:00 PM, SH	Raffle Drawing

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 5, 2004

Sunday Envelopes and Plate	\$8,577.71
Youth and Children's Envelopes	\$1.50
School Fund	\$773.50
Holy Day	\$20.00

Stewardship is a way of life—a graciousness by which I return to God a portion of what God has lavished on me.
sj. adrian

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, September 12	8:00 AM Larry Simmons Bernard Bukowski Larry Simmons 10:30 AM Parishioners Phyllis Exley 5:00 PM Confirmation Candidates
Monday, September 13	Phillip Snaza
Tuesday, September 14	Mary Mike Gladys & Ben Blaeser
Wednesday, September 15	Parishioners
Thursday, September 16	World Peace
Friday, September 17	
Saturday, September 18	George Lackner Anthony Chariton Joseph Karas
Sunday, September 19	8:00 AM Ed Maher Anthony & Gayle Stelter (50th Anniversary) Dorothy O'Day 10:30 AM Parishioners

WEEKLY READINGS

Readings for the Week of September 12, 2004

Sunday:	Ex 32:7-11, 13-14; 1 Tm 1:12-17; Lk 15:1-32
Monday:	1 Cor 11:17-26, 33; Lk 7:1-10
Tuesday:	Nm 21:4b-9; Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17
Wednesday:	1 Cor 12:31-13:13; Jn 19:25-27
Thursday:	1 Cor 15:1-11; Lk 7:36-50
Friday:	1 Cor 15:12-20; Lk 8:1-3
Saturday:	1 Cor 15:35-37, 42-49; Lk 8:4-15
Next Sunday:	Am 8:4-7; 1 Tm 2:1-8; Lk 16:1-13

PARISH DIRECTORY

Saint Matthew Church Office.....651-224-9793
 Web site: st-matts.org

Pastoral Staff

Pastor.....	<i>Father Stephen Adrian</i>
Priest in Residence	<i>Father Marty Warren</i>
Deacon.....	<i>Rev. John Murphy</i>
Dir. Education & Formation.....	<i>Beth Behnke</i>
Dir. Music & Liturgy	<i>Dana McCarthy</i>
Dir. Child Care.....	<i>Dimary Rosado</i>
Dir. Marketing & Development.....	<i>Maureen Gitlin</i>
Business Administrator	<i>Debra Lindstedt</i>
Administrative Assistant	<i>Nicole Johnson</i>
Dir. Food Service	<i>Alice Schletty</i>
Parish Engineer.....	<i>David Rosas</i>

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

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	