

OFFICE CLOSED

In observance of Independence Day the Parish Office will be closed on Monday, July 3rd and Tuesday, July 4th. Father Bob and the parish staff wish our parish family a safe and happy 4th of July.

OKTOBERFEST NEWS

The Oktoberfest Committee will begin meeting on Monday, July 10th at 7:00 p.m. at the Parish Center. New committee members are encouraged to come be a part of planning our annual Oktoberfest. No experience is required, just a desire to help your parish, work with a great group of volunteers and perhaps take the lead as an event chairperson! The Oktoberfest Committee will meet each Monday at 7:00 p.m. with a wrap up meeting on October 9th.

Oktoberfest is St. Matthew's largest fundraising event for the church, volunteers like you are what make it a success.

CHILDREN'S ACTIVITY BAGS

Parents, if your children are a bit restless during Mass we have four bags of activities to keep them occupied during Mass. These bags are for children 3 to 8 years of age. See the Minister of Hospitality for the location of the bags. Parents please remember to return the bags for the next time your child or another child needs to use them.

COMMUNITY OF SAINTS SCHOOL NEWS

Community of Saints Ice Cream Social Thursday, August 17th from 6-8pm

Who: School families, prospective families, staff, and all four of our parish communities!

What: I scream, you scream, we all scream for **FREE ICE CREAM!** Need we say more? Oh, and maybe a friendly game of kickball and some yard games.

Where: Community of Saints-hopefully outside by the ball fields, weather permitting.

When: Thursday, August 17th, 6-8pm. Stop by for a few minutes or stay the whole time.

Why: For many reasons. To socialize with school and parish community members, and feel appreciated by Community of Saints for supporting our school!

How: Just show up!

Tuition Credit Available! \$1,000 New Student Credit – any new K-8 student who enrolls in the 2017-2018 school year will receive a \$1,000 credit. Additionally, need-based tuition assistance is available for all our families and these credits do not affect the amount of tuition assistance a family may receive.

25% Referral Credit – Current or new families who refer another family will receive a 25% tuition credit for the 2017-2018 school year if the family enrolls. Refer more than 1 family – receive an additional 10% for the 2017-2018 school year for each additional family. This credit does not affect the amount of need-based tuition assistance a family may receive. Referrals are credited per new family regardless of number of students in family.

Contact the school with any questions: [651-457-2510](tel:651-457-2510); bkramer@communityofsaints.org

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

July 14-16, Kings House Retreat Center, Buffalo

These retreats are a special time for a married couple away from all distractions: work, kids, bills, and other pressures and concerns. When was the last time you had a weekend like that? Couples do not share with the group. This weekend is for you and your spouse. Priests and religious are encouraged to attend as well. To apply, go to wwme.org or contact Brent or Tracy at [612-756-8720](tel:612-756-8720).