

Saint Matthew Catholic Church



**Feast of the Holy Family
December 28, 2008**

1001 East Schaumburg Road, Schaumburg, IL 60194

PARISH INFORMATION

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Deacon Lawrence J. (Larry) Smith

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Dennis Basden -RCIA

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Ann Burski Linda Kasinger
Marc Costanza Sharon Moore
Tom Hayes Dick Murphy
Nancy Peterson

FINANCE COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES

William Bloom Angel Villaluz
Rob Denkwalter Kelly Womack

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 5:00PM
Sunday: 7:45AM, 9:15AM, 10:45AM, 12:15PM
Weekdays: 8:00AM Monday thru Friday

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 3:30PM to 4:30PM - Church

MORNING PRAYER

Monday thru Friday 7:30AM in the Chapel

NOVENA TO OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP

Tuesday morning after the 8:00AM Mass in the Chapel

Wednesday evening at 7:00PM - Chapel

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Thursday 8:45AM to 6:30PM - Chapel

BAPTISMS Parents are expected to attend a Baptism Preparation Class held on the First Wednesday evening of each month in the Hughes Center. Please call the Rectory Office for further information.

WEDDINGS Please call Deacon Lawrence J. (Larry) Smith at the Rectory Office to register.

Mission

ST. MATTHEW PARISH is a welcoming Roman Catholic community of faith in the Archdiocese of Chicago with pastoral leadership provided by the Congregation of the Resurrection.

We bring joy and hope to *all* who strive to follow Jesus Christ by:

- ◆ Celebrating the Paschal Mystery
- ◆ Proclaiming Gospel Values
- ◆ Believing and living as Jesus taught us:
 - Teaching
 - Healing
 - Reaching out to others to transform lives

We put our faith into action with:

- ◆ Integrity
- ◆ Service
- ◆ Hospitality

Vision

ST. MATTHEW PARISH is a community of faith dedicated to advancing the unity and renewal of its members by:

- **WELCOMING** all who seek fellowship as sisters and brothers in Christ
- **RESPECTING** each individual as a child of God and a temple of the Holy Spirit
- **VALUING** the diversity of our community and the unique gifts that each member brings to the whole
- **PROVIDING** a wide-range of ministries to meet the needs of our parish in faith and worship
- **PREPARING** all parishioners to live their baptismal commitment in the Church and in the world, especially children and young adults
- **REACHING OUT** with compassion to those in need
- **OFFERING** opportunities to all parishioners to use their time, talent and treasure in the service of the common good
- **PROMOTING** effective communication to ensure that all parishioners have a voice in our parish life
- **FOSTERING** the professional growth of all staff and volunteers who serve the parish
- **ENSURING** good stewardship of all parish resources

ST. MATTHEW PARISH

All Services
During the Christmas Season *
Are In Church

NEW YEAR'S EVE
Wednesday, December 31, 2008
Masses: 8:00 AM & 5:00 PM-Church

NEW YEAR'S DAY
Thursday, January 1, 2009
Masses: 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM-Church

***New Year's Day is a Holy Day of Obligation**

Wishing you a
Blessed 2009 New Year



From
Father Joseph Glab ,CR
Parish Council and Parish Personnel

**St. Matthew's
Wish Tree 2008
Thank You!**



There are many people to thank for the success of St. Matthew's Wish Tree Ministry this year.

Thanks too all the people who took ornaments from the Wish Tree and brought their gifts to brighten the Christmas of many in need. This year we received over 1200 gifts to fill the wishes of our 560 Wish Tree gift recipients. The way the gifts were so beautifully wrapped and delivered with heaps of happy smiles was a clear sign that these were all truly gifts of love.

Thanks to the people who donated over \$700 in cash to the Wish Tree. These funds are used to buy gifts for recipients who may be inadvertently overlooked and to off set the cost of the many Wish Tree support activities.

Thanks to 130 Wish Tree volunteers who helped with so many important tasks: keying in the gift information, assembling and decorating ornaments, setting up the Church vestibule, distributing ornaments, the collecting and organizing the returned gifts, packing vehicles, and delivering the gifts. A special thanks to Jelen's who again this year provided a Penske truck to deliver over 500 hundred gifts to Sheila Just of the WestSide Community Center.

Thanks again, for making this a very Happy and Holy Christmas, for so many.

Ed Tummillo on behalf of the St. Matthew Wish Tree Ministry



And Noah said, "I told you we shouldn't bring the woodpeckers on the ark."

Would you like to learn more about Noah and the Book of Genesis come join the discussion at St. Matthew

Wednesday Evening Adult Study Group

Wednesdays
7:00-9:00 PM
In Chapel Building Room C



OUR PARISH FAMILY WELCOMES

Gerald E. Ewing
John & Kathryn Gresko
Elizabeth & Clinton Jeter
Ronald & Josephine Kohn
Maciej & Angelica Kosycarz
Kathleen M. Zenow

**They became members of
St. Matthew Parish
in
November 2008**



Thank you all who donated to Youth Ministry Make a Difference Day. We collected enough toiletries to fill over 200 Ziploc bags.

We also had several bags of shampoo, conditioner, soap and other toiletries to be delivered through Sheila Just. Youth Ministry is very grateful for your donations.

Thanks again

WHO IS MY NEIGHBOR? Ignorance and Misinformation

It's not that we don't know anything or that we are stupid or that we just easily swallow every bit of information we receive about the Muslims. On the contrary, some of us, in fact, may know a lot, some a little, and some perhaps are not certain with the information they've learned. The questions raised in the earlier segment may be reiterated here: How much or from where or through whom do we know about Muslims?

Several scholars, theologians and historians nowadays react with doubt to the anecdotal ideas constantly fed to us by the media. They caution us from making impulsive generalizations based on these reports. Apart from this, they add that even the history of Islam that we learned from school or books may be responsible in shaping our religious sentiments and attitudes about Islam in a less than positive way. Thus, it is urgent for us to revisit and evaluate this fundamental knowledge and understanding of Muslims.

Join us as we dig further into this topic.

Office for Ecumenical and Inter religious
Affairs-Archdiocese of Chicago
312-751-5325



Entrance Exam will be given on Saturday, January 10, 2009 at 8:00 am. Students who are interested in attending Loyola Academy must take the exam at Loyola Academy at this time. Students need only to arrive with pencils and the Entrance Exam fee of \$25.00; no pre registration is necessary. Please call 847-920-2481 with any questions.



The Catholic Mass *Source and Summit of Our Faith*

The inexhaustible richness of the Catholic Mass is expressed in the different names we give it. The *Source and Summit* of Christian life, because all other sacraments, and indeed all Christian ministries, are bound up with the *Mass* and are oriented toward it. For in the *Mass* is contained the whole spiritual good of the Church, namely Christ himself.

The *Sacrament of the Eucharist*, because it is an action of *thanksgiving* to God.

The *Lord's Supper*, because of its connection with the Last Supper which the Lord took with his disciples on the eve of his Passion.

The *Eucharistic assembly*, because the Eucharist is celebrated amid the assembly of the faithful, the visible expression of the Church.

The *Holy Sacrifice*, because it makes present the one sacrifice of Christ the Savior and includes

the Church's offering.

Holy Communion, because by this sacrament we unite ourselves to Christ, who makes us sharers in his Body and Blood to form a single body.

Catechism of the Catholic Church 1323-1332

If you would like to discover more about the Catholic Mass, please join the Spring 2009 Study Group. The Group will meet on Thursday evenings from 7:00-9:00 P.M. for eight consecutive weeks starting on February 5th in the Chapel Building Room D. At each session, participants will have an opportunity to view a video on different aspects of the Catholic Mass and then to discuss the content of the video in small groups. The presenters on the videos are Joe Paprocki and Todd Williamson, two highly respected experts on liturgy and catechesis in the Archdiocese of Chicago.

Anyone 18 years of age or older is invited to participate in this Study Group. Seating is limited so please sign up early. There is a \$15.00 fee for the study materials. Checks should be made payable to St. Matthew Parish.

To register, please drop off the fee and form below in the Religious Education Office or mail them to the Religious Education Office c/o Therese Kotowski at 1005 E. Schaumburg Rd., Schaumburg, IL 60193. **All registrations are due no later than January 30th.**

Spring 2009 Study Program

The Catholic Mass

Source and Summit of Our Faith

NAME _____ PHONE NUMBER _____

EMAIL: _____

The fee for this program is \$15. Please make checks payable to St. Matthew Parish.



“Protecting God’s Children”

The Archdiocese of Chicago has presented the VIRTUS program to clergy, employees, and volunteers over the past five years.

Often after a VIRTUS session is over, the comment from many people is, “Why don’t you show this to parents?” It is a recommendation that makes a lot of sense so we are now offering it not only to all St. Matthew volunteers (in all ministries) but parents and every/any adult as well.

The mission behind “Protecting God’s Children” is to equip adults with the tools necessary to recognize the signs of possible child abuse, to act on suspicions to prevent or stop child abuse and to better recognize offenders.

The VIRTUS workshop is a 2.5 hour, facilitated presentation using videos and follow up discussions to address child sexual abuse issues.

St. Matthew is hosting a VIRTUS session....

Tuesday, January 6, 2009
6:00 pm in the Hughes Center
 (dinner will be provided)

If you are...a volunteer (in any capacity) at St. Matthew (and, therefore, have been waiting for the opportunity to complete this required training at a convenient location), a parent, an adult (young or old)...please register for this important session by calling the Religious Education Office at 847-891-8408.



Guerin College Prep High School a co-ed college prep school is having entrance exams on January 10, 2009 at 8:00 am.

Students should bring their social security number, two no. 2 pencils, a calculator and the \$25 testing fee (cash or check made payable to Guerin Prep). Parents are invited to attend a special informational meeting from 8 to 9 am. After the test, students are invited to stay for a pizza party (free of charge) to meet their new classmates!

Any questions please call 708-453-6233 ex 4708



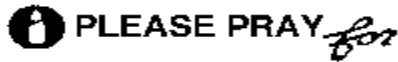
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 Kayla Tawoda
 David Trester
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SOLDIER BULLETIN

Thank you to all the families that sent in pictures of their soldiers for our bulletin board. Please feel free to add copies of letters from the soldiers along the edges to the board. Should you like to add a picture or update information please contact Youth Ministry in the Religious Education Office.





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| Ken Angelino | Raymond Groell | Brittani Navarre |
| Patricia Arias | Barb Guffey | Shawn Navarre |
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| Bennett Blizuela | Rhonda Jackson | Katherine Ricciardi |
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| Jo Anne Bricketto | Molly Komon | Steve Rylander |
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| Noah Currier | Vera Lenahan | Mark Sobieski |
| Kevin Dalton | Richard Lowthorp | Marge Solto |
| Bill Damore | Christine Lyons | Zofia Sperka |
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| Valerie Eikenberger | Diane Marino | Kathy Viti |
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| Bob Follmer | Annie McCauslin | Matt Wcislo |
| Charles Fret | Daniel McDonald | Daniele Wilson |
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| Ann Gerald | Donald Monaco | Steve Yelich |
| Ann Gioiosa | Sharon Moore | Crickette Ziols |
| Gary Grajek | Jean Murphy | |

WEEKLY FINANCES
December 21, 2008

Actual Sunday Gifts	\$15,452
Budgeted Sunday Gifts	\$19,900
Over (Under)	(\$4,448)

Year-to-date Sunday Offertory

Actual YTD Sunday Gifts	\$440,905
Budgeted YTD Sunday Gifts	\$497,500
Difference:	(\$ 56,595)

Debt Reduction Offertory

Actual Debt Gift	\$ 281
Budgeted	\$ 1,800

Year-to-date Debt Reduction Offertory

Actual YTD	\$ 15,941
Budgeted YTD	\$ 45,000

Total Debt as of 12/31/2008 \$ 736,324

Children's Collection	\$14.00
Flower Collection	\$ 3,832.47

**WE APPRECIATE YOUR SACRIFICES
FOR THE SUPPORT OF OUR PARISH**

WHAT'S YOUR CATHOLIC IQ!!!

A fun way to find out!!!

Check for the answers elsewhere in the bulletin.

- 1) The author of the popular hymn "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" was 1) Pope Gregory the Great; 2) Lloyd Webber; 3) Martin Luther; 4) Elton John
- 2) An ancient form of church music consisting of an unaccompanied melodic line is called a) a cantor; b) plain chant; c) a guitar Mass; d) a requiem

WELCOME CHRIST INTO THE NEW YEAR!

All are invited to pray in the New Year at St. Matthew Parish Chapel. Please join us on New Year's Eve, Wednesday, December 31, 2008.

We encourage everyone to attend the parish Mass in the church at 5:00 pm, followed by a potluck dinner and prayer service in the Chapel beginning at 6:30 pm, concluding at around 9:00 pm.

Attendees are invited to bring a dish of food to share to the Chapel kitchen after the 5:00 pm Mass. Dress is party casual.

For more information, or if you would like to help out, please contact:

Chuck or Alice Hunt 630-529-8519

**SPECIAL COLLECTIONS
FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY
JANUARY 3RD & 4TH~ ZACCHEAUSE HOUSE
JANUARY 17TH & 18TH ~ LATIN AMERICA**



**Masses
for the week**

December 27th 2008 thru January 4th, 2009

SATURDAY:

5:00 PM +Arlene Ray, +James Kriegsmann,
Special Intention for Mark Zambrzycki

SUNDAY:

7:45 AM For the People of St. Matthew Parish
9:15 AM +John Warton, +Arnold Frisch
10:45 AM +Aniano & Myrna Optina, +Michael A. Ottolino
Special Intention Mark Zambrzycki
12:15 PM +Mary Vasile, +Rose Carlson

MONDAY:

8:00 AM +Rose Carlson, +Margaret Hamill

TUESDAY:

8:00 AM +Joe Jacob Mathew, +Amelio & Jo Ann Pontarelli

WEDNESDAY:

8:00 AM +Joseph Gorlich, +Euretta Terracina
5:00 PM +Robert A. West, +Joseph Hajdic

THURSDAY:

8:00 AM +Dolores Smith
10:00 AM +Ann Vana

FRIDAY:

8:00 AM +For the Souls in Purgatory

SATURDAY:

5:00 PM For the People of St. Matthew Parish

SUNDAY:

7:45 AM +Stella Lee
9:15 AM +Jeanne Brennan, +Sister Victoria Davis
10:45 AM +Dolores Smith
12:15 PM +Rozella Devine

Rosary said daily after the 8:00 AM Mass. Evening
Rosary is said on Thursday evening at 7:00 PM in the Chapel.

**ASSIGNMENTS OF SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY FOR
THE WEEKEND OF:
January 3rd & 4th, 2009**



**Lectors
Commentators**

SATURDAY:

5:00 PM Vicki Mirshak, Mike Crane

SUNDAY:

7:45 AM Frank Mercurio, Bill Tarzon
9:15 AM Vince Viverito, Linda Wcislo
10:45 AM Theresa Sulentic, Becky Sulentic
12:15 PM Bill Alpers, Bernie Gossen



**Eucharistic
Ministers**

SATURDAY:

5:00 PM Bob VanDeven, Bill Bloom, Jim Shepeck, Linda
Vitols, Joyce Cairns, Vicki Mirshak, Nick Wolf

SUNDAY:

7:45 AM Ann Burski, Annie Olaprath, Wilson Olaprath, Angel
Villzluz, Linda Stansberry, Judy Hennip, Paul Hennip
9:15 AM Karen Strauch, Jackie Gordon, Marian Rathunde,
Norma Maranan, Linda Lozar, John Lozar, Mary
Reitz
10:45 AM Nancy Peterson, Linda Kasinger, Alice Mrozinski,
Greg Michaels, Alice Hunt, John Ray, Bill Davies
12:15 PM Bill Koch, Marina Pagsanjan, Jim Sengenberger,
Annette Serritella, Diane Szerszen, Roberta
Chrobak, Susan Tatman



**Altar
Servers**

SATURDAY:

5:00 PM Steve Sarver, Patrick Ward

SUNDAY:

7:45 AM Mike Viverito
9:15 AM Mike Blaszkowski, Natalie Blaszkowski, Jason Brescia
10:45 AM Matthew, Brennan, Megan Nagorzanski
12:15 PM Lori Szerszen



USHERS

SATURDAY:

5:00 PM Kathleen Wingler, Ron Kolba, Mark Lazare

SUNDAY:

7:45 AM Shirley Moehling, John McDonough, Rolland
Peterson, Angel Villaluz
9:15 AM Dan Conforti, Phil Jelen, Joe Krist, Ed Lacey
10:45 AM Dale Daugherty, Chuck Fiduccia, John Gaughan,
Audrey Mariani
12:15 PM Mike Starostka, Barbara Tutt, Pat Stanisz

Greeters

SATURDAY:

5:00PM Dorothy Rose,

SUNDAY:

7:45 AM Eve Carter
9:15 AM Dolores Jeschke
10:45 AM Angie Cullen, Audrey Mariani
12:15 PM Beverly Hochfelder



**Childrens Liturgy
Of the Word**

SATURDAY:

5:00 PM Clara Papp

SUNDAY:

9:15 AM Ruth Jones, Mary Lynn DeRosa
10:45 AM Marta Kowalski, Colleen Chahine



Weddings

1ST PUBLICATION:

2ND PUBLICATION:

3RD PUBLICATION:

This week at St. Matthew Parish.....

Sunday, Dec 28	1:30-2:30 PM	Baptisms-Church
Monday, Dec 29		
Tuesday, Dec 30	7:15-9:00 PM 7:30-8:00 PM	Centering Prayer-Chapel-C Centering Prayer-Chapel
Wednesday, Dec 31	8:00 AM 5:00 PM 6:30-9:00 PM	MASS MASS Prayer Service & Potluck - Chapel Bldg.
Thursday, Jan 1	8:00 AM 10:00 AM	MASS MASS
Friday, Jan 2	7:00-9:30 PM	New Jerusalem Prayer Group Chapel & D
Saturday, Jan 3		

**ARCHDIOCESAN MASS FOR LIFE
JANUARY 3, 2009**

5:30 pm
QUEEN OF THE ROSARY CHURCH
750 W. Elk Grove Blvd.
Elk Grove, 60007

FRANCIS CARDINAL GEORGE, O.M.I.
Principal Celebrant

We remember the children lost and women hurt through abortion as we reflect on the 36th anniversary of Roe v. Wade. Join Cardinal George and priests from across the Archdiocese of Chicago for the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass as we petition the Lord to end the scourge of abortion in our land!

We Are A People of Life!

“I came so that they might have life, and have it more abundantly.” John 10:10

*A reception will follow the Mass.
All are welcome!*

The Archdiocesan Mass for Life is sponsored by the Respect Life Office of the Archdiocese of Chicago . For more info call 312-751-5355

ANSWERS TO YOUR CATHOLIC IQ!!

- 1) c) Martin Luther (1483-1546), a pivotal person in the Protestant Reformation wrote hymns to encourage congregational singing
- 2) b) Plain chant is often called “plainsong.” It is most familiar to us as Gregorian chant.



DECEMBER 500 CLUB WINNERS

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| \$500.00 | Jim & Jayne Rose |
| \$100.00 | Knights of Columbus |
| \$ 50.00 | Jacqui & Ed Buga |
| \$ 25.00 | P. Robinson |

Thank you and congratulations!