

The Chimes

of Saint Athanasius Parish

Eucharistic Worship

Weekends

Saturday 5:00 pm
Sunday 8:00, 9:30 and 11:30 am
Life Teen 5:00 pm

Weekdays

Monday - Friday 6:30 and 8:15 am
Saturday 8:15 am

Congratulations to our Family Program 8th Grade Graduates

From Baker

Matthew Brennan

James Masello

From Chute

Caitlin Flowers

From Haven

Julia Egofske

Hannah Fulcher

Erinn Kenney

Aidan Murphy

Kendall Rak

Kevin Rosinski

Andrew Urquiaga

Sarah Uttal

Claire Wagner

From Bessie Rhodes

Nicole Dillon

George Sorenson

*To the Brennan, Jordan, Masello, Fulcher, and Rak families,
we bid farewell from the Family Program.*

We hope to see you at liturgy and other parish activities.

SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST
JUNE 18, 2006

Eucharistic Liturgies

June 18 – June 25, 2006

Sunday

- 5:00 pm (Saturday) † Joe McGowan
- 8:00 am † Julian & John Andrew Stevens
- 9:30 am † Rose Schuba
- 11:30 am † Noel Shaw Family
- 5:00 pm No Mass

Monday

- 6:30 am Parishioners of St. Athanasius
- 8:15 am † Elizabeth Collins Moore

Tuesday

- 6:30 am † Charles Hinni
- 8:15 am † Noel Shaw Family

Wednesday

- 6:30 am † Patrick Hotchkiss
- 8:15 am † Rose Schuba

Thursday

- 6:30 am Parishioners of St. Athanasius
- 8:15 am Dennis McLean O'Brien

Friday

- 6:30 am Parishioners of St. Agnes
- 8:15 am † Thomas Farrell

Saturday

- 8:15 am † Jack O'Connor
- 5:00 pm † Joe & Marion McGowan

Sunday

- 8:00 am † Rose Schuba
- 9:30 am † Joe & Marion McGowan
- 11:30 am † Mary Rose Vernon
- 5:00 pm † Lydia Potae Flores

Father's Day Prayer

Lord, I need your special care.
Like your earthly father, Joseph, I want to do God's will, even if I may not always understand. Make me gentle and selfless in the care of my family and children; help me guide them in the toils and troubles, the happiness and wonders of this life. Like my Father in heaven, make me strong in love and forgiveness for those you entrust to my care. No one can do these things rightly, Lord, without your constant help and boundless mercy. Be with me always, and may I come to you in heaven, and all my family with me. Amen.

*Pastor Mark Adams
Hillside Free Methodist Church*

Fr. Tom to Lead Five Day Trip to Mexico City

Celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe with Fr. Tom Libera and Fr. Ralph Starus from December 10 to 14, 2006. The cost of the trip is \$895, with an additional \$395 for airfare from Chicago. Stay in a First Class Hotel in Zona Rosa while visiting many of the religious and cultural highlights of Mexico City. Enjoy a full day excursion to Puebla and Tlaxcala. For more information, call Best Catholic Pilgrimages at 1-800-908-2378, visit the website at www.bestcatholic.com, or call Fr. Tom at 847-328-1430, extension 111.

Thank You Celebration for Fr. Robert Oldershaw

You are cordially invited to attend a Thank You Liturgy and Celebration for Fr. Robert Oldershaw, long-time pastor of St. Nicholas Parish, who is retiring this year on July 1. The liturgy will be held on Saturday, June 24, at 4:00 pm, followed by an Open House in the school cafeteria from 6:00-9:00 pm. St. Nicholas is located at 806 Ridge Avenue in Evanston. For more information, please contact Joan in the parish office at 847-864-1185, or email her at stnicks@nickchurch.org.

Vocation

God fed us with the gift of Love. Be bread for others as a priest or religious. For information, contact Sr. Peter Mary at 312-751-5240 or voac@archchicago.org.

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS



This Week: HOPE Sunday

Next Week: HOPE Sunday

Goodbye Razia

With her welcoming gentle presence, Razia Khokhar has been Pastoral Associate at St. Athanasius for four years. Largely behind the scenes, Razia, cheered on by her sister Kausar, has guided and resourced many of our parish's compassion ministries.

When Razia came to us, I asked her to continue the work of Sr. Mary Crimmin and be both the voice for those who can so easily fade into the background in an energetic parish like St. A's, and to be the advocate for issues arising from our call to bring Christ's peace and justice into our world. She has done all this well. Through the Ministries of Care and Bereavement she has been present to those who can become isolated because of sickness or grief. Razia has guided others into these ministries as well. Her presence to our Peace and Justice ministry has helped awaken us to situations we would rather ignore. Razia's coordination of the RCIA program refreshes our faith community with new members each Easter. She is also chaplain to our Women's Club and Elizabeth ministry. She does this all with dedication and heart. I have learned from her and enjoyed working with her. I am inspired by her faith and courage. Thank you, Razia.

Razia will be leaving us at the end of June. Budgetary considerations call for a realignment of our pastoral staff.

At next weekend's Masses, I invite you to celebrate Razia's time here as Pastoral Associate and to wish her well in the next step of her life's journey. A special hospitality for Razia will follow the Masses.

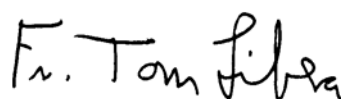
Can We Pray for You?

Whenever I visit the hospitalized or sick, I feel assured and guided knowing that thirty other people are walking into that room or house with me. These thirty prayer partners are our Ministers of Praise. They also are ready to lift your prayer intentions up into God's good light. All requests, large and small, are honored. Faithfully, and out of sight, our Ministers of Praise commit some time each day to pray for our needs. Prayer request slips are available next to the vigil light stand along the west wall of our church.

HOPE (Help Our Parish Excel) Sunday

As we conclude our budget year in June, projected parish income is within \$60,000 of balancing the books, thanks to your generosity. Our HOPE Sunday goal is the equivalent of a Christmas offering in June. The second collection, this week and next, aims to accomplish this goal. Thank you to all who have generously expressed your faith in action by supporting our parish.

In God's Blessings,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Fr. Tom Libera". The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned to the left of a vertical red line.

There will be no 5:00 pm Sunday Mass this weekend. There will be no 6:30 am Mass from July 5 through July 28.

The Mission Trip Gang is at it again!

Please consider honoring Dad with a special card! All proceeds benefit the LifeTeen trip and programming! Cards will be sold before and after Masses this weekend.

Farewell to Razia Next Weekend

Please join us after all the Masses for receptions to thank Razia Khokhar for her years of service. She has touched many lives as pastoral associate here at St. Athanasius.

We have a winner!!

Congratulations to the Stoklosa Family! Not only did they win the Mini Raffle, but also the Grand Prize! Will they choose the car and let Alex and Zach fight over it? Or will they take the cash? What a nice choice to have to make! Thanks to all of our volunteers who helped make our raffle a success.

Soup Kitchen

The next **Monday** soup kitchen will be on **June 19** at Second Baptist Church, 1717 Benson, 11:00 am to 1:00 pm (meal served at noon). Contact Blanche Childs (864-2506) or Katie Maday (475-1538).

Ron Miller Comes to Theology on Draft Friday, June 30, 7:30 pm, in the gym

Dr. Ron Miller will be the presenter at our next Theology on Draft. He is a well-known speaker at hundreds of churches, synagogues, and mosques throughout the US. A former Jesuit, Ron is the founder of **Common Ground**, an adult education center, located in Deerfield, for interfaith study and dialogue which a number of our parishioners have attended. He received his doctorate from Northwestern University in Comparative Religions and currently chairs the Religion Department at Lake Forest College. Ron is the author of three books: *The Hidden Gospel of Matthen*, *The Wisdom of the Carpenter*, and *The Gospel of Thomas: A Guidebook for Spiritual Practice* which one of our Lenten reading groups chose to read this year. From his work at Common Ground and his writing, Ron is well qualified to speak on our topic: "**The Da Vinci Code, the Gospels of Judas, Thomas, and Mary Magdalene - WHAT'S GOING ON???**" We are hoping that in choosing this topic and speaker, we can address, as a community, the different questions and judgments that have arisen from these variant gospels and new interpretations of the Christian story. So come and join in the conversation on Friday evening, June 30 at 7:30 pm in the gym. **Babysitting will be provided.**

Please Remember In Your Prayers. . .

The newly baptized, especially **Brandon Michael Braver**, son of Noah and Amy Braver;

The newly engaged, especially **Michael Nguyen** and **Marie Lisbeth Grageda (II)**;

The sick and their caregivers, especially **Jennie Schneider**, **Linda Uttal**, former parishioner **Cathy McCarthy**, **Michael Maloney**, **Betty Kelly**, **Dolly Hallstrom**, **Ruth Pierre**, **Madre Estela Hernandez Patino**, **Frank O'Shaughnessy**, **Lisa Sikorski**, **Maria Mendoza**, **Dorothy Seligman**, **Tony Burusu**, **Paul Donovan**, **Joseph Farley**, **Suzanne Quigley**, **Marion Benedict**, **Carmelo Sabatino**, **Amy Royer**, **Leland Smith**, father of Eileen Parkinson and **Mary Regina Ganey**, mother of Rita Weinberg;

Those in the military, especially **Matthew Chrobak**, **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 Grelck**, **Major Mark Gleisner**, **Matthew Janicki**, **Capt. Andrew Webster** and **Brian McCormick**;

Those who have died, especially **Thomas Farrell**.



HOPE SUNDAY

HOPE Sunday is our combined effort to balance our parish budget as our fiscal year ends. **Helping Our Parish Excel** means continued parish grounds that blossom, a variety of liturgies that gather and nourish our families, quality school and religious education programs, a lively ministry to our teens, opportunities for learning about topics that matter, plus ministries that reach our homebound parishioners and the social concerns of our community. The HOPE Sunday goal is to raise \$60,000 by the end of June. We will be collecting donations the weekends of June 17/18 and June 24/25. A successful HOPE Sunday will allow us to start the next fiscal year with a clean slate as we continue to respond to the expectations of our parishioners. Your continuing support is greatly appreciated.

Thank You from Sunlight African Community Center

What a wonderful gift! Thank you so much for your contribution of \$1,797. Please convey my gratitude to your generous parishioners.

This donation will allow us to continue our After School Youth Development Program and our Summer Program for the low-income African immigrant children of Uptown, Edgewater and Rogers Park. With your support, we can continue the essential activities that empower these children and their families to make sound decisions about issues that affect their lives.

Thanks to a skilled youth worker and dedicated volunteers, things are going well at Sunlight despite my recent accident. I ask that you keep us in your prayers.


Sincerely,

Ruphina Pettis
Executive Director



Some Thank You Notes

Our Parish Endowment Committee recently approved four grants from our Outreach Endowment Fund. A full report will follow. In addition, \$4,000 was granted for the 2005-6 dues for the United Power for Action and Justice community organizing group.



Fr. Valery Burusu

Blessing!

I am pleased to write this letter to you and your beloved members of Justice and Peace at St. Athanasius Parish, thanking you very highly for the support of \$1,000. You uplifted me very much. I feel to be loved and cared by God through you. The money which you offered me, helped for my tuition at Catholic Theological Union. I am glad to inform you that my tuition is covered for this semester.

Excuse, I am a bit late to thank you because I went to Africa to see my Father who is suffering from a stroke. I just came back to Chicago and I already resumed my studies.


I owe you an immense of gratitude for your kindness and generosity. I will ask our good Lord to thank you on my behalf.

Again, I thank you,

Sincerely,

Fr. Valery Burusu

[Fr. Val has assisted in our parish in recent times.]



Boys/Girls Hope

On behalf of the Scholars we serve at Boys Hope Girls Hope, please accept my gratitude for your most recent gift of \$1,000.

Your support helps us provide comprehensive residential and educational services to deserving at-risk children, children who are prepared to work very hard to achieve their goals.

Thank you for making a difference in the lives of young people who deserve the opportunity to realize their dreams.

Sincerely,

Patrick Hughes

Executive Director



School for Little Children

School for Little Children was most surprised and grateful when your donation was received by us. Thank you for supporting the work we do.

Along with maintaining our high quality of preschool programming, we have placed a special focus on reaching out to an underserved population in Evanston. The school has unique programs for serving children with special needs, children who have been identified as at-risk and therefore require specific pre-kindergarten teaching strategies, and children whose families need full-day childcare, regardless of family income. School for Little Children considers this outreach as part of its mission to families with young children. How wonderful that the St. Athanasius Outreach Endowment help fund our own outreach efforts.

Again, thank you for your support and generosity. It is most appreciated.

Sincerely,

Carol Teske

Director

Barbara Davis

Co-Director

[The School for Little Children received a \$2,200 grant for one half of a scholarship.]

Parish Calendar

Sunday, June 18

Men's Basketball, 7-9 pm, Gym

Monday, June 19

Liturgy Planning Meeting, 7 pm, Rosemeyer

Tuesday, June 20

School Board, 7:30 pm, Hartke

Wednesday, June 21

H₂O, 7-9 pm, Teen Room

Men's Basketball, 8-10 pm, Gym

Thursday, June 22

Friday, June 23

Saturday, June 24

Sunday, June 25

LifeTeen, 7 pm, Teen Room

Men's Basketball, 7-9 pm, Gym

Staff Extension List

847-328-1430

100 Parish Office	115 Mary Lietz
100 Janice Moore-Rivas	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

Past *Chimes* Available Online

Remember that if you miss reading *The Chimes* in any given week, you may access them on our website: www.stathanasius-evanston.org.

New Look for the School Website

Check it out at <http://saintas.net!>

Weekday Servers June 19 - 24

8:15 am Monday/Tuesday/Wednesday
Robert Staub, Evan Swenson
Thursday/Friday/Saturday
Allison & Elizabeth Sweeney

Liturgical Ministers

Next Weekend June 24/25

5:00 pm Saturday

Presider Fr. Libera
Lector Jerry Garner
Servers Tommy Miles, J.T. Vilus, Frances Leonard

Eucharistic Ministers

Rita & Tom Kent, Jan Zeller, Richard Byrne, Virginia Davidson

8:00 am

Presider Fr. Libera
Lector Bob Best
Servers Alana Natke, Will Nawrocki, Jake Miller
Eucharistic Ministers

Judy Berg, Walter Farrell, Bruno Jaselskis, Josie Vorda, Joseph Walsh

9:30 am

Presider Fr. Sztorc
Lector Jim De Nardo
Servers Abby Blabolil, Alexandra Miller, Carlin O'Brien

Eucharistic Ministers

Jill Blabolil, Shari Coats, Gabe Rodriguez, Ken Taylor, Jean Peters

11:30 am

Presider Fr. Sztorc
Lector Maurice Ann Sullivan
Servers Sean Kincaid, Katy Rose O'Brien, Quinn Ryan

Eucharistic Ministers

Joan Johnson, Rosemary Welch, Bill & Sue Harmon, Devin Kincaid

5:00 pm Sunday

Presider: Fr. Watts

Readings for the Week of June 18, 2006

Sunday: Ex 24:3-8/ Heb 9:11-15/ Mk 14:12-16, 22-26
Monday: 1 Kgs 21:1-16/ Mt 5:38-42
Tuesday: 1 Kgs 21:17-29/ Mt 5:43-48
Wednesday: 2 Kgs 2:1, 6-14/ Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
Thursday: Sir 48:1-14/ Mt 6:7-15
Friday: Hos 11:1, 3-4, 8c-9/ Eph 3:8-12, 14-19/ Jn 19:31-37
Saturday: Is 49:1-6/ Acts 13:22-26/ Lk 1:57-66, 80
Next Sunday: Jb 38:1, 8-11/ 2 Cor 5:14-17/ Mk 4:35-41

Working with the Scriptures

June 18, 2006 (Mk. 14:12-16, 22-26)

Phil works as a clinical social worker in a school for troubled kids. For Phil it's a dream come true, but he wasn't sure that it could ever happen. You see, Phil is also a priest. After ordination, he worked in his Diocesan Youth Ministry Office and did relief work in parishes, but Phil really wanted to be a Social Worker. So he petitioned the head of the religious order to which he belongs and after several meetings, endless forms and three years of classes, Phil earned his Master's Degree in Social Work.

Today Phil believes that it's not so much in church on Sunday that he lives out his call to priesthood as in the weekday world of the young people he serves. In fact, because public monies fund the school, most of the kids don't even know that he *is* a priest. What they *do* know is that he cares about them, that they can trust him and that, if they let him, he will do whatever it takes to help them.

"This is my body...this is my blood..." As a priest Phil has probably said those words hundreds of times; but it is as a social worker that he has lived them. His altar of sacrifice looks more like an old oak desk than a square of gleaming marble, and the place where he puts his life on the line is the holding area of the local jail. But Phil's secular work has put him squarely in the middle of the most sacred of actions, giving his own body and blood so that others may live.

As baptized Christians we, too, share in the priesthood of believers – gifted with the Body and Blood of Christ so that we, in turn, might become the Body and Blood of Christ for others. Phil found his truest priesthood in the *upper room* of the secular world, the same upper room to which most of us are called. Phil's desk is his altar. At what altar do *we* serve? For whom are we willing to become the Body and Blood of Christ?

Vinal Van Benthem

Day Care Offered

Are you looking for quality day care in a safe, warm and loving environment?

K a u s a r
Allahrakha will provide holistic,



child-centered care with many activities to keep children happy and active. She provides breakfast, lunch and nutritious snacks according to the requirements of DCFS. Kausar, who has provided child care at St. Athanasius Parish for many years, is certified in CPR and First Aid. Her home is conveniently located in Skokie. For more information, please call her at 847-763-0835.

Active Senior Expo

"Dedicated to inform, educate and entertain senior citizens" will be held Wednesday, June 21, 9 am - 2 pm, at White Eagle Banquets, 6839 N. Milwaukee Avenue in Niles. The event will feature hundreds of products and services for seniors, free health screenings, free seminars and free musical entertainment. Present this article for free admission (regular admission is \$2). For more information, call 630-620-6347.

Volunteer at St. Francis Hospital

Saint Francis Hospital is in need of volunteers for a variety of opportunities including patient transport, greeters in specialty units, guest relations, the gift shop, information desk and clerical and administrative duties. For further information, call 847-316-2255.

St. Athanasius Parish

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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

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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

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Deacon

Richard S. Jay

Music Ministry

Steve Carson

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.



Amanda Rajkovich Picks the Winning Car Raffle Ticket:
The Stoklosa Family