

The Chimes

of Saint Athanasius Parish

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Eucharistic Worship

Monday - Friday 6:30 and 8:15 am
Saturday 8:15 am, 5:00 pm
Sunday 8:00, 9:30 and 11:30 am
LifeTeen 5:00 pm

Our Mission

*"Do this in memory of Me."
We, the members of the
Catholic Community of
St. Athanasius Parish,
are each called by baptism
to continue the work of
Jesus Christ embracing all.
We aspire to worship, love,
thank and serve God.
We are open to what
God calls us to become.*



Hospitality in Lindley Park after last Sunday's Town Hall
preview of our Generations Campaign

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JULY 20, 2008

Eucharistic Liturgies

July 20 - 27, 2008

Sunday

- 5:00 pm (Saturday) † Souplit & Leibert Family
- 8:00 am † Rose Schuba
- 9:30 am † Josephine Leeson
- 11:30 am † Marilyn Tyler
- 5:00 pm † Clara Kuznicki

Monday

- 6:30 am † Robert Crowder
- 8:15 am † Renee Walsh

Tuesday

- 6:30 am † Gail Wallace
- 8:15 am † Cissie Kane

Wednesday

- 6:30 am † Sheri Payne
- 8:15 am † Renee Walsh

Thursday

- 6:30 am † Robert Schmitz
- 8:15 am † Marirob Tures

Friday

- 6:30 am † John Trutter
- 9:00 am † Chester Ehlert

Saturday

- 8:15 am † Barry McRaith
- 5:00 pm † Joe & Marian McGowan

Sunday

- 8:00 am † Dorothy Maloney
- 9:30 am † Rose Schuba
- 11:30 am † Renee Walsh
- 5:00 pm † Mary Conroy

Priests' Retirement and Mutual Aid Association

Dear Friends in Christ,

This weekend, we will begin the first special collection for the Retired Priests of the Archdiocese.

We all know how much our ministry in the parishes depends upon the generosity of retired priests and, over the past ten years, I have been edified by the willingness of our retired priests to respond to the call to serve as temporary administrators of parishes, sometimes parishes undergoing great stress and suffering. Please join me in offering our retired priests words of appreciation and gratitude for their many years of priestly ministry.

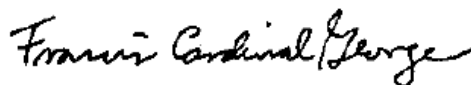
Over those same years, I have worked with the Priests' Retirement and Mutual Aid Association (PRMAA) to take care of all our retired priests. The costs for healthcare, prescription drug coverage, and nursing home care continue to rise annually. We have not raised the pension for retired priests in seven years. This special collection will help us continue our care for our retired priests.

You may be aware that the December collection for Retired Religious is designated to provide only for Religious Orders. Archdiocesan priests do not receive any funds from this collection.

I want to take this opportunity to thank all of our retired priests for the ministry they do in the parishes of the Archdiocese. Our retired priests make possible an adequate schedule of Masses and sacraments for the faithful. Our retired priests who administer parishes have given new life to many communities. Please accept my thanks and my prayers.

I am thankful to all of you for helping inaugurate this special collection for the retired priests of the Archdiocese. Your generosity and your prayers are a great affirmation of the work of our retired priests. You are in my prayers; please keep me in yours.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

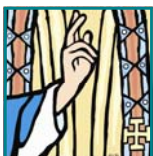


Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I.
Archbishop of Chicago

OFFERTORY COLLECTION REPORT

Offertory July 12/13	\$6,810
HOPE Sunday To Date	\$27,247
St. Agnes.....	\$1,391
ParishPay for June	\$12,402

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

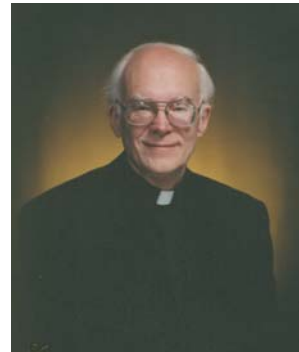


This Week: Retirement Fund
for Priests

Next Week: None

The Generations Campaign

Thanks to all who attended last Sunday's Town Hall meeting, where we launched a new chapter in the history of St. Athanasius Parish by introducing our **Generations Campaign – Our Foundation, Our Footprint, Our Future.**



Beginning more than 1 1/2 years ago, a group of dedicated and enthusiastic parishioners began a careful process of discerning the needs and hopes for our parish facilities. Our Parish Pastoral Council and I agreed with their recommendation to start a capitol campaign that would both honor the accomplishments of our predecessors who dedicated our beautiful church building 70 years ago, and would allow us to be responsible stewards, assuring that we properly care for our parish facilities into future generations.

In the coming months, you will have the opportunity to learn much more about the **Generations Campaign.** Here, I will give a brief overview of this important endeavor.

First, we need to restore to good condition the **foundation** and center of our Parish life, our beautiful church building. Looking around, the water damage to the Church interior grows with each passing month. Our goal is to begin repairs later this summer and to complete next year a \$2 million renovation of this treasured and historically significant building. The major work would be to reseal and restore the Church exterior. We will then move inside for repair and repainting.

Secondly, we have the opportunity to increase the **footprint** of our parish facilities by acquiring Lindley Park. This lot, located immediately south of our main parking lot, was the former home of beloved parishioner Virginia Lindley. When the property became available, a group of generous and forward-thinking parish families acquired the land. This has given our parish the opportunity to purchase the land at cost, which is \$600,000. This addition to our parish footprint would give us a park-like space for numerous Church and School activities for the benefit of all members of our faith community.

Finally, our **Generations Campaign** attends to our **future** by establishing a \$400,000 maintenance fund to assure that resources are available for future upkeep of all the buildings on our beautiful campus.

During the next months, guided by the experience of the Foley Consulting group, our **Campaign Leadership Team** will continue to recruit volunteers who will be essential for a successful campaign. **Please consider joining this effort in one of several volunteer roles.** The hope is to complete the major pledge phase of the **Generations Campaign** by year's end. I especially want to thank the members who have joined me on the **Campaign Leadership Team.** They are Heather Anderson, Judy Berg, Shamus Hanlon, Bill Harmon, Dan O'Shaughnessy, Tonise Paul, Bill Quinlan, Steve Rak, and Kate Regnier. In addition, our **Facilities Committee** will guide the church renovation work. I thank them as well. They are Megan Boyle, John Gallagher, Pat O'Connor, Tim Patton, Ken Pywell, Tom Rajkovich, and Bill Harmon as liaison to the Leadership Team. You are invited to speak to any one of us if you have questions about our campaign effort.

With the assistance of these enthusiastic leaders and you, I have a high confidence that the **Generations Campaign – Our Foundation, Our Footprint, Our Future** will be our next success.

In the Lord's Blessings,

Fr. Tom Libera

Booster Club Fund Raiser



Thanks to a gracious offer from our friend Joe Flanagan, we have the opportunity to see the fastest game on two feet, Major League Lacrosse. Have some fun with family and friends, and raise a few dollars for St. A's Athletics. \$10 from every ticket purchased will go to St. A's

Athletics and will be a tremendous help to support our program needs during the 2008-09 school year. The Chicago Machine will take on the Los Angeles Riptide, **this Sunday, July 20 at 3:30 pm in Bridgeview.** To purchase tickets, call Julie Coe at (773) 572-4367. All St. A's kids will form a human tunnel during player introductions before the game.

Weekly Food Collection

St. A's has decided to have a food collection every week and not just on the first weekend of each month, because the food pantries are in desperate need of more donations. The basket will be in the vestibule near the Lincoln Street entrance.

Pope's Prayer Intentions

General Intention

Volunteers. That there may be an increase in the number of volunteers who offer their services to the Christian Community.

Pope Benedict XVI has repeatedly expressed his thanks and admiration for volunteers. Volunteers are the people who hear the Word of God and do it. They carry on the work of Jesus Christ by serving those in need with love and joy. In a meeting with volunteer associations last year, the Pope said that volunteers give our society a "humane and Christian face" it would not otherwise have.

Mission Intention

World Youth Day. That World Youth Day in Sydney, Australia may awaken the fire of divine love in young people and make them sowers of hope for a new humanity.

Pope Benedict XVI will visit World Youth Day (WYD) 2008, July 15-20, in Sydney, Australia. The theme Pope Benedict chose for this great Catholic youth festival is "You will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you and you will be my witnesses" (Acts 1:8).

Please Remember In Your Prayers...

The newly engaged, especially **Tyler Simpson** and **Ashley Ossola (III)**, and **Ryan Clark** and **Emily Noyes (I)**;

The sick and their caregivers, especially **Tom Walsh**, **Joseph DeLapp**, **Charmayne Swanson**, **Mary Ann Vogt**, mother of Carolyn Groves, **Philip Driscoll**, **Rita Smith**, **George Blecha**, **Rosemary Boyle**, **Kathy Groves**, **Olga Chappel**, **Brian Bourke**, **Mary Beth Egner**, **Robert Grisby**, **Patrick Nicholson**, **Christopher Cronin**, **Norman Seligman**, **Helene Joelo**, **Ursula Peghini**, **Pawel Chlipala**, **Victoria Neckel**, **Mary Rhee**, **Annie Beck**, and **George Gordon**;

Those in the military, especially **Ensign Anthony Grusich, USN**, son of Lois and Bill Grusich, **Petty Officer 3rd Class Ryan Olsen** and **PFC Kyle Olsen**, grandsons of Jane and Emmit Ingram; and **Matthew Chrobak**, nephew of Eric Harkna and Tonise Paul;

Those who have died, especially **Michael Byrne**, husband of Nadene Byrne, and **Charles Queenan** husband of Sheila Dixon, father of Michael and Anne Queenan, and dear friend of Marie Queenan.

PLEASE NOTE: Names of the Sick recommended to our prayers will remain in the bulletin for **one month**. If you wish their names to remain beyond that time, please call the parish office.

MEET THE TEAM!

Please enjoy this week's installment as we continue to introduce those who will serve on the Campaign Leadership Team in support of

The Generations Campaign. If you have any questions about the campaign going forward, you are invited to discuss them with any member of the Campaign Leadership Team.



Heather Andersen grew up in Chicago in Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish. She attended Woodlands Academy of the Sacred Heart in Lake Forest and graduated from Academy of the Sacred Heart, Sheridan Road in Chicago. Heather earned a B.A. in Economics at Northwestern University and began her career at LaSalle Bank in the Trust Department. She moved on to the Bond area where she sold these financial instruments to institutional investors.

Heather met her husband, Bill, at the bank and they have been married now for 13 years. Bill is Managing Director at RW Baird, where he sells fixed income securities. Their boys are Matthew, 11, who just completed 5th grade, Topher, 8, who has just finished 3rd grade, and Will, 6, a recent kindergarten graduate. All three boys attend St. Athanasius School.

Heather remembers fondly that she and Bill were sold on the idea of moving to the St. Athanasius community by Bob and Sue Costello. They wanted to be close to the city, but needed a backyard for their growing family and Evanston has been the perfect spot. Heather has found St. A's to be an incredibly welcoming, accepting and supportive community where multiple generations are available and interested in supporting the parish's children.

Heather became involved in the St. A's community immediately upon her arrival in town. She has served on the School Board for three years and was Chairman during her final year. During that time, Heather chaired the successful Denim and Blues fundraiser. She went on to chair the Angel Ball and has served as the Community Committee representative on PAR.

Heather has absolutely no doubt that St. A's will succeed in achieving the \$3.0 million goal set for ***The Generations Campaign.*** She looks forward to having all members of the St. A's community come together around this important project. *"We need to preserve our beautiful church and stained glass windows that will be here for the enjoyment of our entire community for generations. We must build up a maintenance fund to ensure that we are able to sustain the architecturally significant structures we have. We must acquire Lindley Park to expand our footprint to further develop our future income potential and provide adequate options for a gathering space."*



T H E
GENERATIONS
C A M P A I G N

our foundation, our footprint, our future

*Thank you to those parishioners who joined us for our Town Hall Meeting last weekend. We appreciated your comments and welcome your questions. As we prepare for our upcoming \$3 million **Generations Campaign** in support of Church repairs, acquisition of Lindley Park and establishment of a Parish-wide maintenance fund, we are committed to keeping the people of St. Athanasius updated on our progress and the various forms of volunteer involvement. Today we begin a series of Q&A's that will appear each week in *The Chimes*. If you would like additional information, please contact the campaign office (847-332-1615) or visit with a member of the Campaign Leadership Team.*

Q. *How were the priorities of The Generations Campaign determined?*

A. In early 2007, Father Tom invited parishioner input to clearly identify the wishes and desires of our family of faith. A great deal of research, discussion and prayer has taken place by many dedicated parishioners. The **A Time to Grow** committee took all of the input from clergy, parishioners and staff and proposed a project to include repair work on the Church, the acquisition of Lindley Park by the Parish and the construction of a gathering space. These recommendations were then presented to both the Parish Pastoral Council and Father Tom for his approval.

Next, St. Athanasius retained Foley Consulting to conduct a Planning Study to test the appeal of these recommendations and assess the viability of conducting a capital campaign. A total of 77 parishioners participated in the Study and the results confirmed that the Parish could and would support a campaign on behalf of immediate Church repairs, acquisition of Lindley Park and establishment of a Parish-wide maintenance fund. The Planning Study results also indicated that the goal of constructing a gathering space was outside of the Parish's financial reach at this time.

Q. *What is the breakdown of the \$3 million goal?*

A.	Church Repair	\$2,000,000 (Cost Estimate in 2007 Dollars)
	Acquisition of Lindley Park	\$ 600,000
	Parish-Wide Maintenance Fund	<u>\$ 400,000</u>
	TOTAL	\$3,000,000

Q. *Does the Parish already hold title to Lindley Park?*

A. No, Lindley Park is privately owned by an investor group comprised of nine Parish families. When Virginia Lindley passed on several years ago, it was her desire that her home be demolished if it was not to remain in the family. Friends of Lindley Park, LLC came together to purchase the property recognizing that opportunities like this to consolidate Parish grounds rarely occur and needed to be acted upon quickly.

The ownership group has subsequently entered into a formal lease with the Parish and Archdiocese whereby they lease the property to St. Athanasius free of charge. The lease agreement expires at the end of this calendar year. The investors put in \$600,000 of their own money to cover the \$550,000 purchase of the Lindley home, plus another \$50,000 in expenses and carrying costs to demolish the home and garage, grade and sod the lot, pay taxes (the lot is not tax exempt), and fence and care for the property. Both the investor group and the Archdiocese hold liability insurance on the lot and its use by the Parish.

The investor group is now offering the lot to the Parish at their direct cost and at no profit to them. They are holding the property to allow time for the Parish to raise the funds necessary to finalize the purchase.

Parish Calendar

Sunday, July 20

LifeTeen after Mass, 6-8 pm, Teen Room
Men's Basketball, 7-9 pm, Gym

Monday, July 21

Tuesday, July 22

Wednesday, July 23

LifeTeen Open Gym, 7-9 pm, Gym
Men's Basketball, 9-11 pm, Gym

Thursday, July 24

Irish Exchange Kids, 1-3 pm, Gym

Friday, July 25

Irish Exchange Kids, 6:30-9 pm, Gym
Irish Exchange Kids, 9 pm, Teen Room

Saturday, July 26

Sunday, July 27

Men's Basketball, 7-9 pm, Gym

Soup Kitchen

Volunteers are needed for the next **Thursday** soup kitchen on **August 7** at First United Methodist Church, 1630 Hinman, 4:30 pm to 7:30 pm (meal served at 6:00). Please contact Karen Ryan (847-332-1850) or Kris Koenig-Morel (847-475-2104) or Christine Carlson (847-869-4160) to participate. Volunteers are also needed for the next **Monday** soup kitchen on **August 11** at Second Baptist Church, 1717 Benson, 11:00 am to 1:00 pm (meal served at noon). Please contact Katie Maday (847-475-1538) or Helen Madden (847-866-8875) to participate.

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Weekday Servers July 21 - 26

8:15 am Monday/Tuesday/Wednesday
Maddie Giella, Claire Glavin
Thursday/Friday/Saturday
Quinn Foley, Malin Frazel

Liturgical Ministers

Next Weekend July 26/27

5:00 pm Saturday

Presider Fr. Libera
Lector Chris Talbot
Servers Matthew & Michael Consolo,
Aidan Crowe
Eucharistic Ministers
Bob Costello, Mary Anne King,
Richard Byrne, Helen Stake,
Jan Zeller

8:00 am

Presider Fr. Sztorc
Lector Jane Carney
Servers Paul & Therese Cushing,
Clementine Creevy
Eucharistic Ministers
Judy Berg, Walter Farrell,
Bruno Jaselskis, Chris Talbot,
Mary Pat Schmidt

9:30 am

Presider Fr. Libera
Lector Peggy McCarthy
Servers Jack Daffada, Anna Cox, Moira Dillon
Eucharistic Ministers
Bridget Hotchkiss, Kevin Leonard,
Bob Curley, Gabe Rodriguez,
Michael Sultan

11:30 am

Presider Fr. Sztorc
Lector Mary Rooney
Servers Claire Glavin, Jeffrey Enochs,
Maddie Giella
Eucharistic Ministers
Bill & Sue Harmon, Claire Labbe,
Mary Ann Harvey, Joan Johnson

5:00 pm Sunday

Presider Fr. Libera

Readings for the Week of July 20, 2008

Sunday: Wis 12:13, 16-19/Rom 8:26-27/Mt 13:24-43
or 13:24-30
Monday: Mi 6:1-4, 6-8/Mt 12:38-42
Tuesday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Jn 20:1-2, 11-18
Wednesday: Jer 1:1, 4-10/Mt 13:1-9
Thursday: Jer 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13/Mt 13:10-17
Friday: 2 Cor 4:7-15/Mt 20:20-28
Saturday: Jer 7:1-11/Mt 13:24-30
Next Sunday: 1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12/Rom 8:28-30/Mt 13:44-52
or 13:44-46

Working with the Scriptures

July 20, 2008 (Mt. 13:24-43)

We are often quick to judge when we see something happening that we don't like. We assume that we know what drives and motivates other people. We form an opinion without stopping to find out what's really going on and, in the process, like the "...slaves of the householder..." in today's Gospel, we pull out what we think are weeds only to end up destroying the wheat as well.

Fifty dollars is found missing from the cash drawer. The owner of the store assumes that an employee has stolen it and the employee is fired. Sometime later a customer comes into the store to return a \$50 bill that had inadvertently gotten stuck to another bill he had received in change for a \$100 purchase. Weeds and wheat.

Mary's mother is in the hospital. She rings for the nurse but no one comes. Mary becomes angry and charges into the department head's office, threatening to file suit against the hospital for sloppy patient care. The department head advises Mary that one of the ward nurses has been involved in an automobile accident, leaving the ward unexpectedly short staffed. The remaining nurse on duty has offered to extend her shift until another nurse can be located so that the patients on the ward can continue to receive the best care possible under the circumstances. Weeds and wheat.

On Tuesday, July 22, we will celebrate the feast of St. Mary Magdalene. For centuries, Mary Magdalene has been misunderstood – portrayed as a prostitute on whom Jesus took pity, a symbol of the repentant sinner. Recent Scripture study reveals, however, that Mary Magdalene was actually an important leader in the early Christian community and the first witness to the Resurrection. Today we know her as "The Apostle to the Apostles". Weeds and wheat.

False assumptions often lead to suspicion and fear. Negative presuppositions can deny human dignity and diminish the soul. When we judge based on what we think we know rather than what is true, we risk destroying more wheat than weeds. Do we choose to save the wheat? Or would we rather just go on pulling up weeds?

Vinal Van Benthem

Volunteers Wanted

The Evanston Health and Human Services Department's Community Health Division and the Evanston Commission on Aging are recruiting volunteers that will assist seniors as well as persons with disabilities with general outdoor yard maintenance including but not limited to, lawn mowing, weeding, hedge and branch trimming, and possibly gardening. The program is also recruiting for volunteers to assist with leaf raking and snow shoveling during the winter months. Volunteers will be matched with persons in need of assistance. This is an excellent opportunity for individuals, families, groups, or organizations to "adopt" a neighborhood and assist them throughout the year. To volunteer or for more information, call Milcah Baraona at (847) 866-2919.

Maryville Academy Celebrates 125th Anniversary

The Board of Directors of Maryville Academy cordially invites you to their 125th Anniversary Celebration. Mass will be celebrated by Francis Cardinal George, Archbishop of Chicago, at Maryville's Des Plaines Campus, 1150 North River Road, Des Plaines on Saturday, July 26 at 4:30 pm. Mass will be followed by light refreshments and fellowship from 6:00 to 7:00 pm. All are welcome, but please let them know if you plan to attend (so they can plan for refreshments) by emailing 125@maryvilleacademy.org.

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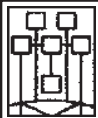
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Wednesday - Friday 4:30-6:30 pm
Saturday 10 am-4 pm; Sunday 9 am-1 pm

Parish Office Staff

Karen Sonnicksen Sellers, *Parish Administrator* (ksellers†)
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Janice Moore-Rivas, *Administrative Assistant* (jmoore-rivas†)
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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.

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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 Fr. Rich Sztorc.

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 Lori Goszczynski. 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.



Safe journey to Bob & Shari Coats as they move to California