

The Chimes

of Saint Athanasius Parish

Eucharistic Worship

Weekends

Saturday

5:00 pm

Sunday

8:00, 9:30 and 11:30 am

LifeTeen 5:00 pm

Weekdays

Monday - Friday

6:30 and 8:15 am

Saturday

8:15 am

New Beginnings

Lord, Have Mercy...

Lord, Christ, Kyrie:

You before whom alone we bow
Before whom the cherubim bow
Before whom the earth is silent

Have mercy on us:

Mercy, reprieve, relief;
Another chance, new lease on life,
New dawn, new day, new age;
Repair of the broken,
Quickening of the dead,
Grin of the defeated
The breather of life given back
To those crushed in the winepress
We call "living."

Have mercy on us.

Mark Searle

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FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

APRIL 2, 2006

Eucharistic Liturgies

April 2 – April 9, 2006

Sunday

5:00 pm (Saturday) † Anna Miszewski
8:00 am † Anna Miszewski
9:30 am † Anna Miszewski
11:30 am † Ed & Rosemary Brown
5:00 pm † Rose Schuba

Monday

6:30 am † George W. Harris
8:15 am † Edward Castle

Tuesday

6:30 am † Anna Andrade Lucadamo
8:15 am † Active & Deceased Members of The Women's Club

Wednesday

6:30 am † Rick Halpin
8:15 am † Anna Miszewski

Thursday

6:30 am Parishioners of St. Athanasius
8:15 am † Helen Schleck

Friday

6:30 am † Clarence Bruns
8:15 am † Joseph Paul Perret

Saturday

8:15 am Elizabeth McCarthy Family
5:00 pm † Joe & Marion McGowan

Sunday

8:00 am † Virginia Lindley
9:30 am † Anna Miszewski
11:30 am † The Noel Shaw Family
5:00 pm † Rose Schuba

April 2, 2006 5th Sunday of Lent

“Peace be with you. As the Father sent me, so I send you. And when He had said this, He breathed on them and said to them, receive the Holy Spirit.”

We were welcomed into our Christian community at baptism and given the gifts of the Spirit at Confirmation. How have we accepted our commission to be God's hands, feet and voice wherever we find ourselves, trusting that God's Spirit equips us with all of the necessary resources to do God's work?

Stations of the Cross
Every Friday during Lent
7:30 pm in the Church

LifeTeen Happenings

☺ All Confirmed 8th graders and High School teens are invited for First Friday on April 7, in the teen room from 7-10 pm.

☺ The 7th and 8th grade Lock-in will take place Friday, April 28 from 7:30 pm until 7:30 am Saturday morning. No Sleeping! Get ready for some all-night fun with all the inflatable obstacle course, Velcro wall, and bungee run you can handle – plus food, prizes, music, movies, and games. Permission forms are available in the back of church or at the Parish House.

☺ All 8th Graders and High School teens are welcome at H₂O every Wednesday. Take a break from your week. We meet from 7-9 pm in the Teen Room.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION REPORT

Fiscal Year Goal (2005-6)	\$606,579
As of 2/28/06:	
Year To Date Goal	\$416,290
Year To Date Actual	\$370,073
Year To Date Deficit	(\$46,217)
Average Sunday Collection Needed	\$11,894
Average Sunday Collection To Date	\$10,574

Collections for March 19

Offertory	\$10,006
Kristin Lietz	\$3,888

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

This Week: Lenten Charity: Infants, Inc.
& Little Sisters of the Poor



Next Week: St. Agnes
Lenten Charity: Sunlight African Center

St. Athanasius School Principal for 2006-2007

Mrs. Susan Castagna has accepted the position of Principal at St. Athanasius School for 2006-2007. When she was interviewed, Mrs. Castagna earned the unanimous approval of the Principal Search Committee, the School Board, and the enthusiastic support of our faculty.

Mrs. Castagna is presently principal of St. Luke School in Woodburn, Oregon, near Portland. She has been a principal or superintendent in Catholic schools for fourteen years. I am especially impressed by her strong Catholic faith and commitment to social justice. She has an understanding communication style which I believe matches our school's philosophy of appreciating each student's uniqueness, encouraging academic excellence and forming a practical relationship with Christ. I look forward to working with her when she arrives in early August.

Choosing a school principal is one of the most significant decisions I make as pastor. The Search Committee, co-chaired by **Mr. Gary Miller** and **Mrs. Rita Bambrick**, did excellent work in preparing for candidate interviews. Thanks go out to them, our School Board, faculty, and all the parishioners and school families that provided input and insight throughout the process. All these efforts make me confident that we have chosen a top quality leader for our school.

Where Is the Choir?

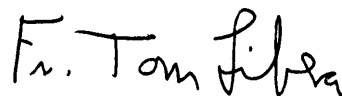
One of the top priorities of our Parish Evaluation and Renewal Process (PAR) was to revitalize our music program so that our worship experience at Mass is more engaging. Your positive feedback indicates that we are moving in the right direction. Our interim Music Director, **Mr. Steve Carson**, our dedicated choir, and our liturgical planning committees have worked hard in creative collaboration to make this possible. Thanks to all of you.

In the spirit of a Lenten simplicity, the choir is in the choir loft until Easter. The organ has been repaired so that it will be heard more often. After Easter, as an experiment, the choir will be located in a more usable space in front of the St. Joseph shrine (on your right as you face the altar.) A few pews will be removed to give sufficient space for the disabled and for traffic flow. Improving our music program to be both inspirational and user-friendly is a work in progress. Please continue to let us know how it is working for you.

Gathering of Ministries

Our first gathering of all those who participate in any of our parish's 35+ ministries and groups takes place this Thursday at 7:30 PM in the Fitzgerald Center. The goal is to inform those attending of what our leadership coordinating groups have accomplished this past year and to invite parishioners onto our PAR leadership groups for the next year. Fr. Tom Sweetser and Sr. Peg Bishop, who have been so helpful in facilitating our parish renewal, will join us on Thursday. Please pray for those who will be participating.

In the Lord's Blessings,



P.S. The Holy Week Schedule is in today's *Chimes*. Please note the **times for the individual reception of the Sacrament of Reconciliation**: Saturday, April 8, 8:45-10:30 AM and Monday, April 10, 6-8 PM.

Liturgy Planning Committee

Parishioners are invited to join our Liturgy Planning Committee as we plan our liturgies for the Easter Season. Our next meeting will be Monday, April 3, at 7 pm in the Parish House. Please join us if you are interested.

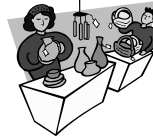
Want to bring delight to the Children of the Parish?

The Community Building Coordinating Group is seeking one or two individuals to coordinate the parish Easter egg hunt. You can estimate 3 - 15 hours of work over the 40 days of Lent. Here is what's involved:

- Coordinating collection of plastic eggs
- Secure two special eggs
- Coordinate egg hiding (using junior high volunteers)
- Publicize the event
- Coordinate on the day of the event

It would be super if you would be willing to sign on for this task for two years, but we will take anything we can get. Are you up to the challenge? Contact Pat Schmidt (847) 673-2621 or mptschmidt@comcast.net to throw your hat into the ring.

Day in Jerusalem TODAY



10:30 am - 12:30 pm
in the gym

A Circle of Stones: A Special Lenten Morning for Women

To take time out; create a space within; let yourself be. Meditation training, spiritual bodywork, journaling, creative ritual making. Every Friday morning, 9:15 - 10:45 am in the Fitzgerald Chapel. Babysitting will be available. Call the Religious Education Office at 847-328-1430, extension 130, for details or to reserve babysitting.

Soup Kitchen Outreach

The next soup kitchen volunteer opportunity will be Monday, April 10 at the Second Baptist Church, 1717 Benson, from 11 am to 1 pm (meal served at noon). For more information, contact Blanche Childs at 847-864-2506 or aobchilds@ameritech.net.

Please Remember In Your Prayers. . .

The newly engaged, especially **Patrick Robinson and Monica Castillejo (III)**;

The sick and their caregivers, especially **Sandy Seubert, Dona Roper, Michael Wuellner, Dolly Hallstrom, Ruth Pierre, Madre Estela Hernandez Patino, Nancy Sweeney, Joe Williams, Ann Ignoffo, Maria Mendoza, John Madden, Leland Smith, Dorothy Seligman, Gwenda Doyle, Judy Kopp, Tony Burusu, Joan Watt, Cecilia Willis, Paul Donovan, Frank O'Shaughnessy, Joshua Piene, Lisa Sikorski, Frank Adornetto, Joseph Farley, Suzanne Quigley, Aiden Brennan, Marion Benedict, Carmelo Sabatino, Amy Royer, Phyllis Staub, mother of David Staub, and Mary Regina Ganey, mother of Rita Weinberg**;

Those in the military, especially **Jacob Meyers, Chris Straub, Maura Sullivan, Catie Staub, Capt. Chris Brennan, Jay Dettloff, Alex Manettas, Dylan Binder, Michael Prato, Andrew Best, Col. Glenn Wortmann, Sgt. Shannon Gillette, Matthew Grelick, Major Mark Gleisner, Matthew Janicki, Capt. Andrew Webster and Brian McCormick**;

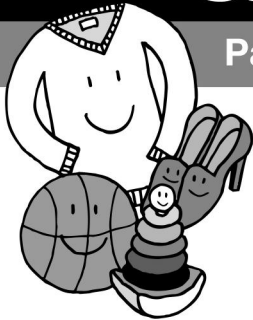
Those who have died, especially **Estelle Schmitt, mother of Lori Goszczyński, and Pauline Later**.

Get ready to rummage!

St. Athanasius Rummage Sale

Saturday, April 8 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Parish-only Pre-Sale Friday, April 7 6:30 to 9:00 p.m.



Call Valerie de Hueck for more information or to donate items at 847-864-0930

St. Athanasius School Gym
Enjoy coffee, donuts, hot dogs, pizza and more!



St. Athanasius Parish

Easter 2006

Individual Reconciliation

Saturday, April 8 8:45 - 10:30 AM

Monday, April 10 6:00 - 8:00 PM

Passion (Palm) Sunday April 9

Palms blessed and distributed at all Masses.

Saturday 5:00 PM

Sunday 8:00, 9:30, 11:30 AM, 5:00 PM

Holy Thursday April 13

Morning Prayer 9:00 AM

Liturgy of the Lord's Supper 7:30 PM

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until midnight.

Good Friday April 14

Morning Prayer 9:00 AM

Liturgy of the Lord's Passion 3:00 PM

Holy Saturday April 15

Morning Prayer 9:00 AM

Blessing of Easter Baskets Noon

Easter Vigil 7:30 PM

Easter Sunday April 16

Liturgies 8:00, 9:30, 11:30 AM

No 5:00 PM Mass

Good Friday Walk For Justice

8th Day Center for Justice invites you to their 26th Annual Good Friday Walk For Justice on April 14, noon to 3 pm. The walk begins at Congress and Michigan and ends at Thompson Center at Clark and Randolph. For further information, contact 8th Day Center for Justice at 205 West Monroe or at 312-641-5151.

Readings for the Week of April 2, 2006

Sunday: Jer 31:31-34/ Heb 5:7-9/ Jn 12:20-33;
Scrutinies (Cycle A): Ez 37:12-14/ Rom 8:8-11/ Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45

Monday: Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62/ Jn 8:1-11

Tuesday: Nm 21:4-9/ Jn 8:21-30

Wednesday: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/ Jn 8:31-42

Thursday: Gn 17:3-9/ Jn 8:51-59

Friday: Jer 20:10-13/ Jn 10:31-42

Saturday: Ez 37:21-28/ Jn 11:45-56

Next Sunday: Mk 11:1-10 or Jn 12:12-16/ Is 50:4-7/ Phil 2:6-11/ Mk 14:1—15:47 or 15:1-39

St. Athanasius Women's Club Spring Luncheon

Wednesday, April 26, 2006

Westmoreland Country Club—2061 Old Glenview Road, Wilmette

Cocktails start at 11:30 am, luncheon is at 12:30 pm

\$25 per person

Guests Welcome

Pamela Sue Fox, an energetic and talented performer,
will entertain with some of her delightful interpretations of song.

RESERVATION FOR ST. ATHANASIUS WOMEN'S CLUB SPRING LUNCHEON

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE _____

NUMBER ATTENDING _____

Please return this form before April 23 along with a
check (made payable to St. Athanasius Women's Club) for \$25 per person to:
Joan Lemasters, 1527 Colfax, Evanston, 60201 or
Marianne Zelewsky, 2324 Central, Evanston, 60201.
Questions? Call Joan at 847-869-1260 or Marianne at 847-866-8965.

Lenten Charities - Week Five

Infant, Inc.

Infant, Inc. solicits donations to purchase baby formula at the lowest cost and delivers it to food pantries and women's shelters in Chicago and its suburbs. In addition to formula, Infant, Inc. provides basic new layettes of infant clothing to newborns living in shelters for the homeless. More than 98% of the funds raised goes directly to the infants. More information can be found at www.infantinc.org or call Bridget Rohde at 847-733-1980. Your Lenten almsgiving contribution to Infant, Inc. can help to achieve this purpose.



Little Sisters of the Poor

The congregation of the Little Sisters of the Poor began on a winter day in 1839 when Jeanne Jugan opened her home to Jesus Christ in the person of an elderly poor, blind woman. From this simple response of love, her work has become a mission, which reaches elderly poor in thirty-one countries throughout the world. The mission of the Little Sister of the Poor is to care for the elderly and serving them with love and respect. Your contribution will help the Little Sisters extend their resources and thus expand their ability to reach out to those who seek help.

Parish Calendar

Sunday, April 2

Elizabeth Ministry, 10:30-11:30 am, Hartke
Day in Jerusalem, 10:30 am-12:30 pm, Gym
Rummage Sale Drop-off, 3-5 pm, Gym
LifeTeen, 7-10 pm, Teen Room

Monday, April 3

Tuesday, April 4

Wednesday, April 5

RCIA, 7-9 pm, Fitzgerald Chapel
Chess, 7-8:30 pm, Lunchroom
H₂O, 7-8:30 pm, Teen Room
Choir Practice, 7:30 pm, Church

Thursday, April 6

Scriptures, 9-11 am, Fitzgerald Chapel
Gathering of Ministers, 7:30 pm, Faculty Lounge

Friday, April 7

Lenten Book Group, 8-9 am, Fitzgerald Chapel
Circle of Stones, Spirituality Group, 9-11 am,
Fitzgerald Chapel
Rummage Parish Pre-Sale, 6:30-9 pm
Stations of the Cross, 7:30 pm, Church
LifeTeen 1st Friday, 7-10 pm, Teen Room

Saturday, April 8

Rummage Sale, 8 am-3 pm, Gym

Sunday, April 9

LifeTeen, 7-10 pm, Teen Room
Men's Basketball, 7-9 pm, Gym



Staff Extension List

100 Parish Office	120 Christi Thompson
101 School Office	124 Razia Khokhar
103 Fr. Sztorc	129 Bridget Hotchkiss
105 Marion Amling	130 Carolyn Groves
111 Fr. Libera	142 Barbara Bonier
114 José Moreno	143 Karen Sellers
115 Mary Lietz	

Weekday Servers March April 3 - 7

8:15 am Monday/Tuesday/Wednesday
Julia Brucks, Emmie Cagney
Thursday/Friday/Saturday
Chris & Will Caan

Liturgical Ministers

Next Weekend April 8/9

5:00 pm Saturday

Presider Fr. Sztorc
Lector Tom McRaith/Bob Best
Servers J.T. Vilus, Connor & Kevin Cole
Eucharistic Ministers
Virginia Davidson, Bill Quinlan, Jan
Zeller, Lori & Stan Goszczyński

8:00 am

Presider Fr. Sztorc
Lector Mike Bansley/Eileen Parkinson
Servers Conner Berg, Matt Zampa, Emily
Barnett
Eucharistic Ministers
Bill Kauffman, Tom Meany, Judy
Berg, Jerry Garner, Walter Farrell

9:30 am

Presider Fr. Libera
Lector Jean Peters/David Staub
Servers Carlin O'Brien, Devin & Derek
Schmitz
Eucharistic Ministers
Tim Burke, Virgil Hagedorn, Michael
Sultan, David Staub, Kevin Leonard

11:30 am

Presider Fr. Stoeger S.J.
Lector Bill Harmon/Mary Rooney
Servers Justine Andrus, Meredith Weissert,
Connor Braasch
Eucharistic Ministers
Rosemary Welch, Karen Sellers, Joan
Harvey, Devin Kincaid, Mary Sotir

5:00 pm Sunday

Presider Fr. Sztorc
Servers Daniel & Eileen O' Malley

March 6, 2006 Leadership Night

Minutes from PPC and Coordinating Groups

Parish Pastoral Council:

On April 6th, in place of its regular Common Leadership Night meeting, the parish will hold its first-ever “Gathering of Ministers.” During this gathering everyone in the parish currently involved in a ministry will assemble to discuss the past year, plan for the year ahead, choose the area of ministry they will focus on in the coming year, and, importantly, discern among their members new representatives to serve on the parish’s five coordinating groups. In preparation for this meeting, among other things tonight’s PPC sought to clarify the process that would be followed at the Gathering of Ministries for choosing new members on the coordinating groups. It also decided that, for this year at least, the “training” of these new members will take place at the regular Common Leadership Night meeting in May and, additionally, at that May meeting each coordinating group would elect one new co-chair. This entails a revision of the Parish’s Covenant Book, which outlines the parish’s new governance procedures. The last item of business was a request by the Community Coordinating Group to the Worship Coordinating Group, greeted enthusiastically by the PPC, to co-sponsor an outdoor mass on the parish lawn in June or July. The meeting adjourned at 9:55 p.m.

Worship:

This night’s meeting began with reports on what has been happening in the music ministries, including the good news that the organ has been repaired and would be returning to service. Along with this came the news that the choir would finally be getting a more “permanent” home in the front of the church after Easter, with the purchase of some special chairs and the construction of raised platforms. The Liturgy Planning Committee is still in search of more volunteers to help in the preparation of liturgies and ushers are needed, especially for Holy Week and Easter. Plans were made for a small survey to be conducted late in Lent on the music at the Sunday masses. The rest of the meeting concerned preparations for the upcoming “Gathering of Ministries” on April 6th, especially the review of the accomplishments of the Worship Coordinating Group over the course of the past year.

Community:

The rotation of some of the current Community Coordinating Group members, and the staff and PPC member rotations, were discussed. The goal of Community Building has successfully made people feel welcome at St A's; the goal for 2006/2007 is to get better participation from those outside of the commissions. To enhance volunteer recruitment, suggestions include having someone from an organization speak at Mass, explaining volunteer opportunities on the website and in the Chimes, and periodic recognition of volunteers. Upcoming events being planned include the Easter Egg Hunt after the 9:30am Mass on Easter, the Fall Picnic, co-chairs are needed. A coordinator/scheduler is needed for the Greeter ministry. Welcoming notes will be sent to 65 parishioners who have joined the parish since February, 2005. Summer Hospitality on the Lawn (Memorial Day to Labor Day) will involve the many organizations of our parish – a schedule will be sent to the heads of each organization. We would like to hold a Mass on the lawn between the Church and the Parish House during the summer.

Administration:

The Administration Coordinating Group discussed the upcoming Gathering of Ministers event on April 6th for all current members of parish ministries. To ensure completeness in the invitation list, comprehensive member lists of all parish ministries were compiled and distributed to the appropriate coordinating groups for review and approval. In addition, all parishioners who expressed interest in particular ministries via the Parish Census will be invited as well. The group also discussed the process for seeking out new members for the Administration Coordinating Group for the upcoming year, primarily from the sub-committees which fall under the Administration Group.

Faith Development:

The Faith Development Coordinating group used the March 6th meeting to review the accomplishments of the past year and reconfirm the goals established at the beginning of its commission. The group edited the lists of volunteers involved in the Faith and Development ministries, identified people who might consider becoming members of this coordinating group for the coming year, and outlined goals for the coming year. This was all directed toward the Gathering of Ministers meeting scheduled for April 6.

Outreach:

We reviewed our goals and our success. Our main goals are to finalize the brochure and hope to bring groups together to reflect on today's gospel.

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Pastors

Rev. Thomas Libera, *Pastor* (tlibera‡)
Rev. Richard Sztorc, *Associate Pastor* (rsztorc‡)
Rev. James Stoeger, S.J., *Weekend Assistant*

Parish Office

847-328-1430 (fax) 847-328-1809
Admin. Assistant's Hours: Monday 8:30 am-1:30 pm
Tuesday - Friday 11:30 am-4:30 pm
Reception Hours: Monday/Tuesday 4:30-8:30 pm
Wednesday - Friday 4:30-6:30 pm
Saturday 10 am-4 pm; Sunday 10 am-1 pm

Parish Office Staff

Karen Sonnicksen Sellers, *Parish Administrator* (ksellers‡)
Barbara Bonier, *Office Manager* (bbonier‡)
Marion Amling, *Business Manager* (mamling‡)
Janice Moore-Rivas, *Administrative Assistant* (jmoore‡)

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Buildings and Grounds

Jose Moreno, *Facilities Manager* (jmoreno‡)

Catholic Chaplain

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Sr. Ann Weiler, O.S.F.

Deacon

Richard S. Jay

Music Ministry

Pastoral Associate

Razia Khokhar (rkhokhar‡)

Religious Education

Carolyn Groves, *Director* (cgroves‡)
Bridget Hotchkiss, *Coordinator* (bhotchkiss‡)

Youth Ministry

Christina Thompson, *Director* (cthompson‡)

Chimes Articles

The deadline for submitting information to the parish office is Friday at Noon, **10 days prior to publication date.** Best method is to email the document as an attachment to chimes@stathanasius-evanston.org.

‡ - @stathanasius-evanston.org

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

is a several-month process for an adult wishing to become a Catholic through the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist) or through a Profession of Faith. These rites are celebrated at the Easter Vigil. Please contact a staff member.

Infant Baptism

is generally celebrated on the first and third Sundays of the month at 1:00 pm in the Church. The Baptism Preparation Program for parents and godparents, if possible, is held each month. Please call the Parish Office to make arrangements.

Confirmation

preparation begins in the middle of 7th grade and is celebrated during the winter of 8th grade. For adult/high school confirmation, call the Religious Education Office.

The Eucharist

is brought to the homebound by Care Ministers. Arrangements are made by calling Razia Khokhar. First Eucharist preparation for children begins in 1st grade and is celebrated in the spring of 2nd grade.

Matrimony

arrangements are made by contacting one of the priests at the Parish Office. Arrangements a year in advance allow for adequate reservation time, participation in marriage preparation programs and liturgical planning.

Anointing of the Sick

is celebrated in the Fall during a communal celebration. Special requests for this sacrament can be arranged by calling the Parish Office.

Reconciliation

is celebrated on Saturdays, after the 8:15 am Eucharist until 9:30 am, in the sacristy near the front doors of the Church during the Holy Hour. Communal Reconciliation Services are held during Advent and Lent.

One Year Ago Today



"Do not abandon yourselves to despair. We are the Easter people and hallelujah is our song."

-Pope John Paul II-